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DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED

Owner-Builder: For the purposes of this Bulletin, an owner-builder is a person who is actually building his own house or is having his house built under his own direction without the services of a contractor.

Commenced: A building is regarded as having been commenced when work on foundations has begun. Owing to the difficulty of defining the exact point at which this represents in building operations, it is probable that interpretations placed upon it by informants are not entirely uniform.

Completed: A building is regarded as having been completed when the builder has fulfilled the terms of the contract. As with commencements, the interpretations placed upon this definition may vary.

Under Construction: A building remaining uncompleted at the end of a period is regarded as being under construction regardless of whether construction was actively proceeding on that particular date.

Employment: The figures of employment relate to persons actually working on new buildings on a specified day. They include working principals, employees, men working as, or for, sub-contractors and men temporarily laid off on account of weather. In addition, they include some employees engaged on alterations, additions, renovations or repairs to buildings when these jobs are undertaken by a contractor who builds new buildings. The figures exclude persons working on owner-built houses.

Values: All values shown exclude the value of land and represent the estimated value of buildings on completion.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

All figures in this Bulletin (with the exception of those relating to employment) relate to the operations of private contractors, Government Authorities and owner-builders. Operations of the latter are not included in the employment section.

Figures relate only to the operations of persons who build New Buildings.

Alterations, additions, renovations and repairs to buildings are excluded, because of the difficulty in obtaining complete lists of persons who engage in these operations.

Figures for houses exclude converted military huts, flats, and shop dwellings. Some houses built on farms are excluded but these do not affect the figures materially.

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VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS

TABLE I : VALUE (when completed) OF NEW BUILDINGS : AUSTRALIA
(Including estimated value of owner-built houses)

Period	Commenced during Period		Completed during Period		Under Construction at end of Period	
<u>HOUSES - NUMBER AND VALUE</u>						
	No.	£'000	No.	£'000	No.	£'000
Year ended 30th June, 1946	N.A.	N.A.	15,376	14,458	21,408	23,590
" " " " 1947	47,243	54,935	32,607	35,694	36,144	44,745
" " " " 1948	53,323	70,351	43,503	53,227	45,949	65,459
" " " " 1949	57,926	87,498	51,339	73,324	52,642	84,172
1947-48 - Qtr. ended 31st Dec.	13,004	16,603	11,289	13,606	41,429	54,291
" " " 31st Mar.	12,164	16,316	10,157	12,537	43,435	58,100
" " " 30th June	13,950	19,906	11,405	14,721	45,949	65,459
1948-49 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	14,744	21,377	12,186	16,440	48,529	71,659
" " " 31st Dec.	14,289	21,265	14,713	20,720	48,076	73,813
" " " 31st Mar.	14,229	21,804	11,547	16,895	50,822	79,561
" " " 30th June	14,664	23,052	12,893	19,269	52,642	84,172
1949-50 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	(a) 15,171	(a) 23,190	13,224	20,734	54,625	88,995
" " " 31st Dec.	17,348	27,949	15,219	24,555	56,759	96,286
" " " 31st Mar.	17,405	29,350	12,169	19,877	61,999	105,423
<u>OTHER NEW BUILDINGS - VALUE (£'000).</u>						
Year ended 30th June, 1946	N.A.		7,033		(a) 9,806	
" " " " 1947	16,391		6,315		(a) 21,255	
" " " " 1948	20,553		9,555		(a) 33,588	
" " " " 1949	(a) 27,690		15,726		49,065	
1947-48 - Qtr. ended 31st Dec.	4,756		2,114		(a) 26,813	
" " " 31st Mar.	4,930		2,424		(a) 29,088	
" " " 30th June	6,406		2,643		(a) 33,588	
1948-49 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	6,450		3,417		(a) 38,793	
" " " 31st Dec.	6,154		3,888		40,241	
" " " 31st Mar.	(a) 6,615		4,025		44,495	
" " " 30th June	(a) 8,471		4,396		49,065	
1949-50 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	6,868		3,669		50,143	
" " " 31st Dec.	7,009		5,465		54,016	
" " " 31st Mar.	9,958		5,599		57,994	
<u>TOTAL NEW BUILDINGS - VALUE (£'000).</u>						
Year ended 30th June, 1946	N.A.		21,491		(a) 33,396	
" " " " 1947	71,526		42,009		(a) 66,000	
" " " " 1948	91,104		62,782		(a) 99,047	
" " " " 1949	(a) 115,188		89,050		133,237	
1947-48 - Qtr. ended 31st Dec.	21,359		15,720		(a) 81,104	
" " " 31st Mar.	21,246		14,961		(a) 87,188	
" " " 30th June	26,312		17,364		(a) 99,047	
1948-49 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	27,827		19,857		(a) 110,452	
" " " 31st Dec.	27,419		24,608		114,054	
" " " 31st Mar.	(a) 28,419		20,920		124,056	
" " " 30th June	(a) 31,523		23,665		133,237	
1949-50 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	(a) 30,058		24,403		139,138	
" " " 31st Dec.	34,958		30,020		150,302	
" " " 31st Mar.	39,308		25,476		163,417	

