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BUILDING APPROVALS : AUSTRALIA, DECEMBER, 1962

1. Statistics of building approvals have been compiled from (a) permits issued by local government authorities in the areas subject to building control by these authorities, and (b) contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorized by governmental authorities. They relate only to approvals for buildings, as distinct from the construction of roads, bridges, railways, earth works, water storage, etc. Values shown represent the estimated cost when completed (excluding cost of land) of new buildings and alterations and additions to existing buildings. Additions of £5,000 and over are included with new buildings in all States, except New South Wales, where they are included in "alterations and additions". Building is classified as "Private" or "Government" according to ownership.
2. For purposes of comparison, it should be borne in mind that the volume of building approvals is affected from month to month by the number of large projects such as blocks of flats and multi-storey office buildings approved in particular months and also by the administrative arrangements of local government and semi-governmental authorities.
3. During December, 1962, approvals were granted for the construction of 5,474 new houses and flats valued at £18,687,000. The total number of individual living units approved for the three months ended December, 1962, was 21,634 valued at £72,726,000 compared with 20,501 units valued at £67,328,000 for the three months ended December, 1961. New buildings, other than houses and flats, valued at £15,925,000 and alterations and additions valued at £5,699,000 were approved during December, 1962. The total value of all building approved during the three months ended December, 1962, was £153,431,000 which was £9,543,000 more than the total value for the three months ended December, 1961, but £11,628,000 less than the three months ended December, 1960.
4. The following tables show further details of building approvals for December, 1962 in comparison with details for earlier months.

TABLE 1. - BUILDING APPROVALS : AUSTRALIA

Period	Private			Government			Total		
	1960	1961	1962	1960	1961	1962	1960	1961	1962

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA

(Individual Living Units)

January	5,806	4,812	4,842	777	788	517	6,583	5,600	5,359
February	7,260	5,084	5,551	1,163	885	921	8,423	5,969	6,472
March	9,725	5,107	6,474	1,092	1,234	1,005	10,817	6,341	7,479
April	7,314	4,552	5,781	704	819	1,443	8,018	5,371	7,224
May	9,541	5,850	6,723	863	1,316	1,772	10,404	7,166	8,495
June	8,256	5,363	6,094	1,343	2,699	1,404	9,599	8,062	7,498
July	8,106	5,818	7,167	1,285	1,197	1,106	9,391	7,015	8,273
August	9,170	6,950	7,338	1,226	775	920	10,396	7,725	8,258
September	8,448	5,540	6,631	987	1,483	2,354	9,435	7,023	8,985
October	8,187	6,066	7,076	2,382	1,099	1,200	10,569	7,165	8,276
November	7,376	6,394	6,697	1,286	1,014	1,187	8,662	7,408	7,884
December	5,299	4,397	4,780	1,355	1,531	694	6,654	5,928	5,474
Three months ended December	20,862	16,857	18,553	5,023	3,644	3,081	25,885	20,501	21,634
Year ended 31st December	94,488	65,933	75,154	14,463	14,840	14,523	108,951	80,773	89,677

VALUE OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA (£'000)

January	18,138	15,738	16,360	2,129	2,298	1,604	20,267	18,036	17,964
February	22,438	16,936	18,855	3,312	2,591	2,536	25,750	19,527	21,391
March	29,968	17,172	21,870	3,078	3,067	2,836	33,046	20,239	24,706
April	22,540	15,422	19,465	1,878	2,288	4,011	24,418	17,710	23,476
May	30,620	19,667	22,964	2,647	3,815	4,541	33,267	23,482	27,505
June	27,382	18,270	20,838	4,046	7,928	3,909	31,428	26,198	24,747
July	26,112	19,498	24,542	3,185	3,323	3,018	29,297	22,821	27,560
August	30,494	23,891	25,917	3,326	2,362	2,532	33,820	26,253	28,449
September	26,972	18,732	22,759	2,870	4,369	5,361	29,842	23,101	28,120
October	27,099	20,615	24,197	5,993	3,143	3,361	33,092	23,758	27,558
November	23,904	21,485	22,974	3,531	3,045	3,507	27,435	24,530	26,481
December	18,103	14,721	16,684	3,612	4,319	2,003	21,715	19,040	18,687
Three months ended December	69,106	56,821	63,855	13,136	10,507	8,871	82,242	67,328	72,726
Year ended 31st December	303,770	222,147	257,425	39,607	42,548	39,219	343,377	264,695	296,644

