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DWELLING UNIT COMMENCEMENTS REPORTED BY APPROVING AUTHORITIES, NEW SOUTH WALES, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 1989

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MAIN FEATURES

Number of dwelling units commenced

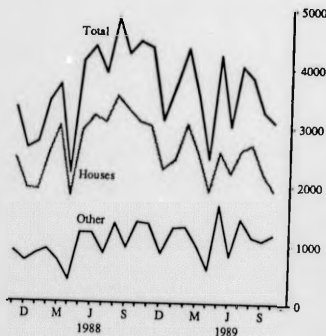
In October 1989 the number of dwelling units commenced in New South Wales was 3,083, which was 6 per cent lower than in September (3,265), while the September commencements were 15 per cent lower than August 1989. In Sydney Statistical Division the commencements for October (1,406) were 8 per cent lower than September (1,527), while the September commencements were 9 per cent lower than August.

Number of houses commenced

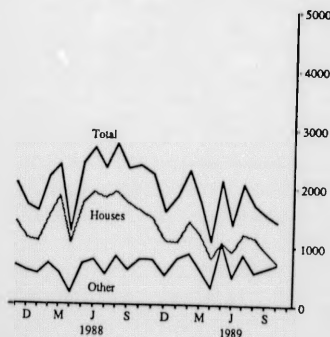
The number of houses commenced in NSW in October 1989 (1,925) decreased by 13 per cent from September 1989 (2,210), while September decreased by 18 per cent from August 1989. In Sydney Statistical Division there was a decrease of 20 per cent from August to September, and a further decrease of 22 per cent from September to October.

For the first four months of 1989-90 the number of houses commenced in Sydney (3,957) was 43 per cent lower than for the same period in the previous financial year (6,979).

DWELLINGS COMMENCED IN NSW



DWELLINGS COMMENCED IN SYDNEY (SD)



NOTES

The statistics on dwelling unit commencements are compiled from data supplied in monthly reports provided by local and other government authorities.

The statistics relate to the number of new dwelling units reported as commencements of new houses and new other residential buildings.

Explanatory notes are provided at the back of this publication.

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UNPUBLISHED DATA

The ABS can 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: photocopy, microfiche, computer printout, floppy disk and clerically extracted tabulation. A charge may be made for providing unpublished information in these forms.

For further details please phone Dennis Jolliffe on (02) 268 4178.

TABLE 1. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN NSW
(Number of dwelling units)

Note: Figures shown for May 1989 to August 1989 have been revised since the last issue of this publication.

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
1986-87	20,581	5,890	26,471	1,019	3,202	4,221	21,600	9,092	30,692
1987-88	27,561	7,497	35,058	481	2,266	2,747	28,042	9,763	37,805
1988-89	32,399	11,171	43,570	626	1,963	2,589	33,025	13,134	46,159
1988: August	3,435	1,129	4,564	75	199	274	3,510	1,328	4,838
September	3,197	816	4,013	108	109	217	3,305	925	4,230
October	3,036	1,181	4,217	55	179	234	3,091	1,360	4,451
November	2,976	1,179	4,155	43	155	198	3,019	1,334	4,353
December	2,233	811	3,044	42	27	69	2,275	838	3,113
1989: January	2,432	1,116	3,548	11	148	159	2,443	1,264	3,707
February	3,031	1,012	4,043	19	270	289	3,050	1,282	4,332
March	2,539	900	3,439	17	63	80	2,556	963	3,519
April	1,878	480	2,358	29	86	115	1,907	566	2,473
May	2,506	1,127	3,633	68	517	585	2,574	1,644	4,218
June	2,148	696	2,844	72	105	177	2,220	801	3,021
July	2,560	1,176	3,736	53	247	300	2,613	1,423	4,036
August	2,582	691	3,273	117	436	553	2,699	1,127	3,826
September	2,178	915	3,093	32	140	172	2,210	1,055	3,265
October	1,869	794	2,663	56	364	420	1,925	1,158	3,083

TABLE 2. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN SELECTED STATISTICAL DIVISIONS OF NSW
(Number of dwelling units)

Note: Figures shown for May 1989 to August 1989 have been revised since the last issue of this publication.

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1986-87	10,671	3,987	14,658	311	2,512	2,823	10,982	6,499	17,481
1987-88	15,772	4,762	20,534	286	1,902	2,188	16,058	6,664	22,722
1988-89	15,626	6,411	22,037	217	1,522	1,739	15,843	7,933	23,776
1988: August	1,868	714	2,582	31	98	129	1,899	812	2,711
September	1,667	488	2,155	40	97	137	1,707	585	2,292
October	1,578	666	2,244	1	101	102	1,579	767	2,346
November	1,439	628	2,067	6	131	137	1,445	759	2,204
December	1,048	464	1,512	29	27	56	1,077	491	1,568
1989: January	1,054	653	1,707	2	121	123	1,056	774	1,830
February	1,395	598	1,993	10	264	274	1,405	862	2,267
March	1,154	533	1,687	5	43	48	1,159	576	1,735
April	777	246	1,023	2	40	42	779	286	1,065
May	1,024	612	1,636	24	435	459	1,048	1,047	2,095
June	854	402	1,256	41	66	107	895	468	1,363
July	1,165	689	1,854	29	158	187	1,194	847	2,041
August	1,101	292	1,393	36	258	294	1,137	550	1,687
September	891	524	1,415	20	92	112	911	616	1,527
October	690	424	1,114	25	267	292	715	691	1,406

