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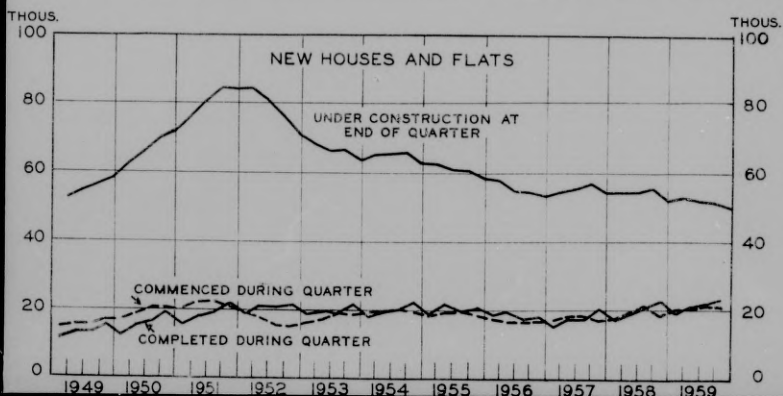
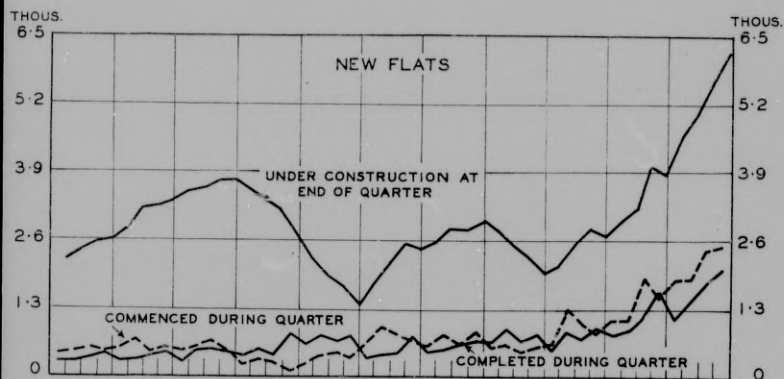
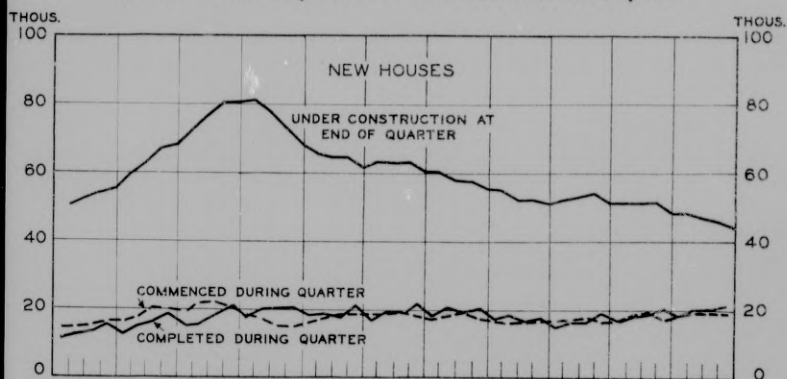
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DEFINITIONS, SOURCES AND SCOPE

DEFINITIONS:

CONTRACT-BUILT: Includes the operations of all Building Contractors and Government instrumentalities which undertake the erection of new buildings.

OWNER-BUILT: For the purpose of this Bulletin, an "owner-built" house is one actually erected or being erected by the owner or under the owner's direction without the services of a contractor who is responsible for the whole job.

COMMENCED: A building is regarded as having been commenced when work on foundations has begun. Owing to the difficulty of defining the exact point that this represents in building operations, classifications made by informants may not be entirely uniform.

COMPLETED: A building is regarded as having been completed when the contractor has fulfilled the terms of the contract. As with commencements, the classification made may not be entirely uniform.

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

EMPLOYMENT: Figures relate to persons actually working on the jobs of contractors who undertake the erection of new buildings and of Government instrumentalities which erect new buildings on their own account. They include persons actually engaged on alterations, additions, repairs and maintenance when these jobs are undertaken by such contractors and instrumentalities. The figures include working principals and their employees, men working as or for sub-contractors, and men temporarily laid off on account of weather.

Contractors are asked to give details of the persons employed on a specified day, but because of frequent movement between jobs and because some persons (such as electricians, etc.) may work on several jobs which are under construction simultaneously, some duplication may occur.

The figures exclude persons working on owner-built houses, and employees of builders who undertake only alterations, additions, repairs and maintenance.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Returns are obtained from -

- (a) building contractors engaged in the erection of new buildings.
- (b) owner builders.
- (c) Commonwealth, State, Semi and Local Government instrumentalities.

SCOPE

Details in this Bulletin relate only to the erection of new buildings, as distinct from the construction of railways, bridges, earthworks, water storage, etc.

Major new additions to existing buildings are included as new buildings.

Minor additions; alterations, renovations and repairs are excluded because of the difficulty of obtaining lists of persons who undertake this work.

Figures in this Bulletin do not include converted military huts and temporary dwellings. (Figures for houses exclude flats and also exclude dwellings attached to other new buildings. The value of dwellings attached to other new buildings is included with the value of the buildings to which they are attached). Figures for flats include "home units".

Imported prefabricated houses are included in all relevant tables in this Bulletin (See Bulletin No. 43 for particulars of the number of imported prefabricated houses completed in Australia from 1949-50 to 1957-58).

Details obtained from Government authorities and building contractors refer to all areas. Details for owner-builders cover only those areas subject to building control by Local Government authorities. Thus some houses on farms are excluded, but this does not affect figures materially.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals are affected by seasonal influences.

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The tables throughout this Bulletin include Northern Territory building operations as from 1st January, 1955.

A very small number of flats in the Northern Territory, separate details of which are not available for publication, has been included with houses.

TABLE 1 : NUMBER AND VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS AND VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF OTHER NEW BUILDINGS : AUSTRALIA (a)
(Including estimated value of Owner-Built houses)

Period	New Houses and Flats (b)		Other New Buildings	Total New Buildings
	Number	Value £'000	Value £'000	Value £'000
COMMENCED DURING PERIOD				
Year ended:				
31st Dec., 1951	(c)86,220	(c)184,679	60,508	(c)245,187
" " 1952	(c)67,955	(c)157,999	55,411	(c)213,410
" " 1953	(c)71,456	(c)180,592	72,027	(c)252,619
" " 1954	(c)78,872	(c)208,186	109,364	(c)317,550
" " 1955	75,868	216,959	150,377	367,336
" " 1956	67,978	202,239	165,413	367,652
" " 1957	71,576	219,958	140,701	360,659
" " 1958	77,758	241,941	163,115	405,056
" " 1959	85,114	267,453	206,358	473,811
Quarter ended:				
30th September, 1958	21,597	67,969	49,085	117,054
31st December, 1958	18,782	57,096	33,205	90,301
31st March, 1959	20,350	63,683	41,432	105,115
30th June, 1959	20,958	66,043	53,398	119,441
30th September, 1959	21,918	69,063	61,214	130,277
31st December, 1959	21,888	68,664	50,314	118,978
COMPLETED DURING PERIOD				
Year ended:				
31st Dec., 1951	(c)73,945	(c)150,827	28,184	(c)179,011
" " 1952	81,854	193,054	54,446	247,500
" " 1953	78,822	199,025	73,545	272,570
" " 1954	78,906	207,732	86,231	293,963
" " 1955	80,651	225,514	109,155	334,669
" " 1956	73,277	218,599	135,950	354,549
" " 1957	70,531	217,149	179,962	397,111
" " 1958	79,927	250,658	190,474	441,132
" " 1959	86,548	271,088	185,702	456,790
Quarter ended:				
30th September, 1958	20,530	64,432	42,427	106,859
31st December, 1958	22,386	70,439	54,087	124,526
31st March, 1959	19,413	60,786	40,864	101,650
30th June, 1959	21,829	68,017	42,919	110,936
30th September, 1959	22,143	69,183	52,555	121,738
31st December, 1959	23,163	73,102	49,364	122,466
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD				
Year ended:				
31st Dec., 1951	(c)84,433	(c)184,219	105,652	(c)289,871
" " 1952	(c)70,702	(c)164,787	115,096	(c)279,883
" " 1953	(c)63,344	(c)155,897	116,554	(c)272,451
" " 1954	(c)63,290	(c)163,204	143,923	(c)307,127
" " 1955	58,632	162,183	192,319	354,502
" " 1956	53,257	152,607	231,215	383,822
" " 1957	54,264	160,581	201,631	362,212
" " 1958	52,098	156,777	181,983	338,760
" " 1959	50,657	157,121	205,469	362,590
Quarter ended:				
30th September, 1958	55,702	168,746	201,441	370,187
31st December, 1958	52,098	156,777	181,983	338,760
31st March, 1959	53,035	160,823	182,743	343,566
30th June, 1959	52,159	159,682	193,771	353,453
30th September, 1959	51,932	160,739	203,441	364,180
30th December, 1959	50,657	157,121	205,469	362,590

(a) Prior to 1st January, 1955 excludes Northern Territory. (b) Individual living units. See also note (a) to Table 6. (c) Partly estimated.

