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MONTHLY BUSINESS INDICATORS VICTORIA, SEPTEMBER 1988

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ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

State Estimates of Private New Capital Expenditure (\$646.0) (quarterly) (\$5.00)

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES

Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (6302.0) (quarterly) (\$3.00)

Award Rates of Pay Indexes, Australia (6312.0) (monthly) (\$5.00)

Job Vacancies, Australia (6231.0) (quarterly) (\$2.00)

Overtime, Australia (6330.0) (quarterly) (\$2.00)

The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) (monthly) (\$7.50)

PRICES

Consumer Price Index (6401.0) (quarterly) (\$5.00)

Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other Than House Building, Six State Capital Cities and Darwin (6407.0) (monthly) (\$5.00)

Price Index of Materials Used in House Building, Six State Capital Cities (6408.0) (monthly) (\$2.00)

BUILDING

Building Activity, Australia (8752.0) (quarterly) (\$7.50)

Building Approvals, Australia (8731.0) (monthly) (\$5.00)

RETAIL SALES

Retail Sales of Goods (Excluding Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.), Australia (8501.0) (monthly) (\$5.00)

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Monthly Summary of Statistics, Victoria (1303.2) (\$5.00)

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Indicator	Latest period	Latest figure	Figures for preceding three periods			Figure one year ago	Change over year per cent	Latest Aust. figure	Change over year per cent
			One period	Two periods	Three periods				
LABOUR FORCE									
Employed persons - full-time	'000	Aug 88	1,556.9	1,563.1	1,556.6	1,551.6	1,550.5	0.4	5,855.9
-total	'000	Aug 88	1,935.5	1,948.6	1,948.6	1,940.6	1,931.2	0.2	7,329.9
Unemployed persons looking for work - full-time	'000	Aug 88	90.2	87.4	92.0	99.1	92.4	-0.2	445.9
Labour force	'000	Aug 88	115.3	107.9	122.9	133.4	122.0	-5.5	538.9
Participation rate	per cent	Aug 88	2,050.9	2,056.6	2,071.5	2,074.1	2,053.2	-0.1	7,868.7
Unemployment rate	per cent	Aug 88	61.5	61.8	62.3	62.5	62.5	-1.6	61.7
Job vacancies	'000	May 88	5.6	5.2	5.9	6.4	5.9	-5.1	38.5
Overtime worked per employee	hours	May 88	18.6	16.3	11.3	16.5	17.6	5.7	6.8
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS									
Full-time adult ordinary time earnings -									
Males	\$	May 88	469.30	465.50	454.10	447.10	440.00	6.7	464.80
Females	\$	May 88	498.30	493.90	482.80	472.80	463.60	7.5	491.40
All employees total earnings	\$	May 88	412.20	409.30	396.60	394.50	390.50	5.6	409.20
Males	\$	May 88	414.90	414.40	408.50	395.40	394.20	5.3	411.90
Females	\$	May 88	483.50	476.30	473.10	454.50	451.10	7.2	481.70
CONSUMER PRICES (a)									
Consumer Price Index, Melbourne (1980-81=100) -									
Food	index	Jun qr 88	174.0	167.7	164.9	164.1	160.5	8.4	170.4
Clothing	index	Jun qr 88	170.3	163.3	163.6	158.8	157.3	8.3	170.1
Housing	index	Jun qr 88	189.1	186.8	183.9	183.4	180.1	5.0	180.8
Household equipment & operation	index	Jun qr 88	176.1	174.7	173.1	169.8	166.7	5.6	176.1
Transportation	index	Jun qr 88	180.8	180.2	181.4	174.7	171.0	5.7	188.2
Tobacco & alcohol	index	Jun qr 88	199.1	195.6	190.1	186.8	184.8	7.7	203.0
Health & personal care	index	Jun qr 88	190.8	185.8	177.7	173.4	172.8	10.4	179.2
Recreation & education (Mar qr 1982=100)	index	Jun qr 88	160.4	156.6	152.7	152.1	149.1	7.6	156.9
All groups	index	Jun qr 88	180.4	177.1	174.5	171.6	168.6	7.0	179.0
RETAIL SALES (excl. motor vehicles, etc)	\$m	Jun 88	1,322.1	1,332.5	1,309.7	1,347.5	1,219.6	8.4	5,083.1