TABLE 1. - (Continued) - BUILDING APPROVALS : AUSTRALIA

Period	Private			Government			Total		
	1960	1961	1962	1960	1961	1962	1960	1961	1962
VALUE OF OTHER NEW BUILDINGS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA (£'000)									
January	8,377	8,356	8,295	2,328	2,468	6,548	10,705	10,824	14,843
February	7,689	9,376	11,693	4,512	5,617	6,115	12,201	14,993	17,808
March	11,568	9,772	11,908	6,588	7,033	9,313	18,156	16,805	21,221
April	8,913	6,459	11,525	7,542	3,391	8,514	16,455	9,850	20,039
May	14,970	15,710	15,663	4,853	7,400	5,220	19,823	23,110	20,883
June	13,642	9,241	8,873	6,914	10,303	7,585	20,536	19,544	16,458
July	12,668	8,720	16,610	9,698	5,393	10,995	22,366	14,113	27,605
August	13,448	14,745	14,844	4,385	6,193	4,699	17,833	20,938	19,543
September	12,631	12,156	9,977	11,846	11,201	9,827	24,477	23,357	19,804
October	12,981	7,888	14,745	6,216	11,496	7,942	19,197	19,384	22,687
November	20,306	15,142	11,864	6,983	7,650	8,831	27,289	22,792	20,692
December	12,410	9,854	10,829	4,651	6,881	5,096	17,061	16,735	15,925
Three months ended December	45,697	32,884	37,435	17,850	26,027	21,869	63,547	58,911	59,304
Year ended 31st December	149,603	127,419	146,823	76,516	85,026	90,685	226,119	212,445	237,508

VALUE OF ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS APPROVED : AUSTRALIA
(£'000)

January	4,805	4,781	4,682	528	919	1,148	5,333	5,700	5,830
February	4,956	5,607	5,178	602	1,251	457	5,558	6,858	5,635
March	7,574	5,766	7,041	1,166	774	907	8,740	6,540	7,948
April	5,829	4,890	5,418	693	759	583	6,522	5,649	6,001
May	6,685	5,855	6,344	808	604	908	7,493	6,459	7,252
June	5,978	5,059	5,513	737	1,134	1,287	6,715	6,193	6,800
July	6,519	5,568	6,627	693	1,189	746	7,212	6,757	7,373
August	6,568	6,774	7,426	900	648	386	7,468	7,422	7,812
September	6,424	6,277	7,580	577	484	944	7,001	6,761	8,524
October	6,480	6,124	7,850	753	467	566	7,233	6,591	8,416
November	6,096	6,530	6,739	525	356	597	6,621	6,886	7,336
December	4,987	4,020	4,881	479	202	818	5,466	4,222	5,699
Three months ended December	17,563	16,674	19,470	1,757	1,025	1,981	19,320	17,699	21,451
Year ended 31st December	72,901	67,251	75,279	8,461	8,787	9,347	81,362	76,038	84,626

TOTAL VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED : AUSTRALIA
(£'000)

January	31,320	28,875	29,337	4,985	5,685	9,300	36,305	34,560	38,637
February	35,083	31,919	35,726	8,426	9,459	9,108	43,509	41,378	44,834
March	49,110	32,710	40,819	10,832	10,874	13,056	59,942	43,584	53,875
April	37,282	26,771	36,408	10,113	6,438	13,108	47,395	33,209	49,516
May	52,275	41,232	44,971	8,308	11,819	10,669	60,583	53,051	55,640
June	47,002	32,570	35,224	11,697	19,365	12,781	58,699	51,935	48,005
July	45,299	33,786	47,779	13,576	9,905	14,759	58,875	43,691	62,538
August	50,510	45,410	48,187	8,611	9,203	7,617	59,121	54,613	55,804
September	46,027	37,165	40,316	15,293	16,054	16,132	61,320	53,219	56,448
October	46,560	34,627	46,792	12,962	15,106	11,869	59,522	49,733	58,661
November	50,306	43,157	41,574	11,039	11,051	12,935	61,345	54,208	54,569
December	35,500	28,595	32,394	8,742	11,402	7,917	44,242	39,297	40,311
Three months ended December	132,366	106,379	120,760	32,743	37,559	32,721	165,109	143,938	153,481
Year ended 31st December	526,274	416,817	479,527	124,584	136,361	139,251	650,858	553,178	618,770

TABLE 2. - BUILDING APPROVALS : STATES
(Private and Government)

