





### Residential Real Estate Underpins Australia's Wealth





NUMBER OF DWELLINGS

10.7 Million

**OUTSTANDING MORTGAGE DEBT** 

\$2.0 Trillion

HOUSEHOLD WEALTH HELD IN HOUSING

55.4%

TOTAL SALES P.A.

614,241

GROSS VALUE OF SALES P.A.

**\$448.7 Billion** 



## Australian dwelling values

Overview

3 MONTHS

**4.6%** 

National home values rose 4.6% in the three months to October, which has eased from a 5.9% increase in the three months to July

12 MONTHS

**121.6%** 

Dwelling values in Australia are 21.6% higher over the past 12 months, which is the highest annual appreciation since June 1989.

CAPITAL CITIES

High end of the market leading growth

In the three months to October, the top 25% of values across the capital cities rose 5.2%, compared to 2.8% across the lowest 25% of values.



## 3 month changes

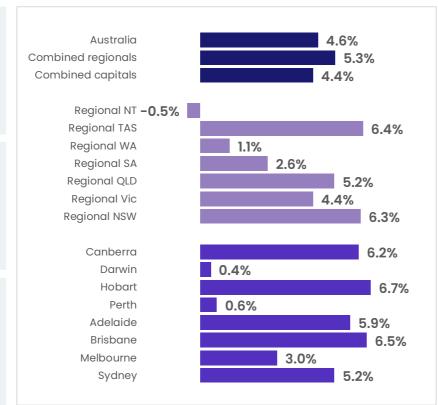
Change in dwelling values, three months to October 2021

4.6%

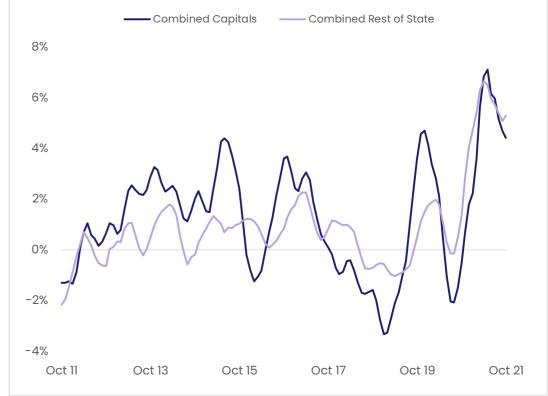
combined regionals 5.3%

COMBINED CAPITALS

4.4%



#### Rolling quarterly change in dwelling values





## 12 month changes

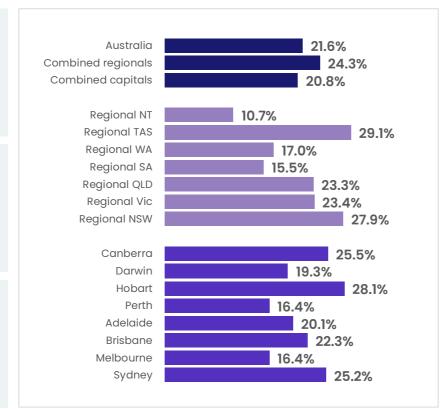
Change in dwelling values, twelve months to October 2021

21.6%

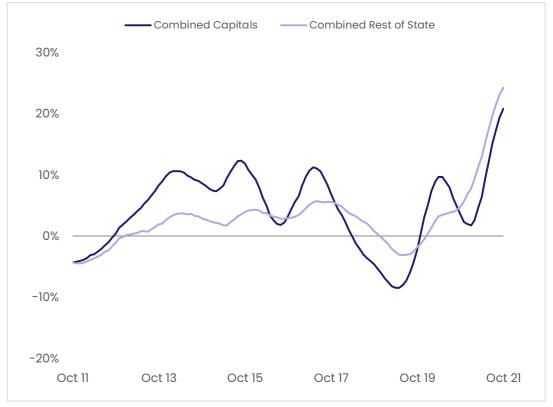
combined regionals 24.3%

COMBINED CAPITALS

20.8%



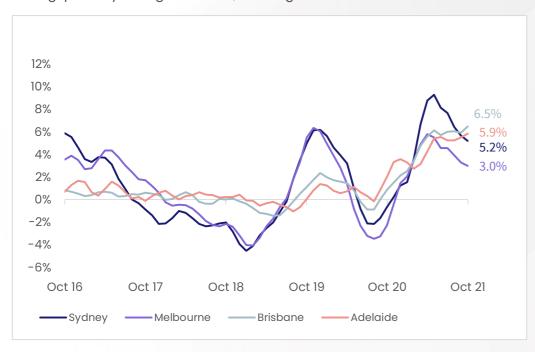
#### Rolling annual change in dwelling values



