



Main Features

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend)

Queensland	↓	0.1%
Australia	↓	0.6%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend)

Queensland	↓	1.6%
Australia	↑	2.7%

Commentary

Dwelling approvals

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in April 2008 was 3,564 dwelling units, a decrease of 0.1% from 3,568 in March 2008. The trend estimate has decreased each month since November 2007. National trend estimates for total dwelling approvals decreased 0.6% in April 2008 to 13,000.
- The trend estimate for the number of private-sector house approvals in Queensland decreased 1.6% in April 2008, with a total of 2,326 houses approved. Australia's trend estimate for the number of private-sector house approvals decreased in April 2008 by 0.7% to 8,835 approvals.
- In April 2008, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 27.4% of Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private-sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 26.3% of Australia's private-sector house approvals.
- The trend value of residential building work in Queensland in April 2008 increased by 0.8% to \$1,029.5 million, compared with a decrease of 1.3% for Australia to \$3,596.9 million.
- In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in April 2008 was 1.6% lower than the April 2007 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia increased 2.7% over the same period.

Non-residential building approvals

- The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in April 2008 was \$655.7 million, an increase of 0.7% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved for Australia in April 2008 was \$2,473.7 million, down 0.7%.

Figure 1: Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend), Australia and states and territories, April 2008

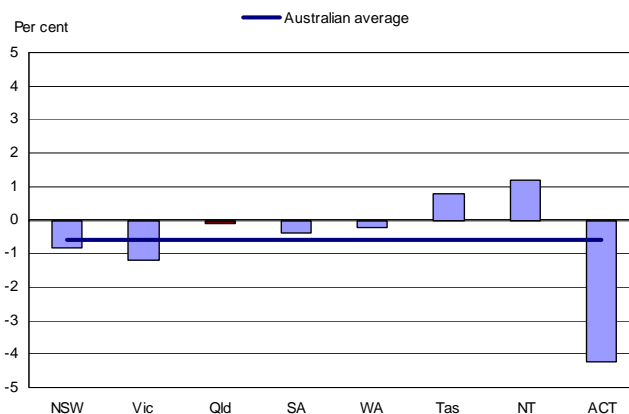


Figure 2: Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend), April 2003 to April 2008

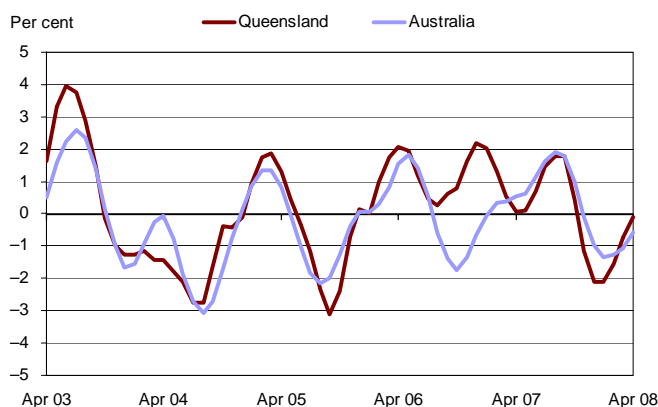


Figure 3: Total dwelling units approved (trend), Queensland, April 2003 to April 2008