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED (Individual Living Units)									
Year - 1961	32,060	19,513	10,559	8,138	6,216	2,400	453	1,434	80,773
1962	33,449	23,931	10,596	9,996	6,864	2,551	528	1,762	89,677
1960 - November	3,267	2,182	972	1,161	567	228	9	276	8,662
December	2,560	1,738	799	762	427	208	26	134	6,654
1961 - January	2,427	1,051	828	627	333	154	73	107	5,600
February	2,830	1,261	727	462	411	177	74	27	5,969
March	2,667	1,495	834	671	407	179	21	67	6,341
April	2,205	1,240	869	391	440	147	49	30	5,371
May	2,928	1,693	1,177	466	498	192	34	178	7,166
June	2,492	2,112	920	1,345	635	185	12	361	8,062
July	2,968	1,630	949	603	505	217	13	130	7,015
August	3,029	2,016	996	610	558	278	30	208	7,725
September	2,613	1,668	815	1,101	524	213	12	47	7,023
October	2,836	1,883	960	487	619	219	60	101	7,165
November	2,861	1,848	865	784	664	228	45	93	7,408
December	2,204	1,616	619	591	572	211	30	85	5,928
1962 - January	2,234	1,217	684	484	426	149	42	123	5,359
February	2,121	1,857	828	675	660	183	81	67	6,472
March	2,733	1,966	973	629	722	293	60	103	7,479
April	3,199	1,614	901	670	494	200	24	122	7,224
May	3,131	2,013	940	1,300	603	238	31	239	8,495
June	2,711	2,077	1,222	602	486	215	43	142	7,498
July	3,211	2,306	898	763	616	237	10	232	8,273
August	3,318	2,108	960	802	592	210	70	198	8,258
September	2,862	2,115	786	2,239	583	234	23	143	8,985
October	2,829	2,639	948	695	765	222	93	85	8,276
November	2,963	2,417	852	690	489	229	23	221	7,884
December	2,137	1,602	604	447	428	141	28	87	5,474
VALUE OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS APPROVED (£'000)									
Year - 1961	101,125	69,682	31,511	26,324	19,256	7,947	1,957	6,893	264,695
1962	106,938	84,514	33,239	31,161	22,082	8,226	2,260	8,224	296,644
1960 - November	10,085	7,462	2,722	3,422	1,648	748	39	1,309	27,435
December	7,866	6,527	2,344	2,057	1,510	675	72	664	21,715
1961 - January	7,562	3,754	2,471	1,848	1,007	552	298	544	18,036
February	8,863	4,552	2,090	1,594	1,304	599	367	158	19,527
March	7,968	5,500	2,403	2,102	1,220	571	84	391	20,239
April	6,700	4,759	2,523	1,399	1,344	528	246	211	17,710
May	9,140	6,082	3,458	1,600	1,531	658	160	853	23,482
June	7,939	7,434	2,871	3,907	1,868	661	48	1,470	26,198
July	9,167	5,764	2,879	1,951	1,594	746	56	664	22,821
August	10,373	7,181	2,942	2,084	1,702	946	120	905	26,253
September	8,380	5,810	2,488	3,676	1,795	660	34	250	23,101
October	9,018	6,802	2,943	1,694	1,940	675	201	485	23,758
November	9,216	6,488	2,582	2,634	2,181	735	204	490	24,530
December	6,791	5,556	1,861	1,835	1,770	616	132	472	19,040
1962 - January	7,470	4,218	2,066	1,583	1,369	453	193	612	17,964
February	6,800	6,527	2,534	2,233	2,015	633	290	359	21,391
March	8,654	6,953	2,948	2,259	2,177	917	259	539	24,706
April	9,844	5,661	2,764	2,337	1,595	613	73	589	23,476
May	9,920	7,185	3,048	3,485	1,935	764	143	1,025	27,505
June	8,483	7,068	3,721	2,205	1,638	717	213	702	24,747
July	10,385	8,247	2,892	2,498	1,985	729	49	775	27,560
August	10,702	7,809	3,086	2,833	2,060	707	294	958	28,449
September	9,167	7,607	2,513	5,327	1,903	787	106	710	28,120
October	8,971	9,097	3,056	2,407	2,367	772	386	502	27,558
November	9,444	8,482	2,706	2,434	1,615	690	115	995	26,481
December	7,098	5,660	1,905	1,560	1,423	444	139	458	18,687