TABLE 2. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED IN SELECTED STATISTICAL DIVISIONS OF NSW —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Period	Private sector			Public sector			Total		
	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total	Houses	Other residential buildings	Total
HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1986-87	1,842	233	2,075	72	383	455	1,914	616	2,530
1987-88	2,169	312	2,481	46	113	159	2,215	425	2,640
1988-89	3,218	647	3,865	46	150	196	3,264	797	4,061
1988: August	260	19	279	12	8	20	272	27	299
September	304	28	332	6	—	6	310	28	338
October	298	30	328	7	2	9	305	32	337
November	298	65	363	—	—	—	298	65	363
December	222	46	268	—	—	—	222	46	268
1989: January	229	91	320	—	—	—	229	91	320
February	319	66	385	—	—	—	319	66	385
March	302	81	383	—	—	—	302	96	398
April	220	66	286	—	15	15	220	86	306
May	284	95	379	1	74	75	285	169	454
June	270	37	307	—	25	25	270	62	332
July	309	65	374	3	47	50	312	112	424
August	313	103	416	—	40	40	313	143	456
September	257	145	402	1	—	1	258	145	403
October	224	126	350	6	31	37	230	157	387
ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION									
1986-87	1,991	556	2,547	118	109	227	2,109	665	2,774
1987-88	2,491	413	2,904	13	94	107	2,504	507	3,011
1988-89	3,439	598	4,037	38	47	85	3,477	645	4,122
1988: August	359	32	391	5	21	26	364	53	417
September	360	56	416	7	—	7	367	56	423
October	354	80	434	—	14	14	354	94	448
November	304	75	379	6	—	6	310	75	385
December	252	21	273	—	—	—	252	21	273
1989: January	278	42	320	—	—	—	278	42	320
February	327	52	379	—	—	—	327	52	379
March	255	59	314	—	—	—	255	59	314
April	300	11	311	—	—	—	300	11	311
May	230	60	290	13	—	13	243	60	303
June	231	61	292	2	12	14	233	73	306
July	333	142	475	—	42	42	333	184	517
August	318	51	369	8	56	64	326	107	433
September	275	52	327	5	—	5	280	52	332
October	245	56	301	—	7	7	245	63	308
BALANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES									
1986-87	6,077	1,114	7,191	518	198	716	6,595	1,312	7,907
1987-88	7,129	2,010	9,139	136	157	293	7,265	2,167	9,432
1988-89	10,116	3,515	13,631	325	244	569	10,441	3,759	14,200
1988: August	948	364	1,312	27	72	99	975	436	1,411
September	866	244	1,110	55	12	67	921	256	1,177
October	806	405	1,211	47	62	109	853	467	1,320
November	935	411	1,346	31	24	55	966	435	1,401
December	711	280	991	13	—	13	724	280	1,004
1989: January	871	330	1,201	9	27	36	880	357	1,237
February	990	296	1,286	—	6	6	990	302	1,292
March	828	227	1,055	12	5	17	840	232	1,072
April	681	157	838	27	26	53	708	183	891
May	968	360	1,328	30	8	38	998	368	1,366
June	793	196	989	29	2	31	822	198	1,020
July	753	280	1,033	21	—	21	774	280	1,054
August	850	245	1,095	73	82	155	923	327	1,250
September	755	194	949	6	48	54	761	242	1,003
October	710	188	898	25	59	84	735	247	982

TABLE 3. HOUSES COMMENCED IN NSW, BY MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS

Note: Figures shown for May 1989 to August 1989 have been revised since the last issue of this publication.

Period	Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated	Total
PRIVATE SECTOR						
1986-87	2,202	15,724	1,235	1,156	264	20,581
1987-88	3,583	20,911	1,416	1,387	264	27,561
1988-89	4,621	23,873	1,885	1,704	316	32,399
1988: August	463	2,628	171	143	30	3,435
September	455	2,426	159	134	23	3,197
October	410	2,287	175	138	26	3,036
November	466	2,132	162	193	23	2,976
December	396	1,512	154	143	28	2,233
1989: January	418	1,702	158	132	22	2,432
February	460	2,227	159	162	23	3,031
March	359	1,857	156	136	31	2,539
April	359	1,366	143	103	27	1,878
May	350	1,820	161	140	35	2,506
June	267	1,578	145	151	27	2,148
July	347	1,847	180	159	27	2,560
August	363	1,830	172	182	35	2,582
September	286	1,568	152	142	30	2,178
October	218	1,312	179	140	20	1,869
PUBLIC SECTOR						
1986-87	9	789	56	164	1	1,019
1987-88	39	400	13	27	2	481
1988-89	26	561	14	20	5	626
1988: August	6	64	1	4	—	75
September	10	95	1	2	—	108
October	—	47	1	7	—	55
November	—	39	—	—	4	43
December	—	41	—	—	1	42
1989: January	—	6	—	5	—	11
February	—	17	1	1	—	19
March	—	17	—	—	—	17
April	—	29	—	—	—	29
May	—	68	—	—	—	68
June	—	62	10	—	—	72
July	5	45	—	3	—	53
August	—	113	—	4	—	117
September	—	30	—	1	1	32
October	—	46	—	9	1	56
TOTAL						
1986-87	2,211	16,513	1,291	1,320	265	21,600
1987-88	3,622	21,311	1,429	1,414	266	28,042
1988-89	4,647	24,434	1,899	1,724	321	33,025
1988: August	469	2,692	172	147	30	3,510
September	465	2,521	160	136	23	3,305
October	410	2,334	176	145	26	3,091
November	466	2,171	162	193	27	3,019
December	396	1,553	154	143	29	2,275
1989: January	418	1,708	158	137	22	2,443
February	460	2,244	160	163	23	3,050
March	359	1,874	156	136	31	2,556
April	359	1,395	143	103	27	1,907
May	350	1,888	161	140	35	2,574
June	267	1,640	155	131	27	2,220
July	352	1,892	180	162	27	2,613
August	363	1,943	172	186	35	2,699
September	286	1,598	152	143	31	2,210
October	218	1,358	179	149	21	1,925

(a) Includes house constructed with outer walls of stone or concrete.

