

# Coffs Harbour Market Update 1st Half 2022



### **OVERVIEW**

In Q1 2022, Coffs Harbour\* recorded a median house price of \$780,000, and a median unit price of \$549,000. This represents annual (Q1 2021 - Q1 2022) median price growth of 16.4% for houses and 24.5% for units. Between Q1 2021 - Q1 2022 total sales slowed, down by -20.2% for houses (to 71 sales) and by -30.0% for units (to 56 sales). The market is undersupplied, as price growth is alongside lower sales, particularly in the unit market. Now is an ideal time for owner-occupiers and downsizers to capitalise on their investments, and for developers offering ready-to-sell stock to enter the market.



### MARKET CONDITIONS

#### SALES MEDIAN PRICE Q1 2022



#### **RENTAL MEDIAN PRICE** Q1 2022



#### SALES AVERAGE DAYS ON **MARKET Q1 2022**



#### **RENTAL AVERAGE DAYS ON MARKET Q1 2022**



HOUSE

## **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

Coffs Harbour is set to see approximately \$97.0M worth of new projects commencing in the 1st half of 2022.



These projects will stimulate economic growth and create large employment opportunities in Coffs Harbour, which should have a positive spill-over impact on the real estate market.

A main commercial project over the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2022 is the Oaktree Coffs Harbour Development (\$17M). The project is set to add 57 senior living dwellings to Coffs Harbour\*. The Harbour Drive Shop Top Housing is a key mixed-use development. The project aims to provide 95 apartments and 7 retail tenancies.

Key residential projects include: Pacific Highway Subdivision (188 lots, \$8M), West High St Dwellings (7 dwellings, \$1.3M), and Arthur Street Apartments (27 apartments, \$9.8M). These projects does add stock to the current undersupplied market. But there is notably a lower amount of ready-to-sell stand alone houses, which is in high demand.





122 Units/ Apartments

6 Townhouses

**Dwellings** 

188 Lots

### AVERAGE VENDOR DISCOUNT\* KEY COMMENTS

Average vendor discount reflects the average percentage difference between the first list price and final sold price. A lower percentage difference (closer to 0.0%) suggests that buyers are willing to purchase close to the first asking price of a property.



### MARKET COMPARISON

Average vendor discounts between Q1 2021 and Q1 2022 have fluctuated in Coffs Harbour\*, with the market swinging to a premium in mid-2021, indicating buyers were willing to offer higher than the first list price. Q1 2022 saw average vendor discount swing back into the discount range, of -1.0% for houses and -1.9% for units. Sellers are willing to negotiate their initial listing price, in good news for first home buyers.

The suburb of Coffs Harbour has historically provided a slightly more affordable house option than the wider Coffs Harbour Local Government Area (LGA) and onpar with median price for units. This continues to be the case in 2022<sup>#</sup>.

The dominant proportion of homes sold in Coffs Harbour\* across 2022<sup>^</sup> were in the middle range price point of \$700,000 to \$799,000 (27.1%). Units recorded a dominant mid-price point of \$400,000 - \$499,000 (25.5%). There is a relatively balanced percentage of sales in all price brackets, in good news for buyers.



The market comparison graph provides a comparative trend for the median price of houses and units over the past 5 years. The main LGA profiled are chosen based on their proximity to the main suburb analysed, which is Coffs Harbour.

### PRICE BREAKDOWN 2021/22^

### HOUSES SOLD



#### UNITS SOLD





## RENTAL GROWTH 2021€

In March 2022, house rental yields in Coffs Harbour<sup>¥</sup> were recorded at 4.1%. Rental yields in Coffs Harbour may seem lower, this is due to annual median house sale price growth, of 16.4%, outpacing annual median house rental price growth, of 9.8%. That said median house rental price did grow to \$580 per week between Q1 2021 – Q1 2022, with a low average days on the market of 19 days.

3+ bedroom houses have provided investors with +18.3% rental growth annually, achieving a median rent of \$550 per week.

