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#### Explanatory Notes

##### Introduction

1. This bulletin contains PRELIMINARY figures for the number of dwelling units in new residential buildings approved for November 1986. These figures are subject to revision as more complete information becomes available. For this reason care should be taken not to overemphasise the significance of changes over the last 2 months shown in the tables. Final figures, together with details of other building approved, will be released at a later date.

2. For purposes of comparison, it should be noted that the level of building approvals can change from month to month due to the inclusion of large-scale projects and by the administrative arrangements of local government and semi-government authorities. Interpretation of monthly trends should be governed by these limitations.

3. A dwelling unit is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and intended for long-term residential use. It can be either a "house" or a unit contained in an "other residential building". A "house" is defined as a detached building predominantly used for long-term residential purposes and consisting of only one dwelling unit. 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.).

4. Statistical districts. To provide comparable statistics over a period of time, statistical districts have been defined around selected urban centres, with a

population of 25,000 or more, experiencing urban growth beyond the local authority boundaries. These districts are intended to contain the anticipated urban spread over the next 20 years.

##### Seasonal Adjustment

5. For information on seasonal adjustment of building approvals statistics, users should refer to the ABS publications "Building Approvals" (Catalogue No. 8731.0) and "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators" (Catalogue No. 1308.0).

##### Related Publications

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

- "Building Approvals" (8731.3)
- "Building Approvals: Small Area Statistics" (8733.3)
- "Dwelling Unit Commencements Reported by Approving Authorities" (8741.3)
- "Building Activity" (8752.3)

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

##### Symbols and Other Usages

- p Preliminary - figure or series subject to revision.
- r Figure or series revised since previous issue.
- Nil or less than half the final digit shown.

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Table 1 - Number of Dwelling Units Approved, Queensland

| Month        | Houses  |         | Other residential buildings |         | Total    |         |                     |         |
|--------------|---------|---------|-----------------------------|---------|----------|---------|---------------------|---------|
|              |         |         |                             |         | Original |         | Seasonally adjusted |         |
|              | 1985-86 | 1986-87 | 1985-86                     | 1986-87 | 1985-86  | 1986-87 | 1985-86             | 1986-87 |
| July ..      | 2,367   | 1,540   | 654                         | 335     | 3,021    | 1,875   | 2,882               | 1,821   |
| August ..    | 2,182   | 1,313   | 543                         | 526     | 2,725    | 1,839   | 2,627               | 1,823   |
| September .. | 2,119   | 1,492   | 432                         | 256     | 2,551    | 1,748   | 2,605               | 1,714   |
| October ..   | 2,276   | 1,653   | 739                         | 387     | 3,015    | 2,040   | 2,709               | 1,795   |
| November ..  | 1,906   | p 1,547 | 464                         | p 525   | 2,370    | p 2,072 | 2,269               | p 2,130 |
| December ..  | 1,670   |         | 462                         |         | 2,132    |         | 2,346               |         |
| January ..   | 1,626   |         | 433                         |         | 2,059    |         | 2,381               |         |
| February ..  | 1,508   |         | 452                         |         | 1,960    |         | 2,165               |         |
| March ..     | 1,326   |         | 449                         |         | 1,775    |         | 1,885               |         |
| April ..     | 1,571   |         | 231                         |         | 1,802    |         | 1,719               |         |
| May ..       | 1,407   |         | 245                         |         | 1,652    |         | 1,608               |         |
| June ..      | 1,338   |         | 296                         |         | 1,634    |         | 1,555               |         |

