



BUILDING APPROVALS, AUSTRALIA, FEBRUARY 1984

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MAIN FEATURES

The number of private sector dwelling units approved in February 1984 (11,350) increased 32.6 per cent compared with the number approved in January 1984 (8,560) and increased 39.8 per cent compared with February 1983 (8,120). In seasonally adjusted terms, the number approved in February 1984 (12,360) represents an increase of 14.5 per cent on the approvals for January 1984 (10,797).

In the eight month period to February 1984 the number of houses approved was 75,648, an increase of 43.4 per cent over the number approved for the same period in 1982-83, whereas the increase in the number of other dwellings approved in the same period was 0.2 per cent.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of building work approved. Following a review of concepts and definitions relating to building statistics certain minor modifications have been implemented from July 1983. Investigations have shown that the effect of these modifications, which are described in paragraphs 3, 8 and 12, on the published series is negligible.

Scope and coverage

2. 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.
3. The scope of the Building Approvals collection has been expanded in relation to work carried out on existing buildings. From July 1983 the statistics include details of non-structural renovation and refurbishment work and the installation of integral building fixtures, for which building approval was obtained. Previously, such work was only included if described on building permits as involving a 'structural' change to the building and/or an addition to floor area.
4. Statistics of building work approved are compiled from:
 - (a) Permits issued by local government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities; and
 - (b) Contracts let or day labour work authorised by Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities.

Major building activity which takes place in areas not subject to the normal administrative approval processes (e.g. buildings on remote mine sites) is also included.

5. The statistics cover all approved building of new dwellings irrespective of value and all other building projects valued at \$10,000 or more. However, some details of projects valued from \$2,000 to \$9,999 are shown in a footnote to Table 2.

Definitions

6. 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 a building's design, to satisfy its intended use, is the provision for regular access by persons.
7. A *dwelling unit* is defined as a self-contained suite of rooms, including cooking and bathing facilities and 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 holiday apartments, are not defined as dwelling units. The value of units of this type is included in the appropriate category of 'other building' approved.
8. A *dwelling* is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Dwellings can be either *houses* or *other dwellings* as follows:
 - (a) 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 'other buildings' are defined as houses for the purpose of these statistics.
 - (b) An *other dwelling* 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. includes townhouses, duplexes, apartment buildings etc.).
9. The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings and through the construction of new 'other buildings' i.e. buildings other than dwellings, is not included in the tables but is shown as a footnote to Table 1.

10. *Values* are derived from approval documents and represent the estimated value, when completed, of building work (excluding the value of land and landscaping). Site preparation costs are included.

Building classification

11. *Ownership.* The ownership of a building is classified at the time of approval as either *private sector* or *public sector* according to expected ownership of the completed building.

12. *Functional classification of buildings.* A building is classified according to its intended major function. From July 1983, 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, 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.

General

13. For purposes of comparison, it should be noted that statistics of building approvals are affected from month to month by large projects (such as blocks of flats and multi storey office buildings) approved in particular months and also by the administrative arrangements of government authorities.

Seasonal adjustment

14. Original and seasonally adjusted building statistics are shown in Tables 1 and 2. In the seasonally adjusted series, account has been taken of normal seasonal factors and 'trading day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays etc. in the month) and the effect of movement in the date of Easter which may, in successive years, affect figures for different months. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are given in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0).

15. Since seasonally adjusted statistics reflect both irregular and trend movements, an upward or downward movement in a seasonally adjusted series does not necessarily indicate a change of trend. Particular care should therefore be taken in interpreting individual month to month movements. Each of the component series shown has been seasonally adjusted independently. As a consequence, while the unadjusted components in the original series shown add to the totals, the adjusted components may not add to the adjusted totals. Further, the difference between independently seasonally adjusted series does not necessarily produce series which are optimal or even adequate adjustments of the similarly derived original series. Thus the figures which can be

derived by subtracting seasonally adjusted private sector dwelling units from the seasonally adjusted total should not be used to represent seasonally adjusted public sector dwelling units.