Also in March 2022, Coffs Harbour<sup>¥</sup> recorded a vacancy rate of 0.9%, below that of Coffs Harbour LGA (1.5%) and below that of Sydney Metro (1.6%). Vacancy rates in Coffs Harbour<sup>¥</sup> have increased slightly since October 2021, however still well below the Real Estate Institute of Australia's healthy benchmark of 3.0%, and have remained under 1.0% for the past 18 months. There is a healthy level of rental demand, and investors can be confident of a conducive investment environment.



### **RENTAL VACANCY RATES 2022**



### RENTAL YIELD 2022§



Coffs Harbour<sup>¥</sup> (2450)



Coffs Harbour LGA



Sydney Metro



Coffs Harbour<sup>\*</sup>

(2450)



**Coffs Harbour** 

LGA



Sydney Metro



### TOP DEVELOPMENTS MAP 1st HALF 2022<sup>\*</sup>



Location	Project <sup>£</sup>	Туре	Estimated Value <sup>µ</sup>	Commence DateΨ
1	Oaktree Coffs Harbour (57 dwellings)	Commercial	\$17,019,000	07/02/2022
2	DFM Financial	Commercial	\$278,000	04/02/2022
3	Albany Street Office Building	Commercial	\$5,328,000	08/06/2022
4	The Pines Boarding House	Commercial	\$2,101,000	10/05/2022
5	Airport Drive Aircraft Hangar	Commercial	\$400,000	15/03/2022
6	Aviation Drive Airport	Commercial	\$150,000	19/04/2022
7	Coffs Harbour Airport	Commercial	\$150,000	19/04/2022
8	Coffs Harbour City Council Guardrail Works	Industrial	\$100,000	22/06/2022
9	Coffs Harbour City Council Guardrail Works	Infrastructure	\$400,000	08/02/2022
10	Coffs Harbour Showground	Infrastructure	\$4,000,000	08/02/2022
11	Coffs Harbour Boat Maintenance & Storage Facility & Marine Centre	Infrastructure	\$1,000,000	09/04/2022
12	Coffs Harbour Regional Boat Ramp	Infrastructure	\$500,000	15/05/2022
13	Harbour Drive Shop Top Housing (95 apartments)	Mixed-Use	\$44,369,000	06/06/2022
14	Pacific Highway Subdivision- Elements Coffs Harbour (188 lots)	Residential	\$8,000,000	18/05/2022
15	Arthur Street Apartments (27 apartments )	Residential	\$9,860,000	13/05/2022
16	West High St Dwellings (7 dwellings)	Residential	\$1,365,000	08/03/2022
17	Harbour Drive Townhouses (6 townhouses)	Residential	\$1,170,000	17/03/2022





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\*Coffs Harbour market data and key indicators encapsulates aggregate property market conditions within the Coffs Harbour LGA.

\*\* Estimated values are based on construction value provided by the relevant data authority and does not reflect commercial and/or re-sale value.

# 2022 encapsulates sales transactions for Q1 2022 (01/01/2022 - 31/03/2022) only.

^ 2021/22 encapsulates sales transactions for 2021 & Q1 2022 (01/01/2021 - 31/03/2022).

€ Annual rental growth is a comparison between 2021 (01/01/2021 – 31/03/2021) and 2022 (01/01/2022 – 31/03/2022) house median rent figures.

¥ Coffs Harbour market data encapsulates aggregate property conditions within the postcode of 2450.

§ Rental yields shown are as reported as of March 2022.

A Project development map showcases a sample of upcoming projects only, due to accuracy of addresses provided by the data provider for geocoding purposes.

£ Projects refers to the top developments within the suburbs of Coffs Harbour LGA.

μ Estimated value is the value of construction costs provided by relevant data authority, it does not reflect the project's sale/commercial value.

ψ Commencement date quoted for each project is an approximate only, as provided by the relevant data authority, PRD does not hold any liability to the exact date.

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