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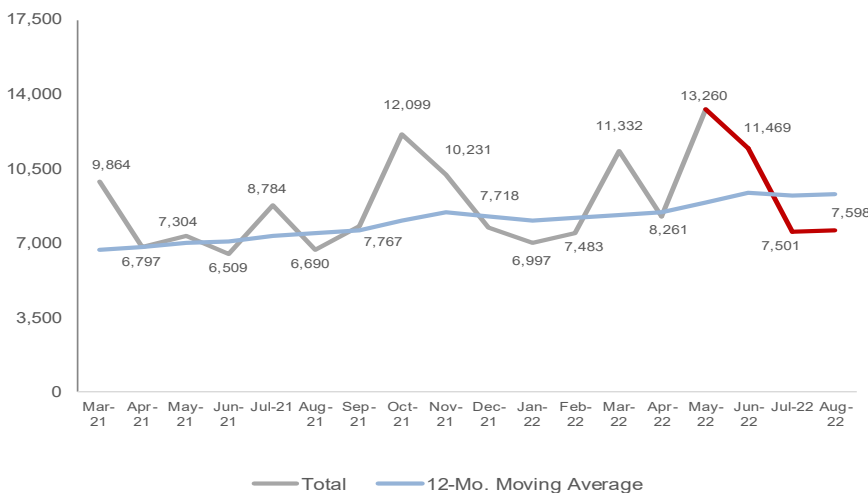
**VICTORIA**  
JUNE 2022 – AUGUST 2022

## ABOUT

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## SNAPSHOT

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS IN AUSTRALIA (MILLION \$)



**Short-term forecast**

- **19 %**  
 Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
 Mar. 2021 - May 2022

**Long-term trend**

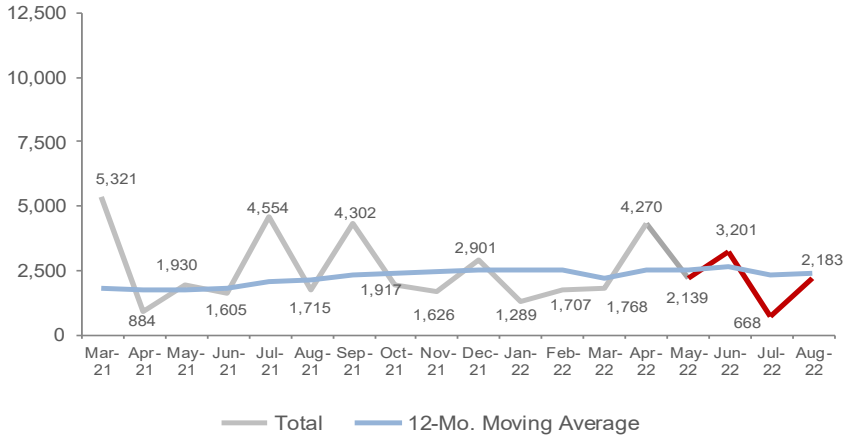
+ **25 %**  
 Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
 Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

## OUTLOOK

The record-low unemployment rate continues to support the economy as job ads and vacancies remain high. According to NAB, the unemployment rate is seen to reach 3.5% by mid-year. On the other hand, the inflation rate has been catching up, recording an annual rate of 5.1% for Q1, up from the previous quarter's (Q4 2021) 3.5%. Because of this, analysts have anticipated a rate hike which materialized early in May, raising the previous 0.10% to 0.35%. Unsurprisingly, consumers' top stressor is the rising cost of living according to the NAB Consumer Sentiment Survey.

The results of the federal election appear to be well received but are still causing some degree of uncertainty as to the continuity of policies, programs, and commitments among others. Total construction starts are steadily increasing as reflected in the long-term reading and the 12-MMA trend. Meanwhile, volatility in recent and forecast months is seen in the short-term comparison at -19%.

### TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS IN VIC (MILLION \$)



#### Short-term forecast

- **26 %**

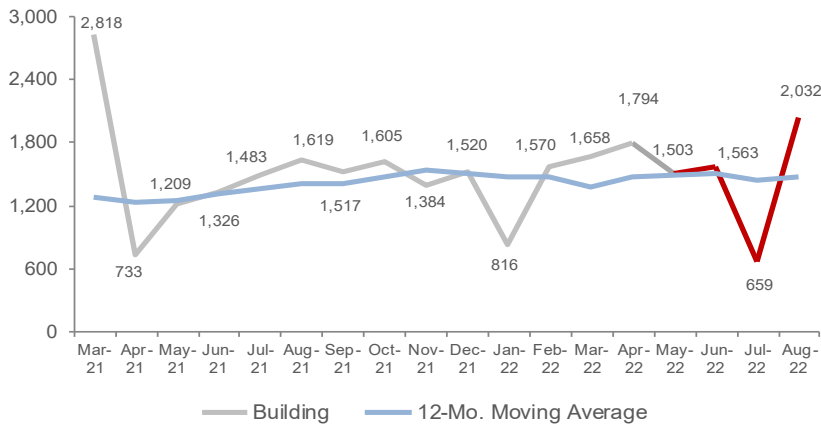
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs. Mar. 2021 - May 2022

#### Long-term trend

+ **10 %**

Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs. Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

### TOTAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION STARTS IN VIC (MILLION \$)



#### Short-term forecast

- **14 %**

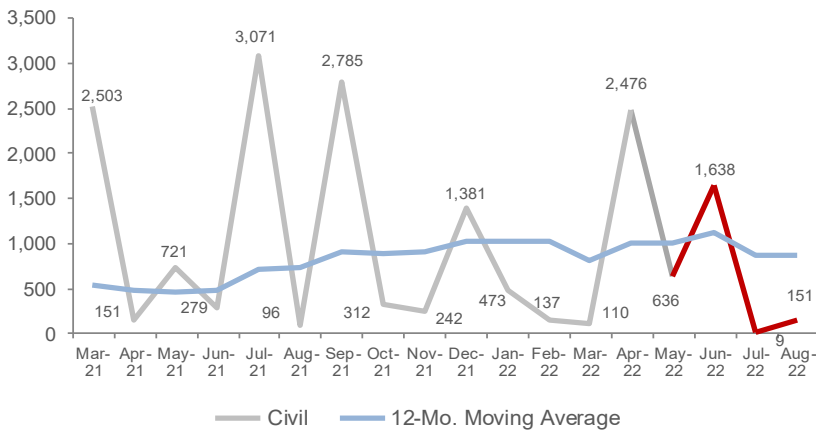
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs. Mar. 2021 - May 2022

#### Long-term trend

+ **5 %**

Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs. Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

### TOTAL CIVIL CONSTRUCTION STARTS IN VIC (MILLION \$)



#### Short-term forecast

- **44 %**

Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs. Mar. 2021 - May 2022

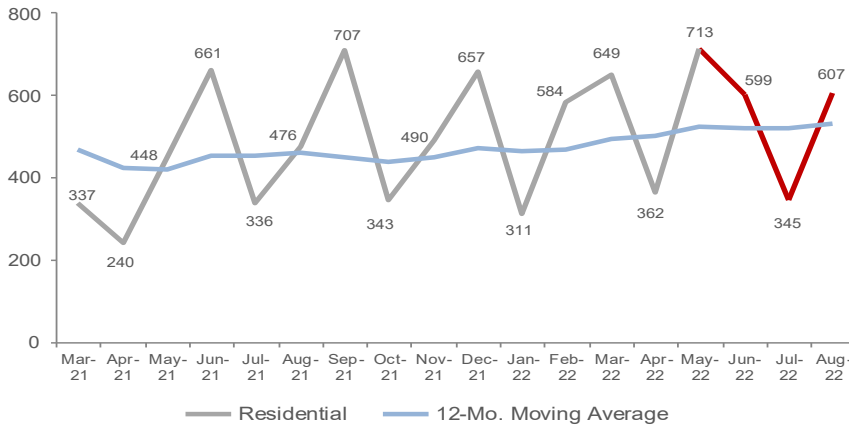
#### Long-term trend

+ **20 %**

Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs. Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

