# **Tasmanian Rents**

### September Quarter 2015

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## HEADLINE FIGURES: Quarterly Weighted Median Rent

	Sept Qtr	Otr Change	Year Change
Tasmania	\$261	up 0.6%	up 4.4%
North West	\$228	up 1.3%	up 2.5%
North	\$243	down 2.0%	up 1.8%
South	\$288	up 0.8%	up 5.0%

MAP: September Quarter 3 Bedroom Median Rent<sup>2</sup> **Greater Burnie Central Coast Greater Devonport** \$235 Otr: \$5 Year: \$5 \$260 Qtr: \$0 Year: \$10 Otr: ▼ \$10 \$250 Year: \$0 **Inner Launceston** \$300 Otr: \$20 Year: \$10 **Outer Launceston** \$270 Otr:▼\$5 Year:▲\$5 **Rural North West** North East \$260 Otr: \$10 Year: \$10 \$220 Qtr: **\** \$10 Year: \$0 **Central North West Coast** \$260 Otr: **\**\$10 Year: **\**\$15 **55\*** Otr: ▼ \$8 Year : ▲ \$5 **Central South** \$260 Otr: • \$7 **South East** \$275 Otr: ▼ ⊅∠∪ Year: ▼ \$5 **Eastern Shore \$299** Otr: ▼\$1 Year: ▲\$4 **Hobart City Glenorchy City** Far South **Kingston Area** \$360 Otr: \$15 Year: \$25 \$395 Otr: \$15 Year: \$35 **Qtr:** \$0 Qtr: ▼ \$10 Qtr: ▲ \$15 \$270 Year: \$10

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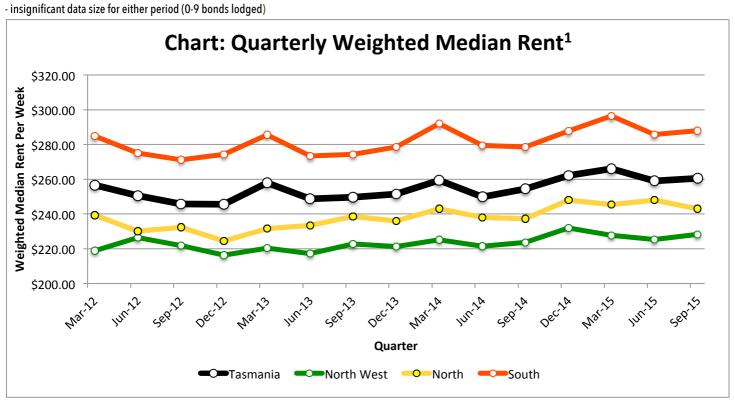
Year: **▲** \$5

<sup>\*</sup> denotes small data size for this period (10-29 bonds lodged)

Table 1. Weekly Rents for New Bonds - by Area - September Quarter 2015<sup>3</sup>

	1 Bedroom		2 Bedroom		3 Bedroom			4 & 5 Bedrooms				
	Median	% Ch	ange	Median	% Ch	ange	Median	% Ch	ange	Median	% Ch	ange
Area/Region	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year
Greater Devonport				220	10.0%	0.0%	260	0.0%	4.0%			
Greater Burnie				190	-5.0%	-2.6%	235	2.2%	-2.1%	***************************************		
Central Coast				228	13.8%	8.3%	250	-3.8%	0.0%			
Rural North West	-			210	0.0%	5.0%	260	4.0%	4.0%			
West Coast				125 *	0.0% ‡	: -16.7% ;	155 *	-4.6%	3.3%	‡		
North West Tasmania	153	-1.6%	1.7%	210	5.0%	5.0%	250	0.0%	0.0%	300	0.0%	7.1%
Inner Launceston				250	2.0%	2.0%	300	7.1%	3.4%			
Outer Launceston				230	-4.2%	9.5%	270	-1.8%	1.9%			
Central North				233	5.7%	1.1%	260	-3.7%	-5.5%			
North East				180	-10.0%	-5.3%	220	-4.3%	0.0%			
Northern Tasmania	168	-1.5%	4.7%	230	0.0%	2.2%	260	-3.7% -	0.0%	318	-0.8% -	5.8% -
Hobart City				320	3.2%	14.3%	395	3.9%	9.7%			
Glenorchy City				250	4.2%	4.2%	300	0.0%	1.7%			
Eastern Shore				280	1.8%	6.7%	299	-0.3%	1.4%			
Kingston Area				293	-0.8%	4.5%	360	4.3%	7.5%			
Central South				235	8.0%	4.4%	260	3.0%	8.3%			
South East				230	3.4%	0.0%	275	-8.3%	-1.8%			
Far South				233	-3.1%	3.3% ‡	270	-3.6%	3.8%			
Southern Tasmania	195	-2.5%	2.6%	268	2.9%	7.0%	310	0.0%	3.3%	390	1.3%	8.3%
Tasmania	180	-0.3%	5.9%	245	2.1%	4.3%	280	0.0%	3.7%	340	0.0%	6.3%

