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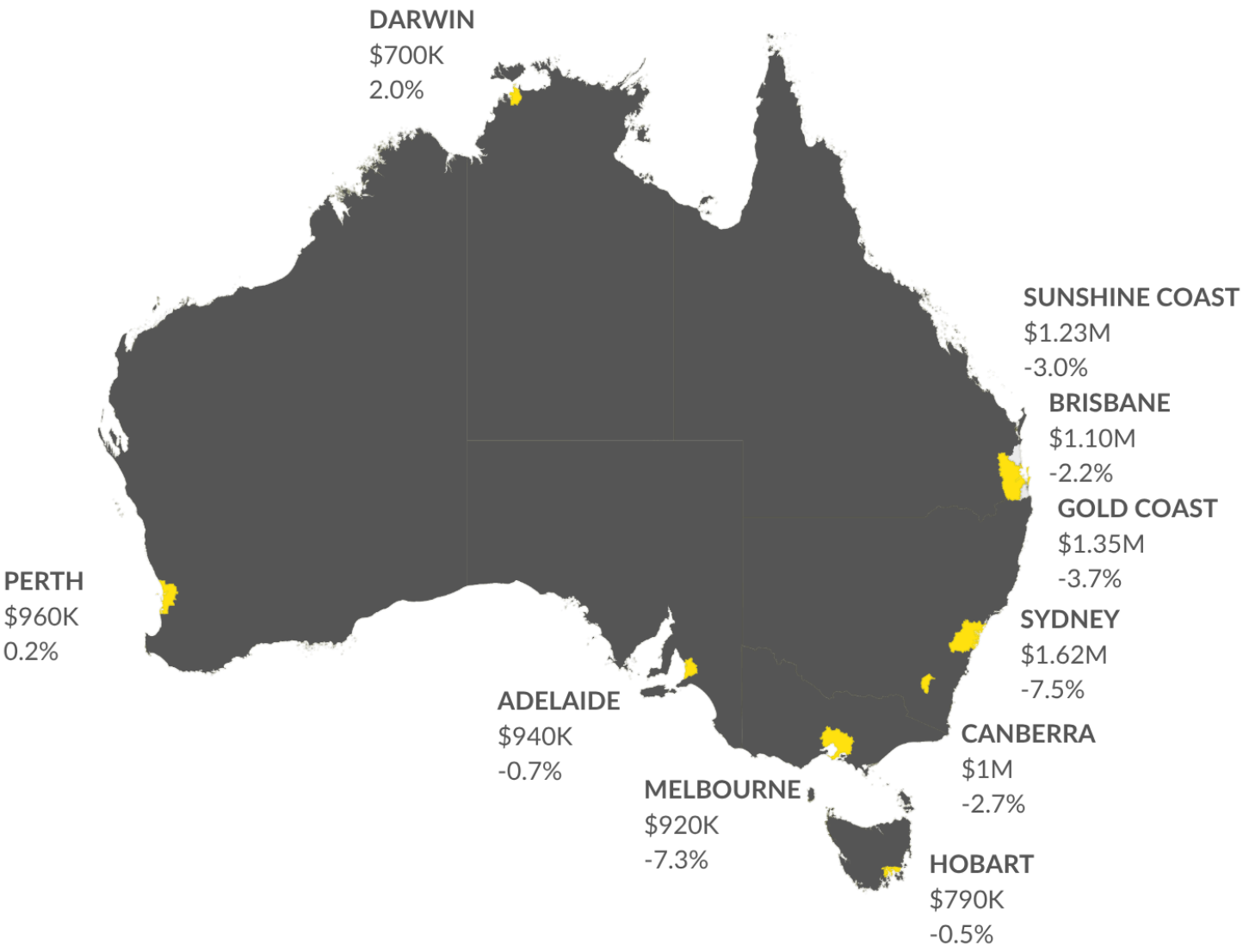
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PROUDLY PRESENTING PROPERTY MARKET INSIGHTS

MAJOR CITY HOUSE PRICES (% CHANGE) IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