TABLE 4. HOUSES COMMENCED IN STATISTICAL DIVISIONS OF NSW

Statistical division	September 1989					Total	October 1989					Total
	Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated		Double brick (a)	Brick veneer	Fibre cement	Timber	Other and not stated	
PRIVATE SECTOR												
Sydney	130	679	30	44	8	891	97	525	30	30	8	690
Hunter	25	180	33	16	3	257	19	158	33	12	2	224
Illawarra	22	211	24	14	4	275	12	182	32	18	1	245
Richmond-Tweed	23	90	12	30	2	157	13	69	14	21	—	117
Mid-North Coast	26	95	11	20	3	155	23	80	11	24	1	139
Northern	10	50	11	1	—	72	5	50	17	6	—	78
North-Western	9	42	9	2	1	63	5	32	10	4	3	54
Central West	5	57	7	3	—	72	9	49	7	4	1	70
South-Eastern	25	100	11	8	4	148	22	85	20	14	4	145
Murrumbidgee	2	32	3	2	1	40	4	28	4	2	—	38
Murray	9	31	1	2	4	47	9	52	1	5	—	67
Far West	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	2
New South Wales	286	1,568	152	142	30	2,178	218	1,312	179	140	20	1,869
PUBLIC SECTOR												
Sydney	—	20	—	—	—	20	—	25	—	—	—	25
Hunter	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	6	—	—	—	6
Illawarra	—	5	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
Richmond-Tweed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	4
Mid-North Coast	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	4
Northern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	4
North-Western	—	1	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	8	1	9
Central West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South-Eastern	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	4
Murrumbidgee	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Murray	—	2	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New South Wales	—	30	—	1	1	32	—	46	—	9	1	56
TOTAL												
Sydney	130	699	30	44	8	911	97	550	30	30	8	715
Hunter	25	181	33	16	3	258	19	164	33	12	2	230
Illawarra	22	216	24	14	4	280	12	182	32	18	1	245
Richmond-Tweed	23	90	12	30	2	157	13	72	14	22	—	121
Mid-North Coast	26	95	11	20	3	155	23	84	11	24	1	143
Northern	10	50	11	1	—	72	5	54	17	6	—	82
North-Western	9	43	9	2	2	65	5	32	10	12	4	63
Central West	5	57	7	3	—	72	9	49	7	4	1	70
South-Eastern	25	100	11	8	4	148	22	89	20	14	4	149
Murrumbidgee	2	33	3	2	1	41	4	28	4	2	—	38
Murray	9	33	1	3	4	50	9	52	1	5	—	67
Far West	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	2
New South Wales	286	1,598	152	143	31	2,210	218	1,358	179	149	21	1,925

(a) Includes houses constructed with outer walls of stone or concrete.

TABLE 5. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW
(Number of dwelling units)

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Statistical area	Houses					Other residential buildings					Total							
						1989												
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Botany (M)	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Leichhardt (M)	8	1	2	2	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	2	2	—	2
Marrickville (M)	—	—	4	—	1	1	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Sydney (C)	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	20	6	—	8	67	1	4	6	1	9
Sydney (C) - Inner & Remainder	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	63	54	14	49	83	14	63	21	14	49	83
Inner Sydney (SSD)	10	2	7	2	3	3	220	3	—	20	49	91	220	3	—	—	—	—
Randwick (M)	9	3	7	9	4	7	30	8	14	65	18	2	39	68	81	22	52	94
Waverley (M)	—	1	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	2	—
Woollahra (M)	8	5	5	4	2	5	—	—	—	—	3	—	3	11	21	74	22	9
Eastern Suburbs (SSD)	17	9	14	14	8	12	30	8	14	65	21	8	47	17	28	79	29	20
Hurstville (C)	4	4	9	7	3	5	—	6	19	—	3	18	4	10	28	7	6	23
Kogarah (M)	4	7	6	6	3	2	11	16	7	—	—	—	15	23	13	6	3	2
Rockdale (M)	8	6	11	8	7	7	23	11	18	2	—	—	15	23	13	6	3	2
Sutherland (S)	64	47	86	48	58	50	60	8	208	35	80	50	124	55	294	83	138	100
St George-Sutherland (SSD)	80	64	112	69	71	64	94	41	252	37	83	96	174	105	364	106	154	160
Bankstown (C)	11	14	28	20	17	15	—	11	21	11	18	33	11	25	49	31	35	48
Canterbury (M)	6	3	7	17	4	3	7	—	5	10	28	—	13	3	12	27	32	3
Canterbury-Bankstown (SSD)	17	17	35	37	21	18	7	11	26	21	46	33	24	28	61	58	67	51
Fairfield (C)	92	53	129	82	48	45	39	4	15	3	27	—	131	57	144	85	75	45
Liverpool (C)	26	28	47	65	41	27	—	2	51	21	13	62	26	30	98	86	54	89
Fairfield-Liverpool (SSD)	118	81	176	147	89	72	39	6	66	24	40	62	157	87	242	171	129	134
Camden (M)	17	6	16	14	12	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	6	16	14	12	10
Campbelltown (C)	99	42	73	83	61	57	6	30	15	10	6	24	105	72	88	93	67	81
Wollondilly (S)	40	48	51	60	46	37	16	—	—	—	—	—	56	48	51	60	46	37
Outer South Western Sydney (SSD)	156	96	140	157	119	104	22	30	15	10	6	24	178	126	155	167	125	128
Ashfield (M)	1	—	5	1	—	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	1	—	5	5	—	1
Barwood (M)	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—
Concord (M)	3	4	1	5	2	1	12	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—
Drummoyle (M)	1	3	4	3	—	—	46	30	10	—	—	2	15	4	1	5	2	3
Strathfield (M)	1	2	4	4	9	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	6	47	33	14	3	6
Inner Western Sydney (SSD)	10	10	14	13	11	4	63	30	10	4	15	8	73	40	24	17	26	12