Unpublished data and related publications

16. The ABS can also make available certain building approvals data which are not published. Where it is not practicable to provide the required information by telephone, data can be provided in the following forms: microfiche, photocopy, computer printout and clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished information in these forms.

17. Users may also wish to refer to the following building and construction publications which are available on request:

Building Activity, Australia: Dwelling Unit Commencements (Preliminary Estimates) (8750.0)—issued quarterly

Building Activity, Australia (Summary) (8751.0)—issued quarterly

Building Activity, Australia (8752.0 previously 8705.0)—issued quarterly

Construction (Other Than Building) Activity, Australia (8761.0)—issued quarterly

Building and Construction Statistics, Index 1978 (1104.0).

18. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The *Catalogue* and *Publications Advice* are available from any ABS Office.

Symbols and other usages

- ... Not applicable.
- Nil or rounded to zero.
- r Figure or series revised since previous issue.

19. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

R. J. CAMERON
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TABLE 1. NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS APPROVED, ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED: AUSTRALIA

HOUSEHOLD INVESTMENT, ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, AUSTRALIA													
Period	Private sector						Public sector						
	Houses			Total			Houses			Total			
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Other dwellings	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Houses	Other dwellings	Total	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Other dwellings	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1980-81	105,384	..	42,145	147,529	..	5,021	3,951	8,972	110,405	..	46,096	156,501	..
1981-82	87,874	..	42,624	130,498	..	4,729	3,277	8,006	92,603	..	45,901	138,504	..
1982-83	78,956	..	23,822	102,778	..	7,764	5,827	13,591	86,720	..	29,649	116,369	..
1983—													
January	4,827	6,535	1,246	6,073	8,122	742	241	983	5,569	7,346	1,487	7,056	9,242
February	5,989	6,687	2,131	8,120	9,189	980	541	1,521	6,969	7,682	2,672	9,641	10,797
March	7,702	6,881	2,080	9,782	8,461	645	934	1,579	8,347	7,530	3,014	11,361	9,895
April	6,567	7,034	1,340	7,907	8,524	1,308	503	1,811	7,875	8,252	1,843	9,718	10,318
May	8,317	7,648	1,889	10,206	9,468	841	607	1,448	9,158	8,304	2,496	11,654	10,603
June	8,083	7,441	1,887	9,970	9,018	510	701	1,211	8,593	8,016	2,588	11,181	10,179
July	7,528	7,559	1,506	9,034	9,329	887	501	1,388	8,415	8,576	2,007	10,422	10,886
August	8,922	8,353	2,163	11,085	10,418	753	602	1,355	9,675	9,030	2,765	12,440	11,736
September	9,219	8,641	1,973	11,192	10,765	842	435	1,277	10,061	9,662	2,408	12,469	12,345
October	8,785	8,611	1,957	10,742	10,493	857	872	1,729	9,642	9,592	2,829	12,471	12,268
November	9,753	9,140	1,783	11,536	10,608	707	693	1,400	10,460	9,737	2,476	12,936	11,854
December	8,943	9,982	1,976	10,919	12,135	711	329	1,040	9,654	10,743	2,305	11,959	13,246
1984—													
January	7,328	9,582	1,232	8,560	10,797	642	677	1,319	7,970	10,193	1,909	9,879	12,315
February	9,024	9,596	2,326	11,350	12,360	747	728	1,475	9,771	10,181	3,054	12,825	13,700

NOTE: The number of self-contained dwelling units approved as part of the construction of other building and alterations and additions to existing buildings (including conversions to dwelling units) are excluded from this table. 64 such dwelling units were approved in February 1984.

