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STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA : NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS

SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1969 (PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES)

Preliminary estimates of the number of new houses and flats commenced, completed and under construction during the quarter ended 30 September 1969 are shown in the following tables together with comparisons for previous periods and seasonally adjusted figures. Also shown are the latest available statistics of the number of new houses and flats approved. These figures were previously published on in the monthly statement Building Approvals : Australia. (Ref. No. 3.2)

The estimated totals shown for the quarter ended 30 September 1969 have been based on returns obtained from most large builders and a substantial proportion of small builders and owner-builders. Figures for this quarter should be regarded as tentative only and will be revised when final figures are published in greater detail in the Quarterly Bulletin of Building Statistics (Ref. No. 3.6), which will be published about the end of December 1969.

The numbers of flats shown relate to individual new flats constructed as separate living units. Only new flats are included, i.e. flats obtained by the conversion of existing buildings are excluded.

Further particulars regarding definitions used, sources of information and the scope of these statistics are shown in the Quarterly Bulletin of Building Statistics and the monthly statement Building Approvals : Australia. Details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting these, and other series, are given in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1969" (Ref. No. 1.10) issued on 22 May 1969.

TABLE 1. - NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS : AUSTRALIA

Quarter ended	Approved		Commenced		Completed		Under construction at end of period
	Total	Private	Total	Private	Total	Private	Total
Original							
September 1967	32,277	29,577	31,463	27,600	29,879	25,877	58,781
December "	32,847	29,139	28,606	25,349	32,551	28,172	54,836
March 1968	31,940	28,453	30,445	26,784	26,922	23,895	58,359
June "	35,064	31,679	32,603	28,879	30,818	26,645	60,070
September "	38,589	35,006	34,062	30,620	31,916	27,903	62,028
December "	36,474	32,386	34,520	30,793	34,909	31,426	61,546
March 1969	33,745	29,667	r33,932	r29,835	r29,431	r26,403	r65,937
June "	39,653	34,668	r36,788	r32,518	r34,431	r30,230	r63,180
September "	42,499	37,648	p37,736	p32,981	p34,549	p30,707	p71,235
Seasonally adjusted							
September 1967	30,342	27,699	29,970	26,460	29,850	25,883	..
December "	33,253	29,802	29,537	26,166	30,055	29,928	..
March 1968	35,123	30,815	31,396	27,318	29,666	25,824	..
June "	34,233	31,243	32,173	28,647	30,584	26,980	..
September "	35,901	32,427	32,530	29,392	31,854	27,893	..
December "	36,607	32,772	35,552	31,723	32,220	28,887	..
March 1969	37,575	32,592	35,018	30,444	32,449	28,575	..
June "	38,676	34,193	36,280	32,260	34,192	30,628	..
September "	39,547	34,892	36,076	31,682	34,480	30,676	..

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TABLE 2. - NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES : STATES AND TERRITORIES