(a) Revised.

TABLE 2 : VALUE (when completed) OF TOTAL NEW BUILDINGS : STATES
(Including estimated value of owner-built houses.)
(£'000)

Period	Commenced during Period	Completed during Period	Under Construction at end of Period
<u>NEW SOUTH WALES.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	30,458	17,097	30,041
" " " " 1948 ..	36,196	24,305	44,461
" " " " 1949 ..	45,154	32,737	59,172
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	10,236	7,578	55,049
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	12,537	11,795	66,733
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	15,180	9,467	71,136
<u>VICTORIA</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	20,398	11,067	(a) 19,333
" " " " 1948 ..	26,841	17,891	(a) 29,573
" " " " 1949 ..	(a) 36,325	27,357	41,607
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	9,463	6,563	38,935
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	11,083	9,436	45,518
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	12,537	7,934	50,286
<u>QUEENSLAND</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	9,319	7,257	5,337
" " " " 1948 ..	12,093	10,390	7,232
" " " " 1949 ..	13,192	12,199	8,479
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	3,292	3,042	7,595
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	4,327	3,453	9,933
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	3,940	3,409	10,690
<u>SOUTH AUSTRALIA.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	4,848	2,744	4,774
" " " " 1948 ..	5,341	4,080	6,170
" " " " 1949 ..	7,599	6,483	7,735
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	1,919	1,620	7,404
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	2,767	2,461	8,929
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	3,022	2,061	10,021
<u>WESTERN AUSTRALIA.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	3,036	2,117	2,872
" " " " 1948 ..	4,420	3,328	4,452
" " " " 1949 ..	5,825	4,707	6,416
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	1,479	1,064	6,053
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	1,931	1,405	7,601
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	2,326	1,125	8,905
<u>TASMANIA</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	2,718	1,417	2,759
" " " " 1948 ..	3,607	2,279	4,146
" " " " 1949 ..	5,371	3,810	5,872
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	1,532	919	5,482
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	2,013	1,185	7,267
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	2,026	1,311	7,920
<u>AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	749	310	884
" " " " 1948 ..	2,606	509	3,013
" " " " 1949 ..	1,722	757	3,956
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	498	134	3,538
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	300	285	4,321
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	277	169	4,459
<u>AUSTRALIA.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	71,526	42,069	(a) 66,000
" " " " 1948 ..	91,104	62,782	(a) 99,047
" " " " 1949 ..	(a) 115,188	89,050	133,237
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	28,419	20,920	124,056
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	34,958	30,020	150,302
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	39,308	22,476	163,417

(a) Revised.

TABLE 3 : VALUE (when completed) OF NEW BUILDINGS COMMENCED IN
AUSTRALIA : KINDS.

