

# Building approvals, May 2017

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## Key data

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

Queensland ..... ↑ 2.2%  
 Australia ..... ↓ 1.9%

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

Queensland ..... ↓ 16.7%  
 Australia ..... ↓ 18.1%

## Main findings

### Dwelling approvals

- The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in May 2017 was 3,520, 2.2% higher than the April 2017 figure. The national trend estimate for total dwelling approvals decreased 1.9% during the month.
- The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland decreased 0.9% in May 2017, with a total of 1,864 houses approved. Australia's trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals was 9,204, similar to the April 2017 figure.
- In May 2017, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 20.9% of Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 20.3% of Australia's private sector house approvals.
- The trend nominal value of residential building work approved in Queensland increased 2.6% in May 2017 to a total of \$1,175.1 million. Australia's trend value of residential building work approved decreased 1.5% during the month to \$5,766.9 million.
- In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in May 2017 was 16.7% lower than the May 2016 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia decreased 18.1% over the same period.

### Non-residential building approvals

- The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in May 2017 was \$715.4 million, an increase of 12.9% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved in Australia in May 2017 was \$3,736.4 million, an increase of 4.6% over the month.

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

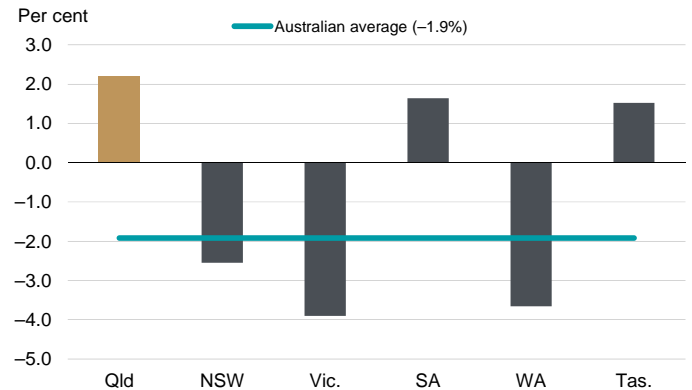


Figure 2 Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (trend)

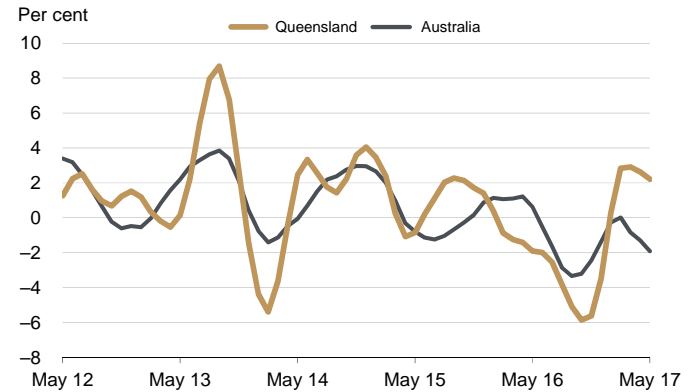


Figure 3 Dwelling units approved (trend), Queensland

