

Main Features

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend)

Queensland	↑	2.0%
Australia	↑	2.2%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend)

Queensland	↓	41.4%
Australia	↓	18.9%

Commentary

Dwelling approvals

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in April 2009 was 2,034 dwelling units, an increase of 2.0% from 1,994 in March 2009. The trend estimate has increased for the first time in 18 months. National trend estimates for total dwelling approvals increased 2.2% in April 2009 to 10,590.
- The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland increased 0.8% in April 2009, with a total of 1,462 houses approved. Australia's trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals increased in April 2009 by 2.0% to 7,578 approvals.
- In April 2009, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 19.2% of Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 19.3% of Australia's private sector house approvals.
- The trend value of residential building work approved in Queensland in April 2009 decreased by 1.0% for the month to \$565.9 million. Australia's trend value of residential building work approved increased by 0.6% to \$2,843.0 million.
- In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in April 2009 was 41.4% lower than the April 2008 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia decreased 18.9% over the same period.

Non-residential building approvals

- The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in April 2009 was \$525.6 million, an increase of 6.0% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved for Australia in April was \$1,922.9 million, an increase of 2.6% from the previous month.

Figure 1: Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend), Australia and states and territories, April 2009

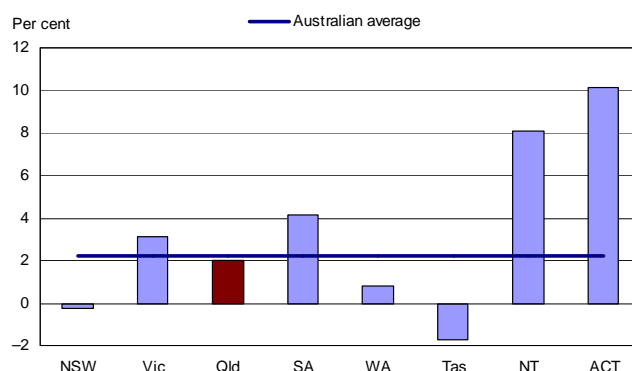


Figure 2: Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend), April 2004 to April 2009

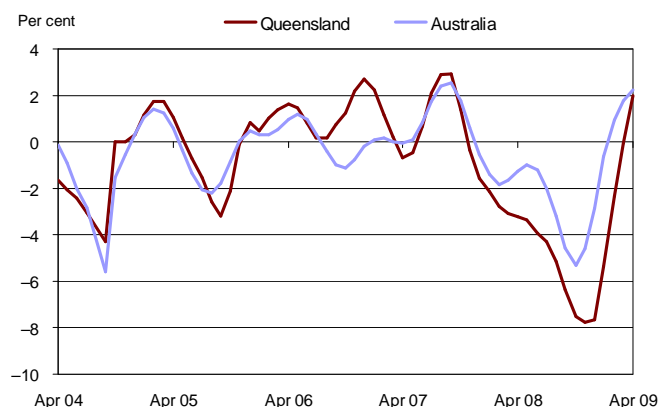


Figure 3: Total dwelling units approved (trend), Queensland, April 2004 to April 2009