PRODUCTION									
Manufacturing -									
Clay bricks	million	Jun 88	37	44	31	44	41	-9.8	173
Ready mixed concrete	'000 cu m	Jun 88	330	327	285	354	279	18.3	1,390
Plastics & synthetic resins (b)	tonnes	Jun 88	42,805	39,713	38,397	42,279	36,789	16.4	63,580
Textile floor coverings	'000 sq m	Jun 88	3,401	3,419	2,595	3,038	2,872	18.4	4,009
Cars & station wagons	tonnes	Jun 88	17.6	17.3	13.2	19.7	15.4	28.3	11.9
Yarns - Cotton	tonnes	Jun 88	837	773	747	751	993	-15.7	1,773
Wool	'000 sq m	Jun 88	1,511	1,473	1,205	1,468	1,473	2.6	2,105
Woven fabric - Cotton	'000 sq m	Jun 88	1,500	1,474	1,694	1,665	1,420	5.6	3,439
Woolen	'000 sq m	Jun 88	268	239	238	238	227	8.7	9.6
Man-made fibres	million kWh	Jun 88	6,826	6,305	4,916	7,266	8,113	-15.9	16,131
Electricity	million kWh	Jun 88	2,809	2,520	2,631	2,538	3,005	-6.5	12,104
OVERSEAS TRADE									
Imports	\$m	Jul 88	1,312.8	1,143.5	1,258.4	1,051.8	1,215.4	8.0	3,639.1
Exports (excl. re-exports)	\$m	Jul 88	649.9	618.1	794.2	919.9	651.7	-0.3	2,899.9
BUILDING									
Approvals -									
New houses	No.	Jul 88	2,739	2,947	2,634	2,650	2,399	14.2	11,504
New other residential building	No.	Jul 88	436	471	347	206	392	11.2	3,448
Value of all building	\$m	Jul 88	510.5	460.7	831.5	518.6	402.5	26.8	2,272.1
Commencements -									
New houses	No.	Mar qr 88	6,740	7,230	6,100	6,860	6,670	10.0	25,290
Value of new houses	\$m	Mar qr 88	521.3	523.1	436.5	470.4	451.6	15.4	1,760.2
New other residential buildings	No.	Mar qr 88	1,298	1,061	1,070	1,143	1,097	18.3	7,878
Value of new other residential buildings	\$m	Mar qr 88	73.1	54.6	57.3	54.2	52.7	38.7	411.4
Value of non-residential building	\$m	Mar qr 88	592.4	726.7	713.3	661.1	548.0	8.1	2,864.9
Work done in period	\$m	Mar qr 88	1,291.0	1,409.4	1,309.8	1,283.0	1,141.2	13.1	5,552.4
PRICE INDEXES OF MATERIALS USED IN BUILDING, MELBOURNE (1985-86=100)									
House building (1985-86=100)	index	Jun 88	120.3	119.2	117.6	116.8	108.5	10.9	119.7
Other than house building (1979-80=100)	index	Jun 88	201.7	200.4	198.0	196.9	183.3	10.0	206.2
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS									
Cars & station wagons	No.	Jul 88	9,237	10,880	11,739	10,007	11,078	-16.6	40,889
Other motor vehicles (excl. motor cycles)	No.	Jul 88	1,289	1,819	1,914	1,487	1,086	18.7	7,965
Motor cycles	No.	Jul 88	127	246	308	322	347	-67.4	1,091
BANKS									
Savings - Depositors' balances at end of period	\$m	Jul 88	21,866	22,442	21,643	21,325	20,082	8.9	63,240
Major trading -									
Current deposits	\$m	Jul 88	5,834	5,904	5,658	6,034	4,980	17.1	19,476
Fixed deposits	\$m	Jul 88	7,886	7,604	7,279	7,456	7,968	-1.0	29,475
Advances	\$m	Jul 88	15,402	15,412	14,745	14,703	13,826	-11.4	48,975
Debits to customers' accounts (d)	\$m	Jul 88	33,868	40,564	36,421	31,628	31,024	9.2	182,415
HOUSING FINANCE FOR OWNER OCCUPATION									
Secured commitments to individuals -									
Savings banks	\$m	Jun 88	657.0	582.7	467.9	574.3	357.8	83.6	2,519.8
Trading banks	\$m	Jun 88	478.7	430.1	352.1	443.0	296.2	61.6	1,713.4
Permanent building societies	\$m	Jun 88	49.2	37.1	24.4	35.6	21.5	128.8	285.8
Other lenders	\$m	Jun 88	91.0	80.2	58.2	66.0	25.3	259.7	418.8
ACTUAL NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (e)									
Manufacturing	\$m	Mar qr 88	1,366	1,794	1,401	1,500	1,128	4.9	5,167
Finance	\$m	Mar qr 88	389	624	588	640	499	5.6	1,628
New building and structures	\$m	Mar qr 88	372	327	389	312	230	32.4	1,254
Other new capital equipment	\$m	Mar qr 88	361	526	409	411	313	-23.8	1,743
	\$m	Mar qr 88	1,005	1,178	983	1,089	816	17.9	3,424