AUSTRALIA*	WATSON
$980K	$1.25M
0.0%	7.8%

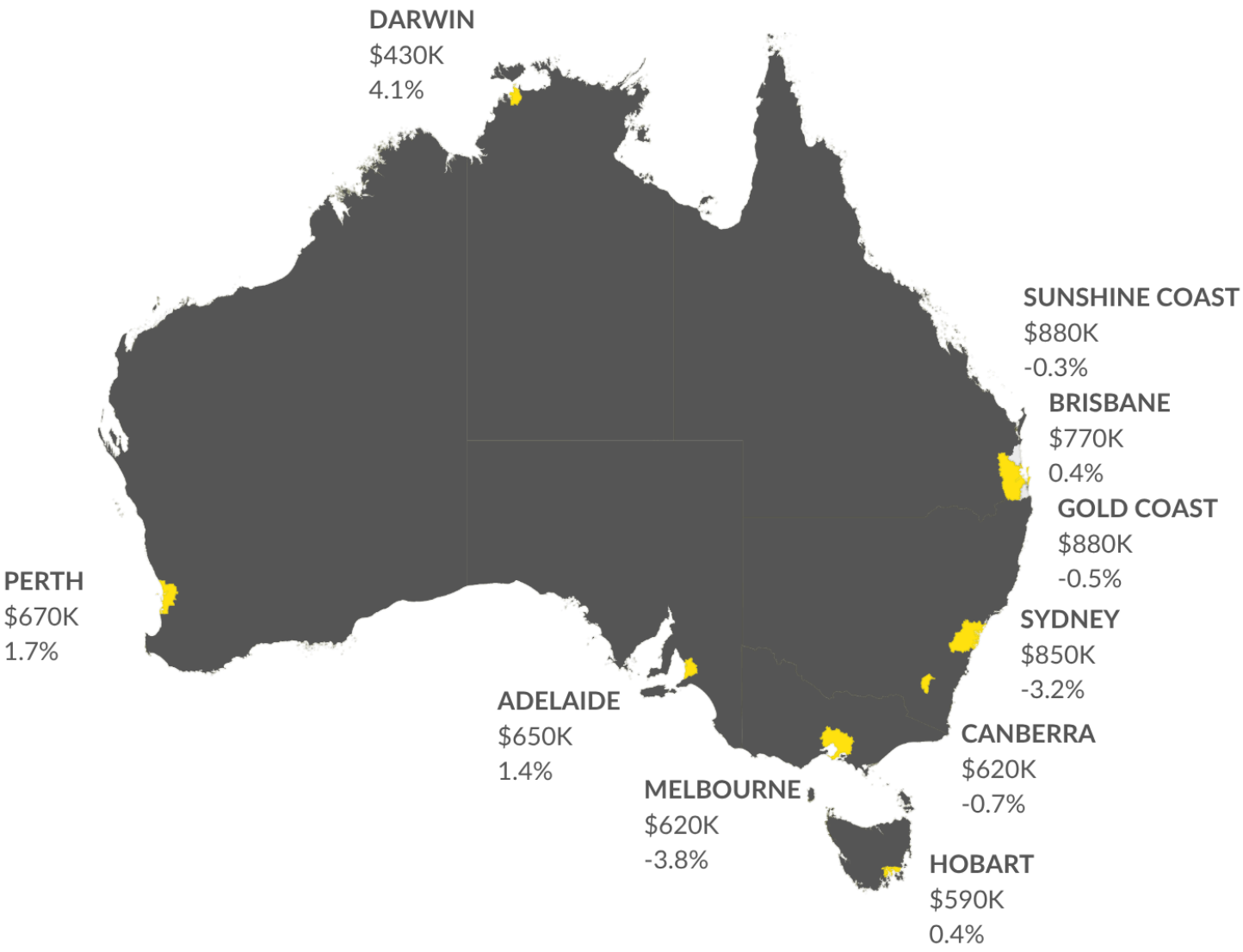


$ MEDIAN HOUSE PRICE
% CHANGE IN PRICE

Source: Neoval, Cotality
Updated as of September 2026
**VIC and national data sourced from Cotality due to data availability.*
All other major cities sourced from Neoval.