TABLE 2. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED, ORIGINAL AND SEASONALLY ADJUSTED : AUSTRALIA
(\$ million)

Period	New dwellings													
	Private sector						Public sector						Total building	
	Other dwellings			Total			Other dwellings			Total			Total	
	Houses			Houses			Houses			Houses			Houses	
	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Alterations and additions to dwellings	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Alterations and additions to dwellings	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Alterations and additions to dwellings	Original	Seasonally adjusted	Alterations and additions to dwellings	Original	Seasonally adjusted
1980-81	4,044.0	1,263.6	5,307.6	159.6	96.1	255.7	4,203.6	1,359.7	5,563.3	..	567.1	..	2,471.1	3,521.3
1981-82	3,794.7	1,659.6	5,454.3	165.8	90.3	256.1	3,960.5	1,749.9	5,710.5	..	657.0	..	3,090.2	4,440.9
1982-83	3,475.1	979.2	4,454.3	279.5	169.1	448.7	3,754.6	1,148.3	4,902.9	..	627.6	..	2,444.8	3,804.2
1983—														
January	205.5	42.4	248.0	25.2	5.5	30.7	230.8	47.9	278.7	372.0	38.9	51.5	186.0	253.2
February	261.3	81.1	342.5	32.8	17.7	50.5	294.1	98.8	393.0	448.5	43.7	50.6	178.4	401.0
March	334.3	71.6	405.9	22.6	31.4	54.0	356.8	103.0	459.9	402.6	54.4	50.9	196.0	295.3
April	288.8	44.0	332.8	50.2	15.4	65.7	339.0	59.4	398.4	427.5	48.7	51.8	202.8	267.8
May	368.8	73.7	442.6	30.7	16.2	47.0	399.6	89.9	489.5	441.0	57.1	54.0	231.7	383.7
June	354.0	66.7	420.7	18.8	21.2	40.0	372.8	87.9	460.7	416.1	55.7	53.2	183.7	361.3
July	338.0	46.6	384.6	31.9	15.9	47.7	369.9	62.4	432.3	439.3	58.0	58.1	260.0	340.1
August	395.8	77.9	473.7	27.8	18.2	46.1	423.7	96.1	519.8	483.1	60.6	55.3	293.8	394.3
September	403.6	73.4	476.9	29.2	12.5	41.6	432.8	85.8	518.6	521.4	65.2	59.1	279.9	394.3
October	391.0	62.9	453.9	29.9	29.1	59.0	420.9	92.0	512.9	508.6	62.9	56.3	290.4	399.7
November	430.3	67.1	497.4	23.1	25.7	48.8	453.4	92.8	546.2	495.7	67.2	62.6	211.8	379.3
December	395.7	70.0	465.7	25.3	10.0	35.3	421.0	80.0	501.0	553.0	55.8	62.9	182.3	331.4
1984—														
January	328.2	38.6	366.8	22.5	25.5	47.9	350.7	64.1	414.7	527.2	46.1	59.0	167.8	298.2
February	407.2	99.7	506.8	27.1	29.0	56.1	434.2	128.7	562.9	612.1	58.6	65.9	246.3	335.2

(a) Comprises other building (new, plus alterations and additions) valued at \$10,000 and over.

NOTE: The value of alterations and additions to dwellings, valued from \$2,000 to \$9,999 approved in February 1984 was \$32.0m.
The value of other building (new, plus alterations and additions) valued from \$2,000 to \$9,999 approved in February 1984 was \$6.0m.

