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Main Features

- The number of new dwelling unit commencements for the December quarter 1985 was 7,310. This was 13 per cent below the number commenced in the September quarter 1985 and 9 per cent below the December quarter 1984 figure.
- The number of commencements of privately owned new dwelling units during the December quarter 1985 was 10 per cent below that for the December quarter 1984.
- The number of new dwelling units completed during the December quarter 1985 was 8,340. This was 18 per cent above the number completed during the September quarter 1985 and 5 per cent above the figure for the December quarter 1984.
- The number of completions of privately owned new dwelling units during the December quarter 1985 increased by 20 per cent compared with the figure for the September quarter 1985, while the number under construction at the end of the period decreased by 14 per cent.
- A comparison of statistics for building activity other than for residential buildings during the December quarter 1985 with those for the December quarter 1984, shows that the value of work commenced increased by 43 per cent. The value of work completed increased by 14 per cent and the value of work under construction at the end of the period showed an increase of 44 per cent.

Introduction

This publication contains detailed results for the December quarter 1985 from the quarterly building activity survey.

The statistics were compiled on the basis of returns collected from builders and other individuals and organisations engaged in building activity. The quarterly survey consists of two components:

- (i) a sample survey of private sector house building activity involving new house construction or alterations and additions valued at \$10,000 or more to houses; and
- (ii) a complete enumeration of jobs involving construction of new residential buildings other than private sector houses, all alterations and additions to residential buildings, other than private sector houses, with an approval value of \$10,000 or more, and all non-residential building jobs with an approval value of \$30,000 or more.

The use of sample survey techniques in the building activity survey means that reliable estimates of private sector house building activity, including alterations and additions to houses, are available only at the State/Territory and Australian levels. Further geographical disaggregations are not available. Dwelling unit commencement data for regions below State/Territory level, however, are shown in the series of dwelling unit commencements reported by approving authorities. Data from that series, unlike those compiled from the building activity survey, are based on information reported by local and other government authorities.

Scope and Coverage

The statistics relate to building activity which includes construction of new buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings. Construction activity not defined as building (e.g. construction of roads, bridges, railways, earthworks, etc.) is excluded.

From the September quarter 1985, the scope of the building activity survey has changed in respect of non-residential building activity. Only non-residential building jobs (both new and alterations and additions) with an approval value of \$30,000 or more are now included in the collection. For periods prior to September quarter 1985, the survey included non-residential building jobs with an approval value of \$10,000 or more.

As a indication of the effect of the change on published data, a comparison of the value of work done on non-residential building jobs during the June quarter

1985, based on the previous \$10,000 and the new \$30,000 cut-off value limit, revealed a subsequent loss of only 2 per cent.

Building jobs included in each quarter in the building activity survey comprise those building jobs selected in previous quarters which have not been completed (or commenced) by the end of the previous quarter and those building jobs newly selected in the current quarter. The population list from which building jobs are selected for inclusion comprises all approved building jobs which were notified to the ABS up to but not including the last month of the reference quarter (i.e. up to the end of August in respect of the September quarter survey). This introduces a lag to the statistics in respect of those building jobs notified and commenced in the last month of the reference quarter (i.e. for the month of September in respect of the September quarter survey). For example, building jobs which were notified as approved in the month of June and which actually commenced in that month are shown as commencements in the September quarter. Similarly, building jobs which were notified in the month of September and which actually commenced in that month are shown as commencements in the December quarter.

Definitions

A building is defined as a rigid, fixed, and permanent structure which has a roof. Its intended purpose is primarily to house people, plant, machinery, vehicles, goods, or livestock. An integral feature of the design of a building, to satisfy its intended use, is the provision for regular access by persons.

A dwelling unit is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities, intended for long-term residential use. Units (whether self-contained or not) within buildings offering institutional care, such as hospitals, or temporary accommodation such as motels, hostels, and hotels, are not defined as dwelling units. The value of units of this type is included in the appropriate category of "non-residential building".

A residential building is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Residential buildings can be either "houses" or "other residential buildings".

- (i) A "house" is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. Thus, detached "granny flats" and detached dwelling units (such as caretakers' residences) associated with "non-residential buildings" are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.

Explanatory Notes (continued)

Definitions (continued)

- (ii) An "other residential building" is defined as a building which is predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and which contains (or has attached to it) more than one dwelling unit (e.g. town houses, duplexes, apartment buildings, etc.).

The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings, and through the construction of new "non-residential buildings" is not included in the tables but is shown as a footnote to Table 1.

Commenced. A building job is regarded as commenced when the first physical building activity has been performed on site in the form of materials fixed in place and/or labour expended. This includes site preparation but excludes delivery of building materials, the drawing of plans and specifications, and the construction of non-building infrastructures such as roads. For practical purposes, however, a building job is not treated as having commenced in a particular quarter unless the value of work done to the end of the quarter, reported on the building activity survey form, is equal to or greater than the following threshold values:

- (i) for houses (including alterations and additions to houses), \$2,000; and
- (ii) for building jobs other than houses (including alterations and additions), \$5,000.

Under construction. A building job is regarded as being under construction at the end of a period if it has been commenced but has not been completed and work on it has not been abandoned.

Completed. A building job is regarded as completed when building activity has progressed to the stage where the building can fulfil its intended function. In practice, building jobs are treated as completed when notified as such by respondents to the survey.

Valuation of building jobs. The values in this publication are derived from estimates reported on survey returns as follows:

Value of building commenced, or under construction. The estimated value represents the anticipated completion value based, where practicable, on estimated market or contract price of building jobs, excluding the value of land and landscaping. Site preparation costs are included. Where building jobs proceed over several quarters, the anticipated completion value reported on the return for the first (commencement) quarter may be amended on returns for subsequent (under construction) quarters as the job nears completion.

Value of building completed. The actual completion value based, where practicable, on the market or contract price of building jobs, including site preparation costs, but excluding the value of land and landscaping.

Value of building work done during the period. The estimated value of building work actually carried out during the quarter on building jobs which have commenced.

Value of building work yet to be done. The difference between the anticipated completion value and the estimated value of work done on building jobs up to the end of the period.

Building Classification

The ownership of a building is classified as either "public sector" or "private sector" according to the sector of the intended owner of the completed building as evident at the time of approval. Residential buildings being constructed by private sector builders under government housing authority schemes whereby the authority has contracted, or intends to contract, to purchase the buildings on or before completion, are classified as public sector.

Builder type. Houses are classified according to the type of builder as follows:

- (i) Contractor-built houses. Those constructed by a private recognised building contractor, either under contract, or in anticipation of sale or rental.

- (ii) Houses built by other than contract builders. Those constructed by an owner (other than a recognised building contractor) or under his direction, without the services of a single contractor responsible for the whole job. Houses built by businesses (other than recognised building contractors) and public sector organisations are also included in this category.

Functional classification of buildings. A building is classified according to its intended major function. A building which is ancillary to other buildings or forms a part of a group of related buildings is classified to the function of the building and not to the function of the group as a whole. An example of this can be seen in the treatment of building work approved for a factory complex. In this case a detached administration building would be classified to "offices" and a detached cafeteria building to "shops", while factory buildings would be classified to "factories". An exception to this rule is the treatment of group accommodation buildings where, for example, a student accommodation building on a university campus would be classified to "educational".