MAJOR CITY UNIT PRICES (% CHANGE) IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

AUSTRALIA*	WATSON
$730K	$610K
0.0%	18.9%



$ MEDIAN UNIT PRICE
% CHANGE IN PRICE

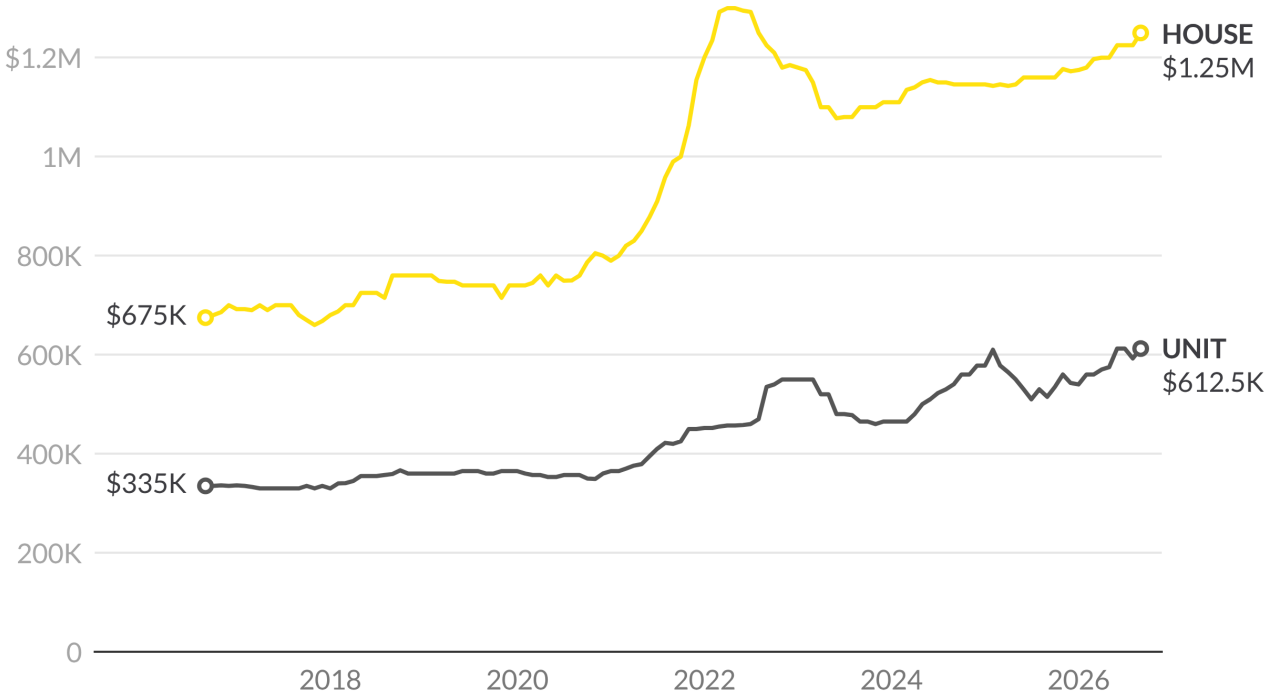
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Watson 1 and 10 year price growth

Property	Current Price	1Y $ Growth	1Y % Growth	10Y $ Growth	10Y % Growth
HOUSE	$1.25M	+ $90K	+7.8%	+ $575K	+85%
UNIT	$610K	+ $98K	+18.9%	+ $278K	+83%