TABLE 3. DETAILS OF BUILDING APPROVED, FEBRUARY 1984

State	New dwellings						Value (\$m)													
	Houses		Other dwellings		Total		Other building										Entertainment and recreational			Total building
	Number	Value (\$ m)	Number of dwelling units	Value (\$ m)	Alterations and additions to dwellings	Hotels, etc.	Shops	Factories	Offices	Other business premises	Educational	Religious	Health	Miscellaneous						
PRIVATE SECTOR																				
N.S.W.	2,401	116.6	531	22.2	2,932	138.8	26.2	6.1	24.0	8.4	31.7	5.3	2.8	1.1	7.0	6.1	0.9	93.3	258.3	
Vic.	2,322	111.7	403	13.3	2,725	124.9	15.5	1.2	15.5	8.5	17.4	6.0	3.1	0.9	1.1	2.2	1.2	57.2	197.6	
Qld	2,147	90.4	805	45.9	2,952	136.2	4.8	3.5	26.5	3.6	12.0	3.1	1.6	0.5	1.1	5.5	0.7	57.9	199.0	
S.A.	682	28.7	194	6.9	876	35.6	3.9	1.4	2.0	1.7	3.2	2.0	1.6	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.6	13.2	52.7	
W.A.	1,033	39.1	226	5.2	1,259	44.3	4.3	0.3	1.8	0.8	2.5	1.7	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.5	1.4	10.2	58.8	
Tas.	239	10.0	29	0.9	268	10.9	0.8	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.8	1.0	0.1	—	—	—	—	2.5	14.2	
N.T.	77	3.5	43	1.4	120	4.9	0.3	0.2	—	0.4	—	0.4	—	—	—	—	—	1.4	6.6	
A.C.T.	123	7.3	95	4.0	218	11.3	1.9	1.5	0.4	0.7	6.9	0.8	—	0.2	—	—	—	10.5	23.6	
Australia	9,024	407.2	2,328	99.7	11,350	506.8	57.7	14.2	70.7	24.3	74.5	20.1	9.7	3.6	9.4	14.6	5.3	246.3	810.8	
PUBLIC SECTOR																				
N.S.W.	128	4.4	410	18.6	538	23.1	0.4	0.1	0.4	2.8	2.4	1.2	16.2	—	1.4	1.8	4.5	30.7	54.2	
Vic.	169	5.5	17	0.6	186	6.1	—	1.2	0.1	0.3	6.6	1.6	5.1	—	1.6	2.6	2.6	21.6	27.7	
Qld	193	6.7	91	2.4	284	9.1	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.9	0.7	—	3.2	—	—	8.4	17.5	
S.A.	80	2.8	120	4.4	200	7.2	0.4	—	0.7	—	1.0	0.6	0.3	—	1.3	1.5	0.5	5.8	13.5	
W.A.	33	1.7	16	0.6	49	2.3	—	—	—	0.8	1.0	1.3	1.0	—	2.8	—	0.4	7.3	9.6	
Tas.	31	1.0	54	1.6	85	2.6	—	—	—	—	0.1	—	—	—	0.4	—	—	9.0	11.6	
N.T.	113	5.0	—	—	113	5.0	—	—	—	—	—	0.3	3.6	—	0.8	—	0.2	4.8	9.8	
A.C.T.	—	—	20	0.8	20	0.8	—	—	—	—	0.4	0.7	0.1	—	—	—	0.1	1.3	2.1	
Australia	747	27.1	728	29.0	1,475	56.1	0.9	1.2	1.5	4.0	12.6	6.6	34.6	—	10.6	7.5	10.4	89.0	145.9	
TOTAL																				
N.S.W.	2,529	121.0	941	40.8	3,470	161.9	26.5	6.2	24.4	11.2	34.1	6.4	19.0	1.1	8.4	7.9	5.4	124.1	312.5	
Vic.	2,491	117.1	420	13.9	2,911	131.0	15.5	2.3	15.6	8.9	24.0	7.5	8.3	0.9	2.7	4.8	3.8	78.8	225.3	
Qld	2,340	97.1	896	48.2	3,236	145.3	4.8	3.5	26.8	3.6	13.1	4.0	2.3	0.5	4.3	5.5	2.9	66.4	216.5	
S.A.	762	31.5	314	11.3	1,076	42.7	4.4	1.4	2.7	1.7	4.2	2.6	1.9	0.3	1.3	1.9	1.0	19.1	66.2	
W.A.	1,066	40.8	242	5.8	1,308	46.6	4.3	0.3	1.8	1.6	3.5	3.0	1.5	0.7	2.9	0.5	1.7	17.5	68.4	
Tas.	270	11.0	43	2.5	313	13.5	0.8	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.8	1.0	0.8	—	0.4	0.8	0.1	11.5	25.8	
N.T.	190	8.4	43	1.4	233	9.8	0.3	0.2	—	0.4	0.1	0.7	3.6	—	—	0.6	0.6	6.2	16.3	
A.C.T.	123	7.3	115	4.8	238	12.1	1.9	1.5	0.5	0.7	7.3	1.5	0.1	0.2	—	—	0.1	11.8	25.7	
Australia	9,771	434.2	3,854	128.7	12,625	562.9	58.6	15.4	72.2	28.2	87.1	26.6	44.3	3.6	20.0	22.0	15.6	335.2	956.7	