<sup>\*</sup> small data size for this period (10-29 bonds lodged)



<sup>‡</sup> small data size for previous period (10-29 bonds lodged)

## **Explanatory Notes**

#### Methodology

The Rental Deposit Authority collects self reported data on Bond Lodgement Forms when a new bond is lodged. The data is then de-identified and passed on to the Tenants' Union of Tasmania for statistical analysis. Any properties with 6 or more bedrooms are not included in the rental statistics.

#### Issues

- There is no reporting of rents for tenancies without a bond or where the bond is illegally withheld.
- Self reporting may mean that data is incomplete or incorrect.
- In categories with small data sizes, statistics may be influenced by exogenous factors such as the housing quality and multiple late lodgements from previous periods, as well as multiple lodgements from aged care facilities and accommodation at educational institutions. Care is taken to ensure such data does not unduly skew median rents.
- Reported rent takes no consideration of the method used to decide the amount and may be based based on market, income or other considerations.

#### **End Notes**

1. Weighted Median Rent is calculated as 13.8% of the 1 bedroom median rent, 32.6% of 2 bedroom median rent, 43.9% of 3 bedroom median rent and 9.7% of 4/5 bedroom median rent. These percentages reflect the composition of Tasmanian rental properties at the 2011 ABS Census of Population and Housing. North West is the ABS Statistical Division of West and North West (formerly Mersey-Lyell) and is made up of the green shaded areas on the Map (page 1) and the table below. North is the Launceston and North East Statistical Division (formerly Northern) and is shaded yellow, while South combines the Hobart and South East Statistical Divisions (formerly Southern) and is shaded red.

Year Change is defined as the change between this quarter and the corresponding quarter in the previous year.

2. The 16 Areas are defined as:

Area	
Greater Burnie	Pt A of the Burnie ABS Statistical Local Area
Greater Devonport	Pt A of the Devonport ABS Statistical Local Area
Central Coast	Pt A of the Central Coast ABS Statistical Local Area
Rural North West	King Island, Circular Head, Waratah, Wynyard, Kentish & Latrobe Councils + Pt B of the Burnie, Devonport & Central Coast ABS Statistical Local Areas
West Coast	West Coast Council
Inner Launceston	Suburbs of Launceston, East Launceston, South Launceston, West Launceston, Invermay, Trevallyn and Newstead
Outer Launceston	Suburbs of Kings Meadows, Youngtown, Mowbray, Newnham, Norwood, Punchbowl, Prospect, Summerhill, Ravenswood, Riverside and Rocherlea
Central North	Meander Valley, Northern Midlands and West Tamar Councils except suburb of Riverside
North East	George Town, Dorset, Flinders, Break O'Day Councils plus rural Launceston City Council
Hobart City	Hobart City Council
Glenorchy City	Glenorchy City Council plus suburb of Granton
Eastern Shore	Clarence ABS Statistical Local Area except Richmond area
Kingston Area	Pt A of the Kingborough ABS Statistical Local Area
Central South	Central Highlands, Southern Midlands, Derwent Valley (except suburb of Granton) & Brighton Councils plus Richmond Area
South East	Sorell, Glamorgan/Spring Bay and Tasman Councils
Far South	Huon Valley Council plus Pt B of the Kingborough ABS Statistical Local Area

**3.** 1 bedroom and 4/5 bedroom rents for areas are not shown due to consistently small data sizes, resulting in fluctuating rents. Year Change is defined as the change between this quarter and the corresponding quarter in the previous year.

For data queries, contact the Rental Deposit Authority
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