# The Outlook for the Housing Industry in Queensland

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It's (apparently) all about Europe, but ... it isn't







## Queensland's fortunes – the beginnings of an improvement

#### QUEENSLAND'S ECONOMY

**UPDATE** 

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Economic Growth Improved

Interest rate outlook Steady/Deteriorated

Household consumption Improved

Manufacturing Deteriorated

Labour market Improved

Detached houses Improving

Multi-units Deteriorated

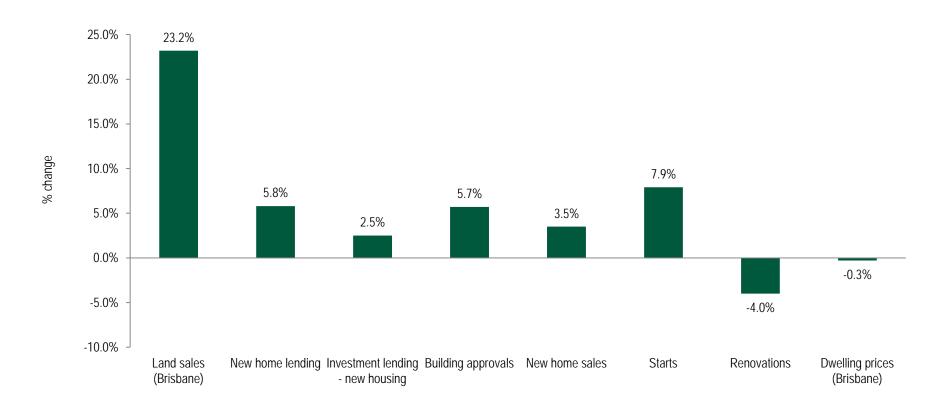
Renovations investment Improving



## Housing indicators – continued improvement

#### Housing Indicators - Latest update

Source: ABS, HIA Economics, RP Data, Rismark International





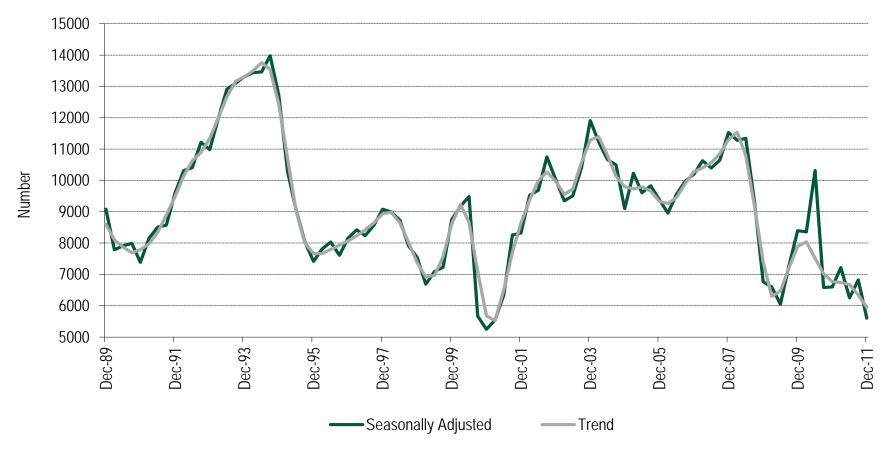