TABLE 4. VALUE OF BUILDING APPROVED BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND OWNERSHIP
(\$ million)

Class of building	Eight months ended February				1983		
	1981-82	1982-83	1982-83	1983-84	December	January	February
PRIVATE SECTOR							
New houses	3,794.7	3,475.1	2,129.6	3,089.5	395.7	328.2	407.2
New other dwellings	1,659.6	979.2	724.2	536.2	70.0	38.6	99.7
Total new dwellings	5,454.3	4,454.3	2,853.8	3,625.7	465.7	366.8	506.8
Alterations and additions to dwellings	654.0	620.5	405.5	467.8	55.0	44.1	57.7
Hotels, etc.	284.4	235.8	116.6	234.2	9.8	7.7	14.2
Shops	531.4	365.3	243.1	468.4	44.5	33.0	70.7
Factories	706.0	439.7	290.1	210.5	22.4	24.5	24.3
Offices	767.0	554.8	391.3	455.3	45.9	38.2	74.5
Other business premises	319.0	307.7	210.3	188.5	20.6	27.2	20.1
Educational	125.7	137.0	99.4	92.2	12.6	10.8	9.7
Religious	38.2	42.1	31.6	26.4	3.2	2.9	3.6
Health	52.6	70.0	47.2	66.6	5.3	5.4	9.4
Entertainment and recreational	142.3	134.4	88.1	99.1	9.3	12.2	14.6
Miscellaneous	123.6	158.1	112.7	91.1	8.8	5.7	5.3
Total other building	3,090.2	2,444.8	1,630.4	1,932.2	182.3	167.8	246.3
Total	9,198.5	7,519.5	4,889.7	6,825.8	703.1	578.7	816.8
PUBLIC SECTOR							
New houses	165.8	279.5	157.2	216.8	25.3	22.5	27.1
New other dwellings	90.3	169.1	84.9	165.6	10.0	25.5	29.0
Total new dwellings	256.1	448.7	242.0	382.4	35.3	47.9	56.1
Alterations and additions to dwellings	3.0	7.1	6.2	6.6	0.8	1.9	0.9
Hotels, etc.	57.6	5.1	2.6	15.6	2.7	1.0	1.2
Shops	11.4	27.0	26.0	73.0	0.2	25.3	1.5
Factories	141.0	56.7	34.5	23.5	3.1	4.5	4.0
Offices	142.5	374.5	245.1	145.9	11.4	15.2	12.6
Other business premises	120.5	143.5	99.6	123.5	8.7	24.3	6.6
Educational	253.0	323.7	197.6	271.5	27.6	26.9	34.6
Religious	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Health	83.9	129.5	83.5	193.7	83.7	17.2	10.6
Entertainment and recreational	63.8	94.7	75.6	61.2	5.4	5.9	7.5
Miscellaneous	477.0	204.7	101.1	72.1	6.3	10.2	10.4
Total other building	1,350.7	1,359.4	865.7	980.0	149.1	130.4	89.0
Total	1,609.8	1,815.2	1,113.9	1,349.1	185.2	180.3	145.9
TOTAL							
New houses	3,960.5	3,754.6	2,286.8	3,306.3	421.0	350.7	434.2
New other dwellings	1,749.9	1,148.3	809.1	701.8	80.0	64.1	128.7
Total new dwellings	5,710.5	4,902.9	3,095.8	4,008.1	501.0	414.7	562.9
Alterations and additions to dwellings	657.0	627.6	411.6	474.5	55.8	46.1	58.6
Hotels, etc.	342.0	240.9	119.2	249.8	12.5	8.6	15.4
Shops	542.8	392.2	269.2	541.4	44.6	38.3	72.2
Factories	847.0	496.3	324.6	234.0	25.5	29.2	28.2
Offices	909.5	929.3	636.5	601.2	57.3	53.4	87.1
Other business premises	439.4	451.2	309.9	312.0	29.3	51.4	26.6
Educational	378.7	460.7	296.9	363.7	40.2	37.8	44.3
Religious	38.2	42.1	31.6	26.4	3.2	2.9	3.6
Health	136.5	199.5	130.7	260.3	89.0	22.6	20.0
Entertainment and recreational	206.2	229.1	163.7	160.4	14.8	18.1	22.0
Miscellaneous	600.6	362.8	213.8	163.3	15.1	15.9	15.6
Total other building	4,440.9	3,804.2	2,496.1	2,912.3	331.4	298.2	335.2
Total	10,888.3	9,334.7	6,083.5	7,394.9	888.3	759.0	956.7