Table 2 - Number of Dwelling Units Approved in Selected Areas, Queensland

| Period                           | Irisbane Statistical Division |                   |                |                |                          |               |               | Selected other areas    |                     |                        |                    |                  |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
|                                  | Brisbane City                 | Ipswich City      | Redcliffe City | Logan City     | Pine Rivers Shire (part) | Redland Shire | Other shires  | Total                   | Albert Shire (part) | Bundaberg Stat. Dist.  | Cairns Stat. Dist. | Gladstone City   |
| Houses                           |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| 1984-85 ..                       | 2,665                         | 380               | 238            | 2,181          | 992                      | 1,350         | 2,505         | 10,331                  | 2,001               | 292                    | 964                | 116              |
| 1985-86 ..                       | 2,598                         | 319               | 134            | 1,430          | 916                      | 1,258         | 2,066         | 8,721                   | 1,962               | 277                    | 777                | 58               |
| 1985: Sept.                      | 286                           | 24                | 16             | 162            | 107                      | 129           | 183           | 907                     | 159                 | 12                     | 85                 | 9                |
| Oct.                             | 243                           | 41                | 13             | 167            | 77                       | 158           | 232           | 931                     | 226                 | 28                     | 103                | 12               |
| Nov.                             | 230                           | 15                | 9              | 134            | 99                       | 104           | 205           | 796                     | 190                 | 32                     | 106                | 6                |
| 1986: Sept.                      | 196                           | 20                | 5              | 67             | 51                       | 107           | 106           | 552                     | 175                 | 18                     | 65                 | 2                |
| Oct.                             | 219                           | 11                | 10             | 94             | 36                       | 85            | 139           | 596                     | 190                 | 20                     | 81                 | 1                |
| Nov. p                           | 177                           | 14                | 3              | 66             | 54                       | 109           | 115           | 538                     | 142                 | 9                      | 71                 | -                |
| Other Residential Buildings      |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| 1984-85 ..                       | 1,211                         | 26                | 297            | 461            | 138                      | 130           | 157           | 2,420                   | 472                 | 80                     | 669                | -                |
| 1985-86 ..                       | 992                           | 29                | 151            | 350            | 257                      | 88            | 160           | 2,027                   | 492                 | 42                     | 309                | 10               |
| 1985: Sept.                      | 67                            | 2                 | -              | 11             | 70                       | 2             | 9             | 161                     | 56                  | 2                      | 63                 | -                |
| Oct.                             | 164                           | -                 | 51             | 35             | 68                       | 6             | 40            | 364                     | 39                  | 2                      | 18                 | -                |
| Nov.                             | 59                            | -                 | 11             | 40             | -                        | 43            | 9             | 162                     | 78                  | 2                      | 12                 | -                |
| 1986: Sept.                      | 47                            | -                 | 14             | -              | 30                       | -             | -             | 91                      | 48                  | -                      | 26                 | -                |
| Oct.                             | 23                            | -                 | -              | -              | -                        | -             | 22            | 45                      | 94                  | 8                      | 65                 | -                |
| Nov. p                           | 49                            | 9                 | 16             | 34             | 2                        | 1             | 8             | 119                     | 54                  | 5                      | 57                 | -                |
| Total                            |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| 1984-85 ..                       | 3,896                         | 406               | 535            | 2,642          | 1,130                    | 1,480         | 2,662         | 12,751                  | 2,473               | 372                    | 1,633              | 116              |
| 1985-86 ..                       | 3,590                         | 348               | 285            | 1,780          | 1,173                    | 1,346         | 2,226         | 10,748                  | 2,454               | 319                    | 1,086              | 68               |
| 1985: Sept.                      | 353                           | 26                | 16             | 173            | 177                      | 131           | 192           | 1,068                   | 215                 | 14                     | 148                | 9                |
| Oct.                             | 407                           | 41                | 64             | 202            | 145                      | 164           | 272           | 1,295                   | 265                 | 30                     | 121                | 12               |
| Nov.                             | 289                           | 15                | 20             | 174            | 99                       | 147           | 214           | 958                     | 268                 | 34                     | 118                | 6                |
| 1986: Sept.                      | 243                           | 20                | 19             | 67             | 81                       | 107           | 106           | 643                     | 223                 | 18                     | 91                 | 2                |
| Oct.                             | 242                           | 11                | 10             | 94             | 36                       | 85            | 161           | 641                     | 284                 | 28                     | 146                | 1                |
| Nov. p                           | 226                           | 23                | 19             | 100            | 56                       | 110           | 123           | 657                     | 196                 | 14                     | 128                | -                |