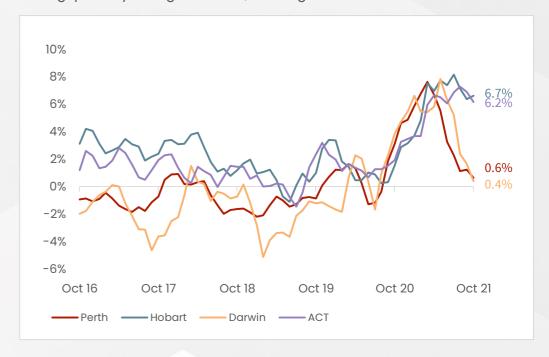


## Capital cities

#### Rolling quarterly change in values, dwellings



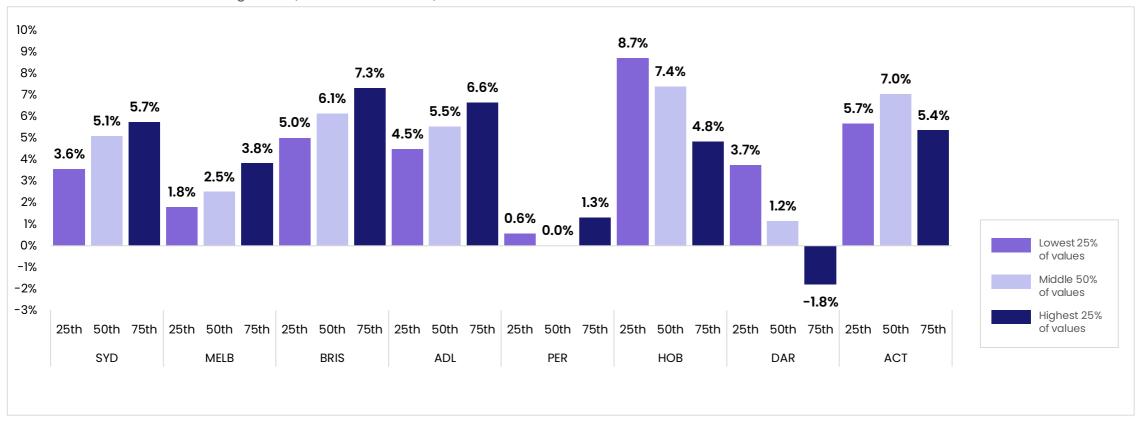
#### Rolling quarterly change in values, dwellings





## Capital cities

Growth in stratified hedonic dwellings index (3 months to October)





## Housing cycles

Capital cities

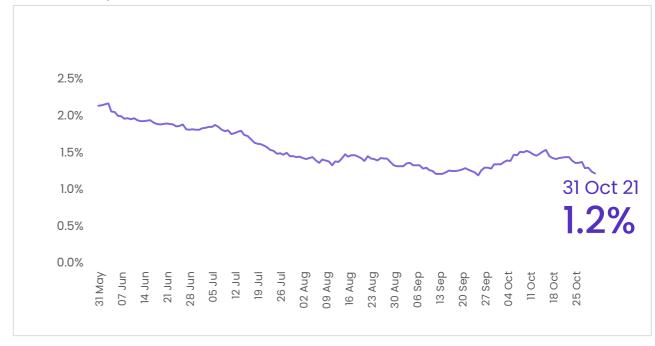


## Rolling 28-day growth rate in CoreLogic Home Value index

The 28-day change in the hedonic home value index trended down through the second half of October, having stabilised a little through September and the first half of October.

Through October, higher levels of newly advertised stock, affordability constraints and announced changes to lending conditions may have contributed to an easing in the growth rate.

#### Combined capital cities





## Sydney

In October Sydney dwelling values rose by

1.5%

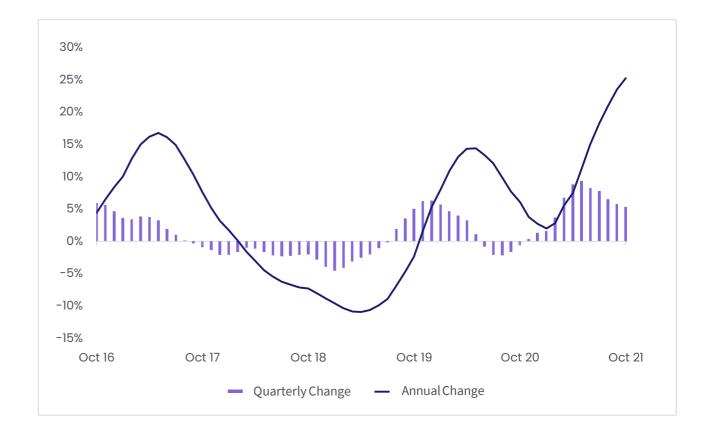
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

5.2%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

25.2%

Sydney dwelling values are currently at a record high





## Melbourne

In October Melbourne dwelling values rose by

1.0%

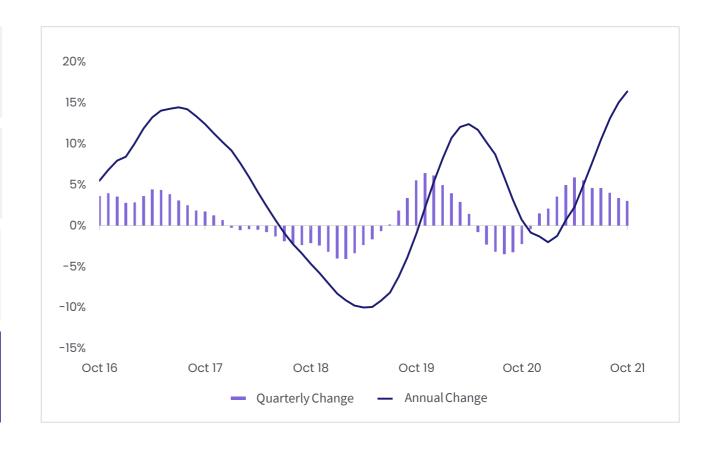
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

3.0%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

16.4%

Melbourne dwelling values are currently at a record high





## Brisbane

In October Brisbane dwelling values rose by

2.5%

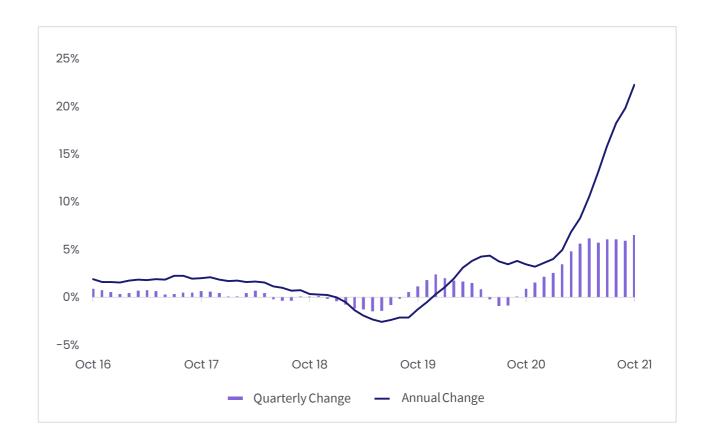
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