(Including estimated value of houses being built by owner-builders)
(£'000)

Kind of Building	Year ended -			Quarter ended -		
	30th June, 1947	30th June, 1948	30th June, 1949	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Houses -						
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	28,412	36,054	42,123	10,439	12,000	13,314
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	12,399	17,183	23,827	6,115	9,483	9,588
Fibro Cement ..	13,440	16,543	20,762	5,024	6,262	6,169
Other ..	684	771	786	226	204	279
<u>Total Houses:</u>	54,935	70,551	87,498	21,804	27,949	29,350
Flats ..	1,318	2,365	(a) 3,593	729	709	922
Shops with Dwellings ..	366	722	800	220	198	311
Shops without Dwellings ..	365	338	362	102	152	204
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, etc. ..	505	439	1,009	256	229	1,107
Factories ..	6,360	5,505	7,715	2,089	1,595	2,617
Other New Buildings ..	7,677	11,184	14,211	3,219	4,126	4,797
<u>Total Other Buildings:</u>	16,591	20,553	(a) 27,690	6,615	7,009	9,958
<u>Total New Buildings:</u>	71,526	91,104	(a) 115,188	28,419	34,958	39,308

(a) Revised.

TABLE 4 : VALUE (when completed) OF NEW BUILDINGS COMMENCED IN EACH
STATE DURING QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1950 : KINDS.

(Including estimated value of houses being built by owner-builders)
(£'000)

Kind of Building	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses -								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete & Stone ..	4,844	4,094	675	2,077	885	515	224	13,314
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	1,387	5,017	2,218	33	67	820	46	9,588
Fibro Cement ..	4,272	641	294	287	641	32	2	6,169
Other ..	80	100	89	3	3	4	-	279
<u>Total Houses:</u>	10,583	9,852	3,276	2,400	1,596	1,371	272	29,350
Flats ..	538	293	7	-	82	2	-	922
Shops with Dwellings	128	161	15	2	-	5	-	311
Shops without Dwellings ..	50	37	46	8	38	25	-	204
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, etc. ..	132	656	61	213	-	45	-	1,107
Factories ..	1,731	427	62	106	75	216	-	2,617
Other New Buildings	2,018	1,111	473	293	535	362	5	4,797
<u>Total Other Buildings:</u>	4,597	2,685	664	622	730	655	5	9,958
<u>Total New Buildings:</u>	15,180	12,537	3,940	3,022	2,326	2,026	277	39,308

TABLE 5 : VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED IN AUSTRALIA : KINDS
(Including estimated value of houses built by owner-builders)
(£'000)

Kind of Building	Year ended -			Quarter ended -		
	30th June, 1947	30th June, 1948	30th June, 1949	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Houses -						
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	16,549	25,833	35,523	8,020	11,409	8,986
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	8,842	13,492	19,918	4,872	7,524	6,452
Fibro Cement ..	9,924	13,360	17,234	3,867	5,331	4,253
Other ..	379	542	649	136	291	186
Total Houses:	35,694	53,227	73,324	16,895	24,555	19,877
Flats ..	339	1,057	2,102	477	888	524
Shops with Dwellings ..	170	373	584	124	242	253
Shops without Dwellings ..	190	253	372	63	141	110
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, etc. ..	150	182	537	136	213	370
Factories ..	2,171	3,497	5,098	1,296	1,751	1,589
Other New Buildings ..	3,295	4,193	7,033	1,929	2,230	2,753
Total Other Buildings:	6,315	9,555	15,726	4,025	5,465	5,599
Total New Buildings:	42,009	62,782	89,050	20,920	30,020	25,476

**TABLE 6 : VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED IN EACH STATE DURING
QUARTER ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1950 : KINDS.**
(Including estimated value of houses built by owner-builders)
(£'000)

Kind of Building	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses -								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete & Stone ..	3,212	2,987	461	1,397	465	398	66	8,986
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	882	2,774	1,989	35	43	690	39	6,452
Fibro Cement ..	3,090	316	236	148	402	35	26	4,253
Other ..	62	43	54	17	6	4	-	186
Total Houses:	7,246	6,120	2,740	1,597	916	1,127	131	19,877
Flats ..	383	101	6	-	27	1	6	524
Shops with Dwellings..	121	96	12	6	-	12	6	253
Shops without Dwellings ..	41	19	9	13	2	18	8	110
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, etc. ..	154	135	-	68	-	13	-	370
Factories ..	791	593	13	86	58	30	18	1,589
Other New Buildings ..	731	870	629	291	122	110	-	2,753
Total Other Buildings:	2,221	1,814	669	464	209	184	38	5,599
Total New Buildings:	9,467	7,934	3,409	2,061	1,125	1,311	169	25,476

TABLE 7 : VALUE (when completed) OF NEW BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION
IN AUSTRALIA : KINDS.