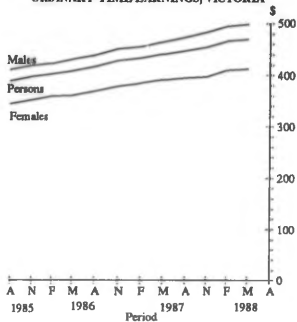
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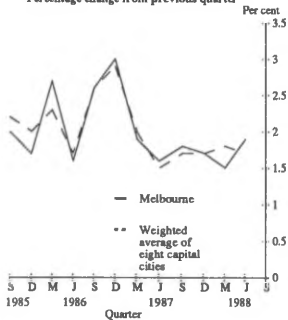
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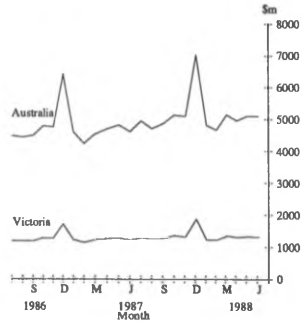
FULL-TIME ADULT AVERAGE WEEKLY
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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL GROUPS
Percentage change from previous quarter



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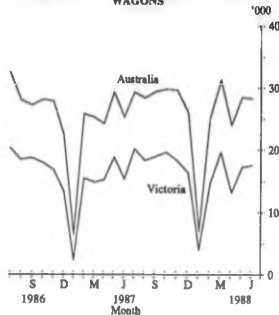
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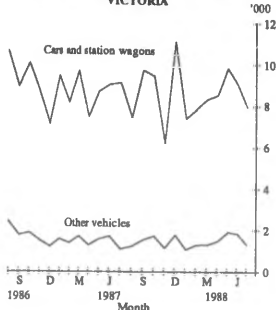
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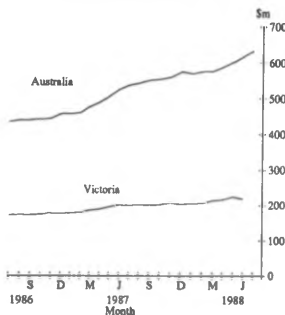
PRODUCTION OF CARS AND STATION
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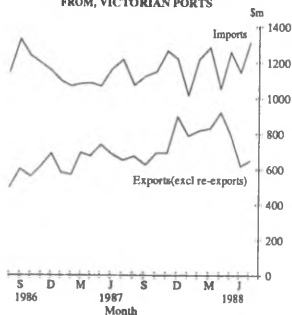
NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED,
VICTORIA



SAVINGS BANKS: DEPOSITORS' BALANCES



VALUE OF IMPORTS INTO, AND EXPORTS
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