Building Classification (continued)

Examples of the types of buildings included under each main functional heading are shown in the following list:

Houses. Includes cottages, bungalows, detached caretakers'/managers' cottages, and rectories.

Other residential buildings. Includes flats, home units, attached town houses, villa units, terrace houses, semi-detached houses, and maisonettes.

Hotels etc. Includes motels, hostels, boarding houses, guest houses, and holiday apartment buildings.

Shops. Includes retail shops, restaurants, cafes, taverns, dry cleaners, laundromats, hair salons, and shopping arcades.

Factories. Includes paper mills, oil refinery buildings, brickworks, foundries, power houses, manufacturing laboratories, and workshops as part of a manufacturing process.

Offices. Includes banks, post offices, council chambers, and head and regional offices.

Other business premises. Includes warehouses, storage depots, service stations, transport depots and terminals, electricity substation buildings, pumping station buildings, telephone exchanges, mail sorting centres, broadcasting stations, and film studios.

Educational. Includes schools, colleges, kindergartens, libraries, museums, art galleries, research and teaching laboratories, and theological colleges.

Religious. Includes churches, chapels, and temples.

Health. Includes hospitals, nursing homes, surgeries, clinics, and medical centres.

Entertainment and recreational. Includes clubs, theatres, cinemas, public halls, gymnasiums, grandstands, squash courts, and sports and recreation centres.

Miscellaneous. Includes law courts, homes for the aged (where medical care is not provided as a normal service), orphanages, gaols, barracks, mine buildings, glasshouses, livestock sheds, shearing sheds, fruit and skin drying sheds, public toilets, and ambulance, fire, and police stations.

Reliability of the Estimates

Since the figures for private sector house building activity (including alterations and additions) are derived from information obtained from a sample of

approved building jobs, they are subject to sampling error; i.e. they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained if information for all approved jobs for the relevant period had been included in the survey.

A measure of the likely difference is given by the relative standard error of each estimate. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all approved jobs had been included, and about 19 chances in 20 that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Relative standard errors of the estimates are shown in Table 6.

An example of the use of standard errors is as follows. From Table 2 it can be seen that the estimate of the number of new private sector houses commenced during the December quarter 1985 is 5,510. The associated relative standard error is 2.4 per cent (see Table 6). Therefore, there are about two chances in three that the value which would have been obtained if information had been obtained about all approved private sector house jobs would have been within the range 5,378 to 5,642 and about 19 chances in 20 that the value would have been within the range 5,246 to 5,774.

The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the relative standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of inadequacies in the source of building activity information, imperfections in reporting by respondents, and errors made in the coding and processing of data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as non-sampling error, and may occur in any enumeration whether it be a full count or only a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by the careful design of questionnaires, efforts to obtain responses for all selected building jobs, and efficient operating procedures.

Users should note that the data released for the December quarter 1985 in this publication are subject to revision.

Related Publications

Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

"Building Approvals: Preliminary Figures for Dwelling Units Approved" (8730.3)

"Building Approvals" (8731.3)

"Building Approvals: Small Area Statistics" (8733.3)

"Dwelling Unit Commencements Reported by Approving Authorities" (8741.3)

Explanatory Notes. (continued)Related Publications (continued)

All publications produced by the ABS are listed in the "Catalogue of Publications" (Catalogue No. 1101.0) which is available from any ABS Office.

Unpublished Statistics

The ABS can also make available certain building activity statistics which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required statistics by telephone, they may be available in other forms, such as microfiche, photocopy, computer printout, or clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished statistics in these forms.

For further information on these unpublished statistics contact Ron Ketter by telephoning Brisbane (07) 222 6286, or write to Information Services at the address above.

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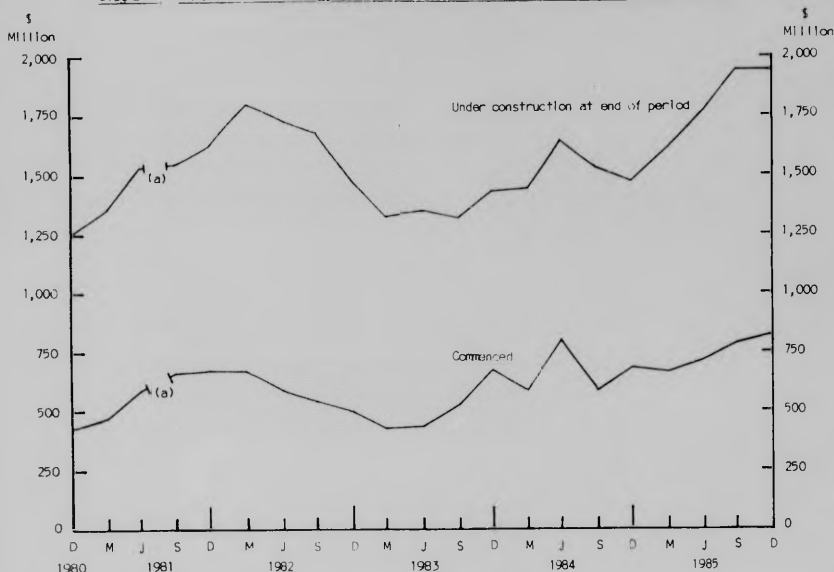
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Diagram 1 - Value of All Building, Queensland, December Quarter 1980 to December Quarter 1985



(a) Break in continuity of series.

