

Building approvals, November 2020

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Key data

Total dwelling approvals monthly change (seasonally adjusted):

Queensland ↑ 6.5%
Australia ↑ 2.6%

Total dwelling approvals annual change (seasonally adjusted):

Queensland ↑ 32.0%
Australia ↑ 15.0%

Main findings

Due to the impacts of COVID-19 the ABS has suspended the trend series from May 2020. All results are therefore presented in seasonally adjusted terms.

Dwelling approvals

- The seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in November 2020 was 3,248, 6.5% higher than the October 2020 figure. The national seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling approvals increased 2.6% during the month.
- The seasonally adjusted estimate for the number of private sector house approvals in Queensland increased 17.0% in November 2020, with a total of 2,455 houses approved. Australia's seasonally adjusted estimate for the number of private sector house approvals was 11,489, an increase of 6.1% from the October 2020 figure.
- In November 2020, seasonally adjusted total dwelling units approved in Queensland accounted for 18.9% of Australia's total dwelling unit approvals. Private sector house approvals in Queensland accounted for 21.4% of Australia's private sector house approvals.
- The seasonally adjusted nominal value of residential building work approved in Queensland increased 0.3% in November 2020 to a total of \$1,185.9 million. Australia's seasonally adjusted value of residential building work approved increased 5.7% during the month to \$6,690.8 million.
- In annual terms, the seasonally adjusted estimate for total dwelling units approved in Queensland in November 2020 was 32.0% higher than the November 2019 estimate. In comparison, total dwelling units approved in Australia increased 15.0% over the same period.

Non-residential building approvals

- The seasonally adjusted value of non-residential buildings approved in Queensland in November 2020 was \$455.0 million, a decrease of 39.1% over the month. The value of non-residential buildings approved in Australia in November 2020 was \$3,402.7 million, a decrease of 27.4% over the month.

Figure 1 Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (seasonally adjusted), November 2020

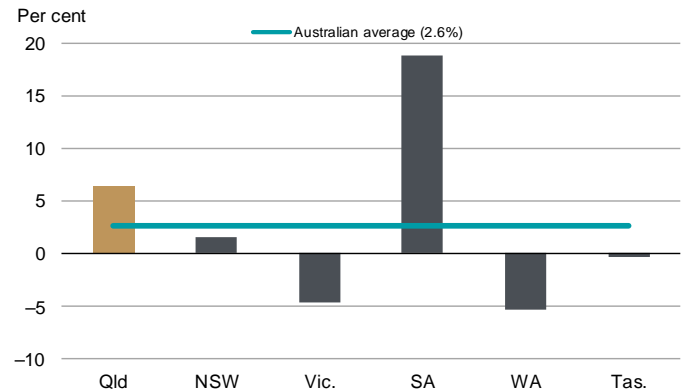


Figure 2 Monthly change in total dwelling units approved (seasonally adjusted)

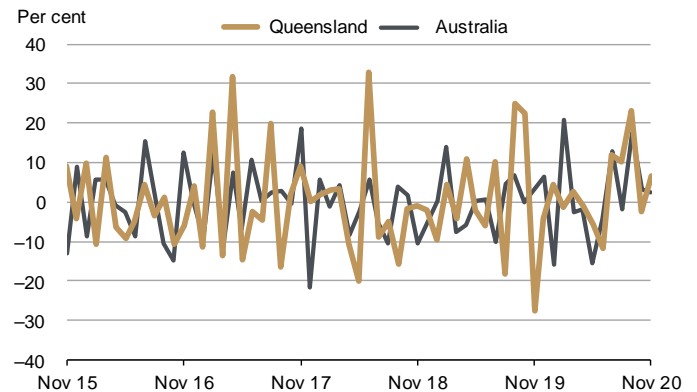


Figure 3 Dwelling units approved (seasonally adjusted), Queensland