The good, the bad, and the ugly



## The ugly – housing starts back to GST levels

Total Dwelling Starts – Queensland

Source: ABS 8752.0

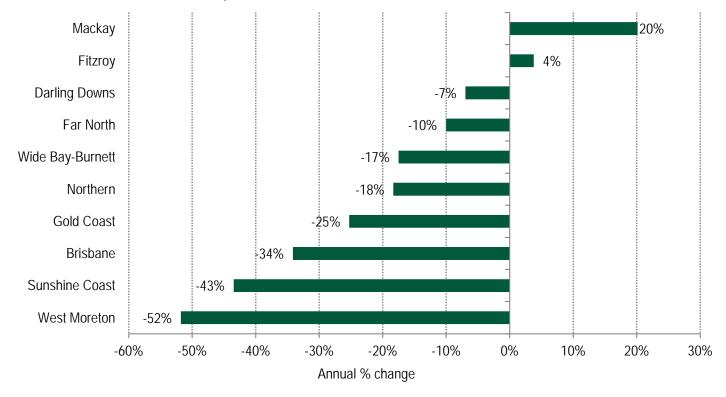




## The ugly: Overall land sales are still very weak

Residential lot sales - Annual % change - 6 mths to Sept 2011

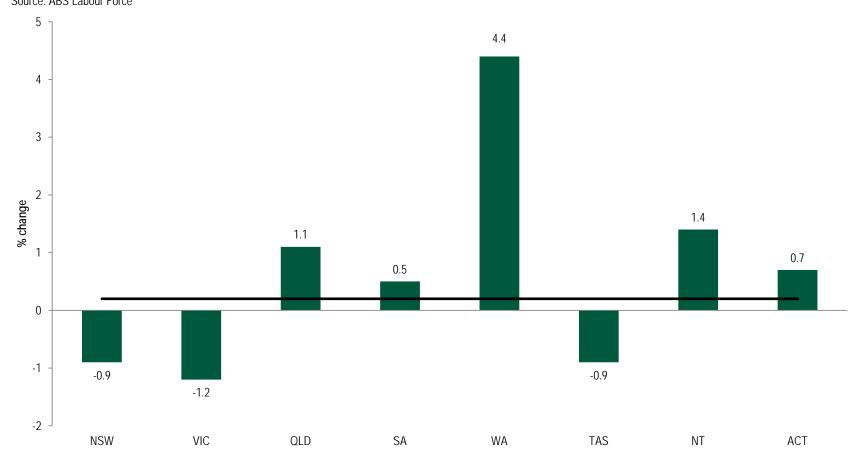
Source: RP Data, HIA Economics Group





## The good: employment growth is rising

Annual Employment growth Rate - % change - February 2012 Source: ABS Labour Force

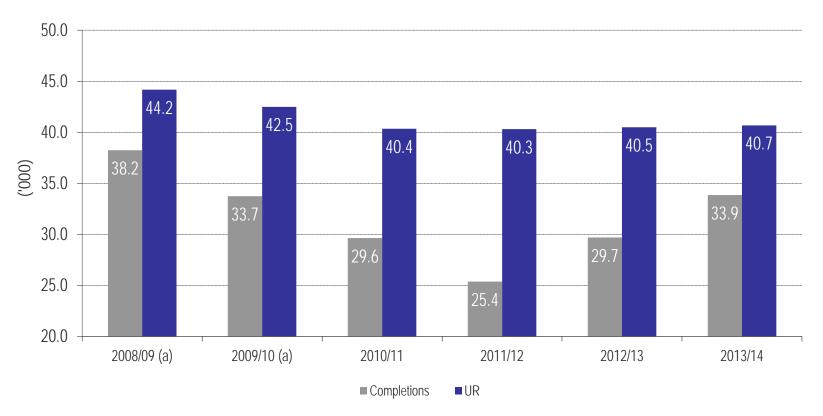




## The good: underlying demographic demand is strong and...

Underlying Requirement for Housing vs Dwelling Completions - QLD

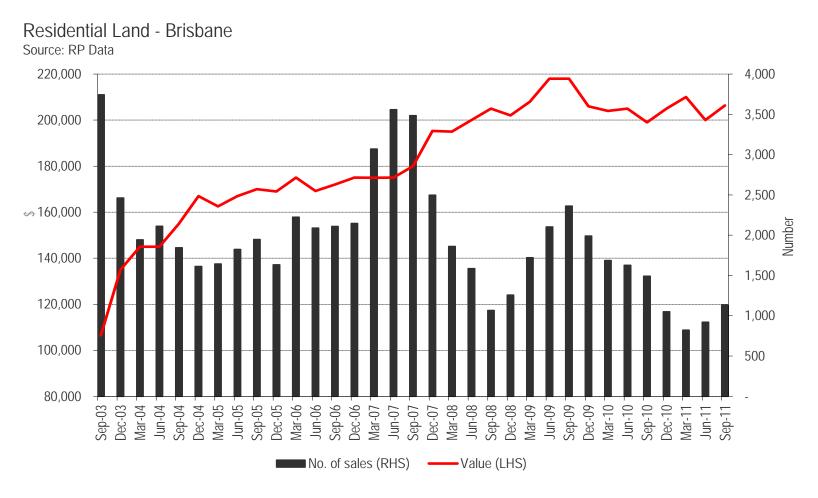
Source: ABS, HIA



... so is the capacity to boost effective supply.