Diagram 2 - Value of work commenced, Queensland, December Quarter 1985

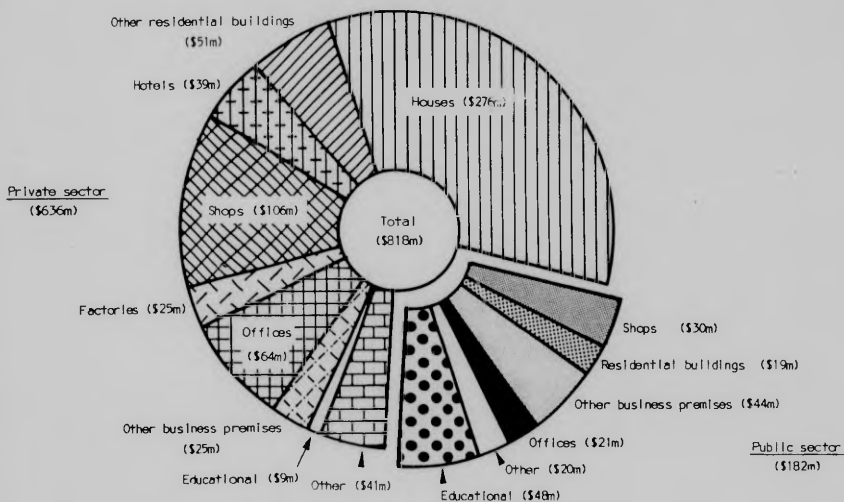
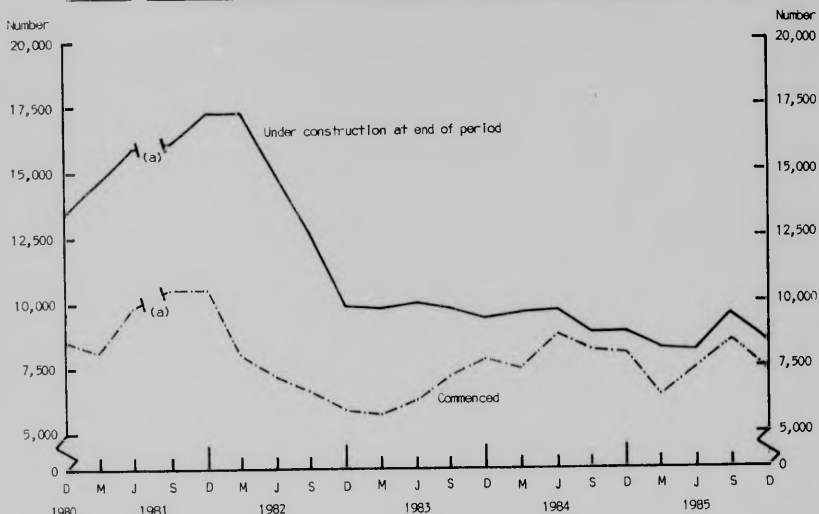
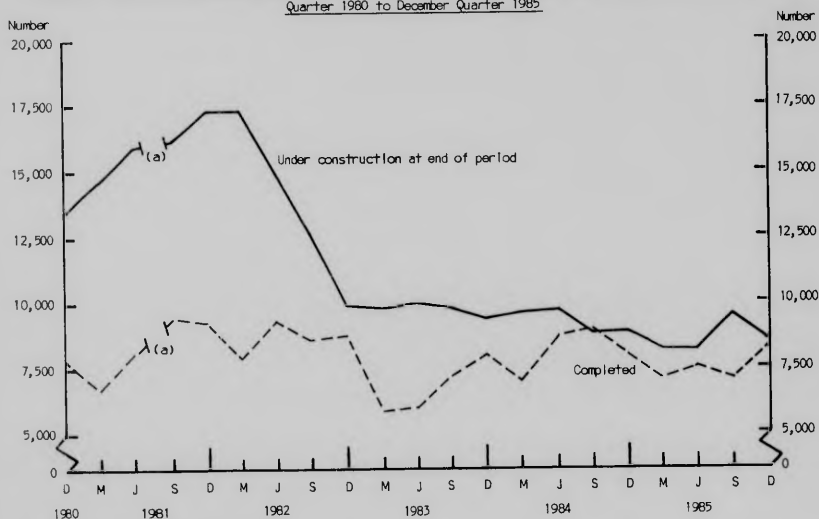


Diagram 3 - Number of New Dwelling Units, Queensland, December Quarter 1980 to December Quarter 1985



(a) Break in continuity of series.

Diagram 4 - Number of New Dwelling Units Under Construction at End of Period and Completed, Queensland, December Quarter 1980 to December Quarter 1985



(a) Break in continuity of series.

Table 1 - Total Building

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings (a)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops	
	Houses		Other residential buildings		Total					
	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)				
Commenced										
1981-82	**	23,240	1,000.1	12,968	730.3	36,210	1,730.4	42.0	111.0	148.1
1982-83	**	18,310	830.4	6,283	285.5	24,600	1,115.9	46.0	54.5	87.5
1983-84	**	24,760	1,078.8	6,402	242.8	31,160	1,321.6	61.7	146.3	193.4
1984-85	**	23,930	1,088.1	6,152	230.1	30,080	1,318.2	72.9	253.5	194.4
1984: Sept. qr		6,470	290.4	1,729	66.1	8,200	356.5	22.3	7.9	38.6
Dec. qr	**	6,390	287.3	1,645	60.2	8,030	347.5	18.2	75.8	45.0
1985: March qr		5,250	238.6	1,180	44.1	6,430	282.7	14.4	64.0	70.2
June qr	**	5,830	271.8	1,598	59.7	7,420	331.5	18.0	105.8	40.6
Sept. qr		6,800	334.6	1,655	61.1	8,450	395.7	16.6	18.5	133.6
Dec. qr	**	5,760	286.9	1,549	58.6	7,310	345.5	15.8	39.4	136.1
Under Construction at End of Period										
1981-82	**	6,490	314.2	8,400	566.5	14,890	880.7	11.0	106.8	91.8
1982-83	**	5,240	255.2	4,777	318.5	10,020	573.8	11.0	77.5	69.3
1983-84	**	6,460	306.6	3,212	164.0	9,670	470.7	16.7	186.3	117.6
1984-85	**	5,080	260.2	3,012	130.8	8,090	391.0	17.8	355.1	103.8
1984: Sept. qr		5,820	283.0	3,012	140.9	8,830	423.9	23.2	145.0	95.8
Dec. qr	**	5,870	295.2	2,999	132.5	8,870	427.7	13.8	217.2	52.1
1985: March qr		5,400	269.7	2,783	121.6	8,190	391.3	13.6	263.8	96.2
June qr	**	5,080	260.2	3,012	130.8	8,090	391.0	17.8	355.1	103.8
Sept. qr		6,350	337.7	3,146	144.8	9,500	482.5	16.1	327.8	174.6
Dec. qr	**	5,420	292.0	3,027	138.0	8,450	430.0	16.7	304.6	239.3
Completed										
1981-82	**	24,070	996.5	11,882	547.1	35,950	1,543.5	39.3	80.5	105.9
1982-83	**	19,460	875.9	9,713	534.9	29,170	1,410.8	44.7	93.0	125.6
1983-84	**	23,430	1,014.1	7,393	355.9	30,820	1,370.0	51.5	56.3	146.9
1984-85	**	25,230	1,130.4	6,249	255.2	31,480	1,385.6	69.6	106.7	216.8
1984: Sept. qr		7,090	311.1	1,860	82.4	8,950	393.6	15.8	71.4	61.1
Dec. qr	**	6,320	277.2	1,645	67.4	7,960	344.5	25.8	7.5	87.9
1985: March qr		5,680	263.2	1,396	56.6	7,070	319.7	14.1	13.8	26.3
June qr	**	6,140	278.9	1,348	48.8	7,490	327.7	13.9	13.9	41.5
Sept. qr		5,530	258.9	1,517	50.1	7,040	309.0	17.8	42.5	63.7
Dec. qr	**	6,680	330.5	1,664	65.4	8,340	395.9	15.2	78.8	72.3