TABLE 5. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
	1989																	
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
	SYDNEY STATISTICAL DIVISION (continued)																	
Auburn (M)	3	—	4	7	5	3	—	—	14	15	11	14	3	—	18	22	16	17
Holroyd (M)	3	7	9	8	9	8	61	5	23	89	69	69	64	12	32	97	78	77
Parramatta (C)	5	5	11	8	7	2	42	35	15	53	16	21	47	40	26	61	23	23
Central Western Sydney (SSD)	11	12	24	23	21	13	103	40	52	157	96	104	114	52	76	180	117	117
Blue Mountains (C)	47	56	64	68	54	42	2	2	—	—	6	21	49	58	64	68	60	63
Hawkesbury (S)	64	51	47	48	47	37	13	6	8	15	4	4	77	57	55	63	51	41
Pennith (C)	64	109	63	42	45	32	72	43	25	23	—	12	136	152	88	65	45	44
Outer Western Sydney (SSD)	175	216	174	158	146	111	87	51	33	38	10	37	262	267	207	196	156	148
Baulkham Hills (S)	36	31	62	58	36	34	9	2	30	2	—	—	45	33	92	60	36	34
Blacktown (C)	106	90	102	102	100	56	49	13	20	35	49	67	155	103	122	137	149	123
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills (SSD)	142	121	164	160	136	90	58	15	50	37	49	67	200	136	214	197	185	157
Hunter's Hill (M)	—	3	2	2	1	4	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	3	2	2	3	4
Lane Cove (M)	4	1	3	4	1	1	5	—	—	—	3	4	—	9	1	3	7	5
Mosman (M)	2	1	—	—	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	—	—
North Sydney (M)	5	1	—	18	3	—	19	7	18	12	15	23	24	8	18	30	18	23
Ryde (M)	4	1	3	6	3	1	—	16	49	—	20	9	4	17	52	6	23	10
Willoughby (M)	3	3	2	1	6	3	87	30	15	—	8	19	90	33	17	1	14	22
Lower Northern Sydney (SSD)	18	10	10	31	17	9	111	55	82	15	49	51	129	65	92	46	66	60
Hornsby (S)	48	47	62	67	42	25	—	—	28	41	6	22	48	47	90	108	48	47
Kur-ring-gai (M)	23	21	19	22	9	9	52	16	—	—	—	75	37	19	22	9	9	9
Hornsby-Kur-ring-gai (SSD)	71	68	81	89	51	34	52	16	28	41	6	22	123	64	109	130	57	56
Manly (M)	3	2	1	1	3	1	5	9	4	8	16	2	8	11	5	9	19	3
Warringah (S)	23	24	26	37	34	29	2	2	28	4	82	12	25	26	54	41	116	41
Manly-Warringah (SSD)	26	26	27	38	37	30	7	11	32	12	98	14	33	37	59	50	135	44
Gosford (C)	101	82	98	92	114	71	57	43	79	56	33	10	158	125	177	148	147	81
Wyong (S)	96	81	118	107	67	80	22	45	34	13	15	64	118	126	152	120	82	144
Gosford-Wyong (SSD)	197	163	216	199	181	151	79	88	113	69	48	74	276	251	329	268	229	225
SYDNEY (SD)	1,048	895	1,194	1,137	911	715	1,047	468	847	550	616	691	2,095	1,363	2,041	1,687	1,527	1,406

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(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
	1989																	
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
HUNTER STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Cessnock (C)	17	20	31	24	14	18	—	—	—	9	13	12	17	20	31	33	27	30
Lake Macquarie (C)	69	88	78	91	77	82	24	—	8	10	21	52	93	88	86	101	98	134
Maitland (C)	27	25	20	38	22	19	—	—	—	—	2	2	27	25	20	38	24	21
Newcastle (C) - Inner & Remainder	32	13	33	13	16	20	60	49	72	62	28	55	92	62	105	75	44	75
Port Stephens (S)	80	59	60	72	65	46	36	2	18	49	41	28	116	61	78	121	106	74
Newcastle (SSD)	225	205	222	238	194	185	120	51	98	130	105	149	345	256	320	368	299	334
Dungog (S)	2	11	13	4	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	11	13	4	6	6
Gloucester (S)	1	4	7	9	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	7	9	7	1
Great Lakes (S)	36	32	43	38	38	17	49	11	12	13	38	8	85	43	55	51	76	25
Merriwa (S)	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
Murrumbidgee (S)	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
Muswellbrook (S)	5	5	7	7	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scone (S)	10	2	5	3	2	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	5	5	7	7	3	4
Singleton (S)	6	10	15	12	7	14	—	—	—	—	2	—	10	2	7	3	2	2
Hunter SD Balance (SSD)	60	65	90	75	64	45	49	11	14	13	40	8	109	76	104	88	104	53
HUNTER (SD)	285	270	312	313	258	230	169	62	112	143	145	157	454	332	424	456	403	387
ILLAWARRA STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Kiama (M)	19	16	24	23	16	21	—	3	—	—	10	—	19	19	24	23	26	21
Shellharbour (M)	19	16	20	23	17	17	43	—	81	8	15	—	62	16	101	31	32	17
Wollongong (C)	46	40	59	41	49	46	6	47	80	71	—	15	52	87	139	112	49	61
Wollongong (SSD)	84	72	103	87	82	84	49	50	161	79	25	15	133	122	204	166	107	99
Shoalhaven (C)	107	102	176	155	140	99	11	21	13	23	15	16	118	123	189	178	155	115
Wingecarribee (S)	52	59	54	84	58	62	—	2	10	5	12	32	52	61	64	89	70	94
Illawarra SD Balance (SSD)	159	161	230	239	198	161	11	23	23	28	27	48	170	184	253	267	225	209
ILLAWARRA (SD)	243	233	333	326	280	245	60	73	184	107	52	63	303	306	517	433	332	308