6.5%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

22.3%

Brisbane dwelling values are currently at a record high





## Adelaide

In October Adelaide dwelling values rose by

2.0%

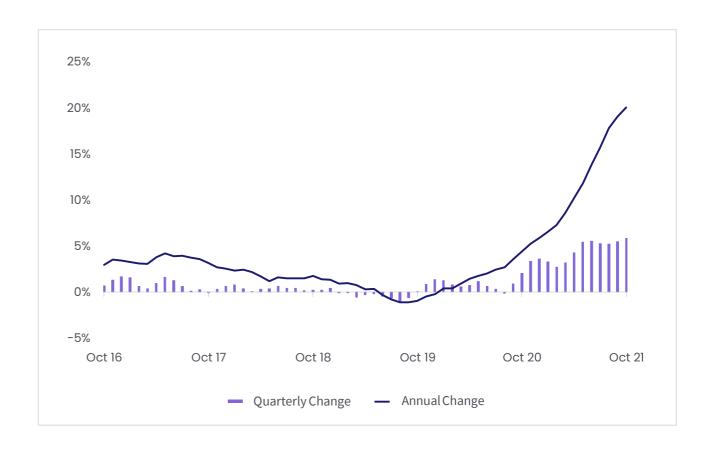
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

5.9%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

20.1%

Adelaide dwelling values are currently at a record high





## Perth

In October Perth dwelling values fell by

-0.1%

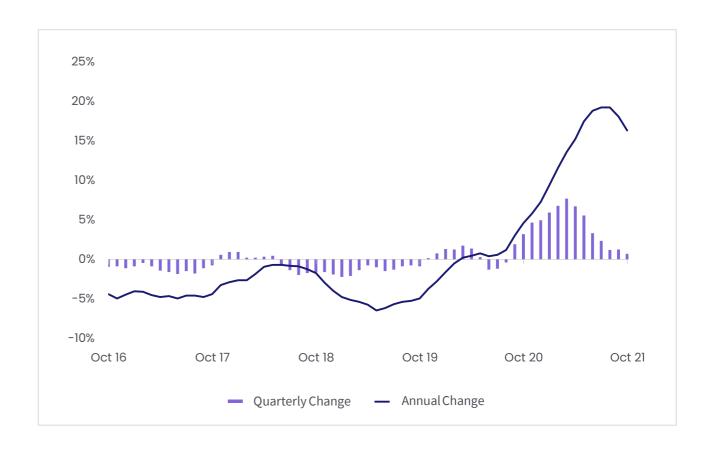
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

0.6%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

16.4%

Perth dwelling values are now -2.6% below the record high, which was in June 2014





## Hobart

In October Hobart dwelling values rose by

2.0%

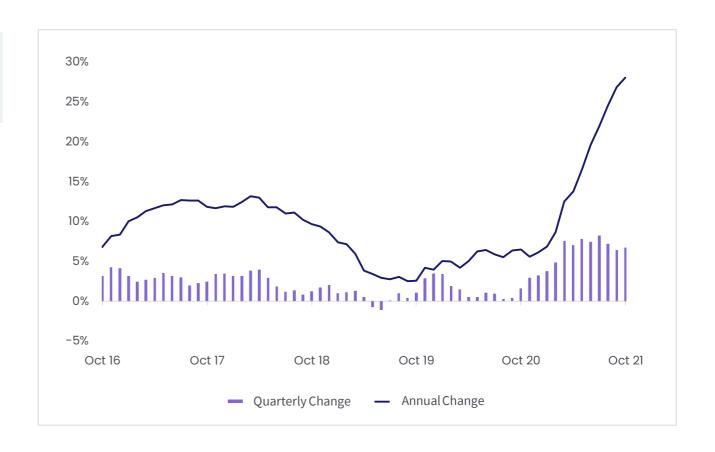
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

6.7%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

28.1%

Hobart dwelling values are currently at a record high





## Darwin

In **October** Darwin dwelling values rose by

0.4%

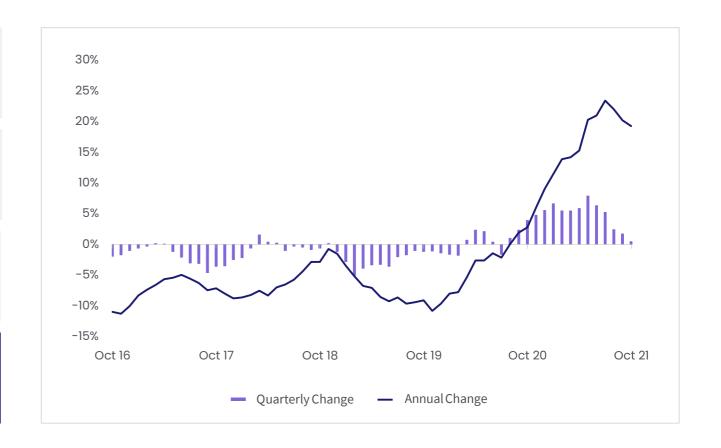
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

0.4%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

19.3%

Darwin dwelling values are -15.0% below the record high, which was in May 2014





## Canberra

In October Canberra dwelling values rose by

1.9%

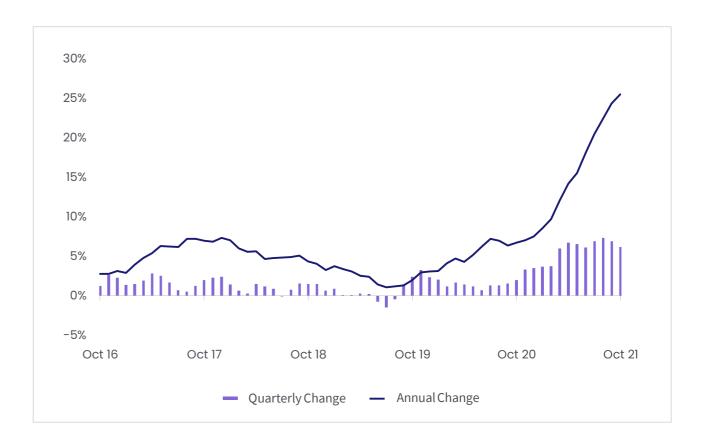
In the **quarter** dwelling values increased by