TABLE 2 : VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF TOTAL NEW BUILDINGS : STATES
(Including estimated value of Owner-Built houses)

(£'000)

Period	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST. (a)
COMMENCED									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(b) 83,985	82,662	25,878	20,358	17,630	11,802	(c)	2,872	(b)245,187
" " 1952	(b) 70,221	62,644	27,111	24,320	18,672	7,965	(c)	2,477	(b)213,410
" " 1953	(b) 87,565	79,965	25,035	26,290	23,623	7,323	(c)	2,818	(b)252,619
" " 1954	(b)118,609	94,630	29,536	27,019	32,165	10,775	(c)	4,816	(b)317,550
" " 1955	129,129	112,713	34,338	40,187	32,470	10,277	2,032	6,190	367,336
" " 1956	136,962	116,708	40,180	34,195	21,899	12,159	2,319	3,230	367,652
" " 1957	135,129	108,883	34,040	34,062	25,652	12,938	1,328	6,627	360,659
" " 1958	145,476	133,125	37,190	39,444	25,123	13,769	2,564	8,365	405,056
" " 1959	178,009	140,468	48,175	47,199	26,961	16,734	2,850	13,415	473,811
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	44,892	35,093	10,405	10,835	8,533	3,539	766	2,991	117,054
31st Dec., 1958	33,328	28,802	8,080	10,167	4,882	3,316	295	1,431	90,301
31st March, 1959	38,958	31,311	11,242	9,677	6,840	3,236	631	2,720	105,115
30th June, 1959	44,553	35,901	13,102	12,059	6,001	4,318	545	2,962	119,441
30th Sept., 1959	49,247	37,592	12,799	12,827	7,481	3,974	898	5,459	130,277
31st Dec., 1959	45,251	35,164	11,032	12,636	6,639	5,206	776	2,274	118,978
COMPLETED									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(b) 58,116	61,983	20,538	14,631	11,249	10,523	(c)	1,971	(b)179,011
" " 1952	90,825	74,248	26,665	22,558	19,934	9,960	(c)	3,310	247,500
" " 1953	101,302	82,494	26,448	25,315	24,317	9,604	(c)	3,090	272,570
" " 1954	107,652	89,791	25,881	28,290	28,305	10,379	(c)	3,665	293,963
" " 1955	117,392	104,457	31,002	28,121	36,590	11,786	1,929	3,392	334,669
" " 1956	122,489	117,197	31,467	34,829	27,521	12,428	2,351	6,267	354,549
" " 1957	156,639	120,185	38,502	36,328	25,326	13,153	2,048	4,930	397,111
" " 1958	166,328	136,982	41,375	42,644	30,448	12,559	2,200	8,596	441,132
" " 1959	162,263	142,608	47,546	44,126	28,376	14,128	2,528	15,215	456,790
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	39,545	30,964	10,657	9,731	9,706	3,066	538	2,652	106,859
31st Dec., 1958	43,090	39,640	12,753	14,056	7,821	3,157	752	3,257	124,526
31st March, 1959	39,600	30,775	9,703	9,472	6,236	2,922	773	2,169	101,650
30th June, 1959	37,606	36,058	11,887	11,135	6,499	4,305	525	2,921	110,936
30th Sept., 1959	43,363	35,644	12,066	11,313	7,261	3,739	635	7,717	121,738
31st Dec., 1959	41,694	40,131	13,890	12,206	8,380	3,162	595	2,408	122,466
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(b)115,824	97,111	18,855	19,584	19,799	12,656	(c)	6,042	(b)289,871
" " 1952	(b)103,021	93,875	19,318	23,944	21,085	11,891	(c)	6,749	(b)279,883
" " 1953	(b) 94,166	95,629	17,592	24,007	23,461	10,801	(c)	6,795	(b)272,451
" " 1954	(b)108,596	104,531	21,029	22,999	28,794	12,239	(c)	8,939	(b)307,127
" " 1955	123,965	117,375	24,727	35,517	28,202	10,968	1,741	12,007	354,502
" " 1956	142,361	124,452	33,970	36,724	24,160	11,123	1,742	9,290	383,822
" " 1957	127,670	117,720	30,189	35,439	25,637	11,325	1,166	13,066	362,212
" " 1958	112,353	118,135	26,910	32,823	20,754	12,651	1,830	13,304	338,760
" " 1959	130,264	118,110	27,782	36,460	20,003	15,455	2,193	12,323	362,590
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	121,354	128,094	30,967	36,553	23,567	12,460	2,129	15,063	370,187
31st Dec., 1958	112,353	118,135	26,910	32,823	20,754	12,651	1,830	13,304	338,760
31st March, 1959	112,209	119,690	28,444	33,209	21,458	12,992	1,682	13,882	343,566
30th June, 1959	119,473	120,179	29,709	34,104	21,285	13,053	1,721	13,929	353,453
30th Sept., 1959	126,163	122,493	30,462	35,791	21,595	13,348	2,005	12,323	364,180
31st Dec., 1959	130,264	118,110	27,782	36,460	20,003	15,455	2,193	12,323	362,590

(a) Prior to 1st January, 1955 excludes Northern Territory.

(b) Partly estimated.

(c) Not available.

TABLE 3 : VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF TOTAL NEW BUILDINGS : TYPES : AUSTRALIA

(Including estimated value of Owner-Built houses)

(£'000)

Type of Building	Year ended -			Quarter ended -						
	31st Dec.,	31st Dec.,	31st Dec.,	30th Sept.,	31st Dec.,	31st March,	30th June,	30th Sept.,	31st Dec.,	
	1957	1958	1959	1958	1958	1959	1959	1959	1959	
COMMENCED										
Houses	210,093	226,311	244,499	62,054	53,494	58,671	61,046	62,635	62,147	
Flats	9,865	15,630	22,954	5,915	3,602	5,012	4,997	6,428	6,517	
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	6,150	6,332	9,701	2,331	1,653	2,424	1,615	3,688	1,974	
Shops	11,032	13,808	18,522	3,964	3,362	3,401	4,960	6,416	3,745	
Factories	38,617	35,755	41,760	9,633	7,693	11,122	11,596	10,937	8,105	
Offices	16,754	23,513	34,782	9,808	3,106	4,357	6,637	10,540	13,248	
Other Business Premises	16,174	20,086	24,091	5,942	4,672	5,107	6,559	8,701	3,724	
Educational	19,280	24,108	35,523	5,373	4,503	6,337	9,944	10,466	8,776	
Religious	4,729	5,987	5,440	1,464	1,480	1,312	1,374	1,494	1,260	
Health	8,669	11,792	11,712	2,424	1,088	1,919	3,058	2,724	4,011	
Entertainment & Recreation	8,639	8,838	9,923	1,772	2,041	2,653	3,361	2,066	1,843	
Miscellaneous	10,657	12,896	14,904	3,374	3,607	2,800	4,294	4,183	3,628	
TOTAL:	360,659	405,056	473,811	117,054	90,301	105,115	119,441	130,277	118,978	
COMPLETED										
Houses	209,845	238,680	254,777	61,586	65,597	58,097	64,248	64,790	67,642	
Flats	7,304	11,978	16,311	2,846	4,842	2,689	3,769	4,393	5,460	
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	8,072	7,700	6,879	2,052	2,515	1,395	1,242	2,164	2,078	
Shops	13,778	14,743	15,217	3,931	4,553	3,354	3,987	3,581	4,295	
Factories	56,457	49,250	43,243	8,921	12,065	10,022	9,629	11,799	11,793	
Offices	29,537	30,423	21,944	5,797	10,892	3,483	5,278	9,412	3,771	
Other Business Premises	19,040	19,131	25,497	4,659	6,350	4,498	4,951	7,318	8,730	
Educational	17,818	19,973	28,918	5,198	4,585	9,505	6,281	6,656	6,476	
Religious	4,085	5,090	7,266	1,437	1,234	1,407	1,916	2,126	1,817	
Health	12,973	25,789	13,408	6,043	6,667	2,432	3,699	2,719	4,558	
Entertainment & Recreation	8,315	8,691	9,269	1,989	2,421	2,006	2,489	2,402	2,372	
Miscellaneous	9,887	9,684	14,061	2,400	2,735	2,762	3,447	4,378	3,474	
TOTAL:	397,111	441,132	456,790	106,859	124,526	101,650	110,936	121,738	122,466	
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD										
Houses	152,341	144,556	137,890	155,406	144,556	146,161	143,884	142,683	137,890	
Flats	8,240	12,221	19,231	13,340	12,221	14,662	15,798	18,056	19,231	
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	6,452	5,203	8,155	6,019	5,203	6,211	6,607	8,154	8,155	
Shops	7,688	7,275	10,730	8,395	7,275	7,325	8,367	11,230	10,730	
Factories	55,198	43,868	43,876	47,475	43,868	45,037	47,111	46,506	43,876	
Offices	34,131	28,718	42,526	36,533	28,718	29,560	31,024	32,974	42,526	
Other Business Premises	14,170	15,068	14,264	16,755	15,068	15,682	17,353	18,510	14,264	
Educational	21,742	26,043	32,518	26,306	26,043	23,040	26,722	29,654	32,518	
Religious	5,503	6,537	4,864	6,220	6,537	6,507	5,992	5,396	4,864	
Health	38,879	28,104	26,537	33,062	28,104	27,593	26,980	27,013	26,537	
Entertainment & Recreation	6,032	5,969	6,623	6,440	5,969	6,653	7,428	7,136	6,623	
Miscellaneous	11,836	15,198	15,376	14,236	15,198	15,135	16,187	16,668	15,376	
TOTAL:	362,212	338,760	362,590	370,187	338,760	343,566	353,453	364,180	362,590	