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
APPROVED									
1966-67	28,403	21,670	13,135	7,127	8,712	3,218	519	2,613	85,397
1967-68	29,351	22,318	13,452	5,867	11,919	3,309	807	1,964	88,987
1968-69	32,328	24,326	14,299	7,786	14,479	2,694	857	2,898	99,667
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	7,641	5,686	3,399	1,711	3,418	926	279	597	23,657
Sept. "	8,754	6,609	3,849	1,969	3,610	741	162	614	26,308
Dec. "	7,716	6,066	3,343	1,666	3,475	665	110	774	23,815
March 1969	7,483	5,240	3,642	1,498	3,504	629	346	894	23,236
June "	8,375	6,411	3,465	2,653	3,890	659	239	616	26,308
Sept. "	8,581	6,871	4,315	1,867	4,262	660	265	794	27,615
COMMENCED									
1966-67	25,828	21,090	12,306	8,372	8,539	2,952	566	2,205	81,858
1967-68	26,205	21,908	13,288	6,752	11,472	3,142	763	2,389	85,919
1968-69 r	30,370	23,580	14,180	7,212	13,848	2,580	923	2,871	95,564
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	6,410	5,522	3,618	1,501	3,276	678	265	484	21,754
Sept. "	7,729	6,206	3,422	1,859	3,368	630	267	684	24,165
Dec. "	7,138	5,685	3,453	1,809	3,437	658	215	737	23,132
March 1969r	7,696	5,543	3,647	1,733	3,226	647	175	835	23,502
June " r	7,807	6,146	3,658	1,811	3,817	645	266	615	24,765
Sept. " p	7,686	6,614	3,829	2,090	3,782	819	201	693	25,714
COMPLETED									
1966-67	24,779	22,126	12,277	9,354	8,272	2,765	357	2,030	81,960
1967-68	27,270	21,592	13,098	7,444	9,858	3,331	699	2,464	85,756
1968-69 r	28,794	22,731	14,268	6,954	12,840	2,704	740	2,515	91,546
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	7,240	5,316	3,737	1,738	2,593	793	148	686	22,251
Sept. "	7,133	5,405	3,410	1,711	2,893	687	161	612	22,012
Dec. "	7,414	6,516	3,736	1,916	3,283	811	204	596	24,476
March 1969r	6,695	4,734	3,298	1,446	3,164	580	88	625	20,630
June " r	7,552	6,076	3,824	1,881	3,500	626	287	682	24,428
Sept. " p	7,333	6,005	3,779	1,785	3,453	817	214	627	22,013
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1966-67	12,564	10,423	3,460	3,869	3,524	1,729	557	1,276	37,402
1967-68	11,499	10,713	3,650	3,151	5,123	1,538	621	1,201	37,496
1968-69 r	13,075	11,290	3,562	3,366	6,104	1,372	804	1,547	41,120
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	11,499	10,713	3,650	3,151	5,123	1,538	621	1,201	37,496
Sept. "	12,095	11,421	3,662	3,285	5,589	1,464	727	1,270	39,513
Dec. "	11,819	10,541	3,379	3,165	5,136	1,300	738	1,408	38,086
March 1969r	12,820	11,296	3,728	3,449	5,791	1,362	825	1,617	40,888
June " r	13,075	11,290	3,562	3,366	6,104	1,372	804	1,547	41,120
Sept. " p	13,428	11,838	3,612	3,671	6,433	1,374	791	1,615	42,762

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TABLE 3. - NUMBER OF NEW FLATS : STATES AND TERRITORIES

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Abst.
APPROVED									
1966-67	13,920	12,938	3,786	1,355	2,735	227	381	198	35,540
1967-68	18,058	16,182	2,859	1,852	3,200	425	529	36	43,141
1968-69	22,230	14,073	2,488	2,591	6,192	438	483	299	48,794
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	4,447	4,428	754	422	1,055	124	173	4	11,407
Sept. "	5,279	4,069	773	520	1,291	129	110	110	12,201
Dec. "	5,222	4,485	612	533	1,525	98	134	50	12,659
March 1969	5,453	1,973	539	679	1,609	67	104	85	10,509
June "	6,276	3,546	564	859	1,767	144	135	54	13,345
Sept. "	6,325	4,130	566	952	2,397	267	235	12	14,804
COMMENCED									
1966-67	13,145	11,987	3,662	1,321	2,455	166	308	194	33,258
1967-68	14,369	14,399	2,997	1,561	3,172	367	305	28	37,198
1968-69 r	18,416	14,117	2,586	2,100	5,366	364	488	301	43,738
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	4,342	3,995	787	473	996	101	135	20	10,849
Sept. "	3,803	3,677	730	422	1,039	86	128	12	9,897
Dec. "	4,818	3,971	687	537	1,006	134	99	136	11,388
March 1969r	4,741	2,970	626	472	1,453	38	55	75	10,430
June " r	5,054	3,499	543	669	1,868	106	206	78	12,023
Sept. " p	5,426	3,629	524	785	1,309	285	57	7	12,022
COMPLETED									
1966-67	12,088	10,138	4,018	1,482	1,742	185	127	152	29,938
1967-68	14,108	12,686	3,181	1,373	2,392	292	211	171	34,414
1968-69 r	16,362	13,775	2,863	1,741	3,491	366	469	74	39,141
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	3,407	3,421	698	358	467	102	106	8	8,567
Sept. "	4,149	3,381	829	453	946	71	61	14	9,904
Dec. "	4,387	3,773	810	426	716	110	193	18	10,433
March 1969r	4,084	2,703	514	353	936	71	122	18	8,801
June " r	3,742	3,918	710	509	893	114	93	24	10,003
Sept. " p	3,913	3,772	680	535	1,309	97	96	134	10,536
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1966-67	8,369	7,223	1,357	593	1,589	179	304	181	19,795
1967-68	8,630	8,914	1,173	798	2,369	254	398	38	22,574
1968-69 r	10,684	9,158	896	1,155	4,237	246	417	267	27,060
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	8,630	8,914	1,173	798	2,369	254	398	38	22,574
Sept. "	8,284	9,161	1,074	771	2,459	265	465	36	22,515
Dec. "	8,715	9,353	951	880	2,749	287	371	154	23,460
March 1969r	9,372	9,586	1,063	993	3,266	254	304	211	25,040
June " r	10,684	9,158	896	1,155	4,237	246	417	267	27,060
Sept. " p	12,197	8,942	740	1,405	4,237	434	378	140	26,473

