Building approvals, August 2019

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Key data

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (trend):
Queensland .................................................... 2.3%
Australia ........................................................ 3.9%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (trend):
Queensland ................................................... 25.2%
Australia ........................................................ 25.6%

Main findings

Dwelling approvals

• The trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in August 2019 was 2,415, 2.3% lower than the July 2019 figure. The national trend estimate for total dwelling approvals decreased 3.9% during the month.

• The trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland decreased 1.7% in August 2019, with a total of 1,574 houses approved. Australia’s trend estimate for the number of private sector house approvals was 8,187, a decrease of 1.0% from the July 2019 figure.

• In August 2019, trend total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 18.8% of Australia’s total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 19.2% of Australia’s private sector house approvals.

• The trend nominal value of residential building work approved in Queensland decreased 2.8% in August 2019 to a total of $877.7 million. Australia’s trend value of residential building work approved decreased 2.9% during the month to $5,034.2 million.

• In annual terms, the trend estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in August 2019 was 25.2% lower than the August 2018 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia decreased 25.6% over the same period.

Non–residential building approvals

• The trend value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in August 2019 was $884.1 million, an increase of 5.5% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved in Australia in August 2019 was $4,796.5 million, an increase of 5.7% over the month.