TABLE 4 : VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS IN EACH STATE : TYPES :

QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1959.

(Including estimated value of Owner-Built houses)

(£'000)

Type of Building	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST.
COMMENCED									
Houses	21,003	19,689	6,373	6,916	3,981	1,792	459	1,934	62,147
Flats	2,943	2,162	447	657	28	185	(a)	95	6,517
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	1,005	299	419	129	(b)	(b)	-	-	1,974
Shops	1,403	1,297	368	194	61	383	39	-	3,745
Factories	3,069	3,124	616	669	228	362	(b)	(b)	8,105
Offices	7,432	3,909	320	620	83	815	)	)	13,248
Other Business Premises	1,237	1,058	374	455	201	377	) 111	) 176	3,724
Educational	3,852	1,992	973	838	742	217	)	)	8,776
Religious	666	296	79	87	22	(b)	-	)	1,260
Health	715	201	361	1,393	(b)	(b)	-	-	4,011
Entertainment & Recreation	1,182	154	193	70	159	9	76	-	1,843
Miscellaneous	744	983	509	608	645	16	(b)	(b)	3,628
TOTAL:	45,251	35,164	11,032	12,636	6,639	5,206	776	2,274	118,978
COMPLETED									
Houses	22,414	21,907	7,164	7,876	4,548	1,842	398	1,493	67,642
Flats	2,357	1,515	469	368	174	58	(a)	519	5,460
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	1,008	282	232	135	291	(b)	(b)	(b)	2,078
Shops	1,898	1,474	317	340	95	(b)	19	(b)	4,295
Factories	4,494	6,031	457	364	238	145	15	49	11,793
Offices	1,276	1,269	754	78	233	41	-	120	3,771
Other Business Premises	2,335	2,709	946	1,143	1,213	(b)	(b)	(b)	8,730
Educational	2,393	789	676	1,356	1,054	)	(b)	-	6,476
Religious	688	487	369	133	77	)	-	(b)	1,817
Health	865	1,503	1,767	120	145	) 332	)	)	4,558
Entertainment & Recreation	1,373	436	172	162	147	)	) 122	) 125	2,372
Miscellaneous	593	1,729	567	131	165	159	)	)	3,474
TOTAL:	41,694	40,131	13,890	12,206	8,380	3,162	595	2,408	122,466
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
Houses	43,602	49,783	8,167	16,208	8,483	5,734	830	5,083	137,890
Flats	9,307	4,735	1,701	1,367	174	628	(a)	1,319	19,231
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	3,588	857	1,653	816	85	234	178	744	8,155
Shops	3,590	4,675	872	647	170	590	(b)	(b)	10,730
Factories	18,153	18,705	1,824	2,805	1,328	881	30	150	43,876
Offices	16,618	13,627	3,289	2,969	1,885	11,077	245	2,816	42,526
Other Business Premises	5,811	3,033	1,872	1,238	1,255	1,018	(b)	(b)	14,264
Educational	13,936	6,312	2,582	3,730	1,949	2,303	204	1,502	32,518
Religious	1,957	1,346	644	159	232	105	(b)	(b)	4,864
Health	4,091	10,541	2,760	4,573	2,318	2,185	69	-	26,537
Entertainment & Recreation	4,802	590	500	389	247	39	56	-	6,623
Miscellaneous	4,609	3,926	1,918	1,559	1,877	661	332	314	15,376
TOTAL:	130,264	115,110	27,782	36,460	20,003	15,455	2,193	12,323	362,590

(a) Included with houses.

(b) Not available for publication.

TABLE 5 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS : AUSTRALIA (a)

Period	New Houses (b)			Individual New Flats (a)	Total New Houses and New Flats
	Contract- Built (c)	Owner- Built	Total		
<u>COMMENCED</u>					
<u>Year ended:</u>					
31st December, 1951	(e) 51,684	(e) 32,273	(e) 83,957	2,263	(e) 86,220
" " 1952	(e) 39,170	(e) 27,823	(e) 66,993	962	(e) 67,955
" " 1953	(e) 43,531	(e) 26,427	(e) 69,958	1,498	(e) 71,456
" " 1954	(e) 48,866	(e) 26,868	(e) 75,734	3,138	(e) 78,872
" " 1955	48,729	24,243	72,972	2,896	75,868
" " 1956	42,305	23,460	65,765	2,213	67,978
" " 1957	47,298	20,471	67,769	3,807	71,576
" " 1958	52,522	19,593	72,115	5,643	77,758
" " 1959	58,836	17,575	76,411	8,703	85,114
<u>Quarter ended:</u>					
30th September, 1958	14,771	4,926	19,697	1,900	21,597
31st December, 1958	12,671	4,594	17,265	1,517	18,782
31st March, 1959	13,965	4,504	18,469	1,881	20,350
30th June, 1959	14,612	4,460	19,072	1,886	20,958
30th September, 1959	15,282	4,200	19,482	2,436	21,918
31st December, 1959	14,977	4,411	19,388	2,500	21,888
<u>COMPLETED</u>					
<u>Year ended:</u>					
31st December, 1951	(e) 50,738	(e) 21,339	(e) 72,077	1,868	(e) 73,945
" " 1952	51,260	28,389	79,649	2,205	81,854
" " 1953	45,544	30,531	76,075	2,747	78,822
" " 1954	48,386	28,479	76,865	2,041	78,906
" " 1955	50,106	28,183	78,289	2,352	80,641
" " 1956	46,220	23,897	70,117	3,160	73,277
" " 1957	46,343	21,128	67,471	3,060	70,531
" " 1958	52,647	22,796	75,443	4,484	79,927
" " 1959	57,782	22,328	80,110	6,438	86,548
<u>Quarter ended:</u>					
30th September, 1958	14,107	5,284	19,391	1,139	20,530
31st December, 1958	14,449	6,297	20,746	1,640	22,386
31st March, 1959	12,526	5,789	18,315	1,098	19,413
30th June, 1959	14,477	5,868	20,345	1,484	21,829
30th September, 1959	15,340	5,017	20,357	1,786	22,143
31st December, 1959	15,439	5,654	21,093	2,070	23,163
<u>UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD</u>					
<u>Year ended:</u>					
31st December, 1951	(e) 35,508	(e) 45,196	(e) 80,704	3,729	(e) 84,433
" " 1952	(e) 23,457	(e) 44,630	(e) 68,087	2,615	(e) 70,702
" " 1953	(e) 21,456	(e) 40,525	(e) 61,981	1,363	(e) 63,344
" " 1954	(e) 21,927	(e) 38,909	(e) 60,836	2,454	(e) 63,290
" " 1955	20,649	35,020	55,669	2,963	58,632
" " 1956	16,715	34,570	51,285	1,972	53,257
" " 1957	17,651	33,903	51,554	2,710	54,264
" " 1958	17,526	30,700	48,226	3,872	52,098
" " 1959	18,580	25,947	44,527	6,130	50,657
<u>Quarter ended:</u>					
30th September, 1958	19,304	32,403	51,707	3,995	55,702
31st December, 1958	17,526	30,700	48,226	3,872	52,096
31st March, 1959	18,965	29,415	48,380	4,655	53,035
30th June, 1959	19,100	28,007	47,107	5,052	52,159
30th September, 1959	19,042	27,190	46,232	5,700	51,932
31st December, 1959	18,580	25,947	44,527	6,130	50,657

(a) Prior to 1st January, 1955, excludes Northern Territory.