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TABLE 4. - NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES AND FLATS : STATES AND TERRITORIES

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
APPROVED									
1966-67	42,323	34,608	16,921	8,482	11,447	3,445	900	2,811	120,937
1967-68	47,409	38,500	16,311	7,719	15,119	3,734	1,336	2,000	132,128
1968-69	54,558	38,399	16,787	10,377	20,671	3,132	1,340	3,197	148,461
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	12,088	10,114	4,153	2,133	4,473	1,050	452	601	35,064
Sept. "	14,033	10,678	4,622	2,489	4,901	870	272	724	38,589
Dec. "	12,938	10,551	3,955	2,199	5,000	763	244	824	38,474
March 1969	12,936	7,213	4,181	2,177	5,113	696	450	979	33,745
June "	14,651	9,957	4,029	3,512	5,657	803	374	670	39,653
Sept. "	14,906	11,001	4,881	2,819	6,659	927	500	806	42,499
COMMENCED									
1966-67	38,973	33,077	15,968	9,693	10,994	3,138	874	2,399	115,116
1967-68	40,574	36,307	16,285	8,313	14,644	3,509	1,068	2,417	123,117
1968-69 r	48,786	37,697	16,766	9,312	19,214	2,544	1,411	3,172	139,302
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	10,752	9,517	4,405	1,974	4,272	779	400	504	32,603
Sept. "	11,532	9,883	4,152	2,281	4,407	716	395	696	34,062
Dec. "	11,956	9,656	4,140	2,346	4,443	792	314	873	34,520
March 1969r	12,437	8,513	4,273	2,205	4,679	685	230	910	33,932
June " r	12,861	9,645	4,201	2,480	5,685	751	472	693	36,788
Sept. " p	13,112	10,243	4,353	2,875	5,091	1,104	258	700	37,736
COMPLETED									
1966-67	36,867	32,264	16,295	10,836	10,014	2,950	484	2,182	111,892
1967-68	41,370	34,278	16,279	8,817	12,250	3,623	910	2,635	120,170
1968-69 r	45,156	36,506	17,131	8,695	16,331	3,070	1,209	2,589	130,687
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	10,647	8,737	4,435	2,096	3,060	895	254	694	30,818
Sept. "	11,282	8,786	4,239	2,164	3,839	758	222	626	31,916
Dec. "	11,801	10,289	4,546	2,342	3,999	921	397	614	34,909
March 1969r	10,779	7,437	3,812	1,799	4,100	651	210	643	29,431
June " r	11,294	9,994	4,534	2,390	4,393	740	380	706	34,431
Sept. " p	11,246	9,777	4,459	2,320	4,762	914	310	761	34,549
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
1966-67	20,933	17,646	4,817	4,462	5,113	1,908	861	1,457	57,197
1967-68	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070
1968-69 r	23,759	20,448	4,458	4,521	10,341	1,618	1,221	1,814	68,120
Quarter ended -									
June 1968	20,129	19,627	4,823	3,949	7,492	1,792	1,019	1,239	60,070
Sept. "	20,379	20,582	4,736	4,056	8,048	1,729	1,192	1,306	62,028
Dec. "	20,534	19,894	4,330	4,045	8,485	1,587	1,109	1,562	61,546
March 1969r	22,192	20,882	4,791	4,442	9,057	1,616	1,129	1,828	66,937
June " r	23,759	20,448	4,458	4,521	10,341	1,618	1,221	1,814	68,180
Sept. " p	25,625	20,780	4,352	5,076	10,670	1,808	1,169	1,755	71,235