| Selected other areas (continued) |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| Period                           | Gold Coast City               | Landborough Shire | Mackay City    | Maroochy Shire | Mount Isa City           | Noosa Shire   | Pioneer Shire | Rockhampton Stat. Dist. | Toowoomba City      | Townsville Stat. Dist. | Rest of State      | Total Queensland |
| Houses                           |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| 1984-85 ..                       | 655                           | 732               | 33             | 765            | 29                       | 348           | 354           | 487                     | 503                 | 887                    | 6,411              | 24,909           |
| 1985-86 ..                       | 805                           | 622               | 28             | 784            | 12                       | 290           | 334           | 334                     | 387                 | 559                    | 5,454              | 21,296           |
| 1985: Sept.                      | 57                            | 62                | 6              | 69             | -                        | 33            | 21            | 30                      | 53                  | 73                     | 543                | 2,119            |
| Oct.                             | 64                            | 62                | 4              | 70             | -                        | 21            | 21            | 27                      | 47                  | 50                     | 610                | 2,276            |
| Nov.                             | 56                            | 62                | 2              | 62             | 1                        | 20            | 26            | 48                      | 12                  | 59                     | 418                | 1,906            |
| 1986: Sept.                      | 82                            | 66                | 3              | 60             | -                        | 30            | 11            | 21                      | 15                  | 32                     | 360                | 1,492            |
| Oct.                             | 90                            | 65                | -              | 64             | 1                        | 35            | 17            | 15                      | 23                  | 36                     | 419                | 1,653            |
| Nov. p                           | 121                           | 88                | 11             | 69             | -                        | 33            | 22            | 14                      | 10                  | 52                     | 367                | 1,547            |
| Other Residential Buildings      |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| 1984-85 ..                       | 833                           | 213               | 108            | 241            | 22                       | 166           | 8             | 114                     | 299                 | 372                    | 862                | 6,879            |
| 1985-86 ..                       | 824                           | 103               | 60             | 174            | 4                        | 80            | 36            | 97                      | 158                 | 277                    | 707                | 5,400            |
| 1985: Sept.                      | 36                            | 7                 | 6              | 13             | 4                        | 8             | 12            | 5                       | 6                   | 14                     | 39                 | 432              |
| Oct.                             | 70                            | 4                 | 27             | 10             | -                        | 18            | 18            | 7                       | 9                   | 58                     | 95                 | 739              |
| Nov.                             | 26                            | 2                 | -              | 16             | -                        | 8             | -             | 12                      | -                   | 18                     | 128                | 464              |
| 1986: Sept.                      | 20                            | 20                | -              | 6              | -                        | -             | -             | -                       | 6                   | 1                      | 38                 | 256              |
| Oct.                             | 35                            | 12                | -              | 34             | -                        | -             | 6             | -                       | 9                   | 12                     | 67                 | 387              |
| Nov. p                           | 177                           | 2                 | -              | 1              | -                        | 37            | -             | 2                       | 4                   | 20                     | 47                 | 525              |
| Total                            |                               |                   |                |                |                          |               |               |                         |                     |                        |                    |                  |
| 1984-85 ..                       | 1,188                         | 945               | 141            | 1,007          | 51                       | 514           | 362           | 601                     | 802                 | 1,259                  | 7,273              | 31,788           |
| 1985-86 ..                       | 1,629                         | 725               | 88             | 958            | 16                       | 370           | 262           | 431                     | 545                 | 836                    | 6,161              | 26,696           |
| 1985: Sept.                      | 93                            | 69                | 12             | 82             | 4                        | 41            | 33            | 35                      | 59                  | 87                     | 582                | 2,551            |
| Oct.                             | 134                           | 66                | 31             | 80             | -                        | 39            | 39            | 34                      | 56                  | 108                    | 705                | 3,015            |
| Nov.                             | 92                            | 64                | 2              | 78             | 1                        | 28            | 26            | 60                      | 12                  | 77                     | 546                | 2,370            |
| 1986: Sept.                      | 102                           | 86                | 3              | 66             | -                        | 30            | 11            | 21                      | 21                  | 33                     | 398                | 1,748            |
| Oct.                             | 125                           | 77                | -              | 98             | 1                        | 35            | 23            | 15                      | 32                  | 48                     | 486                | 2,040            |
| Nov. p                           | 298                           | 90                | 11             | 70             | -                        | 70            | 22            | 16                      | 14                  | 72                     | 414                | 2,072            |