TABLE 5. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses					Other residential buildings										Total				
	1989																			
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.		
RICHMOND-TWEED STATISTICAL DIVISION																				
Tweed (S) Pt A	37	20	16	19	17	18	123		24	6	2	24	160	24	40	25	19	42		
Tweed Heads (SSD)	37	20	16	19	17	18	123	4	24	6	2	24	160	24	40	25	19	42		
Ballina (S)	44	17	22	35	37	30	13	24	4	33	13	2	57	41	26	68	50	32		
Byron (S)	37	33	44	29	36	22	2	7	8	14	7	—	39	40	52	43	43	22		
Casino (M)	6	11	2	3	5	4	10	7	—	—	—	—	16	18	2	3	5	4		
Kyogle (S)	3	9	8	11	23	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	9	8	11	23	10		
Lismore (C)	26	30	30	21	20	15	16	6	5	2	6	23	42	36	35	23	26	38		
Richmond River (S)	7	12	10	15	9	10	4	—	—	2	2	3	11	12	10	17	11	13		
Tweed (S) Pt B	20	14	16	11	10	12	27	—	10	—	8	2	47	14	26	11	18	14		
Richmond-Tweed SD Balance (SSD)	143	126	132	125	140	103	72	44	27	51	36	30	215	170	159	176	176	133		
RICHMOND-TWEED (SD)	180	146	148	144	157	121	195	48	51	57	38	54	375	194	199	201	195	175		
MID-NORTH COAST STATISTICAL DIVISION																				
Bellingen (S)	22	20	7	18	9	10	5	—	4	—	—	—	27	20	11	18	9	10		
Coffs Harbour (C)	64	39	60	39	7	45	15	13	91	—	—	—	79	52	151	39	7	54		
Copmanhurst (S)	1	3	1	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	9	1	3	1	3	3	1		
Grafton (C)	4	5	5	4	4	3	3	—	3	7	6	—	7	5	8	11	10	3		
Maclean (S)	28	14	17	21	15	11	5	11	2	6	25	—	33	25	19	27	40	11		
Nambucca (S)	18	18	14	20	18	14	—	4	2	—	2	—	18	22	16	20	20	14		
Nymboida (S)	5	2	7	4	5	4	—	—	—	—	2	—	5	2	7	4	7	4		
Ullmarra (S)	6	8	13	10	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	8	8	13	10	6		
Clarence (SSD)	148	109	119	122	71	94	28	28	102	13	35	9	176	137	221	135	106	103		
Greater Taree (C)	36	33	53	47	34	26	4	2	2	4	8	15	40	35	55	51	42	41		
Hastings (M)	69	47	70	53	34	2	13	14	20	43	14	—	82	61	90	96	48	2		
Kempsey (S)	12	13	19	31	16	21	8	9	10	9	4	—	20	22	29	40	20	21		
Hastings (SSD)	117	93	142	131	84	49	25	25	32	56	26	15	142	118	174	187	110	64		
MID-NORTH COAST (SD)	265	202	261	253	155	143	53	53	134	69	61	24	318	255	395	322	216	167		

TABLE 5. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
							1989											
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
NORTHERN STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Barraba (S)	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—
Bingara (S)	1	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—
Gunnedah (S)	3	—	2	2	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	4	4	2
Inverell (S) Pt A	2	1	1	—	3	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	1
Manilla (S)	1	—	—	4	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Nundle (S)	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	1
Parry (S)	10	7	11	13	10	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	4	2	1
Quirindi (S)	—	2	1	1	—	3	—	4	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Tamworth (C)	32	16	20	33	24	22	11	14	2	5	2	2	10	7	11	15	10	15
Yallaro (S)	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	6	1	1	—	3
Northern Slopes (SSD)	52	30	36	55	44	46	11	18	2	9	2	6	43	30	22	38	26	26
Armidale (C)	10	9	8	13	7	7	—	8	2	—	4	18	10	17	10	13	11	25
Dumaresq (S)	4	2	—	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	—	6	1	1
Glen Innes (M)	4	5	3	2	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	7	3	2	3	3
Guyra (S)	2	2	3	1	2	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	4	2	3	1	—	—
Inverell (S) Pt B	3	1	5	2	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	3	2	3	3
Severn (S)	2	3	—	4	—	—	—	8	—	—	6	—	3	1	13	2	8	2
Tenterfield (S)	5	8	3	5	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	—	4	—	—
Uralla (S)	4	4	4	8	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	8	3	5	2	4
Walcha (S)	1	2	—	2	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	4	4	4	8	4	8
Northern Tablelands (SSD)	35	36	26	43	21	34	—	10	10	—	12	10	1	2	—	2	2	12
Murrumbidgee Plains (S)	1	2	2	11	6	1	—	—	—	8	2	—	1	2	2	19	8	1
Narrabri (S)	2	—	—	4	1	1	—	10	2	—	—	—	2	10	2	4	1	1
North Central Plain (SSD)	3	2	2	15	7	2	—	10	2	8	2	—	3	12	4	23	9	2
NORTHERN (SD)	90	68	64	113	72	82	11	38	14	17	16	34	101	106	78	130	88	116

TABLE 5. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
							1989											
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
NORTH WESTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Coolah (S)	2	3	3	1	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	3	1	3	5
Coonabarabran (S)	4	1	5	1	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	5	1	4	3
Dubbo (C)	28	31	17	14	25	19	14	4	2	41	2	4	42	35	19	55	27	23
Gilgandra (S)	3	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	4	3	1	—	1	3	5
Mudgee (S)	18	11	14	12	15	14	8	—	4	4	12	2	26	11	18	16	27	16
Narrornine (S)	—	2	—	3	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	3	5	2
Wellington (S)	3	5	5	4	7	5	—	—	—	2	2	—	3	5	5	6	9	5
Central Macquarie (SSD)	58	54	44	36	60	49	22	4	6	47	18	10	80	58	50	88	78	59
Bogan (S)	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Coonamble (S)	—	—	1	3	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—
Walgett (S)	—	2	—	2	1	2	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	3
Warren (S)	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	7	1	2
Macquarie-Barwon (SSD)	—	4	1	5	4	5	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	4	1	10	4	5
Bourke (S)	5	—	—	4	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	4	—	7
Brewarrina (S)	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
Cobar (S)	2	8	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	2	8	2	7	1	—
Upper Darling (SSD)	7	9	2	5	1	9	—	—	—	6	—	—	7	9	2	11	1	9
NORTH WESTERN (SD)	65	67	47	46	65	63	22	4	6	58	18	10	87	71	53	104	83	73