6.2%

In the **past year** dwelling values increased by

25.5%

Canberra dwelling values are currently at a record high





## Sales and listings

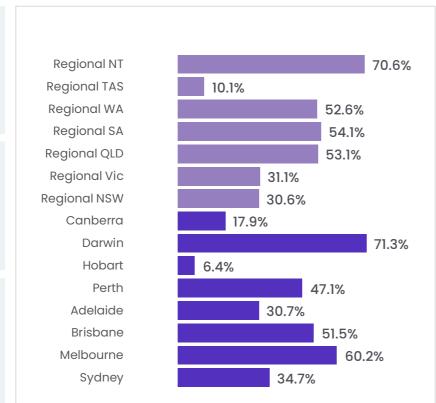


#### NATIONAL SALES

Sales volumes rose 42.4% in the 12 months to October, and transaction volumes through the month of October were estimated to be 54.8% above the five year average, at 60,948.

Change in sales volumes, twelve months to October 2021





Monthly sales with six month moving average, National



Note: recent months of sales volumes are modelled estimates, and are subject to revision



#### MEDIAN DAYS ON MARKET

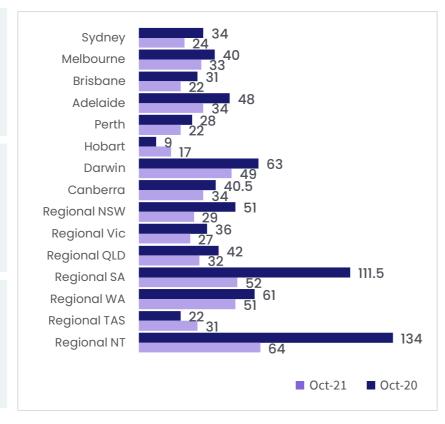
In the 3 months to October, Australian properties typically took 29 days to sell, compared with 39 days over the same period of 2020

Median days on market – three months to October 2021

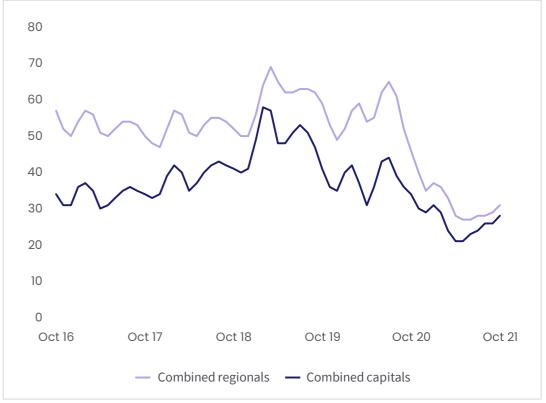




COMBINED **CAPITALS** 28 34



#### Median days on market

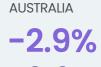




#### **VENDOR DISCOUNT**

Vendor discounting remains extremely tight nationally, at **-2.9%** in the three months to October, compared with -3.6% in the same period of 2020

Median days on market – three months to October 2021



-3.6%

COMBINED **REGIONALS** 

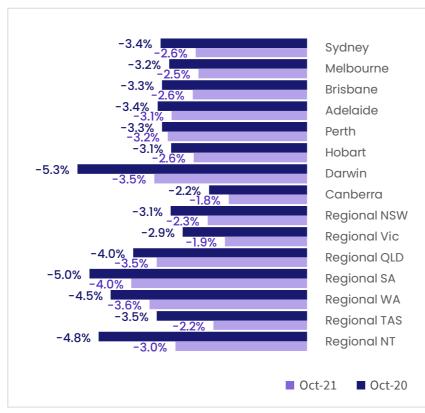
-2.9%

-3.8%

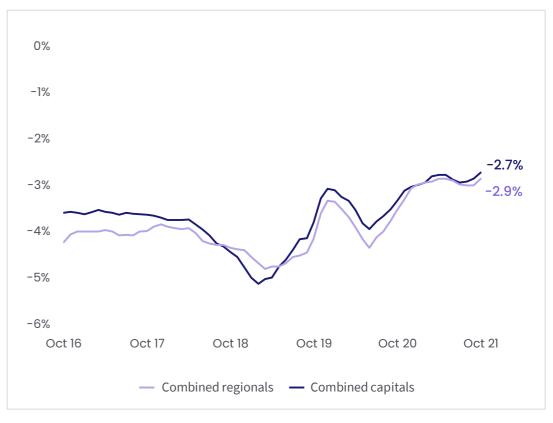
COMBINED **CAPITALS** 

-2.8%

-3.5%



#### Median vendor discount





#### LISTINGS

New listings have trended higher through October, as social distancing restrictions continued to ease and the spring selling season sees a seasonal uplift.

