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DWELLING UNIT COMMENCEMENTS REPORTED BY APPROVING AUTHORITIES, PRELIMINARY - VICTORIA, DECEMBER 1984

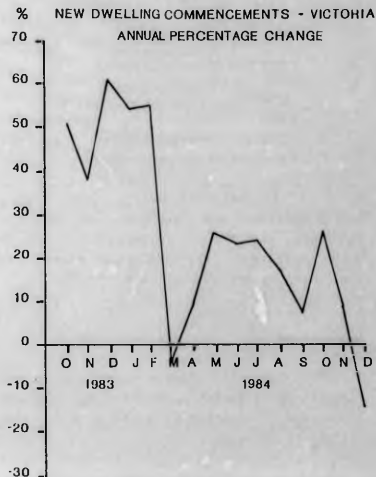
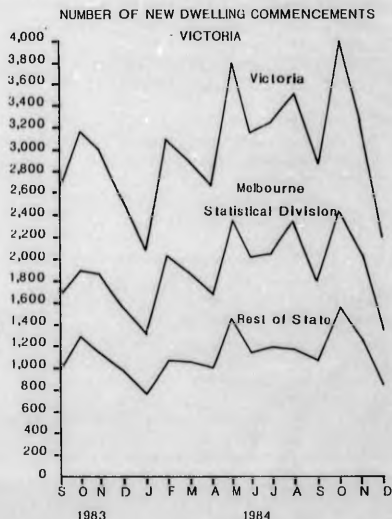
INQUIRIES

Inquiries concerning these statistics may be made by telephoning Information Services (Building statistics) on Melbourne (03) 63 0181; for advice on the interpretation of these statistics ask for Mr Keith Amanatides.

MAIN FEATURES

For the month of December 1984 the estimated number of dwelling unit commencements (2,200) was 33 per cent lower than in November 1984 (3,280) and 14 per cent lower than in December 1983 (2,549).

The number of estimated new dwelling commencements for the period July-December 1984 was 12 per cent higher than that for the corresponding period in 1983.



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of the number of new dwelling units reported by approving authorities as having commenced in each local government area.

The figures for July 1984 to December 1984 are preliminary and subject to revision as a result of revised or additional information subsequently provided by local and other government authorities.

More comprehensive data will be published in the quarterly publication.

Scope and coverage

2. The statistics were compiled from monthly reports, provided by local and other government authorities, of commencements of new houses and new other dwellings for which -

a building permits were issued by local government authorities in areas subject to building control by those authorities, or

b contracts were let or day labour work was authorised by Commonwealth, State, Semi-government, and local government authorities.

3. The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings, and through the construction of new other buildings, ie, buildings other than dwellings, is not included.

Definitions

4. For definitions of terms used in this bulletin refer to the publication Dwelling Unit Commencements Reported by Approving Authorities - Victoria (8741.2).

Comparability of statistics

5. Because of the difference in data sources, collection methodologies, and timing

of notification of commencements, care should be exercised in comparing quarterly data derived from monthly dwelling unit commencements statistics with the quarterly dwelling unit commencements statistics from the Building Activity Survey.

Unpublished data and related publications

6. The ABS can also make available certain dwelling unit commencement 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.

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

Building Approvals - Victoria, 8731.2 (monthly)
Building Approvals by Local Government Areas - Victoria, 8732.2 (quarterly)
Dwelling Unit Commencements Reported by Approving Authorities - Victoria, 8741.2 (quarterly)
Building Activity - Victoria, 8752.2 (quarterly)
Building Approvals - Australia, 8731.0 (monthly)
Building Activity - Australia, 8752.0 (quarterly)
Construction (Other Than Building) Activity - Australia, 8761.0 (quarterly)

8. All publications produced by the ABS are listed in the Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0) which is available free of charge from any ABS Office.