(Including estimated value of houses being built by owner-builders.)
(£'000)

Kind of Building	AS AT -					
	30th June, 1946	31st March, 1947	31st March, 1948	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Houses -						
Brick, Brick						
Veneer, Concrete						
and Stone ..	11,590	21,243	33,003	43,404	48,327	52,639
Wood (Weatherboard,						
etc.) ..	4,959	7,892	12,256	17,294	24,571	28,213
Fibro Cement ..	6,876	9,603	12,161	18,191	22,657	23,809
Other ..	165	484	680	672	731	762
<u>Total Houses:</u>	23,590	39,222	58,100	79,561	96,286	105,423
Flats ..	(b) 202	(b) 823	2,151	3,789	4,390	4,767
Shops with Dwellings	78	188	630	954	921	1,036
Shops without						
Dwellings ..	73	160	276	387	538	476
Hotels, Guest						
Houses, Boarding						
Houses, etc. ..	155	419	860	1,252	1,648	2,417
Factories ..	2,767	7,009	9,482	13,893	14,383	16,284
Other (a) ..	6,531	10,025	15,689	24,220	32,136	33,014
<u>Total Other</u>						
<u>Buildings:</u>	(b) 9,806	(b) 18,624	(b) 29,088	44,495	54,016	57,994
<u>Total New</u>						
<u>Buildings:</u>	(b) 33,396	(b) 57,846	(b) 87,188	124,056	150,302	163,417

(a) Includes value of work already done on Perth Hospital. Estimate of the final value of Perth Hospital works cannot be obtained. (b) Revised.

TABLE 8 : VALUE (when completed) OF NEW BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION
IN EACH STATE AT 31ST MARCH, 1950 : KINDS.

(Including estimated value of houses being built by owner-builders.)
(£'000)

Kind of Building	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses -								
Brick, Brick								
Veneer, Concrete								
and Stone ..	21,381	17,538	1,470	6,414	2,638	2,112	1,086	52,639
Wood (Weatherboard,								
etc.) ..	4,723	15,833	4,282	70	196	2,841	268	28,213
Fibro Cement ..	18,405	2,233	463	691	1,713	145	159	23,809
Other ..	263	338	118	14	17	12	-	762
<u>Total Houses:</u>	44,772	35,942	6,333	7,189	4,564	5,110	1,513	105,423
Flats ..	2,974	1,233	18	-	284	39	219	4,767
Shops with Dwellings	368	604	10	7	6	24	17	1,036
Shops without								
Dwellings ..	91	142	90	23	56	62	12	476
Hotels, Guest								
Houses, Boarding								
Houses, etc. ..	239	890	93	463	-	146	586	2,417
Factories ..	9,429	3,594	497	915	664	1,179	6	16,284
Other ..	1,263	7,881	3,649	1,424	(a) 3,331	1,360	2,106	33,014
<u>Total Other</u>								
<u>Buildings:</u>	26,364	14,344	4,357	2,832	4,341	2,810	2,946	57,994
<u>Total New</u>								
<u>Buildings:</u>	71,136	50,286	10,690	10,021	8,905	7,920	4,459	163,417

(a) Includes value of work already done on Perth Hospital. Estimate of the final value of Perth Hospital works cannot be obtained.