Activity, Queensland

Value of non-residential building (\$m)									Total building (\$m)
Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	
Commenced									
115.0	146.2	90.0	72.3	5.2	30.2	43.6	80.7	842.1	2,614.5
97.8	166.0	81.8	79.0	9.8	61.5	52.7	79.0	769.6	1,931.6
60.6	281.5	158.9	88.8	6.3	138.4	83.5	57.9	1,215.6	2,598.8
81.2	284.3	115.7	143.9	9.8	56.1	45.9	71.2	1,256.0	2,647.1
21.4	45.0	30.9	19.7	1.9	13.1	9.4	19.6	207.4	586.2
26.5	52.0	28.3	40.4	4.9	23.1	14.0	10.2	320.2	685.8
15.7	104.0	29.0	37.8	0.9	15.0	12.3	18.3	367.2	664.3
17.6	83.3	27.5	46.0	2.1	5.0	10.3	23.1	361.3	710.8
30.4	58.9	39.2	43.1	2.7	19.5	10.6	10.7	367.2	779.5
29.7	84.8	69.3	56.6	3.7	8.7	18.3	10.0	456.5	817.8
Under Construction at End of Period									
264.6	122.0	49.4	58.5	5.1	41.6	52.3	58.1	850.1	1,741.8
116.4	186.9	45.1	51.6	3.6	67.4	86.8	61.6	766.2	1,351.1
105.3	294.4	105.3	53.1	3.4	137.6	127.9	28.4	1,159.4	1,646.8
50.0	365.6	121.0	102.8	3.3	131.0	70.2	53.7	1,356.7	1,765.5
105.8	297.2	109.9	58.3	2.8	109.1	122.1	35.9	1,081.9	1,529.0
62.2	275.9	108.9	79.1	5.9	126.2	71.6	36.5	1,035.5	1,477.0
54.5	336.8	118.0	81.3	3.2	133.6	72.3	46.9	1,206.7	1,611.6
50.0	365.6	121.0	102.8	3.3	131.0	70.2	53.7	1,356.7	1,765.5
61.2	371.2	128.4	122.8	4.7	129.3	74.6	49.1	1,443.7	1,942.3
59.0	405.2	154.9	130.2	6.4	125.5	25.9	42.7	1,493.6	1,940.3
Completed									
128.7	79.1	81.3	68.2	4.3	69.5	70.7	77.2	765.3	2,348.2
247.5	109.4	83.8	87.2	12.0	35.8	36.7	81.9	912.9	2,368.5
66.8	160.0	99.7	87.3	6.5	69.1	46.9	91.7	833.0	2,254.4
130.4	220.4	116.6	95.1	9.9	61.7	104.3	45.8	1,107.8	2,562.9
15.3	44.0	36.4	14.5	2.5	41.5	16.4	12.1	315.2	724.6
70.0	81.3	29.3	20.5	1.7	6.0	64.4	9.6	378.2	748.5
23.1	44.2	20.7	35.9	3.7	7.4	11.7	7.9	194.7	528.5
22.0	50.8	30.2	24.3	2.0	6.8	11.8	16.3	219.6	561.2
19.2	61.4	29.6	23.1	1.5	21.1	6.4	15.1	283.5	610.4
30.0	54.2	44.2	50.6	2.0	14.5	67.9	16.7	431.0	842.1

Table 1 - Total Building Activity.

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings (a)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops	
	Houses		Other residential buildings		Total					
	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)				
Value of Work Done during Period										
1981-82	..	..	1,006.0	..	636.4	..	1,642.5	41.1	108.3	126.3
1982-83	..	..	850.1	..	426.7	..	1,276.8	43.9	78.0	121.5
1983-84	..	..	1,044.8	..	281.6	..	1,326.4	55.3	110.2	168.7
1984-85	..	..	1,107.2	..	240.5	..	1,347.7	70.6	183.0	211.1
1984: Sept. qr	..	..	292.9	..	67.0	..	359.9	18.3	36.8	54.8
Dec. qr ..	..	..	294.2	..	68.8	..	363.0	22.2	44.4	55.1
1985: March qr	..	..	243.6	..	47.0	..	290.6	14.6	40.6	52.8
June qr ..	..	..	276.6	..	57.6	..	334.2	15.5	61.2	48.4
Sept. qr	..	..	298.8	..	60.1	..	358.9	18.2	76.9	86.7
Dec. qr ..	..	..	307.9	..	58.1	..	366.0	15.2	85.3	88.3
Value of Work Yet to Be Done										
1981-82	..	..	155.5	..	307.5	..	462.9	5.4	49.9	42.9
1982-83	..	..	127.7	..	172.5	..	300.2	6.6	36.4	24.6
1983-84	..	..	150.2	..	96.1	..	246.3	9.3	91.9	51.1
1984-85	..	..	127.5	..	78.6	..	206.1	9.3	184.4	43.0
1984: Sept. qr	..	..	145.2	..	89.2	..	234.4	13.2	85.2	35.6
Dec. qr ..	..	..	140.4	..	79.4	..	219.8	7.4	120.6	24.7
1985: March qr	..	..	134.6	..	78.1	..	212.6	6.8	140.4	42.3
June qr ..	..	..	127.5	..	78.6	..	206.1	9.3	184.4	43.0
Sept. qr	..	..	165.0	..	82.7	..	247.7	7.2	122.8	90.9
Dec. qr ..	..	..	142.0	..	83.2	..	225.2	7.8	93.1	139.8

(a) The number of self-contained dwelling units commenced as part of the construction of non-residential buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including residential buildings) is excluded from this table. There

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Value of non-residential building (\$m)									Total building (\$m)
Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	
Value of Work Done during Period									
194.3	93.0	79.5	71.8	5.1	39.9	58.5	65.5	842.3	2,525.8
117.1	161.4	77.4	80.3	11.8	47.9	51.4	96.2	842.9	2,163.6
77.2	176.2	111.3	86.0	5.9	82.7	73.2	71.7	963.0	2,344.7
83.5	250.4	125.1	111.5	9.0	87.8	81.6	53.1	1,196.1	2,614.4
17.3	51.2	30.9	20.8	1.5	22.4	19.2	10.7	265.5	643.8
24.5	64.7	34.3	28.9	3.5	19.3	21.2	12.3	308.2	693.3
21.5	64.6	28.4	30.3	2.7	26.4	22.6	11.0	300.8	606.1
20.3	69.9	31.5	31.5	1.3	19.7	18.5	19.2	321.6	671.3
24.3	85.3	50.9	46.4	2.5	24.9	19.8	18.9	436.6	813.7
28.1	115.2	68.7	50.2	2.3	27.2	17.7	18.8	501.7	882.9
Value of Work Yet to Be Done									
64.4	84.2	25.8	30.4	2.4	18.1	21.3	36.5	376.0	844.3
48.5	98.8	28.0	30.4	1.2	32.0	41.2	26.3	367.4	674.2
30.9	191.8	77.1	33.1	1.5	88.4	56.1	13.1	635.0	890.6
22.5	233.0	84.4	66.4	2.4	55.8	21.2	31.2	744.3	959.7
29.5	187.4	87.3	32.0	2.0	79.0	47.6	21.9	607.3	854.9
31.4	182.7	81.3	44.3	3.2	82.8	40.3	19.9	631.0	858.2
25.3	223.2	82.7	52.2	1.5	71.3	30.0	27.2	696.1	915.4
22.5	233.0	84.4	66.4	2.4	55.8	21.2	31.2	744.3	959.7
28.6	215.9	70.9	63.2	2.7	50.4	12.3	23.2	681.0	936.0
28.3	187.3	72.9	71.1	4.1	33.8	13.8	14.7	658.9	891.8

were 75 such dwelling units commenced in the December quarter 1985. Figures shown for the numbers of new houses and total dwelling units commenced, under construction, and completed, have been rounded to the nearest 10 units.