## The good: Brisbane Quarterly Land Sales are ticking higher

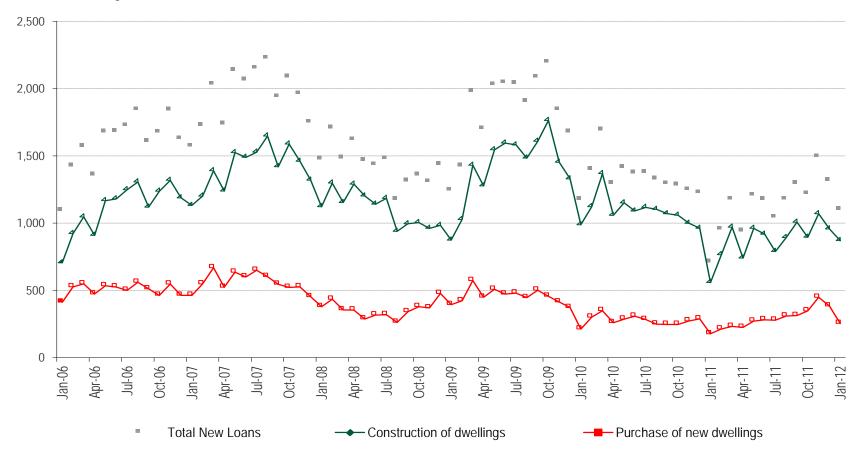


However, the improvement in volume is off a very low base.



## The good: New Home Lending is trending higher

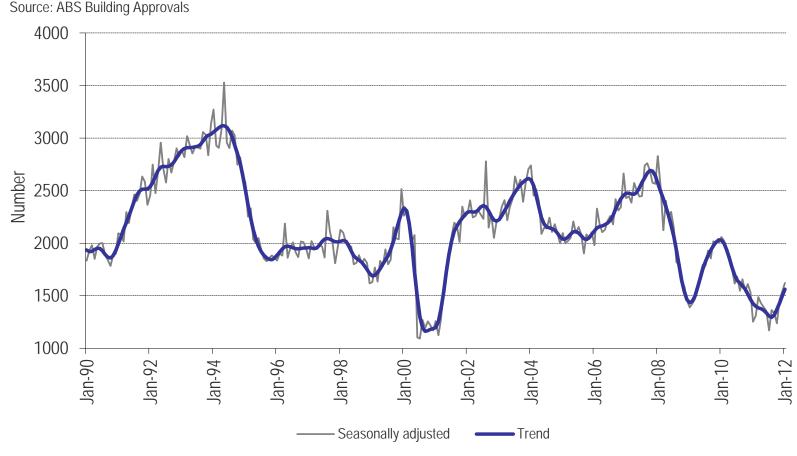
QLD New Home Lending - Number of Loans Source: ABS Housing Finance





