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NSW Absent from National top 20 HIA hot spot report

According to the latest HIA Residential 'Hotspots' report released today New South Wales was a notable absentee from the National top 20 list.

The HIA – JELD-WEN Population and Residential Building Hotspots report provides a snapshot of Australia's fastest growing metropolitan and regional areas in the 2010/11 financial year.

A "Hotspot" is defined as a local area where the rate of population growth rate exceeds the national rate (1.4%) and the value of residential building work approved is in excess of \$100 million.

New South Wales registered thirteen individual Hotspots in 2010/11 – just down from the fourteen in 2009/10. All but one of the thirteen hotspots were located in the Greater Sydney region.

Canada Bay – Concord continued to top the list for NSW, for a third consecutive year. However, with population growth of (a still very healthy) 4.4 per cent it ranked 21 in the national Hotspots list. The value of residential building work approved in Canada Bay – Concord in 2010/11 was nearly \$235 million.

Similarly, Blacktown – North maintained its position as the second ranked hotspot in NSW. Population growth in this area was 3.0 per cent, and the value of residential building work approved was an impressive \$237 million. Blacktown ranked 28 nationally.

Camden rounded out the top three with a population growth rate of 2.8 per cent and a total value of residential building work approved of \$268 million. Camden ranked 34 nationally.

"The fact that Australia's most populous state doesn't register in the national top 20 hotspots underscores the need for urgent action to stimulate the NSW residential housing sector," said HIA NSW Executive Director, Mr David Bare.

"Victoria had nine local areas in the top 20, WA five, QLD three, ACT two & NT one. Boosting new housing supply in NSW is crucial to ensure our future economic prosperity," added David Bare.

Below is a list of the Top 20 National Building and Population Hotspots as well as the Building and Population Hotspots for NSW.

For a copy of the full report (media only), which provides a local area breakdown for all states and territories, please contact Kirsten Lewis at k.lewis@hia.com.au or on 02 6245 1393.

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NSW Building and Population Hotspots**

***SLAs with in excess of \$100 million in residential building work approved in 2010/11 and with an annual population growth rate in excess of the national average*

Statistical Local Area	Statistical Divison	Residential Building Approved, 2010/11, (\$'000)	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)
1 Canada Bay (A) - Concord	Sydney	234,509	4.4
2 Blacktown (C) - North	Sydney	236,633	3.0
3 Camden (A)	Sydney	268,376	2.8
4 Auburn (C)	Sydney	222,004	2.4
5 Sydney (C) - South	Sydney	237,546	2.2
6 Parramatta (C) - North-East	Sydney	162,949	2.2
7 Maitland (C)	Hunter	149,701	2.1
8 Holroyd (C)	Sydney	177,077	2.0
9 Liverpool (C) - West	Sydney	110,705	1.9
10 Woollahra (A)	Sydney	148,234	1.8
11 Pittwater (A)	Sydney	150,776	1.6
12 Sydney (C) - West	Sydney	365,935	1.5
13 Kogarah (C)	Sydney	112,876	1.5

National Top 20 Building and Population Hotspots*

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Statistical Local Area	State / Territory	Residential Building Approved, 2010/11 (\$'000)	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)
1 City	ACT	131,692	39.6
2 Whittlesea (C) - North	VIC	717,249	17.4
3 Wyndham (C) - South	VIC	441,308	14.0
4 Griffin-Mango Hill	QLD	106,058	9.9
5 Cardinia (S) - Pakenham	VIC	333,853	9.8
6 Kingston	ACT	117,215	8.1
7 Condon-Rasmussen-Bohle Basin	QLD	167,830	7.6
8 Serpentine-Jarrahdale (S)	WA	108,861	6.9
9 City - Inner	NT	111,480	6.8
10 Wyndham (C) - North	VIC	470,051	6.6
11 Melton (S) - East	VIC	183,490	5.9
12 Casey (C) - Cranbourne	VIC	386,448	5.8
13 Wyndham (C) - West	VIC	152,157	5.6
14 Kingsholme-Upper Coomera	QLD	105,964	5.5
15 Wanneroo (C) - North-East	WA	140,809	5.4
16 Armadale (C)	WA	206,900	5.4
17 Melton (S) Bal	VIC	257,921	5.3
18 Mandurah (C)	WA	213,614	5.3
19 Hume (C) - Craigieburn	VIC	260,400	4.8
20 Wanneroo (C) - North-West	WA	235,109	4.7