Table 2 - Private Sector Building

Period		Dwelling units in new residential buildings (a)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops
		Houses		Other residential buildings		Total				
		Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)			
Commenced										
1981-82	**	22,720	979.5	12,511	717.7	35,230	1,697.3	41.8	68.0	146.4
1982-83	**	17,400	795.4	5,596	268.3	23,000	1,063.7	45.6	53.4	67.1
1983-84	**	23,480	1,033.7	5,572	222.2	29,050	1,255.9	61.0	140.2	188.1
1984-85	**	23,220	1,060.0	5,456	208.8	28,670	1,268.8	72.4	245.8	192.7
1984: Sept. qr		6,390	286.9	1,567	61.2	7,960	348.1	22.2	5.0	37.7
Dec. qr	**	6,120	278.2	1,435	54.2	7,550	332.3	18.1	75.8	44.9
1985: March qr		5,020	229.8	990	37.9	6,010	267.7	14.2	61.2	69.9
June qr	**	5,680	265.1	1,464	55.5	7,150	320.6	18.0	103.8	40.2
Sept. qr		6,570	321.2	1,538	56.5	8,110	377.7	16.5	18.5	133.2
Dec. qr	**	5,510	276.1	1,303	50.8	6,810	326.9	15.7	39.4	105.7
Under Construction at End of Period										
1981-82	**	6,300	305.9	8,121	558.6	14,420	864.5	10.9	53.5	91.4
1982-83	**	4,780	238.1	4,402	309.6	9,180	547.6	11.0	30.8	50.7
1983-84	**	6,020	292.7	2,881	155.9	8,900	448.6	16.6	125.8	113.7
1984-85	**	4,940	253.5	2,691	121.1	7,630	374.6	17.8	350.3	103.5
1984: Sept. qr		5,630	276.4	2,678	131.8	8,300	408.2	23.2	141.9	95.4
Dec. qr	**	5,580	285.2	2,593	121.1	8,170	406.2	13.7	214.5	52.1
1985: March qr		5,040	256.8	2,396	110.0	7,440	366.8	13.3	258.2	95.9
June qr	**	4,940	253.5	2,691	121.1	7,630	374.6	17.8	350.3	103.5
Sept. qr		6,130	325.0	2,890	136.5	9,020	461.5	16.1	327.8	174.4
Dec. qr	**	5,100	278.1	2,653	125.4	7,760	403.5	16.6	304.6	209.1
Completed										
1981-82	**	23,540	977.5	11,446	536.5	34,990	1,514.0	39.3	74.4	103.1
1982-83	**	18,820	849.8	9,122	518.6	27,940	1,368.4	44.2	77.8	123.7
1983-84	**	22,120	965.1	6,519	334.5	28,640	1,299.7	50.9	52.8	123.7
1984-85	**	24,220	1,095.2	5,543	235.5	29,760	1,330.7	69.1	41.8	211.8
1984: Sept. qr		6,770	300.4	1,701	78.5	8,470	378.8	15.7	9.5	56.9
Dec. qr	**	6,160	271.5	1,507	63.7	7,660	335.2	25.7	7.3	87.5
1985: March qr		5,520	257.2	1,187	50.6	6,700	307.8	14.1	13.8	26.3
June qr	**	5,770	266.1	1,148	42.7	6,910	308.8	13.7	11.2	41.2
Sept. qr		5,380	251.5	1,331	44.1	6,710	295.5	17.8	37.6	63.2
Dec. qr	**	6,520	321.2	1,540	62.0	8,060	383.1	15.1	78.8	72.0

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Value of non-residential building (\$m)									Total building (\$m)
Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	
Commenced									
100.6	132.1	67.3	12.6	5.2	18.4	34.9	39.8	625.5	2,364.6
61.7	140.1	53.3	25.3	9.8	14.9	30.1	50.4	506.0	1,615.3
56.4	230.0	57.4	24.7	6.3	19.4	47.6	40.5	810.6	2,127.6
76.4	176.6	83.1	30.1	9.8	34.1	34.6	32.0	915.2	2,256.4
20.7	35.5	16.7	4.4	1.9	8.2	8.6	4.5	143.2	513.5
25.2	47.6	23.5	10.1	4.9	20.4	11.8	6.3	270.5	620.9
15.4	35.9	21.3	7.9	0.9	3.2	6.9	7.0	229.5	511.4
15.1	57.6	21.5	7.7	2.1	2.3	7.3	14.3	272.0	610.6
29.2	48.7	28.5	13.9	2.7	10.2	10.0	5.2	300.2	694.5
25.0	63.8	25.0	9.2	3.7	5.3	8.2	8.1	293.5	636.1
Under Construction at End of Period									
199.0	105.0	38.5	6.3	5.1	13.1	15.9	20.5	548.2	1,423.6
27.2	159.9	21.4	7.6	3.6	10.8	18.5	25.6	356.1	914.8
17.0	235.9	20.7	7.4	3.4	9.9	21.9	16.6	572.2	1,037.4
21.3	247.9	29.4	10.7	3.3	26.0	10.3	22.2	824.8	1,217.1
24.5	249.8	14.7	6.6	2.8	13.3	15.5	13.9	578.4	1,009.8
34.8	232.4	22.6	13.6	5.9	29.5	16.5	13.2	635.0	1,055.0
27.7	241.1	28.3	10.8	3.2	26.5	14.3	13.5	719.4	1,099.4
21.3	247.9	29.4	10.7	3.3	26.0	10.2	22.2	824.8	1,217.1
32.7	249.1	39.6	18.0	4.7	30.4	14.3	19.8	910.8	1,388.4
30.7	266.1	32.4	20.0	6.4	31.1	9.0	19.4	928.6	1,348.8
Completed									
106.4	68.6	57.3	11.2	4.3	44.1	30.8	31.4	531.5	2,084.8
234.5	93.3	69.0	24.5	12.0	16.7	27.7	49.5	728.7	2,141.3
63.0	139.0	59.8	24.7	6.5	21.0	41.7	49.5	581.7	1,932.3
71.7	170.6	76.7	25.8	9.9	16.9	45.6	26.4	697.1	2,096.9
13.3	22.2	22.3	5.2	2.5	4.7	14.8	7.2	158.5	553.0
14.7	72.7	15.5	3.2	1.7	4.2	10.2	6.9	224.0	584.9
22.2	28.2	15.9	9.8	3.7	6.1	9.1	6.7	141.8	463.7
21.5	47.5	22.9	7.6	2.0	1.9	11.5	5.6	172.9	495.4
17.7	55.4	17.6	6.6	1.5	5.6	6.1	7.2	218.6	531.9
26.9	49.0	33.0	7.1	2.0	7.8	13.5	8.6	298.7	696.9

Table 2 - Private Sector Building

Period		Dwelling units in new residential buildings (a)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops
		Houses		Other residential buildings		Total				
		Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)			
Value of Work Done during Period										
1981-82	..	..	986.5	..	624.6	..	1,611.1	41.0	85.9	124.4
1982-83	..	..	817.3	..	409.6	..	1,226.9	43.4	52.0	110.3
1983-84	..	..	999.5	..	261.6	..	1,261.1	54.7	82.6	152.8
1984-85	..	..	1,075.9	..	218.9	..	1,294.9	70.1	169.9	208.2
1984: Sept. qr	..	..	286.2	..	62.0	..	348.2	18.2	28.8	52.6
Dec. qr	..	..	287.2	..	63.3	..	350.6	22.0	42.9	55.0
1985: March qr	..	..	234.7	..	42.0	..	276.7	14.5	39.3	52.7
June qr	..	..	267.8	..	51.6	..	319.4	15.4	58.9	48.0
Sept. qr	..	..	290.8	..	55.5	..	346.3	18.2	75.3	86.3
Dec. qr	..	..	295.8	..	53.2	..	349.0	15.1	85.3	86.4
Value of Work Yet to Be Done										
1981-82	..	..	151.5	..	303.9	..	455.4	5.4	16.9	42.7
1982-83	..	..	121.6	..	168.6	..	290.2	6.6	20.8	15.5
1983-84	..	..	143.8	..	91.5	..	235.3	9.2	86.6	49.5
1984-85	..	..	124.4	..	74.3	..	198.6	9.3	182.9	42.9
1984: Sept. qr	..	..	142.0	..	84.7	..	226.7	13.2	83.4	35.5
Dec. qr	..	..	135.1	..	74.4	..	209.5	7.4	120.3	24.7
1985: March qr	..	..	129.3	..	71.9	..	201.2	6.6	138.6	42.0
June qr	..	..	124.4	..	74.3	..	198.6	9.3	182.9	42.9
Sept. qr	..	..	156.5	..	78.3	..	234.8	7.2	122.8	90.8
Dec. qr	..	..	134.9	..	76.1	..	211.0	7.7	93.1	111.1