(b) See Scope,

pages 1 and 2.

(c) Includes operations of Governmental authorities.

(d) See note (a) to Table 6.

(e) Partly estimated.

TABLE 6 : NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL NEW FLATS (a) : STATES

Period		N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST.
COMMENCED										
<u>Year ended:</u>										
31st December,	1951	1,255	625	31	76	249	27	(b)	-	2,263
" "	1952	531	237	46	38	96	4	(b)	10	962
" "	1953	454	629	182	43	156	30	(b)	4	1,498
" "	1954	953	903	264	142	629	109	(b)	138	3,138
" "	1955	760	1,079	224	166	314	11	(c)	342	2,896
" "	1956	757	774	212	149	255	62	(c)	4	2,213
" "	1957	1,269	1,312	288	371	244	55	(c)	268	3,807
" "	1958	2,291	1,373	663	769	133	218	(c)	196	5,643
" "	1959	3,842	2,463	905	713	254	168	(c)	358	8,703
<u>Quarter ended:</u>										
30th September,	1958	712	355	315	256	24	46	(c)	192	1,900
31st December,	1958	648	321	167	229	44	108	(c)	-	1,517
31st March,	1959	856	526	149	94	83	21	(c)	152	1,881
30th June,	1959	639	624	256	172	78	31	(c)	86	1,886
30th September,	1959	1,218	542	265	177	80	47	(c)	107	2,436
31st December,	1959	1,129	771	235	270	13	69	(c)	13	2,500
COMPLETED										
<u>Year ended:</u>										
31st December,	1951	1,120	352	26	-	315	19	(b)	36	1,868
" "	1952	1,379	539	43	12	92	20	(b)	120	2,205
" "	1953	1,555	790	111	106	167	8	(b)	10	2,747
" "	1954	685	748	251	86	229	38	(b)	4	2,041
" "	1955	682	859	228	126	397	62	(c)	8	2,362
" "	1956	939	1,108	189	106	624	64	(c)	130	3,160
" "	1957	927	1,151	271	316	177	80	(c)	138	3,060
" "	1958	1,680	1,266	439	562	238	79	(c)	220	4,484
" "	1959	2,520	1,694	803	591	224	120	(c)	486	6,438
<u>Quarter ended:</u>										
30th September,	1958	405	364	104	163	48	19	(c)	36	1,139
31st December,	1958	542	407	196	201	112	50	(c)	132	1,640
31st March,	1959	359	329	183	148	14	21	(c)	44	1,098
30th June,	1959	629	334	168	128	38	41	(c)	146	1,484
30th September,	1959	672	415	258	152	76	37	(c)	176	1,766
31st December,	1959	860	616	194	163	96	21	(c)	120	2,070
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD										
<u>Year ended:</u>										
31st December,	1951	2,311	1,024	12	76	163	23	(b)	120	3,729
" "	1952	1,592	722	15	102	167	7	(b)	10	2,615
" "	1953	482	567	86	39	156	29	(b)	4	1,363
" "	1954	744	722	99	95	556	100	(b)	138	2,454
" "	1955	796	942	95	129	478	51	(c)	472	2,963
" "	1956	572	608	118	170	109	49	(c)	346	1,972
" "	1957	905	769	135	225	176	24	(c)	476	2,710
" "	1958	1,519	876	359	432	71	163	(c)	452	3,672
" "	1959	2,834	1,645	461	554	101	211	(c)	324	6,130
<u>Quarter ended:</u>										
30th September,	1958	1,413	962	388	404	139	105	(c)	584	3,995
31st December,	1958	1,519	876	359	432	71	163	(c)	452	3,672
31st March,	1959	2,016	1,073	325	378	140	163	(c)	560	4,655
30th June,	1959	2,021	1,363	413	422	180	153	(c)	500	5,052
30th September,	1959	2,565	1,490	420	447	184	163	(c)	431	5,700
31st December,	1959	2,834	1,645	461	554	101	211	(c)	324	6,130

(a) The figures in this table 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.

(b) Not available.

(c) Included with houses. Separate details are not available for publication.

TABLE 7 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (a) COMMENCED : CONTRACT-BUILT AND OWNER-BUILT : STATES

Period	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST. (b)
<u>CONTRACT-BUILT (c)</u>									
<u>Year ended:</u>									
31st December, 1951	(d) 14,340	15,058	8,393	6,250	4,400	2,526	(e)	717	(d) 51,684
" " 1952	(d) 9,261	9,818	7,698	6,982	3,723	1,291	(e)	397	(d) 39,170
" " 1953	(d) 13,559	11,494	6,688	5,667	4,332	1,418	(e)	373	(d) 43,531
" " 1954	(d) 16,197	13,944	6,544	4,869	5,395	1,499	(e)	418	(d) 48,866
" " 1955	14,849	14,132	5,748	6,284	5,233	1,517	270	696	48,129
" " 1956	12,814	12,039	6,191	5,536	3,837	1,348	286	254	42,305
" " 1957	15,923	13,728	5,208	5,300	4,732	1,493	120	794	47,298
" " 1958	16,986	17,181	5,900	5,803	4,154	1,330	262	906	52,522
" " 1959	19,030	17,834	6,777	7,656	4,545	1,556	294	1,144	58,836
<u>Quarter ended:</u>									
30th September, 1958	5,059	4,579	1,648	1,563	1,199	340	79	304	14,771
31st December, 1958	4,170	4,088	1,466	1,546	848	351	33	169	12,671
31st March, 1959	4,635	4,193	1,586	1,710	1,096	407	72	266	13,965
30th June, 1959	4,718	4,328	1,687	2,054	1,088	410	73	254	14,612
30th September, 1959	5,018	4,507	1,781	2,034	1,219	403	61	259	15,282
31st December, 1959	4,659	4,806	1,723	1,858	1,142	336	88	365	14,977
<u>OWNER-BUILT</u>									
<u>Year ended:</u>									
31st December, 1951	(d) 10,396	11,401	3,550	1,668	3,534	1,704	(e)	20	(d) 32,273
" " 1952	(d) 11,262	7,527	2,897	1,620	3,240	1,246	(e)	31	(d) 27,823
" " 1953	(d) 10,960	7,875	1,868	1,612	2,995	1,079	(e)	38	(d) 26,427
" " 1954	(d) 10,472	8,138	1,874	1,823	3,237	1,304	(e)	20	(d) 26,868
" " 1955	9,414	7,667	1,697	1,977	2,227	1,168	39	54	24,243
" " 1956	9,339	8,102	1,585	1,927	1,290	1,028	82	107	23,460
" " 1957	8,268	6,552	1,505	1,598	1,174	1,172	57	145	20,471
" " 1958	8,380	5,983	1,549	1,333	969	1,117	85	172	19,593
" " 1959	8,154	4,528	1,771	1,009	924	922	101	166	17,575
<u>Quarter ended:</u>									
30th September, 1958	1,950	1,510	427	351	274	339	22	53	4,926
31st December, 1958	2,033	1,340	342	351	240	233	13	42	4,594
31st March, 1959	2,066	1,245	393	248	271	223	23	35	4,504
30th June, 1959	2,000	1,160	451	302	226	260	19	42	4,460
30th September, 1959	2,018	1,051	432	231	224	170	22	52	4,200
31st December, 1959	2,070	1,072	495	228	203	269	37	37	4,411
<u>TOTAL</u>									
<u>Year ended:</u>									
31st December, 1951	(d) 24,736	26,459	11,943	7,918	7,934	4,230	(e)	737	(d) 83,957
" " 1952	(d) 20,523	17,345	10,595	8,602	6,963	2,537	(e)	428	(d) 66,993
" " 1953	(d) 24,519	19,369	8,556	7,279	7,327	2,497	(e)	411	(d) 69,958
" " 1954	(d) 26,669	22,082	8,418	6,692	8,632	2,803	(e)	438	(d) 75,734
" " 1955	24,263	21,799	7,445	8,261	7,460	2,685	309	750	72,972
" " 1956	22,153	20,141	7,776	7,463	5,127	2,376	368	361	65,765
" " 1957	24,191	20,280	6,713	6,898	5,906	2,665	177	939	67,769
" " 1958	25,366	23,164	7,449	7,141	5,123	2,447	347	1,078	72,115
" " 1959	27,184	22,362	8,548	8,665	5,469	2,478	395	1,310	76,411
<u>Quarter ended:</u>									
30th September, 1958	7,009	6,089	2,075	1,914	1,473	679	101	357	19,697
31st December, 1958	6,203	5,428	1,808	1,897	1,088	584	46	211	17,265
31st March, 1959	6,701	5,438	1,979	1,958	1,367	630	95	301	18,469
30th June, 1959	6,718	5,486	2,138	2,356	1,314	670	92	296	19,072
30th September, 1959	7,036	5,558	2,213	2,265	1,443	573	83	311	19,482
31st December, 1959	6,729	5,678	2,218	2,086	1,345	605	125	402	19,388

- (a) Excludes flats. (b) Prior to 1st January, 1955 excludes Northern Territory.
(c) Includes operations of Governmental authorities. (d) Partly estimated.
(e) Not available.