Source: Neoval

Watson 10 year price trend



Source: Neoval

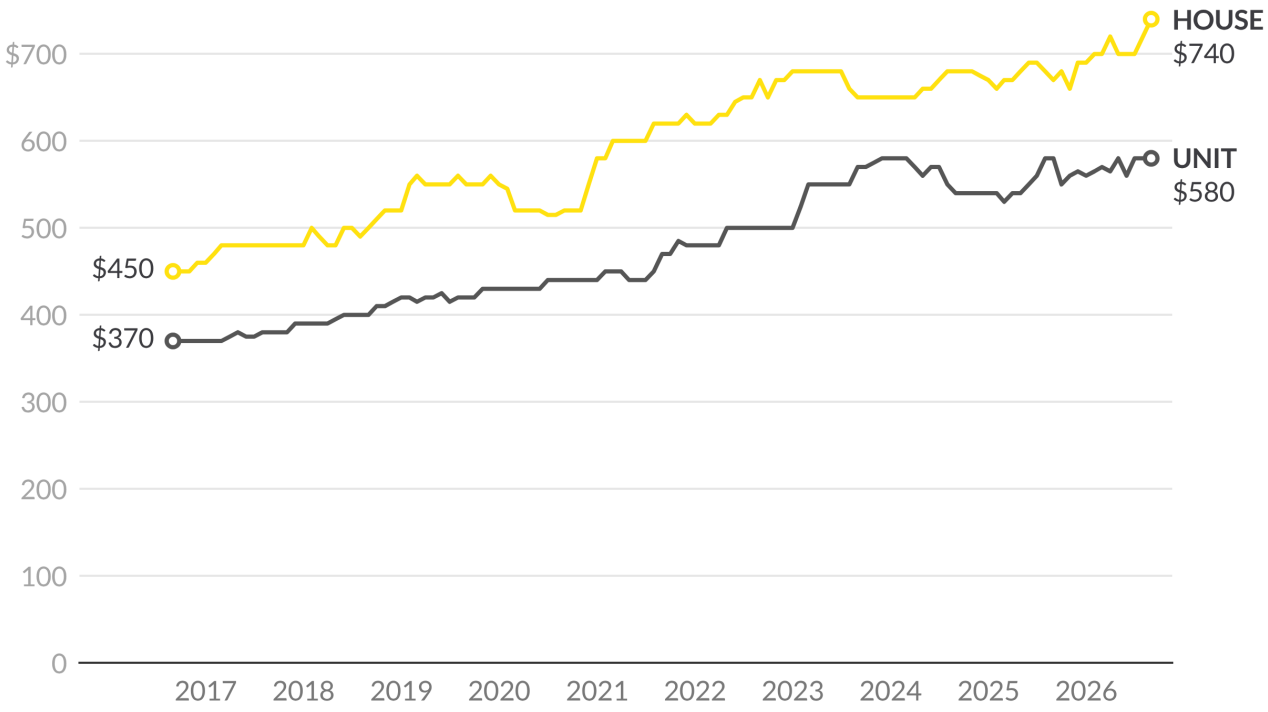
In September 2026, Watson's median house price reached approximately $1.25M, reflecting a solid 7.8% gain from this same month last year and an impressive 85.2% rise over the past decade. Median unit prices in the area similarly recorded robust performance, currently around $610K, marking a substantial 18.9% increase from this time last year and an 82.8% growth over the last ten years. This continued upward trajectory represents a notably stronger performance compared to broader capital city trends, maintaining its premium position.

Watson rental price growth

Property	Current Price	1Y $ Growth	1Y % Growth	10Y $ Growth	10Y % Growth
HOUSE	$740	+ $70	+10.4%	+ $290	+64%
UNIT	$580	± $0	±0.0%	+ $210	+57%

