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Victorian Renovators Delight in \$60 million worth of Home Improvement

Victorians remain committed renovators investing more than 60 million dollars in their homes during the first quarter of 2017.

Building permit data from the Victorian Building Authority (VBA) shows a 16 per cent rise in the value of applications for alterations and extensions.

The growth in the value of building work covers the first three months of the year compared with the same time last year.

Continued confidence in property improvement appears to be due to several factors including the high cost of moving, home improvement television programs and rising property values.

The VBA CEO Prue Digby said “Home owners wishing to improve their property should always engage registered builders and plumbers to do the work. Building can be a stressful process so hiring registered tradespeople who will perform work that is compliant with building regulations is a good start toward improving the value of your home and investment.”

The VBA lists all registered builders and plumbers on the *Find A Practitioner* link on its website.

Go to www.vba.vic.gov.au

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