# The good: detached approvals are turning around

Building Approvals QLD - House Source: ABS Building Approvals

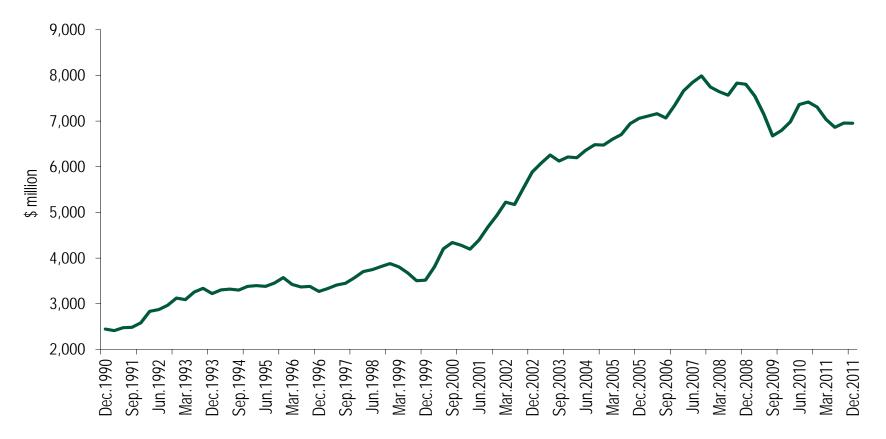




## The good and bad: renovations activity stabilising?

Renovations Investment in Queensland - Moving Annual Total

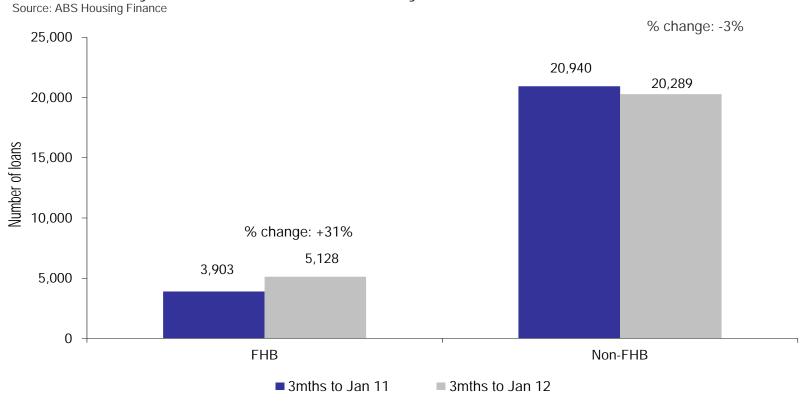
Source: ABS State Final Demand 5206.0





## The good and bad: Non-First Home Buyers are still weak, but ...

First Home Buyer versus Non-First Home Buyer Loans - QLD

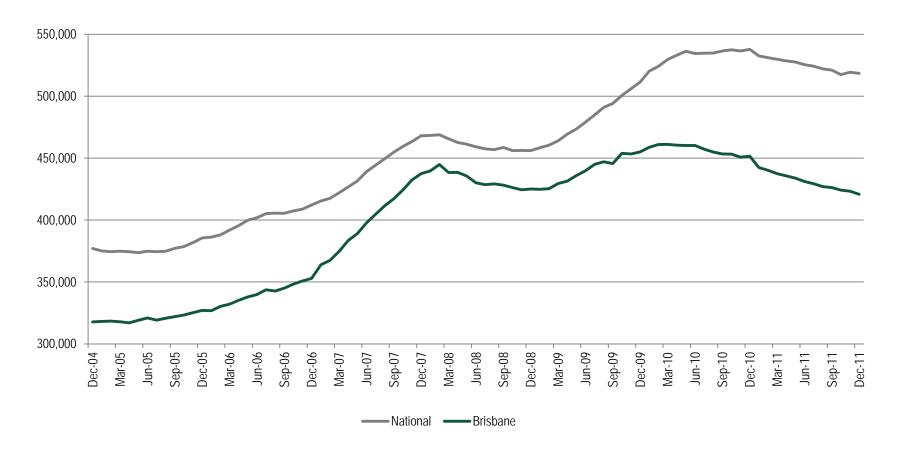


... the reinstatement of stamp duty concessions should help by 2012H2.



