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BUILDING APPROVALS: JANUARY 2007

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Main Features

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend)

Queensland	↑	1.9%
Australia	↓	1.1%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend)

Queensland	↑	14.1%
Australia	↓	1.3%

Commentary

Dwelling Approvals

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in January 2007 was 3,440 dwelling units, an increase of 1.9% from 3,375 in December 2006. In comparison, national trend estimates for total dwelling approvals declined 1.1% in January 2007 to 12,214. Queensland had the highest growth of all states and territories in January 2007.
- The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland increased 0.5% in January 2007, with a total of 2,402 houses approved. In comparison, Australia's trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals decreased in January 2007 by 1.6% to 8,465 approvals.
- In January 2007, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 28.2% of the Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 28.4% of Australia's private sector house approvals.
- The trend value of residential buildings approved in Queensland in January 2007 rose 3.3% to \$920.7 million, compared with an increase of 0.3% for Australia to \$3,213.3 million.
- In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in January 2007 was 14.1% higher than the January 2006 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling approvals in Australia decreased 1.3% over the same period.

Non-residential building approvals

- The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in January 2007 was \$511.7 million, an increase of 2.2% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved for Australia in January 2007 was \$2,250 million, up 2.9%.

Figure 1: Total dwelling units approved (trend), Australia and states and territories, Jan 2007

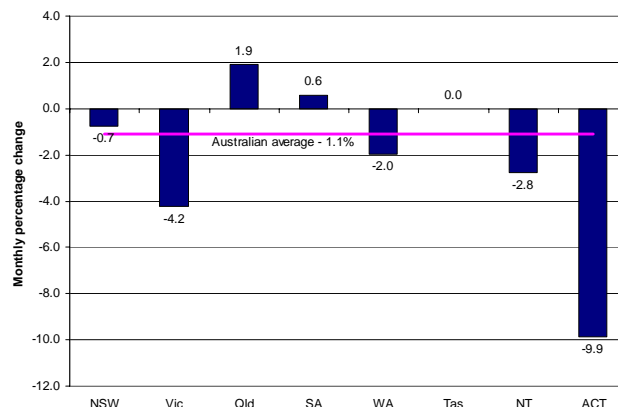


Figure 2: Total dwelling units approved (trend), monthly percentage change, Jan 2002 to Jan 2007

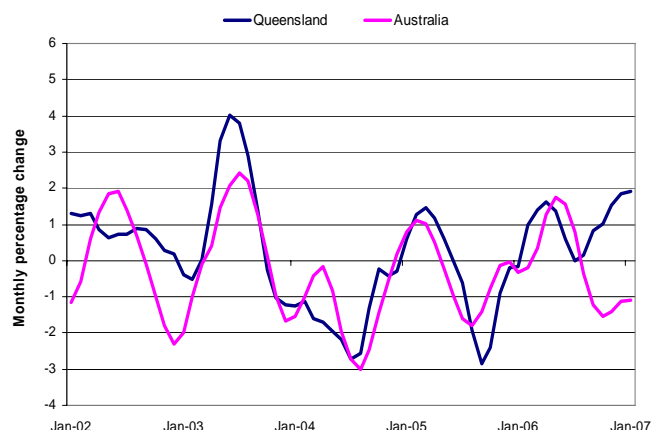


Figure 3: Total dwelling units approved (trend), Queensland, Jan 2002 to Jan 2007