(a) The number of self-contained dwelling units commenced as part of the construction of non-residential buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including residential buildings) is excluded from this table. There

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Value of non-residential building (\$m)									Total building (\$m)
Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	
Value of Work Done during Period									
165.7	84.4	60.2	11.8	5.1	20.7	35.2	29.9	623.4	2,275.4
81.2	145.5	60.0	25.3	11.8	16.3	27.3	59.1	589.0	1,859.3
59.2	132.8	63.4	24.9	5.9	18.9	42.8	42.1	625.3	1,941.2
74.8	200.5	77.5	27.5	9.0	24.9	40.6	28.9	861.7	2,226.7
15.2	38.9	17.7	3.7	1.5	6.2	11.5	6.0	182.2	548.6
20.3	52.7	20.2	7.1	3.5	5.8	9.7	7.5	224.6	597.2
20.8	50.4	17.4	8.6	2.7	5.6	10.6	6.1	214.2	505.4
18.5	58.4	22.2	8.1	1.3	7.3	8.8	9.3	240.8	575.6
22.6	65.3	28.9	7.0	2.5	6.9	9.5	7.8	312.0	676.6
24.9	88.7	26.2	7.7	2.3	9.8	9.0	9.4	349.6	713.8
Value of Work Yet to Be Done									
29.4	75.3	20.5	3.2	2.4	6.1	6.0	14.1	216.9	677.6
13.0	78.3	12.6	3.6	1.2	4.3	9.0	9.5	167.8	464.5
8.2	162.1	8.5	3.4	1.5	5.4	11.3	8.0	344.5	589.0
9.4	144.3	16.5	5.0	2.4	13.8	4.7	11.0	432.8	640.7
13.8	159.2	7.1	4.1	2.0	7.4	8.3	6.4	327.1	567.0
18.5	161.8	10.4	7.2	3.2	22.0	9.9	5.2	383.2	600.1
12.8	148.3	14.6	5.6	1.5	19.4	6.1	6.1	395.1	602.9
9.4	144.3	16.5	5.0	2.4	13.8	4.7	11.0	432.8	640.7
16.1	136.8	15.7	12.0	2.7	17.0	5.6	8.7	428.1	670.1
16.0	112.6	15.3	13.4	4.1	15.6	4.8	7.4	393.4	612.1

were 75 such dwelling units commenced in the December quarter 1985. Figures shown for the numbers of new houses and total dwelling units commenced, under construction, and completed, have been rounded to the nearest 10 units.

Table 3 - Public Sector Building

Period	Dwelling units in new residential buildings (a)						Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops
	Houses		Other residential buildings		Total				
	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)			
Commenced									
1981-82 ..	522	20.5	457	12.6	979	33.1	0.1	43.0	1.6
1982-83 ..	912	35.0	687	17.2	1,599	52.2	0.4	1.1	20.4
1983-84 ..	1,281	45.1	830	20.6	2,111	65.7	0.6	6.0	5.3
1984-85 ..	711	28.1	696	21.3	1,407	49.4	0.5	7.7	1.6
1984: Sept. qr	79	3.5	162	4.9	241	8.4	0.1	2.9	0.8
Dec. qr ..	267	9.1	210	6.0	477	15.2	0.1	-	0.1
1985: March qr	223	8.8	190	6.2	413	14.9	0.3	2.9	0.4
June qr ..	142	6.7	134	4.2	276	10.9	-	2.0	0.3
Sept. qr	231	13.4	117	4.6	348	18.0	-	-	0.4
Dec. qr ..	258	10.8	246	7.8	504	18.6	0.1	-	30.4
Under Construction at End of Period									
1981-82 ..	191	8.3	279	7.9	470	16.2	0.1	53.3	0.5
1982-83 ..	461	17.2	377	8.9	836	26.1	-	46.6	18.7
1983-84 ..	435	13.9	331	8.2	766	22.1	0.1	60.4	3.9
1984-85 ..	135	6.7	321	9.8	456	16.5	-	4.9	0.3
1984: Sept. qr	190	6.6	334	9.1	524	15.7	-	3.0	0.3
Dec. qr ..	296	10.1	406	11.5	702	21.5	0.1	2.8	-
1985: March qr	362	12.9	387	11.7	749	24.5	0.3	5.6	0.3
June qr ..	135	6.7	321	9.8	456	16.5	-	4.9	0.3
Sept. qr	221	12.7	252	8.3	473	21.0	-	-	0.2
Dec. qr ..	319	13.9	374	12.6	693	26.4	0.1	-	30.2
Completed									
1981-82 ..	532	19.0	436	10.6	968	29.5	0.1	6.1	2.9
1982-83 ..	642	26.1	591	16.4	1,233	42.5	0.5	15.2	1.9
1983-84 ..	1,307	48.9	874	21.4	2,181	70.3	0.6	3.5	23.1
1984-85 ..	1,009	35.2	706	19.7	1,715	54.9	0.5	64.9	5.1
1984: Sept. qr	324	10.8	159	4.0	483	14.7	0.1	61.9	4.3
Dec. qr ..	161	5.7	138	3.6	299	9.3	0.1	0.3	0.4
1985: March qr	156	5.9	209	6.0	365	11.9	-	-	0.1
June qr ..	368	12.8	200	6.1	568	18.9	0.2	2.8	0.3
Sept. qr	145	7.4	186	6.1	331	13.5	-	4.9	0.5
Dec. qr ..	160	9.3	124	3.5	284	12.8	0.1	-	0.4

