

2016 Ancillary Dwellings Survey - Key findings

The Ancillary Dwellings Survey collects development and building approvals data related to ancillary dwelling development in the Perth, Peel and Greater Bunbury regions. Local governments across Perth, Peel and Greater Bunbury were asked to provide the number of ancillary dwelling units for which development applications were approved, as well as the number of building permits issued for ancillary dwellings.

	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Central sub-region	64	55	92	168	196	183
North-west sub-region	50	38	72	145	173	115
North-east sub-region	26	36	45	74	134	108
South-east sub-region	21	21	29	61	87	35
South-west sub-region	20	29	84	79	100	33
Perth metropolitan region	181	179	322	527	690	474
Peel region	12	5	10	29	39	36
Perth metropolitan and Peel regions	193	184	332	556	729	510
Greater Bunbury region	5	2	11	6	10	9
Perth metropolitan, Peel and Greater Bunbury regions	198	186	343	562	739	519

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Central sub-region	46	63	81	134	166	136
North-west sub-region	10	11	51	95	133	87
North-east sub-region	29	27	36	79	97	83
South-east sub-region	12	13	25	27	52	80
South-west sub-region	12	6	16	26	22	48
Perth metropolitan region	109	120	209	361	470	434
Peel region	2	1	4	12	19	28
Perth metropolitan and Peel regions	111	121	213	373	489	462
Greater Bunbury region	2	7	11	7	12	12
Perth metropolitan, Peel and Greater Bunbury regions	113	128	224	380	501	474

The results of the 2016 Ancillary Dwellings Survey indicate that ancillary dwelling development increased in 2013/14 and 2014/15, before falling to lower levels in 2015/16.

The City of Joondalup recorded the highest number of ancillary dwelling units approved for development over the 2010/11 to 2015/16 period, followed by the City of Rockingham and the City of Wanneroo.

The City of Joondalup also recorded the highest number of building permits issued for ancillary dwellings over the 2010/11 to 2015/16 period, followed by the City of Wanneroo and the City of Stirling.

The strong performance of ancillary dwelling approvals, relative to total residential construction, suggests that changes to the planning system have facilitated an increase in the development of ancillary dwellings which better reflects underlying demand for ancillary accommodation in Perth, Peel and Greater Bunbury.