Number of new listings, National Dwellings



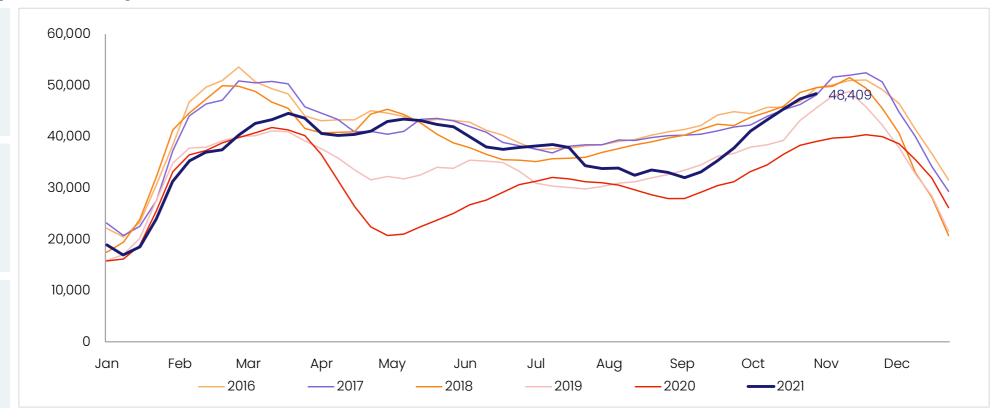
48,409

Compared to same time last year

+23.8%

Compared to 5-year average

+4.8%

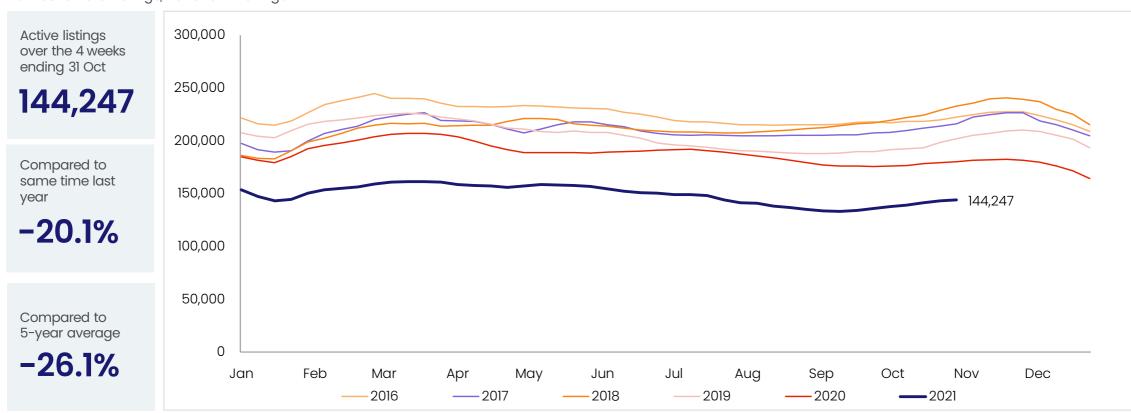




#### LISTINGS

However, total listings remained -26.1% below the 5-year average due to strong absorption from sales.

#### Number of total listings, National Dwellings





#### LISTINGS

Total advertised stock remains lower than the equivalent period of 2020 across most regions, with the exception of Melbourne and Darwin.

AUSTRALIA

**COMBINED** 

**REGIONALS** 

COMBINED

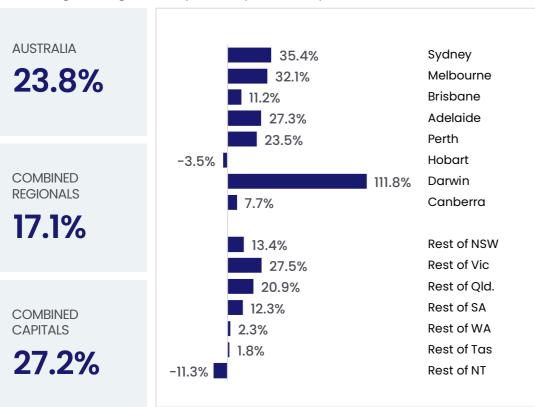
-8.9%

CAPITALS

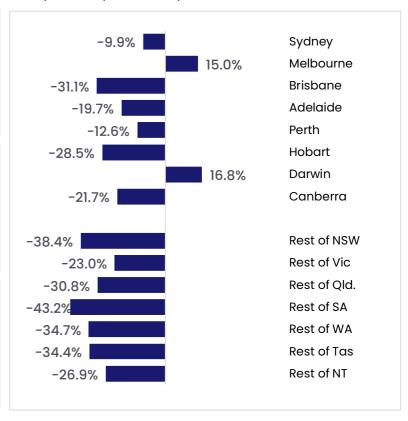
-32.9%

-20.0%

New listings, change from equivalent period last year



Total listings, change from equivalent period last year



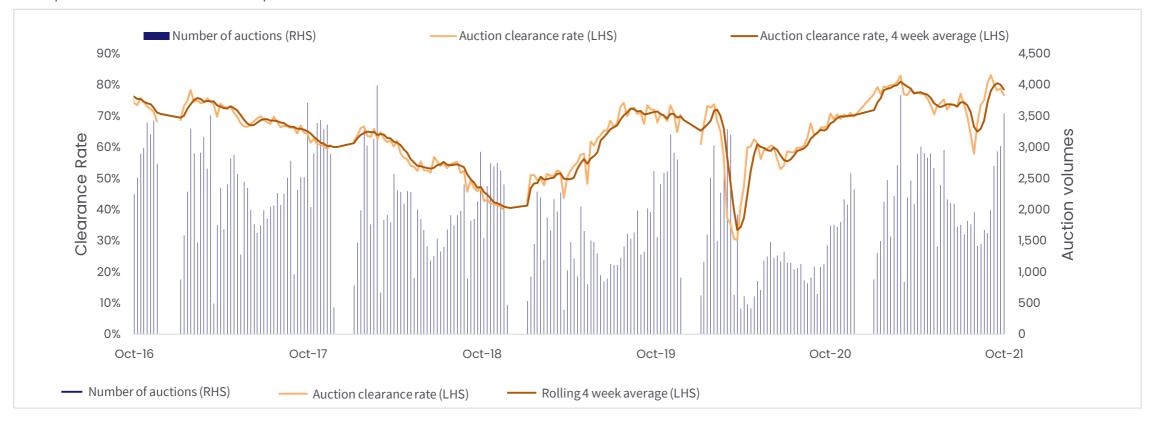
Data is for the four weeks ending 31 Oct



#### WEEKLY CLEARANCE RATES

The combined capital cities clearance rate saw a recent peak of 83.2% in early October, but has since trended down against higher volumes. Auction volumes have surged since the easing of COVID-related restrictions.