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Value of non-residential building (\$m)									Total building (\$m)
Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	
Commenced									
14.4	14.1	22.6	59.6	-	11.8	8.7	40.8	216.7	249.9
36.1	25.9	28.5	53.8	-	46.6	22.6	28.6	263.6	316.3
4.2	51.5	101.6	64.0	-	118.9	35.9	17.4	404.9	471.2
4.8	107.7	32.7	113.8	-	22.0	11.3	39.2	340.8	390.7
0.7	9.5	14.2	15.3	-	4.9	0.8	15.1	64.2	72.7
1.3	4.4	4.8	30.3	-	2.7	2.2	3.9	49.7	64.9
0.3	68.1	7.7	29.9	-	11.8	5.4	11.3	137.7	152.9
2.5	25.7	6.0	38.3	-	2.7	2.9	8.8	89.3	100.2
1.1	10.2	10.7	29.2	-	9.2	0.6	5.5	67.0	85.0
4.7	21.0	44.2	47.4	-	3.3	10.1	1.9	163.0	181.7
Under Construction at End of Period									
65.6	16.9	10.9	52.2	-	28.5	36.4	37.6	301.9	318.2
89.1	27.0	23.7	44.1	-	56.6	68.2	36.1	410.1	436.3
88.3	58.6	84.6	45.6	-	127.7	106.1	11.8	587.2	609.3
28.8	117.7	91.6	92.1	-	104.9	60.0	31.6	531.9	548.4
81.3	47.4	95.3	51.7	-	95.8	106.6	22.0	503.5	519.3
27.4	43.4	86.2	65.5	-	96.7	55.1	23.3	400.5	422.1
26.8	95.7	89.8	70.5	-	107.2	58.0	33.4	487.3	512.2
28.8	117.7	91.6	92.1	-	104.9	60.0	31.6	531.9	548.4
28.5	122.2	88.8	104.8	-	98.9	60.3	29.3	532.9	553.9
28.4	139.1	122.5	110.3	-	94.4	16.9	23.3	565.1	591.6
Completed									
22.3	10.5	24.0	57.0	-	25.5	39.9	45.7	233.8	263.4
13.0	16.1	14.8	62.7	-	19.1	9.1	32.4	184.2	227.2
5.8	21.0	39.9	62.5	-	48.1	5.2	42.2	251.2	322.1
58.7	49.7	39.9	69.4	-	44.8	58.7	19.4	410.7	466.0
2.1	21.9	14.1	9.3	-	36.8	1.6	4.9	156.7	171.6
55.3	8.7	13.8	17.2	-	1.8	54.2	2.6	154.3	163.7
0.9	15.9	4.7	26.1	-	1.3	2.7	1.2	52.9	64.9
0.5	3.3	7.3	16.6	-	4.9	0.3	10.7	46.7	65.9
1.4	6.0	12.0	16.5	-	15.5	0.3	7.9	64.9	78.5
3.1	5.1	11.2	43.4	-	6.7	54.3	8.1	132.4	145.3

Table 3 - Public Sector Building

Period			Dwelling units in new residential buildings (a)				Alterations and additions to residential buildings (\$m)	Hotels etc.	Shops		
			Houses		Other residential buildings					Total	
			Number	Value (\$m)	Number	Value (\$m)				Number	Value (\$m)
Value of Work Done during Period											
1981-82	**	**	19.5	**	11.8	**	31.4	0.1	22.3	1.9	
1982-83	**	**	32.9	**	17.0	**	49.9	0.5	26.0	11.2	
1983-84	**	**	45.3	**	20.0	**	65.3	0.6	27.6	15.9	
1984-85	**	**	31.3	**	21.6	**	52.9	0.5	13.1	2.9	
1984: Sept. qr	**	**	6.7	**	5.0	**	11.7	0.2	7.9	2.2	
Dec. qr	**	**	6.9	**	5.5	**	12.4	0.1	1.5	0.1	
1985: March qr	**	**	8.9	**	5.1	**	13.9	0.2	1.4	0.1	
June qr	**	**	8.7	**	6.0	**	14.8	0.1	2.3	0.5	
Sept. qr	**	**	8.0	**	4.6	**	12.6	-	1.6	0.4	
Dec. qr	**	**	12.0	**	4.9	**	17.0	0.1	-	1.8	
Value of Work Yet to Be Done											
1981-82	**	**	3.9	**	3.6	**	7.5	-	33.0	0.2	
1982-83	**	**	6.1	**	3.9	**	10.0	-	15.6	9.1	
1983-84	**	**	6.4	**	4.6	**	11.0	0.1	5.3	1.6	
1984-85	**	**	3.1	**	4.3	**	7.5	-	1.5	0.1	
1984: Sept. qr	**	**	3.2	**	4.5	**	7.7	-	1.8	0.1	
Dec. qr	**	**	5.3	**	5.0	**	10.4	-	0.4	-	
1985: March qr	**	**	5.2	**	6.1	**	11.4	0.1	1.8	0.3	
June qr	**	**	3.1	**	4.3	**	7.5	-	1.5	0.1	
Sept. qr	**	**	8.5	**	4.4	**	12.9	-	-	0.1	
Dec. qr	**	**	7.0	**	7.2	**	14.2	-	-	28.7	

(a) The number of self-contained dwelling units commenced as part of the construction of non-residential buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including residential buildings) is excluded from this table. There

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Value of non-residential building (\$m)									Total building (\$m)
Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Entertainment and recreational	Miscellaneous	Total	

Value of Work Done during Period

28.6	8.6	19.3	60.0	-	19.2	23.3	35.6	219.0	250.4
35.9	15.9	17.4	55.0	-	31.6	24.0	37.1	254.0	304.4
17.9	43.4	47.9	61.2	-	63.8	30.4	29.6	337.7	403.5
8.7	49.9	47.6	84.0	-	62.9	41.0	24.2	334.4	387.7
2.1	12.3	13.2	17.1	-	16.2	7.7	4.7	83.3	95.2
4.2	12.0	14.1	21.8	-	13.6	11.6	4.7	83.6	96.1
0.7	14.1	11.0	21.7	-	20.7	11.9	4.9	86.6	100.7
1.8	11.5	9.3	23.4	-	12.5	9.8	9.9	80.9	95.7
1.7	20.0	21.9	39.4	-	18.0	10.3	11.2	124.5	137.1
3.2	26.5	42.5	42.5	-	17.4	8.7	9.4	152.1	169.1

Value of Work Yet to Be Done

35.0	8.8	5.2	27.2	-	12.0	15.3	22.4	159.2	166.7
35.6	20.5	15.5	26.8	-	27.7	32.2	16.8	199.7	209.7
22.7	29.8	68.6	29.7	-	82.9	44.8	5.1	290.4	301.5
13.1	88.7	67.9	61.5	-	42.0	16.4	20.1	311.5	319.0
15.7	28.2	80.2	27.9	-	71.6	39.3	15.5	280.2	287.8
12.8	20.8	70.9	37.1	-	60.8	30.3	14.7	247.8	258.2
12.5	74.9	68.1	46.6	-	51.8	23.9	21.1	301.0	312.5
13.1	88.7	67.9	61.5	-	42.0	16.4	20.1	311.5	319.0
12.6	79.1	55.2	51.3	-	33.4	6.7	14.6	253.0	265.9
12.4	74.7	57.6	57.7	-	18.3	8.9	7.3	265.5	279.7

were no such dwelling units commenced in the December quarter 1985.