Source: Neoval

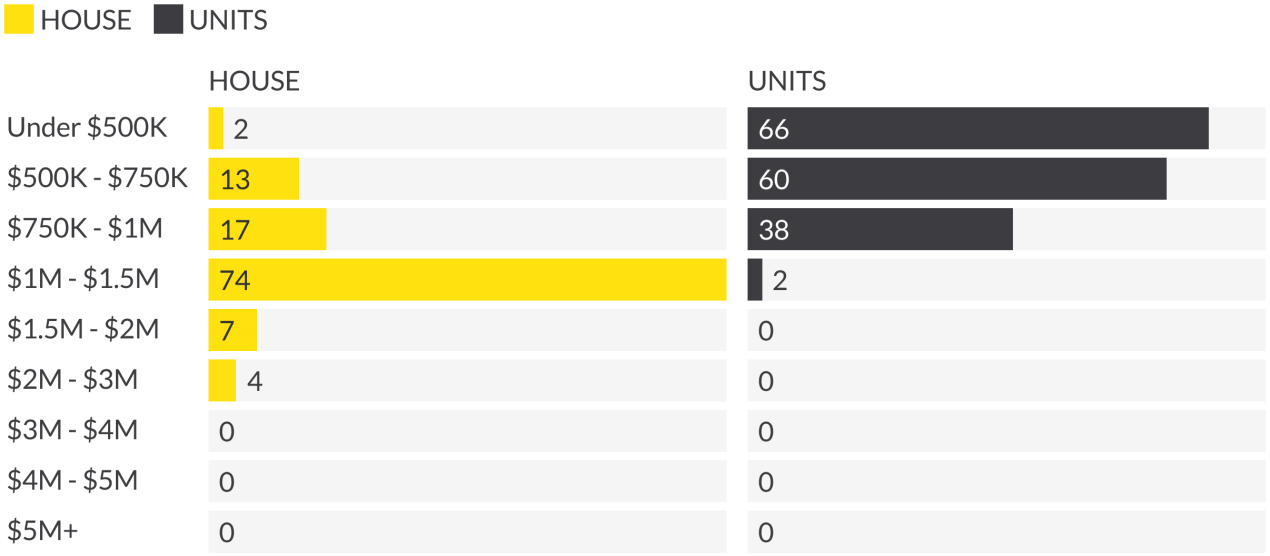
Watson rental price trend



Source: Neoval

Watson's median weekly rental rate for houses currently stands at approximately $740, representing a solid 10.4% gain from this same month last year. Over the past decade, house rents have surged by an approximate $290, reflecting a remarkable 64.4% growth. For units, the median weekly rental rate remained steady at approximately $580 this same month last year, showing no annual change. Nevertheless, unit rents have seen a robust long-term increase of approximately $210 over the last decade, representing 56.8% growth, which broadly mirrors consistent demand in capital city markets.

Watson 12M rolling sales count

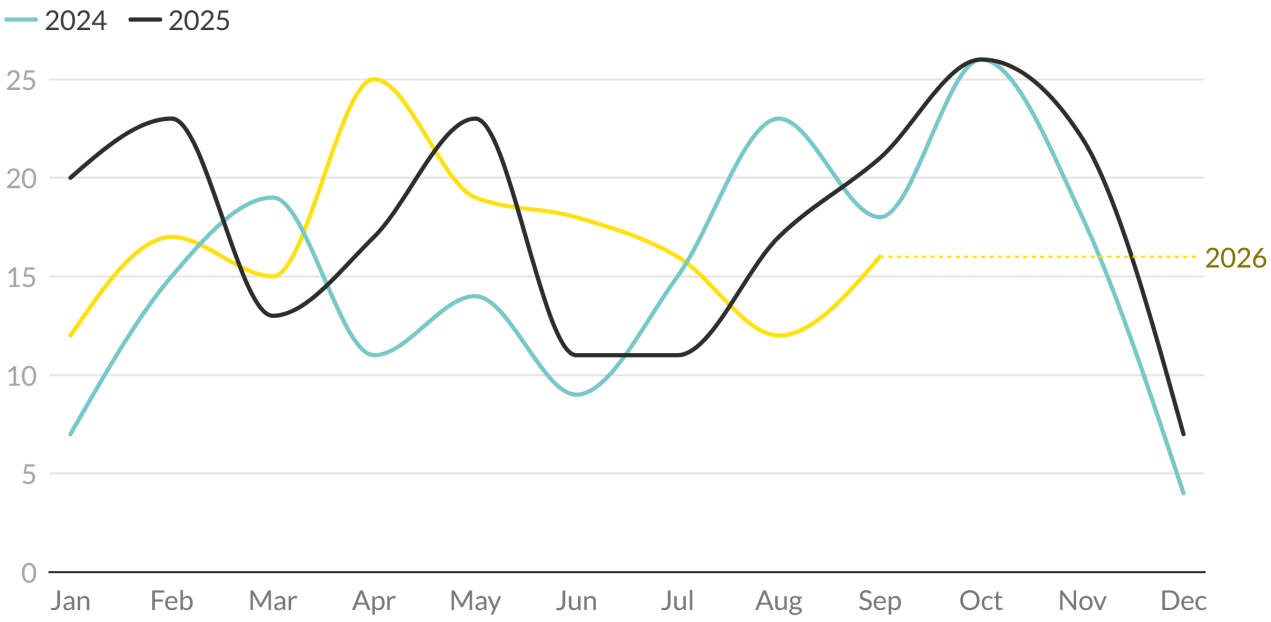


Source: Neoval

In Watson, ACT, sales activity for the 12 months ending July 2026 highlights a distinct market segmentation. Houses predominantly sold in the $1.0M - $1.5M range, with 74 transactions, reflecting a premium segment that maintains its robust performance. A significant number of sales also occurred in the $750K - $1.0M bracket, with 17, and stretching up to $3.0M, albeit in smaller counts, representing the upper-tier market. In contrast, units concentrated heavily in the sub-$500K and $500K - $750K categories, recording 66 and 60 sales respectively, establishing a clear pattern of affordability compared to detached dwellings, mirroring broader market trends.