Weekly clearance rates, combined capital cities





## Rental market



#### RENTAL RATES

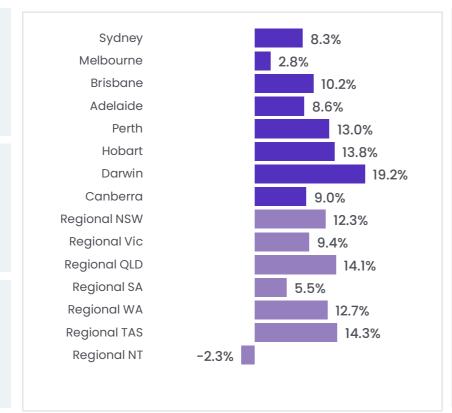
In the year to October, Australian rent values increased 9.2%, which is the strongest annual appreciation in rents since February 2008

Annual change in rental rates to October 2021

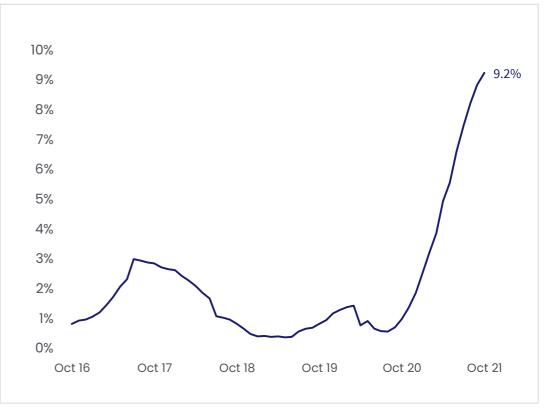


**COMBINED REGIONALS** 12.4%

COMBINED **CAPITALS** 8.1%



#### Annual change in rental rates - National





#### RENTAL YIELDS

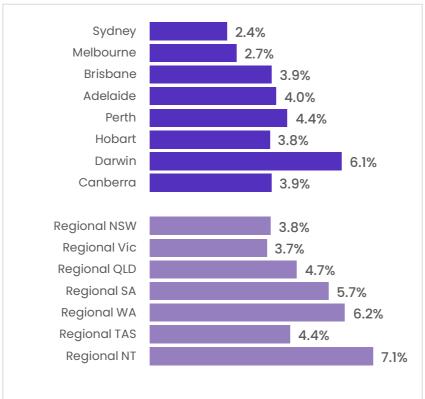
#### Gross rent yields continued to trend lower through October, reaching a fresh record low of 3.27% nationally

Gross rental yields, October 2021

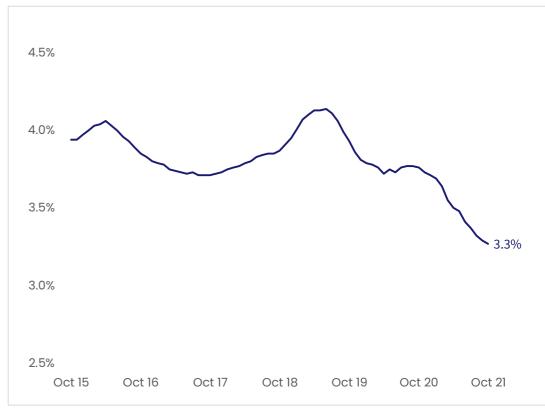


**COMBINED REGIONALS** 4.3%

COMBINED **CAPITALS** 3.0%



#### Gross rental yields





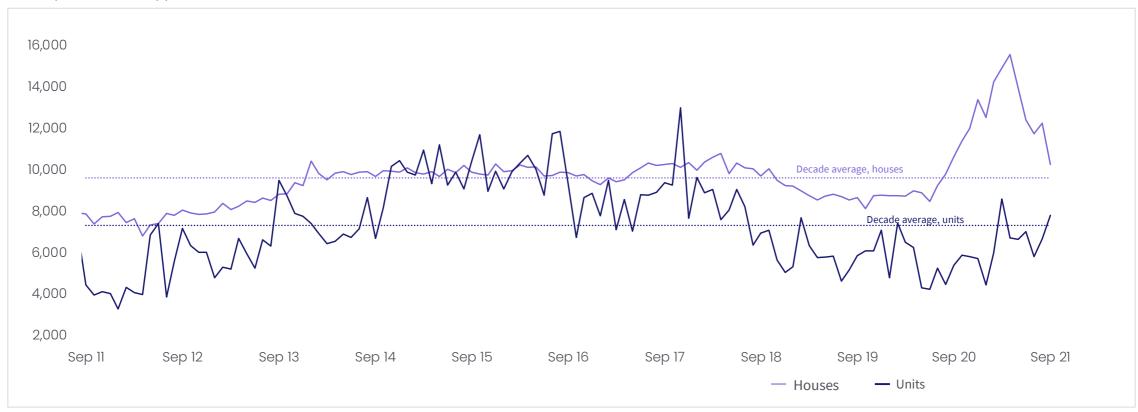
# Dwelling approvals & housing credit



#### **DWELLING APPROVALS**

While house approvals surged under Homebuilder and an increase in first home buyer participation through 2020, dwelling approval dynamics are shifting with demand in 2021. Unit approvals rose 17.4% in September, against a -16.1% decline in house approvals.