TABLE 5. OTHER BUILDING JOBS APPROVED, BY CLASS OF BUILDING AND VALUE SIZE GROUPS

Period	\$10,000 to \$199,999		\$200,000 to \$499,999		\$500,000 to less than \$1m		\$1m to less than \$5m		\$5m and over		Total	
	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)	No.	Value (\$m)
HOTELS, ETC.												
1983 December	37	1.9	6	2.1	7	5.2	2	3.3			52	12.5
1984 January	23	1.4	4	1.4	3	1.8	3	4.1			33	8.6
February	43	2.9	10	2.8	7	5.0	3	4.8			63	15.4
SHOPS												
1983 December	275	9.9	17	5.4	5	3.1	6	13.7	2	12.5	305	44.6
1984 January	220	9.4	22	5.9	4	2.5	3	7.3	2	33.2	251	58.3
February	283	11.9	22	6.9	9	5.6	7	19.3	3	28.5	324	72.2
FACTORIES												
1983 December	211	10.8	17	4.4	7	4.7	4	5.6			239	25.5
1984 January	166	10.6	18	5.4	8	5.2	5	8.0			197	29.2
February	171	9.1	32	9.2	4	2.1	3	7.9			210	28.2
OFFICES												
1983 December	262	11.9	18	5.9	9	6.3	11	23.0	2	10.1	302	57.3
1984 January	263	13.6	35	10.2	13	8.2	11	21.4			322	53.4
February	259	13.0	37	11.6	21	12.8	12	26.3	3	23.4	332	87.1
OTHER BUSINESS PREMISES												
1983 December	207	9.3	15	4.2	6	4.5	4	11.3			232	29.3
1984 January	178	8.4	25	7.2	11	7.4	5	11.4	2	17.0	221	51.4
February	234	10.4	24	7.3	9	5.9	2	3.1			269	26.6
EDUCATIONAL												
1983 December	132	6.4	32	9.5	4	2.8	8	16.3	1	5.3	177	40.2
1984 January	142	8.5	29	8.9	6	4.0	11	16.4			188	37.8
February	116	6.0	22	6.2	10	6.5	9	18.4	1	7.2	158	44.3
RELIGIOUS												
1983 December	15	0.9	7	2.3							22	3.2
1984 January	21	1.3	3	1.0	1	0.6					25	2.9
February	28	1.6	5	1.5	1	0.5					34	3.6
HEALTH												
1983 December	34	1.8	8	2.3	3	2.3	9	15.7	6	66.9	60	89.0
1984 January	57	2.5	9	3.4	4	2.8	2	2.4	1	11.6	73	22.6
February	40	2.2	7	2.4	7	4.2	4	11.2			58	20.0
ENTERTAINMENT AND RECREATIONAL												
1983 December	119	6.5	13	4.0	3	1.8	2	2.4			137	14.8
1984 January	64	2.8	16	4.8	3	2.4	5	8.1			88	18.1
February	101	5.3	15	4.4	11	7.0	3	5.4			130	22.0
MISCELLANEOUS												
1983 December	174	6.3	7	2.4	4	2.1	3	4.3			188	15.1
1984 January	167	5.7	11	3.4	2	1.4	4	5.4			184	15.9
February	183	7.8	7	2.2	3	1.9	2	3.8			195	15.6
TOTAL OTHER BUILDING												
1983 December	1,466	65.9	140	42.5	48	32.6	49	95.6	11	94.8	1,714	331.4
1984 January	1,301	64.1	172	51.6	55	36.2	49	84.5	5	61.8	1,582	298.2
February	1,458	70.1	181	54.5	82	51.4	45	100.1	7	59.1	1,773	335.2