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## TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS RESIDENTIAL IN VIC (MILLION \$)



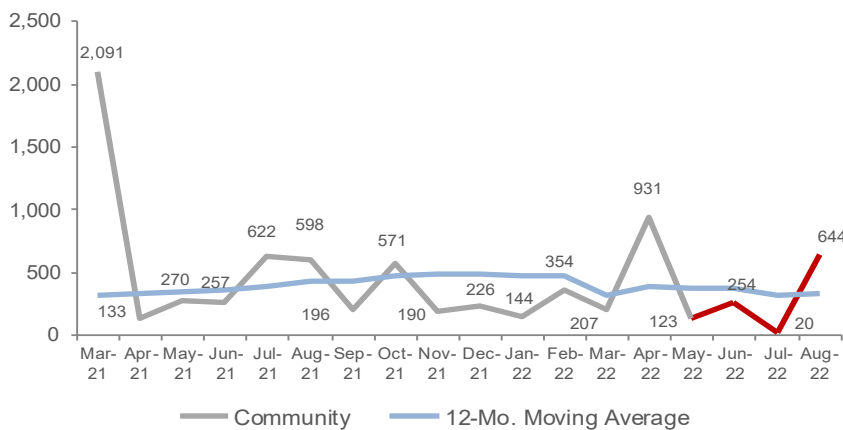
### Short-term forecast

- **10%**  
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
Mar. 2021 - May 2022

### Long-term trend

+ **15%**  
Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

## TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS COMMUNITY\*\* IN VIC (MILLION \$)



\*\* incl. Recreation and Health

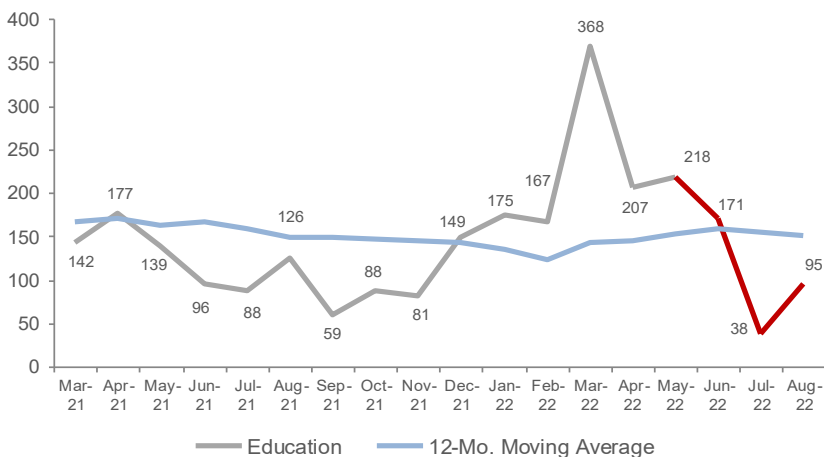
### Short-term forecast

- **27%**  
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
Mar. 2021 - May 2022

### Long-term trend

- **25%**  
Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

## TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS EDUCATION IN VIC (MILLION \$)



### Short-term forecast

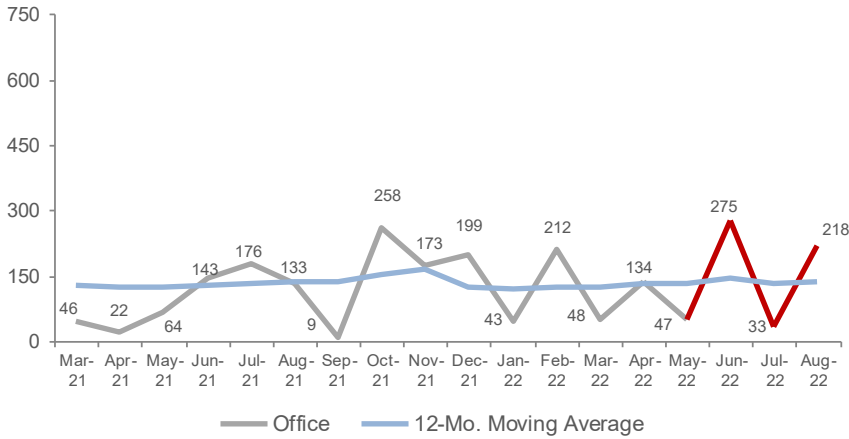
- **62%**  
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
Mar. 2021 - May 2022