Watson monthly volume of new listings over the past 3 years

Number of new monthly listings



Listings from whole market including Ray White.

Source: Neoval

New listings in Watson, ACT, recorded a strong 33.3% monthly gain in September, reaching 16 properties. This upward trajectory occurred alongside a significant 23.8% decline compared to September 2025, and an 11.1% decrease from September 2024 levels. This reflects a persistent trend of constrained supply, reinforcing limited vendor activity within the suburb. The suburb's new listings performance notably shows a more pronounced contraction in supply year-on-year than broader market trends.

Methodology

Pricing data

Price data is sourced from our research partners at Neoval Research Group, providing comprehensive coverage across all major Australian capital cities and regional markets. Price movements are calculated using median values to ensure accurate representation of typical market performance.

Why median?

The median provides a reliable measure of the "typical" market price by identifying the middle value when all sales are arranged in order. Unlike arithmetic averages, which can be distorted by extreme high or low sales, the median represents the price point where half the properties sold for more and half sold for less. This methodology is particularly valuable when analysing property markets as it reduces the impact of outliers – such as exceptionally expensive waterfront properties or distressed sales – providing a truer reflection of what most buyers and sellers experience in the market. The median effectively captures the centre of the market distribution, making it an ideal measure for tracking genuine price movements over time.
Tasmania exception: Due to licensing restrictions, median data from Neoval is not available for Tasmania. For Tasmanian markets, we utilise the Median Sales AVM Value from Cotality, which represents the median (50th percentile) estimated sales value of all properties based on the hedonic imputation method.

ABS region segmentation and naming convention

Our analysis utilises the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) geographical classification system, employing GCC, SA4, SA3 and SA2 naming conventions as the statistical and computational standard established by the ABS. This hierarchical structure provides a consistent framework for analysing property markets at various geographical scales, from major metropolitan areas down to individual SA2s. The visual representation and practical application of these classifications can be explored through the ABS mapping portal at https://maps.abs.gov.au, which displays the 2021 GCC, SA4, SA3 and SA2 shape files. These are the same shape files and naming conventions used by Neoval in their price modelling computations, ensuring consistency between our data sources and official statistical boundaries.

For comparative analysis purposes, the Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast regions are classified alongside GCC Major City regions. This classification reflects their substantial price growth over recent years and their common comparison with major metropolitan markets. Given their economic significance and market characteristics, these regions are considered Major City regions for the purposes of this analysis.

Listing data

National property listing volumes are sourced from Domain, Australia's leading property portal, providing comprehensive coverage of new property listings across all markets. National listings: presented as monthly counts spanning the last three years (2023-2025) to identify seasonal patterns and year-over-year trends in property supply. Major city and regional listings: current month data is presented with both monthly percentage change (comparison to previous month) and annual percentage change (comparison to same month in previous year) to highlight both short-term fluctuations and longer-term supply trends.

Sales count data

Sales count data by price point is sourced from Australian Property Monitors (APM) and Valuer General records, providing transaction data across all fixed price segments for market segmentation analysis. While filtered for residential properties only, some commercial or rural properties may be incorrectly classified as residential in the source data, potentially affecting data precision.

Temporal framework

All data series are presented on a monthly basis covering the three-year period from 2023 to 2025, enabling identification of seasonal patterns, cyclical trends, and year-over-year comparisons. This timeframe captures the full interest rate cycle from peak rates through to the current cutting cycle, providing context for current market dynamics. All data sources represent substantial market coverage but may not capture 100 per cent of market activity. Price data from Neoval provides broad market representation. Regional variations in data coverage may exist, with metropolitan markets generally providing more comprehensive data.

Commentary Generation Methodology

The market commentary throughout this report was generated using Google's Gemini 2.5 Flash, a state-of-the-art large language model chosen for its exceptional ability to analyse complex datasets and translate them into clear market insights. The model was fed comprehensive data from both our national report along with region specific metrics, enabling it to contextualise local movements within broader market trends. Through multiple iterations of refinement, we optimised the system to provide straightforward, factual descriptions of the data presented in charts and tables, avoiding speculation while highlighting key trends and significant data points. This approach represents our ongoing efforts to deliver consistent, data-driven commentary that accurately reflects underlying market information in accessible language for both property professionals and general readers.

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