Table 4 - Number of New Dwelling Units by Ownership, Class of Builder, and Stage of Construction, Queensland

Period	Private sector (a)					Public sector			Total (a)		
	Houses			Other resid- ential buildings	Total	Houses	Other resid- ential buildings	Total	Houses	Other resid- ential buildings	Total
	Con- tractor built	Other	Total								
Commenced											
1981-82 ..	18,220	4,490	22,720	12,511	35,230	522	457	979	23,240	12,968	36,210
1982-83 ..	13,430	3,970	17,400	5,596	23,000	912	687	1,599	18,310	6,283	24,600
1983-84 ..	18,860	4,620	23,480	5,572	29,050	1,281	830	2,111	24,760	6,402	31,160
1984-85 ..	19,840	3,380	23,220	5,456	28,670	711	696	1,407	23,930	6,152	30,080
1984: Sept. qr ..	5,230	1,160	6,390	1,567	7,960	79	162	241	6,470	1,729	8,200
Dec. qr ..	5,150	970	6,120	1,435	7,550	267	210	477	6,390	1,645	8,030
1985: March qr ..	4,490	530	5,020	990	6,010	223	190	413	5,250	1,180	6,430
June qr ..	4,970	710	5,680	1,464	7,150	142	134	276	5,830	1,598	7,420
Sept. qr ..	5,560	1,010	6,570	1,538	8,110	231	117	348	6,800	1,655	8,450
Dec. qr ..	4,400	1,100	5,510	1,303	6,810	258	246	504	5,760	1,549	7,310
Under Construction											
1981-82 ..	4,130	2,170	6,300	8,121	14,420	191	279	470	6,490	8,400	14,890
1982-83 ..	2,750	2,030	4,780	4,402	9,180	461	375	836	5,240	4,777	10,020
1983-84 ..	3,830	2,200	6,020	2,881	8,911	435	331	766	6,460	3,212	9,670
1984-85 ..	3,360	1,580	4,940	2,691	7,630	135	321	456	5,080	3,012	8,090
1984: Sept. qr ..	3,360	2,270	5,630	2,678	8,300	190	334	524	5,820	3,012	8,830
Dec. qr ..	3,460	2,120	5,580	2,593	8,170	296	406	702	5,870	2,999	8,870
1985: March qr ..	3,490	1,560	5,040	2,396	7,440	362	387	749	5,400	2,783	8,190
June qr ..	3,360	1,580	4,940	2,691	7,630	135	321	456	5,080	3,012	8,090
Sept. qr ..	4,150	1,980	6,130	2,894	9,020	221	252	473	6,350	3,146	9,500
Dec. qr ..	3,010	2,090	5,100	2,653	7,760	319	374	693	5,420	3,027	8,450
Completed											
1981-82 ..	18,680	4,860	23,540	11,446	34,990	532	436	968	24,070	11,882	35,950
1982-83 ..	14,790	4,030	18,820	9,122	27,940	642	591	1,233	19,460	9,713	29,170
1983-84 ..	17,810	4,320	22,120	6,519	28,640	1,307	874	2,181	23,430	7,393	30,820
1984-85 ..	20,270	3,950	24,220	5,543	29,760	1,009	706	1,715	25,230	6,249	31,480
1984: Sept. qr ..	5,700	1,070	6,770	1,701	8,470	324	159	483	7,090	1,860	8,950
Dec. qr ..	5,030	1,120	6,160	1,507	7,660	161	138	299	6,320	1,645	7,960
1985: March qr ..	4,440	1,080	5,520	1,187	6,710	156	209	365	5,680	1,396	7,070
June qr ..	5,090	680	5,770	1,148	6,920	368	200	568	6,140	1,348	7,490
Sept. qr ..	4,790	590	5,380	1,331	6,710	145	186	331	5,530	1,517	7,040
Dec. qr ..	5,540	980	6,520	1,540	8,060	160	124	284	6,680	1,664	8,340

(a) Figures shown for the numbers of new houses and total dwelling units commenced, under construction, and completed, have been rounded to the nearest 10 units.

Table 5 - Number and Value of New Houses Built by Contract Builders for Private Ownership by Completion Value Range (a) and Stage of Construction, Queensland

Period	Commenced				Under construction at end of period				Completed			
	Under \$40,000	\$40,000-\$59,999	\$60,000 and over	Total	Under \$40,000	\$40,000-\$59,999	\$60,000 and over	Total	Under \$40,000	\$40,000-\$59,999	\$60,000 and over	Total
Number (b)												
1981-82 **	9,310	8,920	18,220	1,570	2,560	4,130	10,140	8,540	18,680			
1982-83 **	6,450	6,220	13,370	1,050	1,200	2,760	7,040	7,670	14,710			
1983-84 **	10,290	5,910	2,660	18,860	1,670	1,300	860	3,830	9,670	5,530	2,610	17,810
1984-85 **	9,720	6,760	3,360	19,840	1,220	1,310	830	3,360	10,230	6,640	3,400	20,270
1984: Sept. qr	2,720	1,750	760	5,230	1,310	1,300	750	3,360	3,180	1,640	880	5,700
Dec. qr	2,470	1,720	960	5,150	1,260	1,210	1,000	3,460	2,530	1,750	750	5,030
1985: March qr	2,140	1,610	740	4,490	1,200	1,460	830	3,490	2,140	1,430	880	4,440
June qr	2,400	1,670	900	4,970	1,220	1,310	830	3,360	2,390	1,820	890	5,090
Sept. qr	2,370	1,880	1,300	5,560	1,360	1,450	1,350	4,150	2,220	1,730	840	4,790
Dec. qr	1,940	1,480	980	4,400	1,030	950	1,040	3,010	2,270	1,980	1,290	5,540
Value (\$m)												
1981-82 **	282.9	501.5	784.4	49.4	156.7	206.1	305.4	472.0	777.4			
1982-83 **	199.2	405.6	604.7	32.7	106.0	138.7	217.8	450.9	668.7			
1983-84 **	321.6	277.6	206.4	805.6	54.2	61.5	69.6	185.3	299.8	259.7	197.6	757.1
1984-85 **	310.7	323.0	272.6	906.2	39.0	63.5	74.8	177.3	328.0	316.2	271.0	915.2
1984: Sept. qr	87.1	83.4	62.8	233.3	42.4	61.7	64.2	168.2	102.2	77.6	69.3	249.1
Dec. qr	79.5	82.5	74.6	236.5	41.3	57.9	86.8	186.0	80.7	83.5	57.8	222.0
1985: March qr	68.0	77.1	61.9	207.1	38.6	70.3	73.6	182.5	69.0	68.0	73.0	210.0
June qr	76.0	80.0	73.3	229.3	39.0	63.5	74.8	177.3	76.1	87.0	71.0	234.0
Sept. qr	75.1	91.6	107.5	274.2	43.6	70.7	118.2	232.5	70.4	83.1	68.4	221.9
Dec. qr	62.4	71.8	83.5	217.8	32.7	46.2	94.9	173.8	73.4	96.4	105.9	275.7

(a) From the September quarter 1983, value ranges have been amended. Details of numbers and values of houses with completion value ranges of \$40,000-\$59,999 and \$60,000 and over are not available for periods prior to September quarter 1983. (b) Figures shown for the numbers of new houses commenced, under construction, and completed, have been rounded to the nearest 10 units.

Table 6 - Building Activity: Relative Standard Errors, Queensland, December Quarter 1985
(per cent)

Ownership and stage of construction	Dwelling units in new residential buildings				Alterations and additions to residential buildings	Total building
	Houses		Total			
	Number	Value	Number	Value	Value	Value
Private Sector						
Commenced ..	2.4	2.9	1.9	2.4	7.7	1.3
Under construction at end of period ..	3.4	3.8	2.4	2.7	11.8	0.9
Completed ..	3.9	4.3	3.1	3.6	13.2	2.1
Value of work done ..	..	2.7	..	2.3	9.3	1.2
Value of work yet to be done at end of period	..	4.7	..	3.3	13.0	1.1
Total Private and Public Sectors						
Commenced ..	2.3	2.8	1.8	2.3	7.7	1.2
Under construction at end of period ..	3.3	3.6	2.3	2.6	11.7	0.7
Completed ..	3.8	4.1	2.9	3.5	13.2	1.8
Value of work done ..	..	2.6	..	2.2	9.3	1.0
Value of work yet to be done at end of period	..	4.5	..	3.2	13.0	0.8