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(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
							1989											
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
CENTRAL WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Bathurst (C)	25	17	12	16	19	17	2	—	—	—	—	—	27	17	12	16	19	21
Blayney (S) Pt A	4	3	1	1	3	1	—	—	—	7	2	4	4	3	1	8	5	1
Cabonne (S) Pt A	4	3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	—	—	—	—
Evans (S) Pt A	1	1	1	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	3	2	1
Orange (C)	18	18	8	17	16	19	5	2	—	—	—	—	23	20	8	17	41	21
Bathurst-Orange (SSD)	52	42	22	37	41	38	7	2	—	7	27	6	59	44	22	44	68	44
Blayney (S) Pt B	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Cabonne (S) Pt B	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Evans (S) Pt B	1	—	2	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1
Greater Lithgow (C)	6	4	8	12	8	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	5	1	1
Oberon (S)	2	1	1	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	4	8	12	8	17
Rylstone (S)	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	5	8	—
Central Tablelands (excl. Bathurst-Orange) (SSD)	10	6	12	22	17	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	6	12	22	17	20
Bland (S)	4	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	2	—	—	—
Cabonne (S) Pt C	1	1	1	1	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	2	—	—	1
Cowra (S)	4	4	2	4	2	3	3	—	—	5	—	—	6	1	1	1	4	1
Forbes (S)	4	4	3	1	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	7	4	2	9	2	3
Lachlan (S)	1	—	—	16	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	4	3	1	3	—
Parke (S)	6	8	5	5	5	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	16	—	1
Weekin (S)	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	10	5	5	5	5
Lachlan (SSD)	22	18	13	28	14	12	10	2	—	5	—	—	32	20	13	33	14	12
CENTRAL WEST (SD)	84	66	47	87	72	70	17	4	—	12	27	6	101	70	47	99	99	76

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Statistical area	Houses					Other residential buildings						Total						
	1989																	
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
SOUTH EASTERN STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Queanbeyan (C)	25	27	14	28	19	17	6	7	2	—	8	—	31	34	16	28	27	17
Queanbeyan (SSD)	25	27	14	28	19	17	6	7	2	—	8	—	31	34	16	28	27	17
Boorowa (S)	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—
Crookwell (S)	3	3	2	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Goulburn (C)	2	2	1	3	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	2	1	1	3
Gunning (S)	3	3	—	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	5	2	2	1	3	4	8
Harden (S)	3	2	2	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	—	1	1	3
Mulwaree (S)	5	6	7	9	7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	2	—	1	4
Tallaganda (S)	3	2	—	2	3	5	—	—	—	—	2	—	5	6	7	9	9	5
Yarrowlumla (S)	6	5	8	7	8	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	2	3	2
Yass (S)	8	5	2	5	6	11	2	—	8	4	—	—	6	5	8	7	8	13
Young (S)	5	7	4	3	10	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	5	10	9	6	11
Southern Tablelands (excl. Queanbeyan) (SSD)	40	35	26	33	41	50	2	—	8	4	2	5	5	7	4	3	10	6
Bega Valley (S)	29	16	20	37	17	18	4	14	15	18	17	4	33	30	35	55	34	22
Eurobodalla (S)	62	52	48	65	59	49	32	10	6	47	9	22	94	62	54	112	68	71
Lower South Coast (SSD)	91	68	68	102	76	67	36	24	21	65	26	26	127	92	89	167	102	93
Bombala (S)	2	2	—	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—
Cooma-Monaro (S)	7	8	6	2	6	5	—	—	—	—	12	—	7	8	6	2	18	5
Snowy River (S)	8	4	3	8	5	7	—	2	—	—	—	—	8	6	3	8	5	7
Snowy (SSD)	17	14	9	12	12	15	—	2	—	—	12	—	17	16	9	12	24	15
SOUTH EASTERN (SD)	173	144	117	175	148	149	44	33	31	69	48	31	217	177	148	244	196	180

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(Number of dwelling units)

(Number of dwelling units)

STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW — continued

Statistical area	Houses					Other residential buildings					Total							
	1989																	
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
	MURRUMBIDGEE STATISTICAL DIVISION																	
Coolamon (S)	1	2	1	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	2	3	1
Cootamundra (S)	3	7	2	5	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	7	2	5	2	2
Gundagai (S)	1	4	2	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	2	3	2	2
Juncie (S)	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	3	3	1	1	1	1	1
Lockhart (S)	1	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	1	1
Narrandera (S)	1	—	—	6	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Temora (S)	2	1	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Tumut (S)	3	4	5	1	3	2	—	—	2	17	—	—	3	1	—	1	6	1
Wagga Wagga (C)	43	42	17	15	20	15	2	5	2	5	—	10	3	4	7	18	3	12
Central Murrumbidgee (SSD)	56	61	31	32	33	28	2	5	2	5	—	16	58	47	17	20	20	15
Carrathool (S)	1	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	24	—	16	58	66	33	56	33	44
Griffith (C)	8	4	2	8	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	3	—	1
Hay (S)	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	6	13	—	8	4	2	14	6	6
Leeton (S)	6	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	3	3
Murrumbidgee (S)	—	1	1	1	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	1	1	6	2
Lower Murrumbidgee (SSD)	16	5	5	12	8	10	—	—	—	6	13	2	16	5	5	18	21	12
MURRUMBIDGEE (SD)	72	66	36	44	41	38	2	5	2	30	13	18	74	71	38	74	54	56

