Building approvals, September 2018

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Key data

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend):
Queensland .................................................... 2.3%
Australia ...................................................... 1.9%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend):
Queensland .................................................... 7.1%
Australia ..................................................... 12.9%

Main findings

Dwelling approvals
• The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in September 2018 was 3,254, 2.3% lower than the August 2018 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 3.1% in September 2018, with a total of 1,900 houses approved. Australia’s trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals was 9,385, a decrease of 1.5% from the August 2018 figure.
• In September 2018, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 19.1% of Australia’s total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 20.2% of Australia’s private sector house approvals.
• The trend nominal value of residential building work approved in Queensland increased 0.3% in September 2018 to a total of $1,173.9 million. Australia’s trend value of residential building work approved decreased 1.7% during the month to $6,092.3 million.
• In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in September 2018 was 7.1% lower than the September 2017 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia decreased 12.9% over the same period.

Non–residential building approvals
• The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in September 2018 was $501.3 million, a decrease of 6.5% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved in Australia in September 2018 was $3,304.2 million, a decrease of 0.7% over the month.