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TABLE 5. - NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES (BY TYPE OF BUILDER) AND FLATS, BY OWNERSHIP : AUSTRALIA

Period		Private				Government			
		Houses			Flats	Total	Houses	Flats	Total
		Contract-built	Owner built	Total					
APPROVED									
	1966-67	..	..	71,736	32,423	104,159	13,661	3,117	16,778
	1967-68	..	..	78,287	40,561	118,848	10,700	2,580	13,280
	1968-69	..	..	85,837	45,890	131,727	13,830	2,904	16,734
Quarter ended -									
June	1968	..	..	20,644	11,035	31,679	3,013	372	3,385
Sept.	"	..	..	23,256	11,750	35,006	3,052	531	3,583
Dec.	"	..	..	20,574	11,812	32,386	3,241	847	4,088
March	1969	..	..	19,948	9,719	29,667	3,288	790	4,078
June	"	..	..	22,059	12,609	34,668	4,249	736	4,985
Sept.	"	..	..	23,898	13,750	37,648	3,717	1,134	4,851
COMMENCED									
	1966-67	57,993	10,058	68,051	30,058	98,109	13,807	3,200	17,007
	1967-68	63,022	10,810	73,832	34,780	108,612	12,087	2,418	14,505
	1968-69 r	71,416	11,139	82,555	41,211	123,766	13,009	2,527	15,536
Quarter ended -									
June	1968	16,371	2,659	19,030	9,849	28,879	2,724	1,000	3,724
Sept.	"	18,411	2,699	21,110	9,510	30,620	3,055	387	3,442
Dec.	"	17,110	2,978	20,088	10,705	30,793	3,044	683	3,727
March	1969 r	17,542	2,663	20,205	9,630	29,835	3,297	800	4,097
June	" r	18,353	2,799	21,152	11,366	32,518	3,613	657	4,270
Sept.	" p	19,118	2,726	21,844	11,137	32,981	3,870	885	4,755
COMPLETED									
	1966-67	57,360	10,807	68,167	27,677	95,844	13,793	2,255	16,048
	1967-68	61,690	11,052	72,742	31,847	104,589	13,014	2,567	15,581
	1968-69 r	67,505	11,734	79,239	36,723	115,962	12,307	2,418	14,725
Quarter ended -									
June	1968	16,062	2,873	18,935	7,710	26,645	3,316	857	4,173
Sept.	"	16,141	2,516	18,657	9,246	27,903	3,355	658	4,013
Dec.	"	17,867	3,670	21,537	9,889	31,426	2,939	544	3,483
March	1969 r	15,383	2,748	18,131	8,272	26,403	2,499	529	3,028
June	" r	18,114	2,800	20,914	9,316	30,230	3,514	687	4,201
Sept.	" p	18,057	2,713	20,770	9,937	30,707	3,243	599	3,842
UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD									
	1966-67	16,920	12,287	29,207	16,908	46,115	8,195	2,887	11,082
	1967-68	18,224	12,025	30,249	19,819	50,068	7,247	2,755	10,002
	1968-69 r	21,989	11,183	33,172	24,196	57,368	7,948	2,864	10,812
Quarter ended -									
June	1968	18,224	12,025	30,249	19,819	50,068	7,247	2,755	10,002
Sept.	"	20,465	12,101	32,566	20,031	52,597	6,947	2,484	9,431
Dec.	"	19,687	11,348	31,035	20,837	51,872	7,051	2,623	9,674
March	1969 r	21,814	11,225	33,039	22,155	55,194	7,849	2,894	10,743
June	" r	21,989	11,183	33,172	24,196	57,368	7,948	2,864	10,812
Sept.	" p	23,022	11,165	34,187	25,323	59,510	8,575	3,150	11,725

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