

# Building approvals, March 2017

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## Key data

### Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend):

Queensland ..... ↑ 0.5%  
 Australia ..... ↑ 0.8%

### Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend):

Queensland ..... ↓ 31.4%  
 Australia ..... ↓ 13.1%

## Main findings

### Dwelling approvals

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in March 2017 was 3,021, 0.5% higher than the February 2017 figure. The national trend estimate for total dwelling approvals increased 0.8% during the month.
- The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland decreased 1.9% in March 2017, with a total of 1,839 houses approved. Australia's trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals was 9,012, a decrease of 0.6% from the February 2017 figure.
- In March 2017, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 17.2% of Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 20.4% of Australia's private sector house approvals.
- The trend nominal value of residential building work approved in Queensland increased 2.6% in March 2017 to a total of \$1,026.3 million. Australia's trend value of residential building work approved increased 1.0% during the month to \$5,899.1 million.
- In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in March 2017 was 31.4% lower than the March 2016 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia decreased 13.1% over the same period.

### Non-residential building approvals

- The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in March 2017 was \$484.2 million, a decrease of 5.7% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved in Australia in March 2017 was \$2,836.4 million, a decrease of 1.9% over the month.

Figure 1 Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend), March 2017

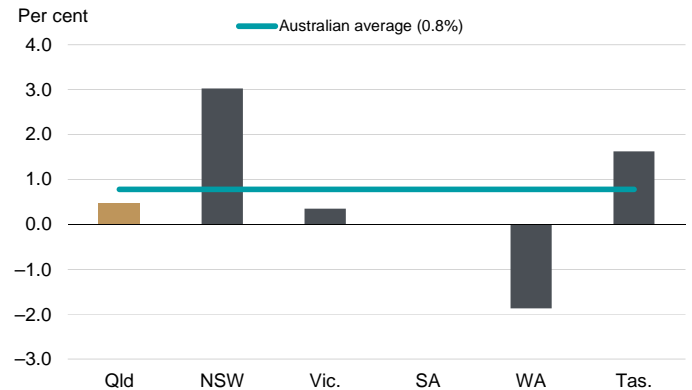


Figure 2 Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend)

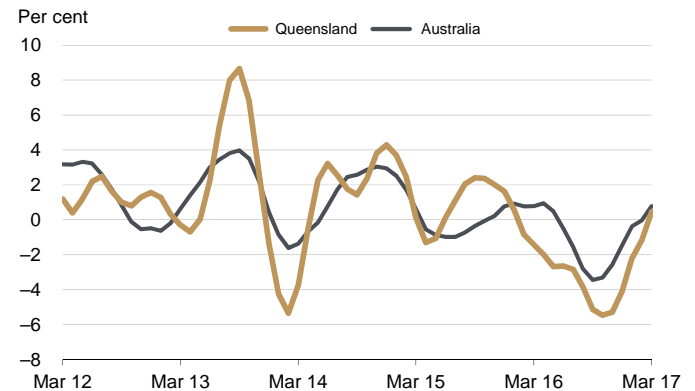


Figure 3 Dwelling units approved (trend), Queensland