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS

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TABLE 9 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES : AUSTRALIA.
(Including owner-built houses)

Period	Commenced during Period	Completed during Period	Under Construction at end of Period
Year ended 30th June, 1946 ..	(a)	15,376	21,408
" " " " 1947 ..	47,243	32,607	36,144
" " " " 1948 ..	53,323	43,503	45,949
" " " " 1949 ..	57,926	51,339	52,642
1947-48 - Qtr. ended 31st Dec.	13,004	11,289	41,429
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" " " 30th June	14,664	12,893	52,642
1949-50 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	(b) 15,171	13,224	54,625
" " " 31st Dec.	17,348	15,219	56,759
" " " 31st March	17,405	12,169	61,999

(a) Not available. (b) Revised.

NUMBER OF FLATS

The figures in the two tables following are additional to the numbers of houses shown in other tables. Each flat is counted as a separate unit, and the numbers shown relate to individual flats. Only new flats are included, i.e. the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted.

TABLE 10 : NUMBER OF NEW FLATS : AUSTRALIA
(Individual flats)

Period	Commenced during Period	Completed during Period	Under Construction at end of Period
Year ended 30th June, 1946 ..	(a)	46	(b) 197
" " " " 1947 ..	1,035	319	(b) 923
" " " " 1948 ..	1,581	768	(b) 1,734
" " " " 1949 ..	(b) 2,021	1,345	2,416
1947-48 - Qtr. ended 31st Dec.	334	181	(b) 1,172
" " " 31st March	469	182	(b) 1,459
" " " 30th June	506	229	(b) 1,734
1948-49 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	716	319	(b) 2,131
" " " 31st Dec.	407	429	2,107
" " " 31st March	(b) 425	294	2,236
" " " 30th June	(b) 473	303	2,416
1949-50 - Qtr. ended 30th Sept.	543	382	2,577
" " " 31st Dec.	485	457	2,604
" " " 31st March	550	323	2,906

(a) Not available. (b) Revised.

TABLE 11 : NUMBER OF NEW FLATS : STATES
(Individual flats)

State	Year ended 30th June, 1949			Quarter ended 31st March, 1950		
	Commenced	Completed	Under Const.	Commenced	Completed	Under Const.
New South Wales	1,302	894	1,549	293	232	1,722
Victoria ..	(a) 505	368	643	150	51	644
Queensland ..	19	32	-	5	5	13
South Australia	-	6	-	-	-	-
Western Australia	17	-	17	100	30	322
Tasmania ..	34	25	27	2	1	21
Aust. Cap. Terr.	144	20	180	-	4	184
TOTAL:	(a) 2,021	1,345	2,416	550	323	2,906

(a) Revised.

Converted Military Huts: In addition to the foregoing, the numbers of temporary dwellings provided in converted military huts in Australia were 615 in 1945-46; 4,069 in 1946-47; 2,095 in 1947-48, and 249 in 1948-49.

TABLE 12 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES : STATES
(Including owner-built houses)

Period	Commenced during Period	Completed during Period	Under Construction at end of Period
<u>NEW SOUTH WALES.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	17,720	12,187	14,737
" " " " 1948 ..	19,807	14,858	19,686
" " " " 1949 ..	21,291	17,864	23,113
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	4,818	3,769	22,249
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	5,875	5,253	24,276
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	5,933	4,123	26,086
<u>VICTORIA</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	12,959	7,436	11,680
" " " " 1948 ..	14,878	11,846	14,712
" " " " 1949 ..	15,487	14,278	15,921
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	3,976	3,263	15,673
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	5,444	4,503	17,393
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	5,339	3,153	19,579
<u>QUEENSLAND</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	8,925	7,746	3,627
" " " " 1948 ..	9,528	9,204	3,951
" " " " 1949 ..	9,361	9,354	3,938
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	2,309	2,180	3,779
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	2,379	2,465	4,218
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	2,367	2,222	4,363
<u>SOUTH AUSTRALIA.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	3,269	2,227	2,654
" " " " 1948 ..	3,580	3,009	3,203
" " " " 1949 ..	4,561	3,989	3,940
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	1,223	951	3,802
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	1,407	1,310	4,156
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	1,578	1,097	4,653
<u>WESTERN AUSTRALIA.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	2,405	1,792	1,521
" " " " 1948 ..	3,075	2,771	1,841
" " " " 1949 ..	3,843	3,244	2,439
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	928	716	2,347
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	1,208	922	2,949
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	1,240	727	3,458
<u>TASMANIA</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	1,642	1,070	1,557
" " " " 1948 ..	2,062	1,544	2,065
" " " " 1949 ..	2,849	2,287	2,575
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	778	589	2,346
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	926	655	3,073
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	854	772	3,148
<u>AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	323	149	368
" " " " 1948 ..	393	271	491
" " " " 1949 ..	534	323	696
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	197	79	626
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	109	111	694
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	94	75	712
<u>AUSTRALIA.</u>			
Year ended 30th June, 1947 ..	47,243	32,607	36,144
" " " " 1948 ..	53,323	43,503	45,949
" " " " 1949 ..	57,926	51,339	52,642
Qtr. ended 31st March, 1949 ..	14,229	11,547	50,822
" " 31st Dec., 1949 ..	17,348	15,219	56,759
" " 31st March, 1950 ..	17,405	12,169	61,999