TABLE 5 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (a) COMPLETED : CONTRACT-BUILT AND OWNER-BUILT : STATES

Period	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	N.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST. (b)
CONTRACT-BUILT (c)									
Year ended:									
31st December, 1951	(e) 14,244	16,228	7,594	5,660	3,818	2,703	(d)	491	(e) 50,738
" " 1952	14,595	14,205	7,985	7,076	4,647	1,936	(d)	616	51,260
" " 1953	12,998	11,931	7,518	6,342	4,654	1,552	(d)	549	45,544
" " 1954	15,978	13,240	6,617	5,781	4,779	1,556	(d)	435	48,386
" " 1955	15,720	14,243	6,371	5,646	6,012	1,474	217	423	50,106
" " 1956	13,887	14,085	5,592	5,916	4,172	1,613	266	669	46,220
" " 1957	15,135	13,274	5,724	5,532	4,577	1,441	216	444	46,343
" " 1958	17,326	16,565	6,084	5,866	4,404	1,266	236	900	52,647
" " 1959	18,950	17,496	6,893	7,155	4,426	1,576	263	1,023	57,782
Quarter ended:									
30th September, 1958	4,761	4,444	1,551	1,635	1,089	286	62	279	14,107
31st December, 1958	4,610	4,701	1,674	1,528	1,208	334	79	315	14,449
31st March, 1959	4,051	3,865	1,540	1,420	1,016	308	85	241	12,526
30th June, 1959	4,689	4,434	1,646	1,869	1,024	501	44	270	14,477
30th September, 1959	5,312	4,412	1,837	1,871	1,174	390	65	279	15,340
31st December, 1959	4,898	4,785	1,870	1,995	1,212	377	69	233	15,439
OWNER-BUILT									
Year ended:									
31st December, 1951	(e) 6,135	6,992	3,298	1,276	1,913	1,710	(d)	15	(e) 21,339
" " 1952	10,289	8,484	3,431	1,731	2,883	1,548	(d)	23	28,389
" " 1953	12,600	9,709	2,277	1,794	2,988	1,139	(d)	24	30,531
" " 1954	12,198	8,879	1,482	1,661	3,127	1,101	(d)	31	28,479
" " 1955	11,693	9,393	1,624	1,636	2,760	1,004	51	22	28,183
" " 1956	9,867	7,363	1,560	1,757	1,875	1,372	55	48	23,897
" " 1957	8,385	6,706	1,650	1,786	1,369	1,100	74	58	21,126
" " 1958	9,897	6,882	1,546	1,839	1,339	1,100	73	120	22,796
" " 1959	9,731	6,501	1,843	1,473	1,436	1,097	82	165	22,328
Quarter ended:									
30th September, 1958	2,328	1,578	434	406	205	290	17	26	5,284
31st December, 1958	2,554	1,968	431	510	538	230	23	43	6,297
31st March, 1959	2,495	1,688	467	412	357	303	26	41	5,789
30th June, 1959	2,607	1,651	463	363	409	325	20	30	5,868
30th September, 1959	2,316	1,444	329	286	363	229	10	40	5,017
31st December, 1959	2,313	1,718	584	412	307	240	26	54	5,654
TOTAL									
Year ended:									
31st December, 1951	(e) 20,379	23,220	10,892	6,936	5,731	4,413	(d)	506	(e) 72,077
" " 1952	24,884	22,689	11,416	8,807	7,330	3,484	(d)	639	79,649
" " 1953	25,598	21,640	9,795	8,136	7,642	2,691	(d)	573	76,075
" " 1954	28,176	22,119	8,099	7,442	7,906	2,657	(d)	466	76,865
" " 1955	27,413	23,636	7,995	7,282	8,772	2,478	268	445	78,289
" " 1956	23,754	21,448	7,152	7,673	6,047	2,985	341	717	70,117
" " 1957	23,520	19,980	7,374	7,318	5,946	2,541	290	502	67,471
" " 1958	27,223	23,447	7,630	7,705	5,743	2,366	309	1,020	75,443
" " 1959	28,681	23,997	8,736	8,628	5,862	2,673	345	1,188	80,110
Quarter ended:									
30th September, 1958	7,089	6,022	1,985	2,041	1,294	576	79	305	19,391
31st December, 1958	7,164	6,669	2,105	2,038	1,746	564	102	358	20,746
31st March, 1959	6,546	5,553	2,007	1,832	1,373	611	111	282	18,315
30th June, 1959	7,296	6,085	2,109	2,232	1,433	826	64	300	20,345
30th September, 1959	7,628	5,856	2,166	2,157	1,537	619	75	319	20,357
31st December, 1959	7,211	6,503	2,454	2,407	1,519	617	95	287	21,093

(a) Excludes flats. (b) Prior to 1st January, 1955 excludes Northern Territory.

(c) Includes operations of Governmental authorities. (d) Not available.

(e) Partly estimated.

TABLE 9 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (a) UNDER CONSTRUCTION AS AT END OF PERIOD :

CONTRACT - BUILT AND OWNER-BUILT : STATES

As at -	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST.(b)
CONTRACT - BUILT (c)									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(d) 10,965	10,528	3,497	4,911	3,280	1,525	(e)	802	(d) 35,508
" " 1952	(d) 5,631	6,126	3,210	4,869	2,156	880	(e)	585	(d) 23,457
" " 1953	(d) 6,192	5,683	2,380	4,226	1,821	746	(e)	408	(d) 21,456
" " 1954	(d) 6,411	6,385	2,307	3,307	2,437	689	(e)	391	(d) 21,927
" " 1955	5,540	6,271	1,684	3,945	1,651	732	162	664	20,649
" " 1956	4,467	4,204	2,283	3,568	1,316	467	162	248	16,715
" " 1957	5,255	4,658	1,767	3,317	1,471	519	66	598	17,651
" " 1958	4,915	5,274	1,583	3,254	1,221	583	92	604	17,526
" " 1959	4,995	5,612	1,467	3,755	1,310	563	123	725	18,580
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	5,355	5,887	1,791	3,236	1,581	566	138	750	19,304
31st Dec., 1958	4,915	5,274	1,583	3,254	1,221	583	92	604	17,526
31st March, 1959	5,499	5,602	1,629	3,544	1,301	682	79	629	18,965
30th June, 1959	5,528	5,496	1,670	3,729	1,365	591	108	613	19,100
30th Sept., 1959	5,234	5,591	1,614	3,892	1,410	604	104	593	19,042
31st Dec., 1959	4,995	5,612	1,467	3,755	1,340	563	123	725	18,580
OWNER-BUILT									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(d) 3,424	17,553	1,959	2,027	3,460	1,739	(e)	34	(d) 45,196
" " 1952	(d) 19,397	16,596	1,425	1,917	3,817	1,437	(e)	41	(d) 44,630
" " 1953	(d) 17,757	14,762	1,016	1,734	3,824	1,377	(e)	55	(d) 40,525
" " 1954	(d) 16,031	14,021	1,408	1,891	3,934	1,580	(e)	44	(d) 38,909
" " 1955	13,752	12,295	1,481	2,220	3,401	1,744	51	76	35,020
" " 1956	13,224	13,034	1,506	2,376	2,816	1,400	78	136	34,570
" " 1957	13,107	12,880	1,361	2,178	2,621	1,472	61	223	33,963
" " 1958	11,590	11,981	1,364	1,677	2,251	1,489	73	275	30,700
" " 1959	10,013	10,008	1,292	1,213	1,739	1,314	92	276	25,947
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	12,111	12,609	1,453	1,836	2,549	1,486	83	276	32,403
31st Dec., 1958	11,590	11,981	1,364	1,677	2,251	1,489	73	275	30,700
31st March, 1959	11,161	11,538	1,290	1,513	2,165	1,409	70	269	29,415
30th June, 1959	10,554	11,047	1,278	1,452	1,982	1,344	69	281	28,007
30th Sept., 1959	10,256	10,654	1,381	1,397	1,643	1,285	81	293	27,190
31st Dec., 1959	10,013	10,008	1,292	1,213	1,739	1,314	92	276	25,947
TOTAL									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(d) 29,389	28,081	5,456	6,938	6,740	3,264	(e)	836	(d) 80,704
" " 1952	(d) 25,028	22,722	4,635	6,786	5,973	2,317	(e)	626	(d) 68,087
" " 1953	(d) 23,949	20,445	3,396	5,960	5,645	2,123	(e)	463	(d) 61,981
" " 1954	(d) 22,442	20,406	3,715	5,198	6,371	2,269	(e)	435	(d) 60,836
" " 1955	19,292	18,566	3,165	6,165	5,052	2,476	213	740	55,669
" " 1956	17,691	17,238	3,789	5,944	4,132	1,867	240	384	51,285
" " 1957	18,362	17,538	3,128	5,495	4,092	1,991	127	821	51,554
" " 1958	16,505	17,255	2,947	4,931	3,472	2,072	165	879	48,226
" " 1959	15,008	15,620	2,759	4,968	3,079	1,877	215	1,001	44,527
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	17,466	18,496	3,244	5,072	4,130	2,052	221	1,026	51,707
31st Dec., 1958	16,505	17,255	2,947	4,931	3,472	2,072	165	879	48,226
31st March, 1959	16,660	17,140	2,919	5,057	3,466	2,091	149	896	48,380
30th June, 1959	16,082	16,543	2,948	5,161	3,347	1,935	177	894	47,107
30th Sept., 1959	15,490	16,245	2,995	5,289	3,253	1,889	185	886	46,232
31st Dec., 1959	15,008	15,620	2,759	4,968	3,079	1,877	215	1,001	44,527

