



Perth Prime Residential Insight

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Knight Frank's quarterly analysis of the Perth prime luxury residential sales and rental markets

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Prestige home prices and sales volume growth outperforms the east coast

• Economy strong, although business sentiment down.

WEALTH TRENDS

Perth's high-net-worth individual (HNWI) population, otherwise known as the millionaire population, grew by 4.2% in 2022, to 199,110 people with net wealth of more than US\$1 million according to the Knight Frank Wealth Sizing Model.

This population in Perth comprises 9.0% of the total Australian HNWI population, after being a slightly higher proportion at 9.5% five years ago.

Since this time, Perth's millionaire population has grown by 20.6%, although this is lower than the 28% Australian total growth.

The HNW population is forecast to grow by a further 61.3% in Perth by the end of 2027, lower than the Australian growth of 71.1%, when Perth is expected to hold an 8.5% share of all Australian millionaires.

The ultra-high-net-worth (UHNW) population in Perth declined by 1.8% in 2022, to 1,716 people with net wealth of more than US\$30 million. From 2017, the Perth ultra-wealthy population has expanded by 24.7%, although falling behind the Australian growth of 31.3%.

The ultra-wealthy population is forecast to grow by a further 83.9% over the next five years across Perth, being more than the double the Australian UHNW population growth expected of 40.9%.

THE ECONOMY

Western Australia recorded economic growth of 3.1% in 2022 while the Perth unemployment rate stood at 3.5% in June 2023, trending 43 bps higher than the year earlier. Oxford Economics forecast economic growth to expand to 5.4% at the end of 2023, 3.0% in 2024 and 2.8% in 2025.

Australia's stock market performance on the S&P/ASX 200 rose in the second quarter of 2023 by 0.4%, to arrive at total change of 9.7% over the past year. The stock market is forecast to record 2.8% by the end of 2023, and a further 2.8% in 2024 and by 4.8% in 2025.

Business conditions declined 7.5 pts in the June 2023 quarter to +6.5 index points in the NAB business sentiment survey. This was trending close to half the +12.8 pts a year ago.

Company profits across Australia grew 19.3% in 2022, after recording 5.3% growth in 2021. Annual company profits are forecast to fall by 0.5% in 2023, before falling a further 5.8% in 2024, although company profits are expected to recover by 2.3% in 2025.

New private business investment grew by 8.0% in the year to June 2023. This was higher than 7.1% annual growth a quarter earlier, and higher than 2.2% annual growth recorded a year ago.

4.2%

Growth in Perth's high-net-worth individuals in 2022

+6 pts

Business conditions index points in June 2023

8.0%

Annual growth in June 2023 of new private business investment

LENDING ENVIRONMENT

The official cash rate on 5 September 2023 continued to see no movement, with a target of 4.10% by the Reserve Bank of Australia. The Oxford Economics forecast for the official cash rate is to be reduced towards an average target of 4.07% by the end of 2024.

In the June 2023 quarter, average mortgage lending rates to owner occupiers increased by 5 bps to 6.32% for a 3-year fixed term loan and rose by 50 bps to 8.52% for a standard variable loan. For investors, a 3-year fixed term increased by 18 bps to 6.50%, and a standard variable loan rose by 50 bps to 9.10%.

Perth prime established residential

In the last quarter, Perth was the only city to shorten the average time a prestige home was on the market plus record an uplift in sales volume from a year ago, resulting in the best prime price growth across Australia's five major cities.

Perth prime residential sales volume in June 2023 compared to a year ago

4.0%

The change in Perth's prime residential values in the year to June 2023

11.3%

Annual Perth prime residential rental growth in June 2023

SALES & PRICE PERFORMANCE

- Sales volume trended 36% higher in the June 2023 quarter with 229 prime residential homes sold in Perth, while the 739 annual sales volume was 15% higher than a year ago.
- The average days on market for prime residential home stood at 72 days in the June 2023 guarter. One quarter ago, this was 77 days.
- Over the year ending June 2023, prime residential prices increased 4.0% and were up 3.6% in the past quarter.
- Prime prices are forecast to change by 5% at the end of 2023, 4% in 2024 and 4% in 2025 according to Knight Frank Research.

RENTAL MARKET

- Gross rental yields for Perth's prime residential properties tightened by 10 bps, to 1.93%, in the second quarter of 2023.
- Rents rose 0.7% for prime residential homes in the quarter to June 2023, and over the past year were up 11.3%.
- Looking forward, Knight Frank Research forecast prime rents to rise by 13% in 2023, with 8% growth likely in 2024 and 6% in 2025.

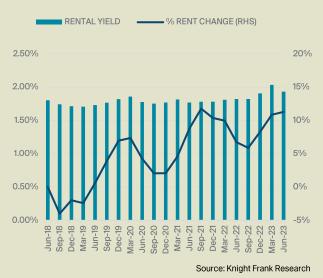
Perth Prime Residential Sales & Prices

No. prime sales per quarter & % annual prime price change



Perth Prime Residential Rents & Yields

Prime gross rental yield & % annual prime rental change



Perth prime residential forecast

Key Drivers Forecast									
	2021	2022	2023f	2024f	2025f	2023-2025f AVE			
Economic Growth	5.3%	5.4%	3.0%	2.8%	3.5%	3.1%			
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	3.7%	3.7%	4.3%	4.3%	4.1%			
Cash Rate Target	0.1%	1.2%	a 3.8%	a 3.9%	2.9%	a 3.6%			
Stock Market	17.5%	-1.7%	2.8%	2.8%	4.8%	3.5%			
Company Profits	5.3%	19.3%	-0.5%	-5.8%	2.3%	-1.3%			

Source: Oxford Economics

Perth Prime Residential Forecast									
	2021	2022	2023f	2024f	2025f	2023-2025f AVE			
Prime Price Performance	10%	1%	6 5%	4 %	4 %	4 %			
Prime Rental Market	10%	8%	13 %	8 %	9 6%	9 %			

Source: Knight Frank Research

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