## The good and bad: slipping dwelling prices

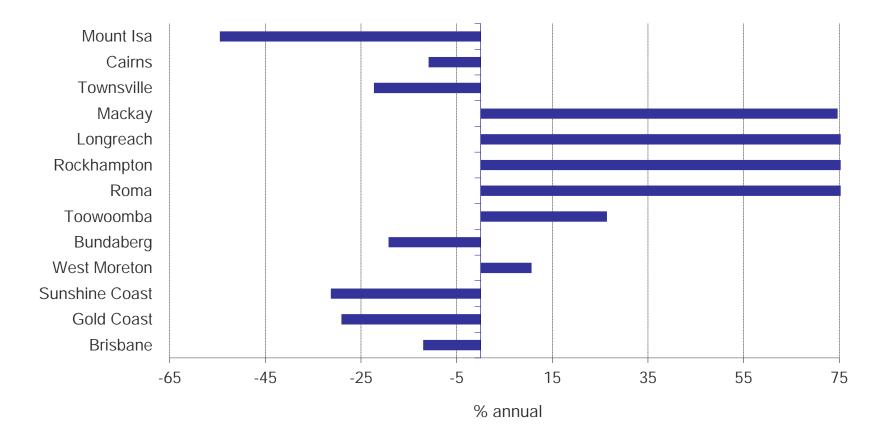
Dwelling Prices - National and Brisbane





## The good and bad: approvals are a mixed bag

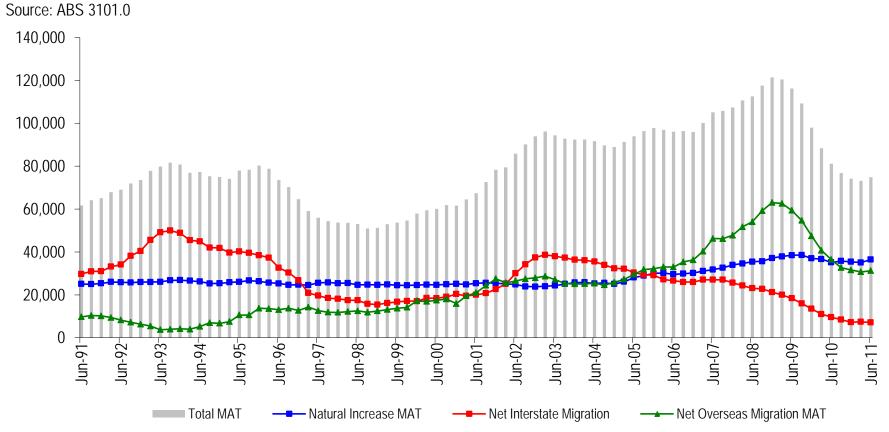
Queensland Building Approvals, by Region December Quarter 2011





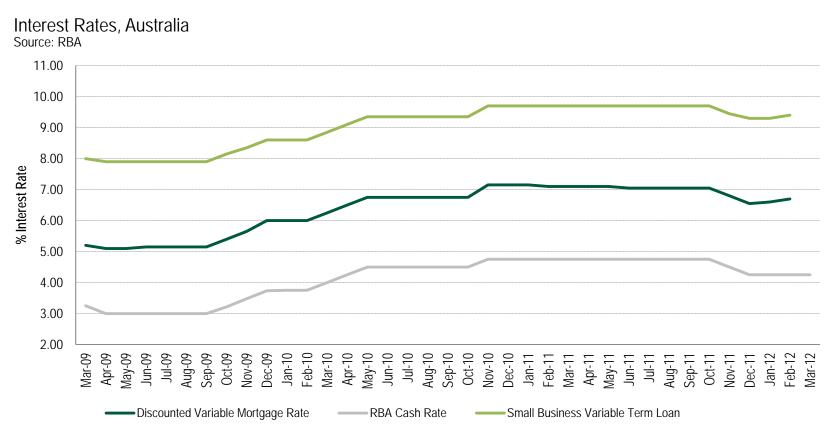
## The good and bad: population growth is stabilising?

Queensland's Population Growth by Component - Moving Annual Total





## The bad: interest rates are not where they need to be



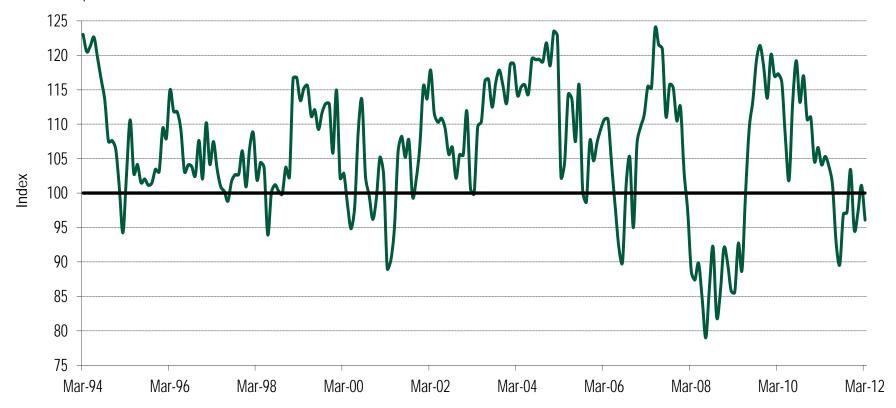
- Interest rates fell in late 2011, but the banks dithered and businesses lost out.
- This rubbish about banks now lifting borrowing costs is very damaging to confidence.