(a) Excludes flats.

(b) Prior to 1st January, 1955 excludes Northern Territory.

(c) Includes operations of Governmental authorities.

(d) Partly estimated.

(e) Not available.

TABLE 10 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (a) COMPLETED : STATES

METROPOLITAN AND REMAINDER OF STATE

(Including Owner-Built houses)

Period	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST.
METROPOLITAN									
Year ended:									
31st Dec., 1951	(b) 7,786	11,897	5,439	(b) 5,669	3,402	1,413	-	(c)	(b) 35,606
" " 1952	8,714	10,997	6,168	(b) 7,235	4,789	1,016	-	(c)	(b) 38,919
" " 1953	8,526	11,136	5,282	(b) 6,101	4,559	958	-	(c)	(b) 36,562
" " 1954	(d) 16,282	(d) 14,727	3,852	5,351	5,200	(d) 1,073	-	(c)	(d) 46,485
" " 1955	15,088	15,912	3,663	4,900	6,388	963	-	442	47,353
" " 1956	13,658	14,595	3,046	4,990	4,251	1,106	-	712	42,358
" " 1957	14,261	13,567	2,987	4,630	4,134	983	-	494	41,056
" " 1958	16,297	16,303	3,384	4,805	3,851	964	-	1,007	46,611
" " 1959	16,614	15,982	3,832	5,203	3,581	941	-	1,177	47,330
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	4,264	4,377	849	1,262	875	207	-	295	12,129
31st Dec., 1958	4,287	4,561	913	1,263	1,093	243	-	358	12,718
31st March, 1959	3,799	3,817	836	1,135	801	201	-	281	10,870
30th June, 1959	4,213	4,072	940	1,376	870	316	-	258	12,085
30th Sept., 1959	4,459	3,882	992	1,318	916	187	-	316	12,070
31st Dec., 1959	4,143	4,211	1,064	1,374	994	237	-	282	12,305
REMAINDER OF STATE									
Year ended:									(e)
31st Dec., 1951	(b) 12,593	11,323	5,453	(b) 1,267	2,329	3,000	(f)	(c) 506	(b) 36,471
" " 1952	16,170	11,692	5,248	(b) 1,572	2,941	2,468	(f)	(c) 639	(b) 40,730
" " 1953	17,072	10,504	4,513	(b) 2,035	3,083	1,733	(f)	(c) 573	(b) 39,513
" " 1954	(d) 11,894	(d) 7,392	4,247	2,091	2,706	(d) 1,584	(f)	(c) 466	(d) 30,380
" " 1955	12,325	7,724	4,335	2,382	2,384	1,515	268	3	30,936
" " 1956	10,096	6,853	4,106	2,683	1,796	1,879	341	5	27,759
" " 1957	9,259	6,413	4,387	2,688	1,812	1,558	290	8	26,415
" " 1958	10,926	7,144	4,246	2,900	1,892	1,402	309	13	28,832
" " 1959	12,067	8,015	4,904	3,425	2,281	1,732	345	11	32,780
Quarter ended:									
30th Sept., 1958	2,825	1,645	1,136	779	419	369	79	10	7,262
31st Dec., 1958	2,877	2,108	1,192	775	653	321	102	-	8,028
31st March, 1959	2,747	1,736	1,171	697	572	410	111	1	7,445
30th June, 1959	3,083	2,013	1,169	856	563	510	64	2	8,260
30th Sept., 1959	3,169	1,974	1,174	839	621	432	75	3	8,287
31st Dec., 1959	3,068	2,292	1,390	1,033	525	380	95	5	8,788

(a) Excludes flats.

(b) Partly estimated.

(c) Prior to 1st January, 1955 the whole of the Australian Capital Territory was classified as "extra - Metropolitan".

(d) From 1st January, 1954 the metropolitan boundaries used for statistical purposes were extended in New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania. For the existing boundaries see the maps of Metropolitan Statistical Divisions of Sydney, Melbourne and Hobart published in the 1954 Census Volumes I, II and VI respectively.

(e) Prior to 1st January, 1955 excludes Northern Territory.

(f) Not available.

TABLE 11 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (a) CLASSIFIED BY MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS : AUSTRALIA
(Including Owner-Built houses)

Material of Outer Walls	Year ended -			Quarter ended -				
	31st Dec., 1957	31st Dec., 1958	31st Dec., 1959	31st Dec., 1958	31st March, 1959	30th June, 1959	30th Sept., 1959	31st Dec., 1959
COMMENCED								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	24,602	26,691	30,695	6,336	6,799	7,657	* 8,130	8,109
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	25,773	26,383	25,572	6,123	6,437	6,561	* 6,246	6,328
Fibro Cement ..	16,854	18,381	19,709	4,697	5,131	4,733	4,997	4,848
Other ..	540	660	435	109	102	121	109	103
Total:	67,769	72,115	76,411	17,265	18,469	19,072	19,482	19,388

COMPLETED

Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	23,388	27,776	30,755	7,870	6,744	7,703	7,825	8,483
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	25,552	28,389	27,747	7,565	6,563	7,247	6,814	7,123
Fibro Cement ..	18,078	18,615	21,066	5,101	4,859	5,252	5,594	5,361
Other ..	453	663	542	210	149	143	124	126
Total:	67,471	75,443	80,110	20,746	18,315	20,345	20,357	21,093

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD

Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	19,679	18,598	18,538	18,598	18,653	18,607	*18,912	18,538
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.) ..	17,648	15,642	13,466	15,642	15,516	14,829	*14,261	13,466
Fibro Cement ..	13,815	13,577	12,221	13,577	13,849	13,331	12,734	12,221
Other ..	412	409	302	409	362	340	325	302
Total:	51,554	48,226	44,527	48,226	48,380	47,107	46,232	44,527

(a) Excludes flats.

* Revised.

TABLE 12 : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (a) CLASSIFIED BY MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS:
STATES : QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1959

(Including Owner-Built houses)

Material of Outer Walls	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST.
COMMENCED									
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	1,410	3,159	171	1,778	988	180	38	385	8,109
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.)	2,202	2,118	1,563	18	4	405	2	16	6,328
Fibro Cement	3,109	545	457	282	353	20	81	1	4,848
Other	8	56	27	8	-	-	4	-	103
Total:	6,729	5,878	2,218	2,086	1,345	605	125	402	19,388

COMPLETED

Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	1,566	3,082	291	2,006	1,071	185	20	262	8,483
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.)	2,297	2,745	1,614	28	6	409	1	23	7,123
Fibro Cement	3,340	598	520	363	442	23	73	2	5,361
Other	8	78	29	10	-	-	1	-	126
Total:	7,211	6,503	2,454	2,407	1,519	617	95	287	21,093

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD

Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	3,463	6,427	553	4,496	1,955	618	79	947	18,538
Wood (Weatherboard, etc.)	3,990	6,637	1,580	12	23	1,175	1	48	13,466
Fibro Cement	7,535	2,351	570	450	1,096	84	129	6	12,221
Other	20	205	56	10	5	-	6	-	302
Total:	15,008	15,620	2,759	4,968	3,079	1,877	215	1,001	44,527

(a) Excludes flats.