TABLE 5. DWELLING UNITS COMMENCED BY TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS OF NSW —continued
(Number of dwelling units)

Statistical area	Houses						Other residential buildings						Total					
							1989											
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
MURRAY STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Albury (C)	20	18	16	22	15	24	12	4	15	2	6	10	32	22	31	24	21	34
Hume (S)	6	6	4	8	11	13	—	—	—	—	3	—	6	6	4	8	14	13
Albury (SSD)	26	24	20	30	26	37	12	4	15	2	9	10	38	28	35	32	35	47
Corowa (S)	10	7	3	6	7	7	2	—	3	—	3	31	12	7	6	6	10	38
Culcairn (S)	3	6	1	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	1	2	1	—
Holbrook (S)	2	1	3	2	—	3	—	—	3	—	3	—	2	1	6	2	3	3
Tumbarumba (S)	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—
Urana (S)	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1
Upper Murray (excl. Albury) (SSD)	16	14	9	10	10	11	2	—	6	—	6	31	18	14	15	10	16	42
Berrigan (S)	6	2	4	5	5	5	7	2	11	2	2	5	13	4	15	7	7	10
Conargo (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Deniliquin (M)	5	5	1	3	3	3	—	2	—	—	8	—	5	7	1	11	3	3
Jerilderie (S)	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Murray (S)	4	1	10	5	4	7	—	3	8	—	—	19	4	4	18	5	4	26
Wakool (S)	5	—	2	—	2	—	3	—	—	—	3	4	8	—	2	3	6	—
Windouran (S)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central Murray (SSD)	21	8	17	13	14	15	10	7	19	13	6	24	31	15	36	26	20	39
Balranald (S)	—	1	4	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	3	—	3	4	1	—	3
Wentworth (S)	5	11	1	5	—	4	—	—	2	—	—	—	5	11	3	5	—	4
Murray-Darling (SSD)	5	12	5	6	—	4	—	2	2	—	—	3	5	14	7	6	—	7
MURRAY (SD)	68	58	51	59	50	67	24	13	42	15	21	68	92	71	93	74	71	135
FAR WEST STATISTICAL DIVISION																		
Broken Hill (C)	1	5	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	2	2	1	—
Central Darling (S)	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—
Unincorp. Far West	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
FAR WEST (SD)	1	5	3	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	5	3	2	1	4
NEW SOUTH WALES																		
NEW SOUTH WALES	2,574	2,220	2,613	2,699	2,210	1,925	1,644	801	1,423	1,127	1,055	1,158	4,218	3,021	4,036	3,826	3,265	3,083

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains monthly details of the number of new dwelling units reported by approving authorities as having commenced.

Scope and Coverage

2. The statistics were compiled from the monthly reports, provided by local and other government authorities, of commencements of new houses and new other residential buildings 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 or local government authorities.

3. The number of dwelling units created by alterations and additions to existing buildings, and through the construction of new 'non-residential buildings' (i.e. buildings other than residential buildings) is not included.

Definitions

4. 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.

5. A *residential building* is defined as a building predominantly consisting of one or more dwelling units. Dwellings can be either *houses* or *other residential buildings* 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 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 (eg a block of townhouses, a duplex, or an apartment building).

6. *Commencements*. For the purpose of this statistical series, a job is regarded as being commenced on the date when -

a. the job is first inspected by a local government or other government authority building inspector or surveyor, whether the work is passed or not. In general, the first inspection is undertaken at the foundations or footings stage of construction; or

b. the job is determined as commenced by a building inspector or surveyor.

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

Statistical Areas of New South Wales

8. This bulletin contains data presented according to the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), Edition 4. Under this classification, statistical areas are defined as follows:

STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS (SLA's). These geographical areas are in most cases either identical with, or have been aggregated to, the previously published whole or part of legal Local Government Areas (LGA's) as defined under the (State) *Local Government Act 1919* and comprising cities (C), municipalities (M) and shires (S). In other cases, they are identical to each previously published unincorporated area. In aggregate, SLA's cover the whole of the State without gaps or overlaps. In some cases legal LGA's overlap Statistical Subdivision boundaries and therefore comprise 2 SLA's (Part A and Part B) or 3 SLA's in the case of Cabonne (S) (Part A, Part B and Part C).

STATISTICAL SUBDIVISIONS (SSD's). These consist of one or more SLA's and form the intermediate size spatial unit for the presentation of regional data.

STATISTICAL DIVISIONS (SD's). These consist of one or more Statistical Subdivisions (SSD's). Where SSD's are not shown for statistical purposes, statistical local areas are shown ordered alphabetically within statistical divisions. The divisions are designed to be relatively homogeneous regions characterised by identifiable social and economic units within the region, under the unifying influence of one or more major towns or cities.

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 legal local government area boundaries. Those districts are intended to contain the anticipated urban spread over the next 20 years. In some cases, Statistical District boundaries are identical to those of particular Statistical Subdivisions (eg Newcastle SSD and Wollongong SSD included in Table 5 of this publication).

Further information concerning statistical areas is contained in the publication *Regional Statistics, New South Wales*, 1987 issue (Catalogue 1304.1) and in the publication *Australian Standard Geographical Classification* (Catalogue 1216.0).

Comparability of Statistics

9. 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 (published in Catalogue No. 8752.1).

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

NEW SOUTH WALES

- Building Approvals* (monthly) (8731.1)
- Building Activity* (quarterly) (8752.1)
- Building Approvals in Statistical Local Areas* (annual) (8733.1)

AUSTRALIA

- Building Approvals* (monthly) (8731.0)
- Building Activity* (quarterly) (8752.0)
- Engineering Construction Survey* (quarterly) (8762.0)

11. A list of the complete range of publications available from the ABS can be obtained from any ABS Office. Access to a wide range of ABS statistics is also available through the VIATEL videotex system and on AUSSTATS, ABS' on-line service through CSIRONET. Further information about these services can be obtained from the Sydney ABS Information Service on (02) 268 4611, or from any ABS Office.