**TABLE 13 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMMENCED IN AUSTRALIA :
MATERIALS OF OUTER WALLS.**

(Including houses being built by owner-builders)

Materials of Outer Walls	Year ended -			Quarter ended -		
	30th June, 1947	30th June, 1948	30th June, 1949	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	19,622	21,897	22,374	5,450	5,866	6,228
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	12,818	15,544	18,273	4,599	6,511	6,310
Fibro Cement ..	14,054	15,165	16,697	4,036	4,793	4,593
Other ..	749	717	582	144	178	274
TOTAL:	47,243	53,323	57,926	14,229	17,348	17,405

**TABLE 14 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMMENCED IN EACH STATE : QUARTER
ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1950.**

(Including houses being built by owner-builders)

Materials of Outer Walls	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	1,991	1,760	343	1,282	534	245	73	6,228
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	934	2,989	1,681	33	85	568	20	6,310
Fibro Cement ..	2,890	530	261	257	516	38	1	4,593
Other ..	118	60	82	6	5	3	-	274
TOTAL:	5,933	5,339	2,367	1,578	1,240	854	94	17,405

**TABLE 15 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED IN AUSTRALIA :
MATERIALS OF OUTER WALLS.**

(Including houses built by owner-builders)

Materials of Outer Walls	Year ended -			Quarter ended -		
	30th June, 1947	30th June, 1948	30th June, 1949	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	11,823	16,821	19,973	4,383	5,657	4,274
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	9,673	13,030	16,295	3,920	5,276	4,549
Fibro Cement ..	10,605	13,100	14,504	3,136	4,086	3,189
Other ..	506	552	567	108	200	157
TOTAL:	32,607	43,503	51,339	11,547	15,219	12,169

**TABLE 16 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED IN EACH STATE :
QUARTER ENDED 31st MARCH, 1950**

(Including houses built by owner-builders)

Materials of Outer Walls	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone ..	1,333	1,248	235	934	294	200	30	4,274
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	591	1,635	1,686	36	51	527	23	4,549
Fibro Cement ..	2,163	245	228	115	375	41	22	3,189
Other ..	36	25	73	12	7	4	-	157
TOTAL:	4,123	3,153	2,222	1,097	727	772	75	12,169

TABLE 17 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN AUSTRALIA :

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MATERIALS OF OUTER WALLS

(Including houses being built by owner-builders)

Materials of Outer Walls	AS AT -					
	30th June, 1946	31st March, 1947	31st March, 1948	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	8,849	14,678	20,405	23,185	23,500	25,377
Fibro Cement ..	5,091	7,715	10,569	12,612	16,484	18,323
Other ..	7,286	9,592	11,901	14,526	16,277	17,684
	182	436	560	499	498	615
TOTAL:	21,408	32,421	43,435	50,822	56,759	61,999

TABLE 18 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN EACH STATE :

AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1950.