## The bad: consumers are unsure and nervous

#### Consumer Confidence

Source: Westpac-Melbourne Institute

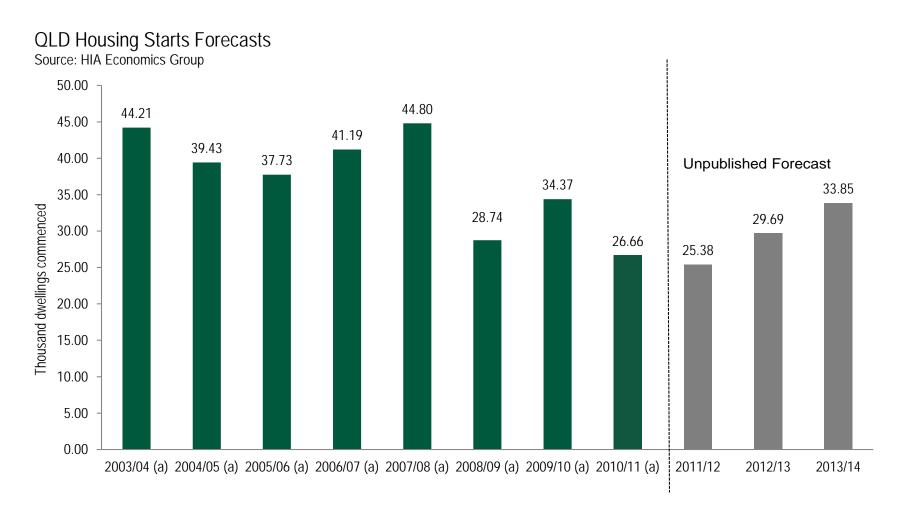




# So what does the future hold?



## Short term housing starts outlook





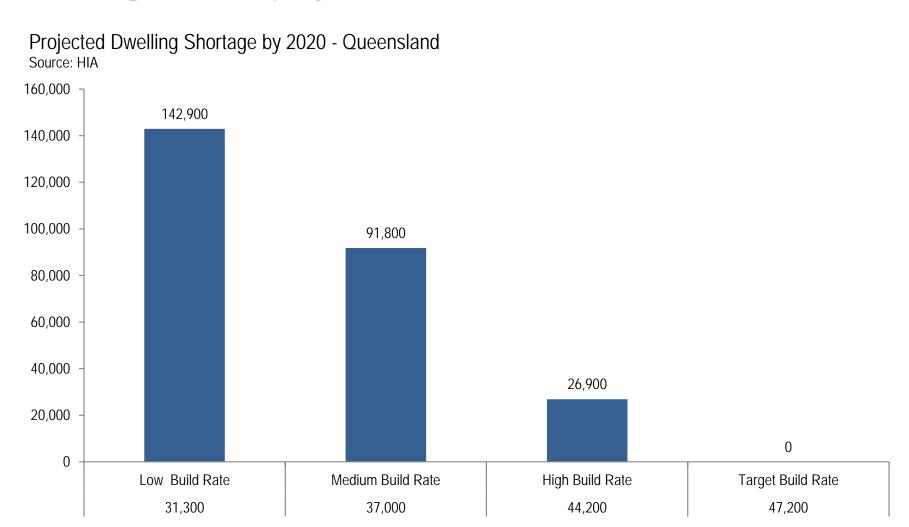
## The short term outlook for renovations

#### HOUSING RENOVATIONS FORECAST: by state and territory

	Value of investment, \$ million, Chain Volume Measure								
	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Aust
2003/04 (a)	9,741	6,424	6,358	1,934	3,078	684	204	376	28,799
2004/05 (a)	9,592	6,191	6,702	1,958	3,249	666	294	335	28,987
2005/06 (a)	8,962	5,842	7,159	1,956	3,255	695	322	354	28,545
2006/07 (a)	8,284	6,095	7,845	2,130	3,515	711	261	328	29,169
2007/08 (a)	8,262	6,639	7,565	1,829	4,244	769	202	367	29,877
2008/09 (a)	7,957	6,583	7,152	2,011	3,945	790	209	301	28,948
2009/10 (a)	8,263	6,338	7,363	2,026	4,536	751	254	392	29,923
2010/11	8,265	6,381	6,836	1,914	4,727	738	254	435	29,550
2011/12	8,004	6,495	7,349	1,956	4,557	799	243	431	29,835
2012/13	8,238	6,423	7,333	1,979	4,655	781	252	423	30,084
Source HIA Econon	nics December 2	2011							
% change									
2004/05 (a)	-2%	-4%	5%	1%	6%	-3%	44%	-11%	1%
2005/06 (a)	-7%	-6%	7%	0%	0%	4%	10%	6%	-2%
2006/07 (a)	-8%	4%	10%	9%	8%	2%	-19%	-7%	2%
2007/08 (a)	0%	9%	-4%	-14%	21%	8%	-23%	12%	2%
2008/09 (a)	-4%	-1%	-5%	10%	-7%	3%	3%	-18%	-3%
2009/10 (a)	4%	-4%	3%	1%	15%	-5%	22%	30%	3%
2010/11	0%	1%	-7%	-6%	4%	-2%	0%	11%	-1%
2011/12	-3%	2%	8%	2%	-4%	8%	-4%	-1%	1%
2012/13 (a) = actual	3%	-1%	0%	1%	2%	-2%	4%	-2%	1%



## The 'Big Kahuna play'





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