Symbols and other usages

r figure or series revised since previous issue
 - nil or rounded to zero

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TABLE 1. NEW DWELLINGS COMMENCED BY OWNERSHIP AND TYPE OF DWELLING - VICTORIA
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total
		dwellings			dwellings			dwellings	
MELBOURNE STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1981-82	11,655	2,903	14,558	250	302	552	11,905	3,205	15,110
1982-83	12,130	2,928	15,058	856	540	1,396	12,986	3,468	16,454
1983-84 r	16,860	3,725	20,585	1,036	268	1,304	17,896	3,993	21,889
1983 - November	1,495	260	1,755	98	18	116	1,593	278	1,871
December	1,163	274	1,437	98	36	134	1,261	310	1,571
1984 - January	1,086	158	1,244	65	2	67	1,151	160	1,311
February	1,627	309	1,936	79	21	100	1,706	330	2,036
March	1,480	283	1,763	75	14	89	1,555	297	1,852
April	1,370	240	1,610	67	3	70	1,430	240	1,680
May	1,800	470	2,270	84	7	91	1,890	470	2,360
June	1,530	410	1,940	65	-	65	1,600	410	2,010
July (a)	1,660	330	1,990	60	-	60	1,720	330	2,050
August (a)	1,790	310	2,100	220	30	250	2,010	340	2,350
September (a)	1,310	410	1,720	100	-	100	1,410	410	1,810
October (a)	1,970	360	2,330	80	40	120	2,050	400	2,450
November (a)	1,630	340	1,970	50	-	50	1,680	350	2,020
December (a)	1,070	250	1,320	20	10	30	1,090	260	1,350
REST OF STATE									
1981-82	6,964	1,452	8,416	362	430	792	7,326	1,882	9,208
1982-83	7,068	1,292	8,360	1,145	300	1,445	8,213	1,592	9,805
1983-84 r	10,108	1,549	11,657	900	287	1,187	11,008	1,836	12,844
1983 - November	942	84	1,026	102	8	110	1,044	92	1,136
December	763	148	911	62	5	67	825	153	978
1984 - January	608	133	741	16	6	22	624	139	763
February	866	117	983	45	39	84	911	156	1,067
March	889	95	984	62	9	71	951	104	1,055
April	840	110	960	28	12	40	870	130	1,000
May	1,090	260	1,350	82	9	91	1,180	270	1,440
June	890	150	1,040	89	-	89	980	150	1,130
July (a)	890	180	1,070	110	10	120	1,000	190	1,190
August (a)	920	140	1,060	90	-	100	1,020	140	1,160
September (a)	870	120	990	40	30	70	910	140	1,060
October (a)	1,280	210	1,490	50	10	60	1,320	230	1,550
November (a)	1,080	140	1,220	20	20	40	1,100	160	1,260
December (a)	730	100	840	20	10	20	750	110	860
TOTAL VICTORIA									
1981-82	18,619	4,355	22,974	612	732	1,344	19,231	5,087	24,318
1982-83	19,198	4,220	23,418	2,001	840	2,841	21,199	5,060	26,259
1983-84 r	26,968	5,274	32,242	1,936	555	2,491	28,904	5,829	34,733
1983-84 July-Dec.	12,889	2,542	15,431	1,179	433	1,612	14,068	2,975	17,043
1984-85 July-Dec. (a)	15,200	2,890	18,090	860	150	1,010	16,060	3,040	19,100
1983 - November	2,437	344	2,781	200	26	226	2,637	370	3,007
December	1,926	422	2,348	160	41	201	2,086	463	2,549
1984 - January	1,694	291	1,985	81	8	89	1,775	299	2,074
February	2,493	426	2,919	124	60	184	2,617	486	3,103
March	2,369	378	2,747	137	23	160	2,506	401	2,907
April	2,210	360	2,560	95	15	110	2,300	370	2,670
May	2,900	720	3,620	166	16	182	3,060	740	3,800
June	2,420	560	2,980	154	-	154	2,570	560	3,140
July (a)	2,550	510	3,060	170	10	180	2,720	520	3,240
August (a)	2,710	450	3,160	320	30	350	3,030	480	3,510
September (a)	2,180	520	2,710	140	30	160	2,320	550	2,870
October (a)	3,250	570	3,820	130	60	180	3,380	630	4,000
November (a)	2,710	480	3,190	70	20	90	2,780	510	3,280
December (a)	1,800	350	2,150	40	10	50	1,840	370	2,200

(a) Preliminary estimates. Figures for private sector and total dwellings are rounded to the nearest 10 units. From July 1984, figures are rounded to the nearest 10 units for both private and public sectors.

TABLE 2. NEW HOUSES COMMENCED BY OWNERSHIP AND STATISTICAL DIVISION - VICTORIA
(Number)

Statistical Division	Sector	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1983			1984		
					Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.(a)	Nov.(a)	Dec.(a)
Melbourne	Private	11,655	12,130	16,860	1,383	1,495	1,163	1,970	1,630	1,070
	Public	250	856	1,036	105	98	98	80	50	20
	Total	11,905	12,986	17,896	1,488	1,593	1,261	2,050	1,680	1,090
Barwon	Private	1,078	1,245	1,987	154	198	163	260	200	140
	Public	25	122	147	24	22	15	-	-	10
	Total	1,103	1,367	2,134	178	220	178	260	200	150
South Western	Private	408	345	380	37	46	27	50	40	30
	Public	55	57	33	1	3	1	-	-	-
	Total	463	402	413	38	49	28	50	40	30
Central Highlands	Private	599	679	1,965	95	85	84	110	100	80
	Public	27	134	207	30	7	6	-	-	-
	Total	626	813	1,172	125	92	90	110	100	80
Wimmera	Private	161	125	1,203	22	11	6	20	10	10
	Public	2	29	32	1	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	163	154	1,235	23	11	6	20	10	10
Northern Mallee	Private	373	289	1,426	41	35	23	50	40	30
	Public	79	108	39	10	3	3	-	-	-
	Total	452	397	1,465	51	38	26	50	40	30
Loddon-Campaspe	Private	878	949	1,393	131	122	82	170	140	120
	Public	4	246	137	23	16	7	-	-	-
	Total	882	1,195	1,530	154	138	89	180	140	120
Coulburn	Private	893	769	1,014	125	87	67	150	140	80
	Public	20	146	59	10	11	4	10	10	-
	Total	913	915	1,073	135	98	71	160	150	90
North Eastern	Private	517	456	1,601	67	63	47	70	70	50
	Public	32	94	26	11	-	4	-	-	-
	Total	549	550	1,627	78	63	51	70	70	50
East Gippsland	Private	506	489	1,616	47	55	48	70	80	40
	Public	9	81	75	9	8	7	-	-	-
	Total	515	570	1,691	56	63	55	70	80	40
Central Gippsland	Private	971	931	1,327	127	129	98	170	150	80
	Public	107	112	116	8	26	14	30	-	-
	Total	1,078	1,043	1,443	135	155	112	190	150	80
East Central	Private	580	791	1,196	132	111	118	150	130	100
	Public	2	16	29	6	6	1	-	-	-
	Total	582	807	1,225	138	117	119	150	130	100
Total Victoria	Private	18,619	19,198	26,968	2,361	2,437	1,926	3,250	2,710	1,800
	Public	612	2,001	1,936	238	200	160	130	70	40
	Total	19,231	21,199	28,904	2,599	2,637	2,086	3,380	2,780	1,840

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