# Western Australian Economic Notes

# **Building Approvals, April 2020**

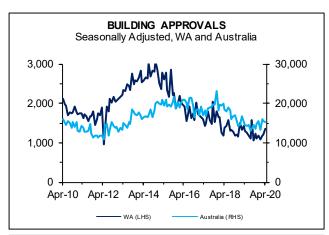
## **Key Facts**

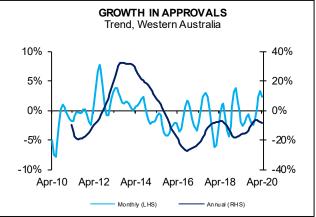
### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted building approvals increased by 12.4% to 1,350 between March and April 2020.
- Approvals fell by 9.5% in annual average terms and grew by 10.4% over the three months to April 2020.
- Trend building approvals in Western Australia increased by 2.3% between March and April, and fell by 8.3% in annual average terms.

#### **Australia**

- Australia's seasonally adjusted building approvals fell by 1.8% to 15,294 between March and April 2020
- Approvals dropped by 11.0% in annual average terms and increased by 7.3% in the three months ending in April.
- Australia's trend building approvals rose by 1.0% between March and April, and dropped by 11.4% in annual average terms.
- The largest annual average increase in trend approvals by jurisdiction was 0.1% in South Australia. The largest decrease was 36.4% in the Australian Capital Territory.





### BUILDING APPROVALS BY STATE April 2020

	Seasonally Adjusted				Trend			
	% Change Over:			r:	_	% C	Change Over:	
		1 Year	3 Months	1 Month		1 Year 3	Months	1 Month
New South Wales	3,809	-18.6%	10.9%	-29.9%	4,475	-18.5%	9.1%	2.0%
Victoria	5,356	-2.6%	9.3%	5.7%	5,557	-3.4%	4.1%	-0.7%
Queensland	2,443	-13.6%	-1.4%	4.6%	2,386	-14.2%	-2.6%	0.0%
South Australia	1,032	-0.4%	-2.5%	21.0%	901	0.1%	-6.6%	-0.6%
Western Australia	1,350	-9.5%	10.4%	12.4%	1,247	-8.3%	5.4%	2.3%
Tasmania	306	-3.5%	18.4%	0.0%	299	-3.0%	11.5%	4.2%
Northern Territory	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	55	-20.4%	28.2%	10.0%
Australian Capital Territory	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	n/a*	481	-36.4%	18.7%	13.2%
Australia	15,294	-11.0%	7.3%	-1.8%	15,400	-11.4%	4.3%	1.0%

<sup>\*</sup> The Australian Bureau of Statistics does not publish seasonally adjusted data for the territories.