**TABLE 13 : EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY
BUILDERS OF NEW BUILDINGS IN AUSTRALIA**

(Excluding persons working on Owner-Built houses)

As at -	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST. (a)
CONTRACTORS (b)									
10th Jan., 1952	3,606	3,362	2,648	751	564	684	(c)	59	11,674
17th Dec., 1952	3,201	2,515	2,380	760	491	622	(c)	52	10,021
16th Dec., 1953	3,108	2,175	2,395	731	515	396	(c)	55	9,375
15th Dec., 1954	3,845	2,497	2,227	782	666	456	37	67	10,577
14th Dec., 1955	3,420	2,666	2,286	843	741	467	49	83	10,555
19th Dec., 1956	3,233	2,318	2,120	734	641	411	39	85	9,581
18th Dec., 1957	3,310	2,407	1,898	711	663	422	45	79	9,535
30th Sept., 1958	3,249	2,453	1,943	677	639	447	48	106	9,562
17th Dec., 1958	3,353	2,452	1,998	689	599	463	51	114	9,719
31st March, 1959	3,295	2,363	1,955	685	644	467	48	106	9,563
30th June, 1959	3,070	2,473	2,091	697	625	510	50	124	9,640
30th Sept., 1959	3,110	2,490	2,276	703	601	449	52	123	9,804
16th Dec., 1959	3,138	2,519	2,271	686	576	468	47	115	9,820

SUB-CONTRACTORS (b)									
10th Jan., 1952	3,985	3,922	1,394	974	714	495	(c)	78	11,562
17th Dec., 1952	3,567	2,805	1,485	1,201	661	473	(c)	88	10,280
16th Dec., 1953	4,193	3,004	1,612	1,226	797	461	(c)	115	11,408
15th Dec., 1954	4,880	3,703	1,606	1,447	1,423	559	54	123	13,795
14th Dec., 1955	5,251	4,607	1,663	1,927	1,305	591	63	182	15,589
19th Dec., 1956	5,152	3,655	1,624	1,799	1,189	518	60	175	14,172
18th Dec., 1957	5,188	4,090	1,629	1,887	1,378	484	47	170	14,873
30th Sept., 1958	5,261	4,186	2,195	2,040	1,319	528	73	248	15,850
17th Dec., 1958	5,448	4,321	1,990	2,222	1,322	563	82	252	16,200
31st March, 1959	5,282	4,493	1,946	2,242	1,302	557	86	271	16,179
30th June, 1959	5,789	4,627	2,191	2,300	1,301	583	80	334	17,205
30th Sept., 1959	6,253	5,035	2,356	2,631	1,344	608	96	386	18,709
16th Dec., 1959	6,495	5,276	2,393	2,664	1,641	618	102	366	19,555

WAGE EARNERS

10th Jan., 1952	27,734	25,394	12,558	6,946	7,244	5,362	(c)	1,595	86,833
17th Dec., 1952	23,914	22,402	12,516	8,015	7,081	4,070	(c)	1,899	79,897
16th Dec., 1953	23,847	21,674	11,807	7,674	7,442	3,759	(c)	1,435	77,638
15th Dec., 1954	25,452	24,016	13,399	8,242	8,256	4,174	348	1,391	85,278
14th Dec., 1955	27,227	26,492	15,159	9,019	8,131	3,891	350	2,048	92,317
19th Dec., 1956	29,985	24,073	16,127	8,370	6,973	3,419	289	1,361	90,597
18th Dec., 1957	27,668	23,938	14,268	8,145	7,373	3,630	256	2,164	87,442
30th Sept., 1958	25,415	25,632	15,228	8,749	7,087	3,788	324	2,720	88,943
17th Dec., 1958	26,103	25,487	14,987	9,373	7,141	3,931	307	2,653	89,982
31st March, 1959	25,583	25,235	15,466	9,226	6,885	4,008	264	2,597	89,264
30th June, 1959	27,422	25,526	16,409	9,639	7,166	4,217	271	2,442	93,092
30th Sept., 1959	28,709	26,077	17,274	9,577	7,248	4,204	325	2,480	95,894
16th Dec., 1959	30,064	26,043	17,590	9,767	6,946	4,333	295	2,622	97,660

TOTAL

10th Jan., 1952	35,325	32,678	16,600	8,671	8,522	6,541	(c)	1,732	110,069
17th Dec., 1952	30,682	27,722	16,381	9,976	8,233	5,165	(c)	2,039	100,198
16th Dec., 1953	31,148	26,853	15,814	9,631	8,754	4,616	(c)	1,605	98,421
15th Dec., 1954	34,177	30,216	17,232	10,471	10,345	5,189	439	1,581	109,650
14th Dec., 1955	35,898	33,765	19,108	11,789	10,177	4,949	462	2,313	118,461
19th Dec., 1956	38,370	30,046	19,871	10,903	8,803	4,348	388	1,621	114,350
18th Dec., 1957	36,166	30,435	17,795	10,743	9,414	4,536	348	2,413	111,850
30th Sept., 1958	33,925	32,271	19,366	11,466	9,045	4,763	445	3,074	114,355
17th Dec., 1958	34,904	32,260	18,975	12,284	9,062	4,957	440	3,019	115,901
31st March, 1959	34,160	32,091	19,367	12,153	8,831	5,032	398	2,974	115,006
30th June, 1959	36,281	32,626	20,691	12,636	9,092	5,310	401	2,900	119,937
30th Sept., 1959	38,072	33,602	21,906	12,911	9,193	5,261	473	2,989	124,407
16th Dec., 1959	39,697	33,838	22,254	13,117	9,163	5,419	444	3,103	127,035

(a) Prior to 15th December, 1954 excludes Northern Territory.

(b) Actually working on jobs.

(c) Not available.

**TABLE 14 : TRADESMEN ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS OF
NEW BUILDINGS IN AUSTRALIA**

(Including Contractor and Sub-contractor principals, but excluding persons working on Owner-Built houses)