TABLE 6. SUMMARY OF BUILDING APPROVED

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia
NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS									
1982-83	33,290	28,582	27,143	8,789	11,842	2,727	2,210	1,786	116,369
1983 February	2,939	2,427	2,302	616	849	234	167	107	9,641
October	3,404	3,017	2,925	1,116	1,350	320	195	144	12,471
November	3,660	3,137	2,928	1,057	1,440	323	170	221	12,936
December	3,710	2,823	2,310	1,058	1,403	281	214	160	11,959
1984 January	2,905	2,255	2,311	907	1,056	179	155	111	9,879
February	3,470	2,911	3,236	1,076	1,308	353	233	238	12,825
VALUE OF NEW DWELLINGS (\$m)									
1982-83	1,453.5	1,219.3	1,183.3	320.4	441.7	93.5	108.1	83.1	4,902.9
1983 February	119.7	96.1	98.7	22.8	29.7	7.7	13.0	5.3	393.0
October	146.1	137.2	112.4	41.1	48.2	12.2	7.6	8.0	512.9
November	164.5	139.3	122.4	39.8	50.6	11.5	7.8	10.3	546.2
December	163.1	125.6	95.9	42.4	47.5	10.3	8.8	7.3	501.0
1984 January	128.6	100.8	90.4	36.1	38.3	7.4	7.3	5.8	414.7
February	161.9	131.0	145.3	42.7	46.6	13.5	9.8	12.1	562.9
VALUE OF ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO DWELLINGS (\$m)									
1982-83	306.2	159.7	51.0	38.9	42.0	7.7	3.6	18.5	627.6
1983 February	21.5	11.1	3.1	2.7	3.1	0.4	0.4	1.4	43.7
October	28.7	17.8	4.7	4.0	3.9	0.7	0.2	2.9	62.9
November	31.0	18.7	5.3	4.4	4.2	0.8	0.3	2.6	67.2
December	26.2	15.5	4.5	4.3	3.2	0.7	0.2	1.2	55.8
1984 January	21.1	11.4	3.5	3.2	3.5	0.8	0.1	2.4	46.1
February	26.5	15.5	4.8	4.4	4.3	0.8	0.3	1.9	58.6
VALUE OF OTHER BUILDING (\$m)									
1982-83	1,455.6	801.9	729.4	295.4	302.0	62.2	67.6	89.9	3,804.2
1983 February	224.7	58.3	53.7	21.5	25.0	1.2	2.6	13.9	401.0
October	88.3	62.8	179.0	21.2	16.9	8.5	4.0	19.0	399.7
November	111.2	109.6	67.0	28.9	24.3	8.6	10.2	19.5	379.3
December	92.5	54.7	130.5	19.8	20.4	6.2	5.4	1.8	331.4
1984 January	120.3	56.0	66.6	26.3	15.9	3.2	3.1	6.9	298.2
February	124.1	78.8	66.4	19.1	17.5	11.5	6.2	11.8	335.2
VALUE OF TOTAL BUILDING (\$m)									
1982-83	3,215.3	2,180.9	1,963.8	654.7	785.7	163.4	179.3	191.6	9,334.7
1983 February	366.0	165.5	155.4	47.0	57.9	9.3	15.9	20.6	837.6
October	263.2	217.9	296.2	66.3	69.0	21.4	11.8	29.9	975.5
November	306.7	267.6	194.6	73.1	79.1	21.0	18.3	32.4	992.7
December	281.9	195.8	230.9	66.5	71.1	17.3	14.5	10.4	888.3
1984 January	270.0	168.2	160.5	65.6	57.7	11.5	10.4	15.1	759.0
February	312.5	225.3	216.5	66.2	68.4	25.8	16.3	25.7	956.7