### Long-term trend

+ **1%**  
Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs.  
Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

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## TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS OFFICE IN VIC (MILLION \$)



### Short-term forecast

**+ 130 %**

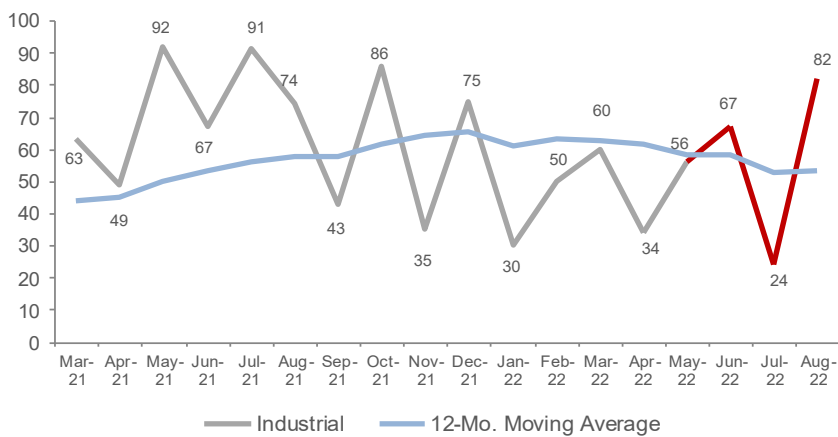
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs. Mar. 2021 - May 2022

### Long-term trend

**+ 2 %**

Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs. Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

## TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS INDUSTRIAL IN VIC (MILLION \$)



### Short-term forecast

**+ 15 %**

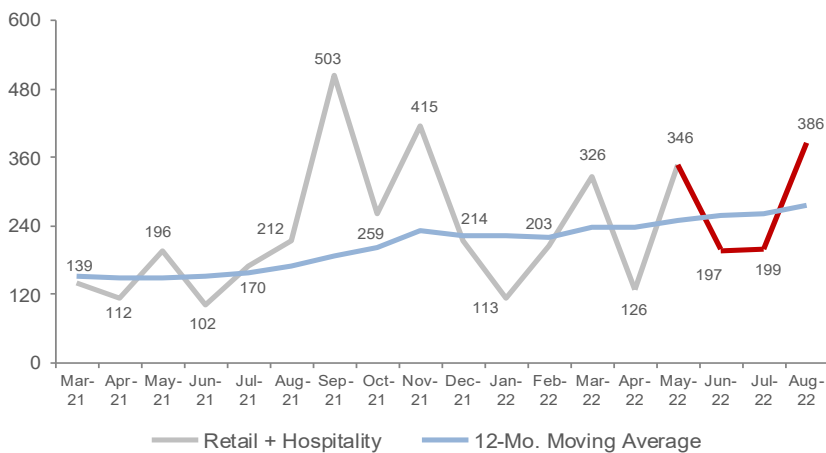
Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs. Mar. 2021 - May 2022

### Long-term trend

**- 7 %**

Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs. Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

## TOTAL CONSTRUCTION STARTS RETAIL/ HOSPITALITY IN VIC (MILLION \$)



### Short-term forecast

**- 2 %**

Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 vs. Mar. 2021 - May 2022

### Long-term trend

**+ 64 %**

Sep. 2021 - Aug. 2022 vs. Sep. 2020 - Aug. 2021

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