#### Monthly house v unit approvals, National



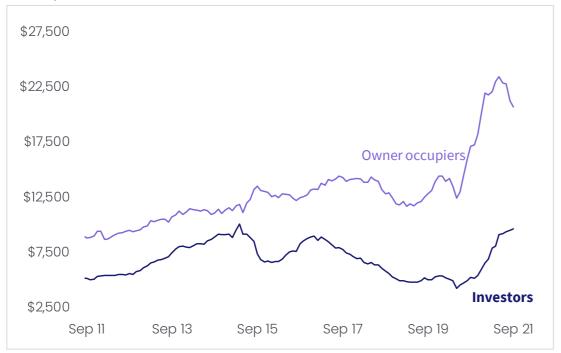


#### FINANCE & LENDING

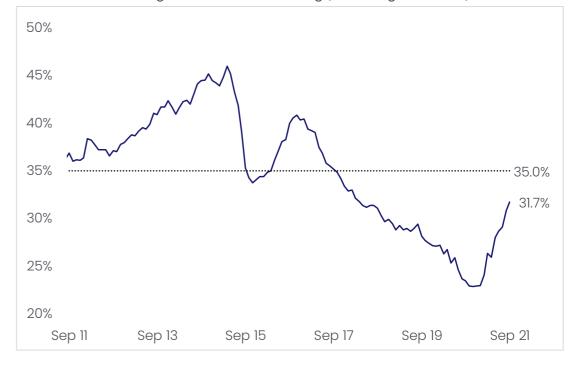
Through September, the combined value of lending for the purchase of housing fell -1.4%, taking total housing finance -5.4% lower through the three months to September.

The monthly decline in secured finance was driven by a -2.7% decline in owner occupier finance, while investor finance rose 1.4% in the month.

Monthly value of new finance commitments, total (\$ millions)



Portion of new lending for investment housing (excluding refinance)

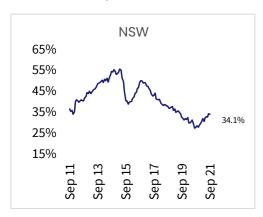




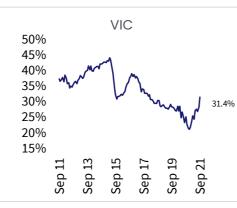
#### **INVESTORS & LENDING**

Most states and territories have seen a proportional uplift in investor finance over the month, though there was a slight decline in NSW and the NT

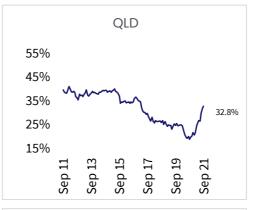
Investors as a portion of total value of lending (excluding refinancing)

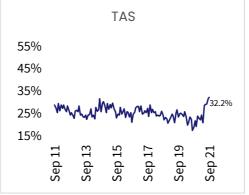


SA

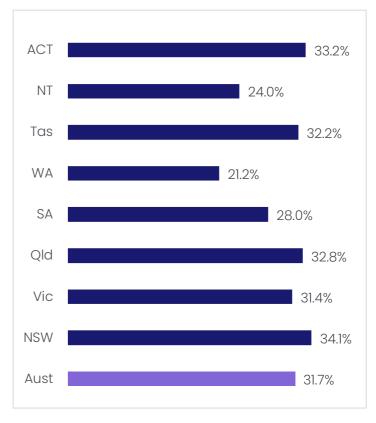








Investors as a % of housing finance commitments by state





Sep.

Sep 17

71

55%

45%

35%

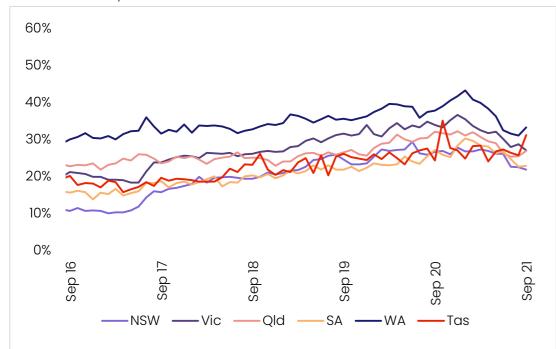
25%

15%

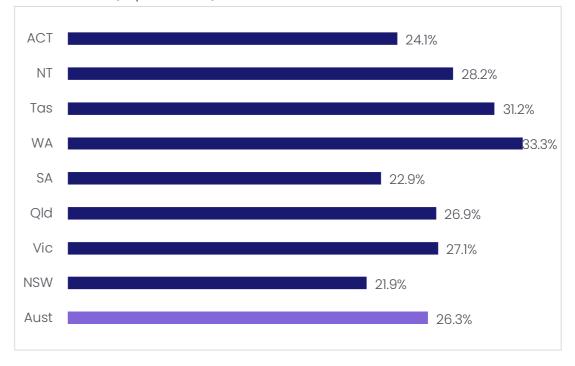
#### FIRST HOME BUYERS

First home buyer finance as a portion of total housing finance across Australia has increased slightly over the past three months, climbing to 26.3% of lending in September. This compares with a recent low of 25.6% in July.

First home buyers as a % of owner occupier housing finance commitments by state



First home buyers as a % of owner occupier housing finance commitments (September '21)