Symbols and Other Usages

— nil or rounded to zero

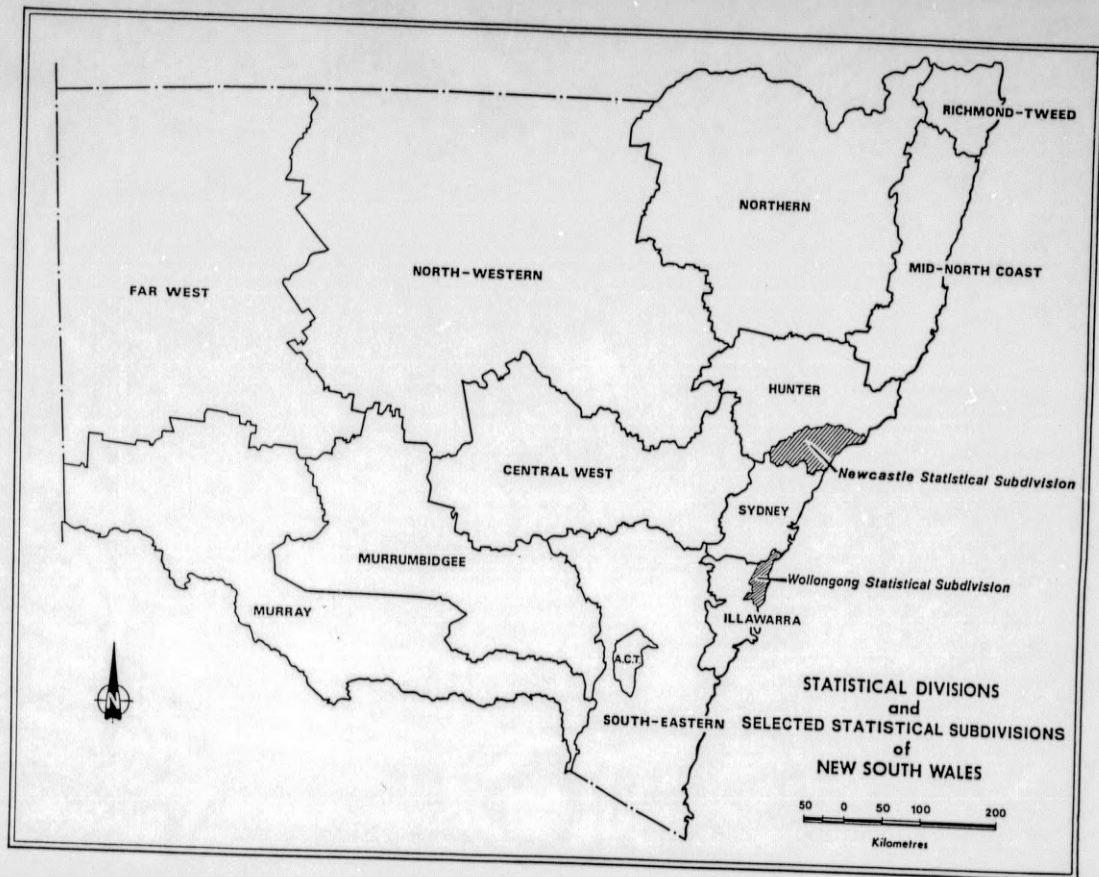
MONTHLY BUILDING APPROVALS

Each month the ABS publishes detailed information on building approvals for each State and Australia. Data for NSW are published in *Building Approvals, New South Wales*, Catalogue No. 8731.1 (\$8.60 per issue or \$103.20 annual subscription). This publication is released approximately 5 weeks after the end of the reference month.

Information available includes:

- Number and value of houses and other residential buildings approved
- Seasonally adjusted and trend series comparisons
- Approvals of offices, shops, factories, etc. (number and value)
- Constant price estimates
- Statistical Local Area data

To order this publication contact the ABS Bookshop on (02) 268 4620.



PUBLICATIONS ISSUED BY AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS (SYDNEY)

The ABS issues a large range of publications presenting statistics relating to New South Wales. All of these are obtainable from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, St. Andrew's House, Sydney Square (George Street, next to Sydney Town Hall), Sydney.

<i>Catalogue No.</i>	<i>Publication</i>	<i>Month of issue</i>	<i>Price (\$) incl. postage within Australia</i>
GENERAL			
1301.1	New South Wales Year Book, No. 71, 1988 (hardcover) (Special Bicentennial Issue)	June 1988	30.00
1302.1	Pocket Year Book of New South Wales, 1988	June 1988	6.50
1303.1	New South Wales in Brief	June 1988	Free
1304.1	Regional Statistics, New South Wales, 1989	Nov. 1989	15.00
1305.1	Monthly Summary of Statistics, January 1990	Jan. 1990	12.50
1307.1	Economic Indicators, January 1990	Jan. 1990	3.30
POPULATION AND VITALS			
3208.1	Estimated Resident Population and Components of Change in Population of Statistical Local Areas, 1981 to 1986	May 1988	7.50
3209.1	Age and Sex Distribution of the Estimated Resident Population of Statistical Local Areas, 1987	Dec. 1988	7.50
3210.1	Estimated Resident Population of Statistical Local Areas, at 30 June, 1987 (fin.) and 1988 (prel.)	April 1989	7.50
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3306.1	Births, 1988	Oct. 1989	10.50
3307.1	Deaths, 1988	Dec. 1989	10.50
SOCIAL			
4111.1	Information Paper: Time Use Pilot Survey, Sydney, May-June 1987	May 1988	15.00
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