# **Tasmanian Rents**

### September Quarter 2018

from data collected by

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# **HEADLINE FIGURES: Weighted Median Rent Index**<sup>1</sup>

	June Qtr Index	Qtr Change	Year Change
Tasmania	304	up 4.6%	up 8.9%
North West	250	up 3.0%	up 5.6%
North	276	up 2.9%	up 7.7%
South	358	up 1.9%	up 9.4%

MAP: September Quarter 3 Bedroom Median Rent<sup>2</sup> **Greater Burnie Central Coast Greater Devonport** \$258 Qtr: • \$3 Year : • \$18 \$295 Otr: \$2 Year : \$17 \$290 Otr: \$20 Year : \$15 **Inner Launceston** \$330 Qtr: \$5 Year : \$10 **Outer Launceston** \$300 Otr: **\*** \$10 Year : **\*** \$10 **Rural North West** North East \$270 Otr: \$0 Year: \$17 Otr: \$0 \$250 Year: \$0 **Central North West Coast** \$300 Qtr: \$20 Year : \$15 **65**\* Otr: ▲ \$15 Year : ▲ \$5 **Central South** \$320 Otr: • \$20 Year : • \$35 South East \$350 Otr: \$0 Year: • \$30 **Eastern Shore** \$385 Otr: • \$5 Year : • \$25 **Hobart City Glenorchy City** Far South **Kingston Area** 

Qtr: ▲ \$37

\$350 Year: **4**\$45

\$420 Year: \*\$30

**Qtr:** \$0

Qtr: \$0

Year : ▲ \$5

**Qtr:** \$0

Year: ▲ \$20

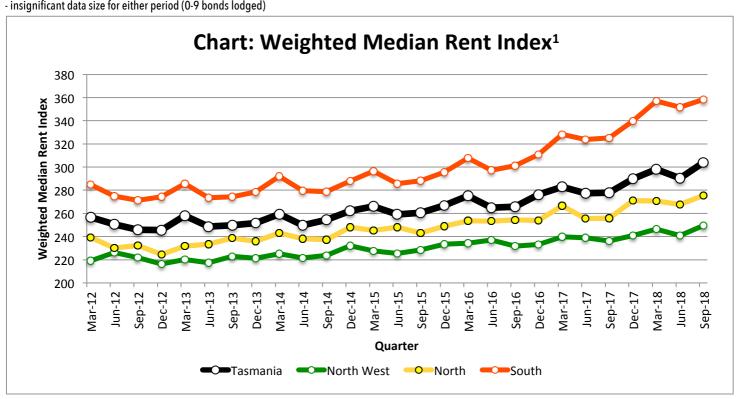
<sup>\*</sup> denotes small data size for this period (10-29 bonds lodged)

Table 1. Weekly Rents for New Bonds - by Area -September Quarter 2018<sup>3</sup>

	1 Bedroom		2 Bedroom			3 Bedroom			4 & 5 Bedrooms				
	Median	% C	hange	Median	%	Change		Median	%	Change	Median	% Cł	nange
Area/Region	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year		\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year
Greater Devonport				245	11%	5%		290	7%	5%			
Greater Burnie				213	-3%	0%		258	1%	7%			
Central Coast				240 *	-4%	‡ 4%	‡	295	1%	6%			
Rural North West				225	-8%	7%		270	0%	7%			
West Coast				130 *	1%	‡ -4%	‡	165 *	10%	‡ 3%			
North West Tasmania	165	3%	-3%	230	0.0%	4.5%		275	5.8%	7.8%	320	0%	7%
Inner Launceston				280	0%	12%		330	-1%	3%			
Outer Launceston				255	6%	6%		300	-3%	3%			
Central North				253	-3%	5%		300	7%	5%			
North East				200 *	0%	0%	‡	250	0%	0%			
Northern Tasmania	170	3%	3%	260	4.0%	8.3%		300	1.7%	7.1%	368	5%	11%
Hobart City				400	0%	8%		500	0%	1%			
Glenorchy City				300	0%	13%		370	0%	6%			
Eastern Shore				345	1%	8%		385	1%	7%			
Kingston Area				340	0%	3%		420	0%	8%			
Central South	***************************************			290	4%	26%	‡	320	7%	12%			
South East				250	-6%	-7%	‡	350	0%	9%			
Far South				280 *	10%	‡ 8%	‡	350	12%	15%			
Southern Tasmania	260	4%	6%	330	0.0%	8.2%		380	0.0%	8.6%	495	13%	18%
Tasmania	210	6.3%	5.0%	280	3.7%	7.7%		330	3.1%	10.0%	400	11.1%	11.1%

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

<sup>-</sup> insignificant data size for either period (0-9 bonds lodged)



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

Table 2. Weekly Rents for New Bonds - by Urban Area - September Quarter  $2018^4$ 

	•	1 Bedroom		2 Bedroom			3 Bedroom			4 & 5 Bedrooms		
	Median	% Ch	ange	Median	% Ch	ange	Median	% Ch	ange	Median	% Ch	ange
Urban Area	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year	\$	Qtr	Year
North West Coast	165	3.1%	-2.9%	240	4.3%	6.7%	280	3.7%	6.1%	330 *	-1.5%	1.5%
Greater Launceston	180	7.5%	5.9%	265	6.0%	6.0%	320	0.0%	6.7%	398	7.4%	8.9%
Greater Hobart	260	4.0%	5.1%	340	0.0%	9.7%	390	0.0%	8.3%	520	15.6%	20.9%

Table 3. Weighted Median Rent Index - by Urban Area - September Quarter 2018<sup>1,4</sup>

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	Mar 18	% Change		
Urban Area	Index	Qtr	Year	
North West Coast	256	3.2%	4.8%	
Greater Launceston	290	3.3%	6.7%	
Greater Hobart	368	2.3%	10.0%	

## **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 (plus 3 new Urban 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.
- 4. The 3 new Urban Areas are defined as:

NEW Urban Areas	
North West Coast	Areas of Greater Burnie, Central Coast and Greater Devonport plus town of Latrobe
Greater Launceston	Areas of Inner Launceston and Outer Launceston
Greater Hobart	Greater Hobart ABS Statistical Area

For data queries, contact the Rental Deposit Authority For statistical queries, contact the Tenants' Union of Tasmania

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