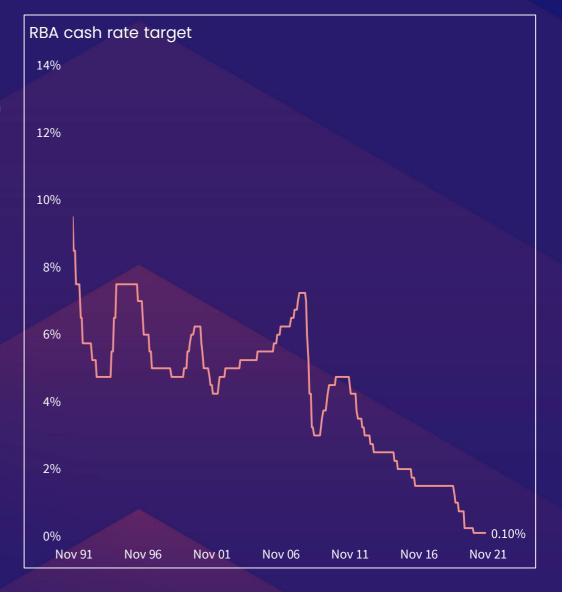




## The RBA held rates at 0.1% through November

#### Statement highlights

- The cash rate target was held at 0.1%, and the interest rate on Exchange Settlement balances was maintained at 0.0%.
- Government bond purchases were kept at \$4 billion per week, to be maintained until February 2022, and further reviewed then.
- The RBA have abandoned a yield curve target of 10 basis points on the April 2024 bond. This was off the back of reduced efficacy of the tool, following a strong inflation result for the September quarter and high expectations that rates would lift sooner than 2024.
- The RBA flagged that an increase to the cash rate may still not occur until 2024, but it is now possible that an increase to the target could occur before this. It was stated the latest data and forecasts did not warrant an increase in the cash rate through 2022.

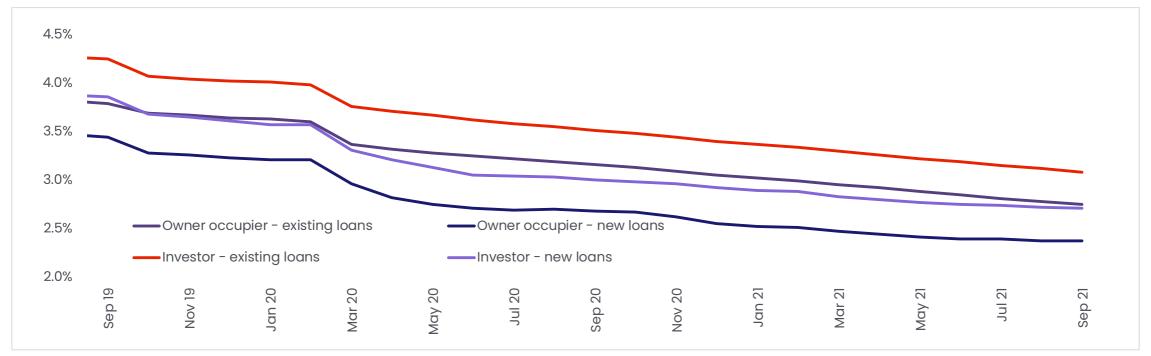




## Record low mortgage rates

Average new housing lending rates have declined 112 basis points for owner-occupiers since mid-2019, but held steady for new owner occupier borrowers through September, at 2.37%. Average investor rates declined 1 basis point through September, to 2.71%.

Average borrowing costs by borrower and loan type, since 2019

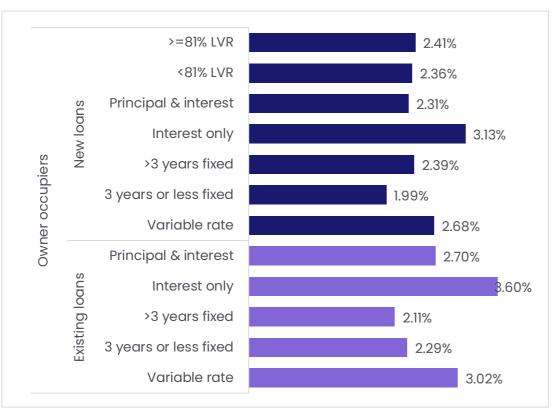




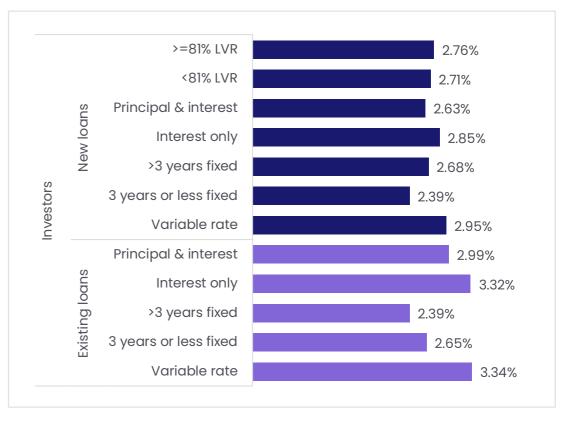
## Record low mortgage rates

Average borrowing costs by borrower and loan type, as at September 21

#### Owner occupiers



#### Investors

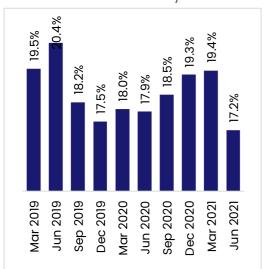




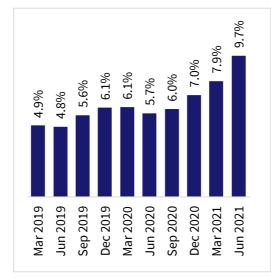
## Debt to income ratios of six or more jumped to 21.9% of new mortgage lending in the June quarter

Regulators and policy makers are closely monitoring lending standards. More recently the banking regulator APRA has increased the serviceability assessment rate buffer from 2.5 percentage points to 3.0 percentage points.

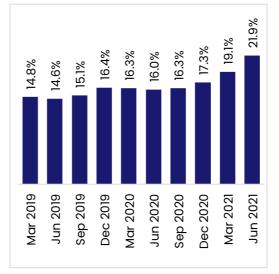
% of loans on interest only terms



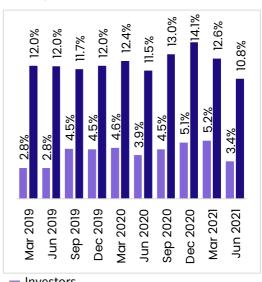
% of loans originated with a loan to income ratio >=6x



% of loans originated with a debt to income ratio >=6x



% of loans originated with an LVR >=90%



Investors

Owner occupiers



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