(Including houses being built by owner-builders)

Materials of Outer Walls	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	9,413	8,054	702	4,048	1,668	1,047	445	25,377
Fibro Cement ..	3,265	9,567	3,149	58	210	1,939	135	18,323
Other ..	13,153	1,752	402	530	1,562	153	132	17,684
	255	206	110	17	18	9	-	615
TOTAL:	26,086	19,579	4,363	4,653	3,458	3,148	712	61,999

PERSONS ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS

TABLE 19 : PERSONS ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF

NEW BUILDINGS : STATES

(Excluding persons working on houses being built by owner-builders)

States	AS AT -					
	30th June, 1946	31st March, 1947	31st March, 1948	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
New South Wales ..	26,420	31,989	38,716	42,393	38,945	43,721
Victoria ..	17,429	19,648	25,414	27,912	28,774	30,708
Queensland ..	8,883	12,246	12,583	13,735	13,422	14,613
South Australia ..	5,429	6,177	6,684	7,621	7,673	8,220
Western Australia ..	4,175	5,003	5,335	6,019	6,568	6,663
Tasmania ..	2,514	3,121	3,589	4,530	5,201	5,699
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	410	659	1,037	1,263	1,666	1,894
TOTAL:	65,260	78,843	93,358	103,473	102,249	111,518

12. TABLE 20 : EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS IN AUSTRALIA

(Excluding persons working on houses being built by owner-builders.)

Particulars	AS AT -					
	30th June, 1946	31st March, 1947	31st March, 1948	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Contractors (a) ..	8,972	10,240	11,400	12,206	11,942	12,544
Sub-contractors (a) ..	8,221	8,775	10,154	11,223	9,769	11,446
Wage Earners ..	48,067	59,820	71,804	80,044	80,538	87,528
<u>TOTAL:</u>	65,260	78,843	93,358	103,473	102,249	111,518

(a) Actually working on jobs.

TABLE 21 : EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1950.

(Excluding persons working on houses being built by owner-builders.)

Particulars	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Contractors (a) ..	4,992	3,320	2,232	710	479	769	42	12,544
Sub-contractors (a) ..	5,097	3,352	1,181	925	474	354	63	11,446
Wage Earners ..	33,632	24,036	11,200	6,585	5,710	4,576	1,789	87,528
<u>TOTAL:</u>	43,721	30,708	14,613	8,220	6,663	5,699	1,894	111,518

(a) Actually working on jobs.

TABLE 22 : TRADESMEN ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS IN AUSTRALIA

(Including contractor and sub-contractor principals, but excluding persons working on houses being built by owner-builders)

Tradesmen	AS AT -					
	30th June, 1946	31st March, 1947	31st March, 1948	31st March, 1949	31st Dec., 1949	31st March, 1950
Carpenters ..	24,743	30,317	37,128	41,904	43,557	46,554
Bricklayers ..	6,259	7,532	9,190	9,607	8,607	9,881
Painters ..	5,639	6,230	7,329	8,774	8,679	9,319
Electricians ..	2,936	3,569	4,194	4,934	4,260	5,023
Plumbers ..	5,417	6,362	7,181	8,130	7,362	8,538
Builders' Labourers ..	11,322	13,676	15,087	16,558	17,118	18,888
Other ..	8,944	11,157	13,249	13,566	12,666	13,315
<u>TOTAL:</u>	65,260	78,843	93,358	103,473	102,249	111,518

TABLE 23 : TRADESMEN ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS : AS AT 31ST MARCH, 1950

(Including contractor and sub-contractor principals, but excluding persons working on houses being built by owner-builders)

Tradesmen	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Carpenters ..	17,089	13,422	7,503	2,676	2,509	3,660	695	46,554
Bricklayers ..	4,264	2,569	647	1,296	590	328	187	9,881
Painters ..	3,475	2,741	1,367	684	485	389	178	9,319
Electricians ..	2,259	1,268	769	311	202	175	39	5,023
Plumbers ..	3,651	2,279	1,190	598	442	245	133	8,538
Builders' Labourers ..	7,244	5,004	1,989	1,485	1,373	1,331	462	18,888
Other ..	5,739	3,425	1,148	1,170	1,062	571	200	13,315
<u>TOTAL:</u>	43,721	30,708	14,613	8,220	6,663	5,699	1,894	111,518