TABLE 2. - (Continued) - BUILDING APPROVALS : STATES

Period	(Private and Government)								
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
VALUE OF OTHER NEW BUILDINGS APPROVED (£'000)									
(Excluding Alterations and Additions)									
Year - 1961	75,624	51,213	24,603	27,355	15,833	8,154	1,780	7,883	212,445
1962	82,311	72,210	25,202	23,813	13,551	8,003	1,685	10,733	237,508
1960 - November	5,224	10,049	2,524	6,591	1,640	735	72	454	27,289
December	8,098	4,524	2,017	619	1,028	302	12	461	17,061
1961 - January	3,634	2,795	1,797	656	1,511	231	30	170	10,824
February	4,067	4,047	1,203	4,554	498	379	61	184	14,992
March	4,504	4,970	2,059	2,949	1,549	431	126	217	16,805
April	2,594	2,909	1,708	711	863	697	227	141	9,850
May	6,824	5,163	5,080	3,565	1,302	612	87	477	23,110
June	6,518	3,828	2,147	3,557	1,421	521	256	1,296	19,544
July	5,344	3,082	1,454	1,146	1,355	944	598	190	14,113
August	7,916	5,078	1,700	2,771	1,418	1,575	60	420	20,938
September	9,921	5,266	1,939	1,293	2,082	1,166	85	1,605	23,357
October	8,873	4,559	1,439	1,403	1,806	440	151	710	19,384
November	9,076	5,488	1,776	3,420	659	349	77	1,947	22,792
December	6,353	4,028	2,301	1,330	1,366	809	22	526	16,735
1962 - January	6,295	5,306	1,072	722	589	650	127	82	14,843
February	4,388	5,608	1,975	3,432	652	700	29	1,024	17,802
March	6,204	5,051	3,135	1,261	1,087	1,500	182	2,801	21,221
April	7,993	6,897	1,966	1,496	897	220	128	442	20,039
May	4,960	8,256	2,562	2,096	1,247	610	115	1,037	20,883
June	4,401	5,479	2,093	1,414	1,539	494	230	808	16,458
July	11,906	6,306	2,899	3,452	2,056	762	10	214	27,605
August	5,091	8,012	2,432	1,276	1,309	895	113	415	19,543
September	7,296	6,716	1,675	2,360	938	513	186	120	19,804
October	8,107	5,697	2,202	3,856	1,266	509	31	1,019	22,687
November	9,602	4,358	1,546	1,316	1,766	516	218	2,370	20,692
December	6,068	4,524	1,645	1,132	1,205	634	316	401	15,925

TOTAL VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED (£'000)

(Including Alterations and Additions)

Year - 1961	216,353	138,583	64,388	59,539	38,319	16,988	3,834	15,174	553,178
1962	232,545	176,054	67,643	61,991	39,356	17,202	4,182	19,805	618,778
1960 - November	18,333	19,186	6,040	10,632	3,591	1,789	119	1,855	61,345
December	18,884	12,303	4,874	3,061	2,732	1,052	123	1,213	44,242
1961 - January	14,429	7,650	4,883	2,974	2,708	851	328	737	34,560
February	16,948	9,910	4,035	6,570	2,069	1,057	428	361	41,378
March	15,850	12,022	5,226	5,567	2,996	1,071	221	631	43,584
April	12,377	8,907	4,849	2,470	2,442	1,287	476	401	33,209
May	19,053	12,872	9,421	5,644	3,128	1,331	249	1,353	53,051
June	17,155	13,037	5,697	8,042	3,608	1,292	309	2,795	51,935
July	18,102	10,455	4,997	3,559	3,214	1,776	693	895	43,691
August	22,352	13,955	5,374	5,391	3,409	2,587	183	1,362	54,613
September	22,017	12,457	5,069	5,577	4,145	1,921	126	1,907	53,215
October	21,122	13,062	5,119	3,594	4,067	1,191	363	1,215	49,733
November	21,886	13,603	5,021	6,592	3,160	1,150	291	2,505	54,208
December	15,062	10,653	4,697	3,559	3,373	1,474	167	1,012	39,997
1962 - January	17,184	10,740	3,587	2,718	2,203	1,159	325	721	38,637
February	13,662	13,664	5,165	6,117	2,929	1,428	332	1,537	44,834
March	19,280	13,511	6,920	4,186	3,545	2,557	459	3,417	53,875
April	20,637	14,024	5,569	4,381	2,752	897	207	1,049	49,516
May	17,970	17,114	6,471	6,541	3,585	1,477	315	2,167	55,640
June	16,140	14,410	5,531	4,171	3,451	1,286	481	1,535	48,005
July	26,078	16,326	6,572	6,523	4,359	1,555	72	1,052	62,538
August	19,784	17,652	6,408	4,647	3,779	1,685	429	1,420	55,804
September	21,245	15,991	5,039	8,372	3,172	1,378	301	949	56,448
October	21,401	16,818	6,182	6,860	4,017	1,373	439	1,571	58,661
November	22,780	14,483	5,116	4,358	2,678	1,289	352	3,453	54,565
December	16,383	11,321	4,083	3,117	2,886	1,117	470	934	40,311

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