Building approvals, October 2018

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Key data

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend):
Queensland .................................................... 2.9%
Australia ........................................................ 1.1%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend):
Queensland ................................................... 12.0%
Australia ........................................................ 13.9%

Main findings

Dwelling approvals

• The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in October 2018 was 3,106, 2.9% lower than the September 2018 figure. The national trend estimate for total dwelling approvals decreased 1.1% during the month.

• The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland decreased 1.3% in October 2018, with a total of 1,922 houses approved. Australia’s trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals was 9,545, a decrease of 0.5% from the September 2018 figure.

• In October 2018, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 18.3% of Australia’s total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 20.1% of Australia’s private sector house approvals.

• The trend nominal value of residential building work approved in Queensland decreased 1.8% in October 2018 to a total of $1,115.9 million. Australia’s trend value of residential building work approved decreased 1.4% during the month to $6,017.7 million.

• In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in October 2018 was 12.0% lower than the October 2017 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia decreased 13.9% over the same period.

Non–residential building approvals

• The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in October 2018 was $487.9 million, a decrease of 4.0% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved in Australia in October 2018 was $3,248.6 million, a decrease of 1.8% over the month.