As at -	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST. (a)
CARPENTERS									
10th Jan., 1952	13,435	14,568	8,387	3,041	3,292	3,044	(b)	574	46,341
17th Dec., 1952	12,120	11,881	8,469	3,275	3,272	2,319	(b)	747	42,083
16th Dec., 1953	12,282	11,413	8,145	3,012	3,457	2,227	(b)	610	41,146
15th Dec., 1954	13,296	13,009	8,469	3,012	3,913	2,529	189	523	44,940
14th Dec., 1955	13,487	14,302	9,033	3,526	3,701	2,381	233	802	47,465
19th Dec., 1956	14,321	12,380	9,246	3,385	3,058	2,067	190	520	45,167
18th Dec., 1957	13,597	12,336	8,167	3,269	3,161	2,183	174	754	43,661
30th Sept., 1958	13,236	12,728	8,906	3,308	3,016	2,199	206	964	44,563
17th Dec., 1958	13,653	12,723	8,652	3,474	2,982	2,376	199	995	44,994
31st March, 1959	13,557	12,768	8,943	3,463	2,878	2,359	185	929	45,082
30th June, 1959	13,978	12,921	9,448	3,688	2,925	2,504	162	935	46,581
30th Sept., 1959	14,464	12,992	9,847	3,750	3,056	2,374	201	871	47,555
16th Dec., 1959	14,667	13,265	9,855	3,638	2,971	2,422	208	953	47,999
BRICKLAYERS									
10th Jan., 1952	2,890	2,355	677	1,172	743	342	(b)	143	8,342
17th Dec., 1952	2,487	1,880	608	1,338	658	295	(b)	147	7,413
16th Dec., 1953	2,867	2,365	694	1,424	700	291	(b)	137	8,438
15th Dec., 1954	3,150	2,612	824	1,663	881	337	14	150	9,631
14th Dec., 1955	3,432	2,994	976	1,813	913	321	20	215	10,684
19th Dec., 1956	3,109	2,411	986	1,626	945	257	27	127	9,488
18th Dec., 1957	3,096	2,797	991	1,593	1,003	265	30	256	10,031
30th Sept., 1958	3,197	3,126	1,250	1,607	1,089	333	38	295	11,135
17th Dec., 1958	3,217	3,138	1,214	1,894	990	319	34	255	11,061
31st March, 1959	3,235	3,064	1,310	1,793	963	338	30	257	10,990
30th June, 1959	3,257	3,120	1,395	1,923	1,074	392	34	252	11,447
30th Sept., 1959	3,816	3,537	1,490	2,004	985	352	35	314	12,533
16th Dec., 1959	3,647	3,267	1,492	2,103	1,004	331	34	318	12,196
PAINTERS									
10th Jan., 1952	2,873	2,807	1,397	820	623	449	(b)	182	9,151
17th Dec., 1952	2,786	2,474	1,411	1,000	701	378	(b)	178	8,928
16th Dec., 1953	2,686	2,229	1,428	1,000	829	341	(b)	179	8,692
15th Dec., 1954	3,076	2,433	1,535	944	858	409	35	156	9,446
14th Dec., 1955	3,163	2,780	1,644	1,035	884	452	39	248	10,245
19th Dec., 1956	2,961	2,750	1,601	913	774	354	34	241	9,628
18th Dec., 1957	3,208	2,885	1,579	978	951	392	23	264	10,280
30th Sept., 1958	2,941	3,083	1,728	942	843	411	33	270	10,251
17th Dec., 1958	3,111	3,136	1,676	1,069	927	413	39	313	10,684
31st March, 1959	2,947	2,960	1,651	1,035	864	392	29	327	10,225
30th June, 1959	3,239	3,099	1,750	1,058	867	406	28	362	10,809
30th Sept., 1959	3,311	3,104	1,790	1,039	870	387	39	327	10,867
16th Dec., 1959	3,583	3,091	1,892	1,155	921	454	33	326	11,455
ELECTRICIANS									
10th Jan., 1952	1,714	1,191	773	303	251	211	(b)	55	4,498
17th Dec., 1952	1,623	957	792	378	272	178	(b)	65	4,265
16th Dec., 1953	1,666	988	833	371	306	152	(b)	46	4,362
15th Dec., 1954	1,912	1,026	796	390	368	190	26	60	4,768
14th Dec., 1955	2,038	1,220	884	540	427	203	32	114	5,458
19th Dec., 1956	2,107	1,158	905	462	473	148	28	98	5,379
18th Dec., 1957	2,159	1,269	939	489	560	179	18	122	5,755
30th Sept., 1958	1,902	1,481	971	554	518	175	27	118	5,726
17th Dec., 1958	1,964	1,421	996	570	517	219	26	163	5,876
31st March, 1959	1,834	1,476	970	571	471	196	28	144	5,630
30th June, 1959	1,935	1,461	1,105	575	463	194	20	158	5,911
30th Sept., 1959	2,015	1,580	1,087	643	502	208	31	170	6,236
16th Dec., 1959	2,208	1,614	1,137	636	522	203	31	162	6,513

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(b) Not available.

**TABLE 14 : (continued) TRADESMEN ENGAGED ON JOBS CARRIED OUT BY BUILDERS
OF NEW BUILDINGS IN AUSTRALIA**
(Including Contractor and Sub-contractor principals, but excluding persons
working on Owner-Built houses)

As at -	N.S.W.	VIC.	Q'LD.	S.A.	W.A.	TAS.	N.T.	A.C.T.	AUST. (a)
PLUMBERS									
10th Jan., 1952	2,815	2,196	1,200	624	560	293	(b)	77	7,765
17th Dec., 1952	2,676	1,816	1,189	819	559	245	(b)	119	7,423
16th Dec., 1953	2,628	1,869	1,234	736	610	242	(b)	50	7,569
15th Dec., 1954	3,160	2,120	1,271	768	791	251	44	87	8,512
14th Dec., 1955	3,242	2,228	1,402	899	821	262	44	147	9,045
19th Dec., 1956	3,289	2,132	1,407	826	725	246	35	113	8,773
18th Dec., 1957	3,285	2,395	1,307	842	819	238	20	125	9,031
30th Sept., 1958	3,142	2,553	1,442	919	753	276	36	187	9,308
17th Dec., 1958	3,268	2,569	1,540	971	810	301	37	188	9,684
31st March, 1959	3,080	2,612	1,500	981	834	272	35	195	9,509
30th June, 1959	3,351	2,735	1,653	981	832	270	39	214	10,075
30th Sept., 1959	3,411	2,697	1,755	1,094	853	295	44	215	10,364
16th Dec., 1959	3,558	2,876	1,726	1,081	857	335	44	227	10,704

BUILDERS' LABOURERS									
10th Jan., 1952	7,316	5,946	2,636	1,624	1,669	1,563	(b)	445	21,199
17th Dec., 1952	5,449	5,309	2,578	1,815	1,628	1,177	(b)	498	18,454
16th Dec., 1953	5,067	4,930	2,212	1,815	1,696	885	(b)	374	16,979
15th Dec., 1954	5,659	5,765	2,885	1,851	2,060	973	100	376	19,669
14th Dec., 1955	6,193	6,420	3,353	2,141	1,939	908	61	411	21,426
19th Dec., 1956	7,382	5,387	3,353	2,007	1,620	847	52	258	20,906
18th Dec., 1957	5,764	4,661	2,958	1,766	1,724	814	47	410	18,164
30th Sept., 1958	5,323	4,599	3,119	2,038	1,693	881	64	632	18,349
17th Dec., 1958	5,325	4,534	3,008	2,196	1,572	893	65	570	18,163
31st March, 1959	5,105	4,508	3,097	2,137	1,547	946	56	472	17,868
30th June, 1959	5,604	4,662	3,397	2,207	1,579	1,016	54	452	18,971
30th Sept., 1959	5,891	4,708	3,530	2,257	1,545	1,101	60	520	19,620
16th Dec., 1959	6,611	4,700	3,878	2,190	1,505	1,057	55	595	20,591

OTHER									
10th Jan., 1952	4,282	3,615	1,530	1,067	1,384	639	(b)	256	12,773
17th Dec., 1952	3,541	3,405	1,334	1,351	1,143	573	(b)	285	11,632
16th Dec., 1953	3,752	3,059	1,268	1,273	1,156	518	(b)	209	11,235
15th Dec., 1954	3,924	3,251	1,452	1,823	1,474	500	31	229	12,684
14th Dec., 1955	4,343	3,821	1,616	1,835	1,492	422	33	376	14,138
19th Dec., 1956	5,201	3,828	2,373	1,684	1,208	429	22	264	15,009
18th Dec., 1957	5,057	4,072	1,854	1,766	1,176	465	36	482	14,928
30th Sept., 1958	4,184	4,721	1,950	1,898	1,133	488	41	608	15,023
17th Dec., 1958	4,366	4,739	1,889	2,110	1,264	496	40	535	15,439
31st March, 1959	4,402	4,743	1,896	2,173	1,274	529	35	650	15,702
30th June, 1959	4,917	4,628	1,943	2,204	1,352	528	44	527	16,143
30th Sept., 1959	5,164	4,984	2,407	2,124	1,382	544	55	572	17,232
16th Dec., 1959	5,403	5,025	2,274	2,374	1,383	617	39	522	17,571

TOTAL									
10th Jan., 1952	35,325	32,678	16,600	8,671	8,522	6,541	(b)	1,732	110,069
17th Dec., 1952	30,682	27,722	16,381	9,976	8,233	5,165	(b)	2,039	100,198
16th Dec., 1953	31,148	26,853	15,814	9,631	8,754	4,616	(b)	1,605	98,421
15th Dec., 1954	34,177	30,216	17,232	10,471	10,345	5,189	439	1,561	109,650
14th Dec., 1955	35,898	33,765	19,108	11,769	10,177	4,949	462	2,313	118,461
19th Dec., 1956	38,370	30,046	19,871	10,903	8,803	4,348	388	1,621	114,351
18th Dec., 1957	36,166	30,435	17,795	10,743	9,414	4,536	348	2,413	111,85
30th Sept., 1958	33,925	32,271	19,366	11,466	9,045	4,763	445	3,074	114,35
17th Dec., 1958	34,904	32,260	18,975	12,284	9,062	4,957	440	3,019	115,901
31st March, 1959	34,160	32,091	19,367	12,153	8,831	5,032	398	2,974	115,006
30th June, 1959	36,261	32,626	20,691	12,636	9,092	5,310	401	2,900	119,937
30th Sept., 1959	38,072	33,602	21,906	12,911	9,193	5,261	473	2,989	124,407
16th Dec., 1959	39,697	33,838	22,254	13,117	9,163	5,419	444	3,103	127,035

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(b) Not available.

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