

# The Resilience of Property Credit

# Agenda

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La Trobe Financial

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# Awards & Brand Development



340+ employees



Served over  
140,000 clients



Broad Loan  
Product Range



Asia-Pacific's Best  
Credit Fund\*



2017 Strategic  
Partnership

66+ Years  
of continuous  
operation

140,000  
customers  
since 1952

\$17 billion+  
total investment  
mandates

\$10 billion+  
Loan applications  
assessed each year

10x  
Award-winning Credit  
Fund *Money Magazine*

2019\*  
Wealth Management Company  
of the Year & Credit Specialist of  
the Year - Asia Pacific



# Funding Sources

- La Trobe Financial builds strong and diversified funding sources to meet growth prospects.
- Substantial wholesale funding lines from the largest banks in Australia and international banks combine with capital market securitisation transactions, its A\$3.0b retail Credit Fund, and corporate debt facilities and cash to provide necessary debt finance.
- A diversified range of funding sources gives support to lending growth and maintains liquidity during times of cyclical liquidity distress in particular markets.
- Current capacity across group funding lines is approximately A\$2.0b - monthly settlements average c\$350m resulting in 12 months headroom.
- La Trobe Financial expects to be a regular RMBS issuer with approximate current RMBS outstanding A\$2.0b.
- Adequate head room is maintained across all funding lines commensurate with current expected loan settlement run rates.





# Our Asset Class: Property Credit

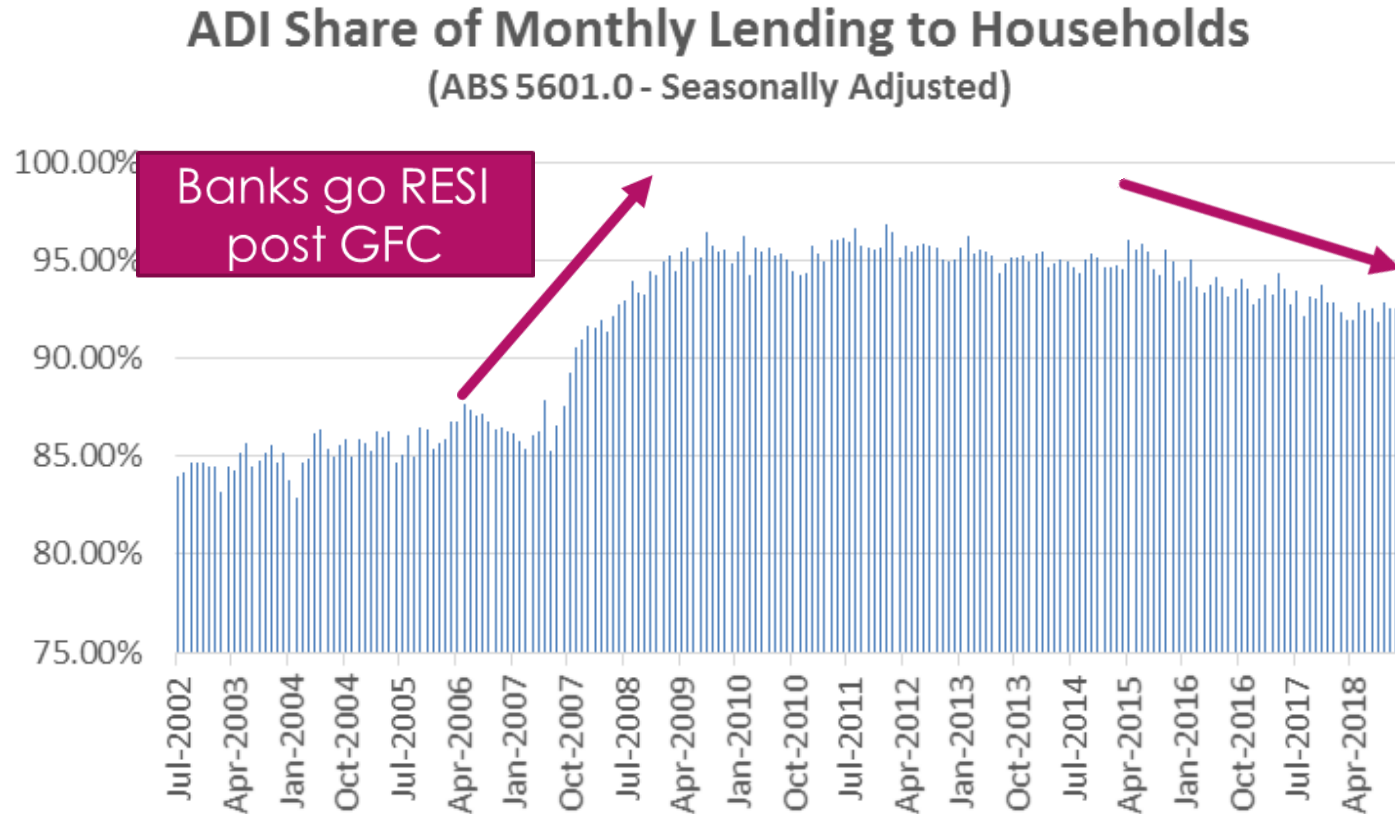
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# Property Credit

- Market size: \$2.5 tn (December 2018)
  - Residential mortgages: \$1.78 tn
  - Commercial Mortgages: \$658 bn
- Residential credit growth slowing (6% YoY)
- ADI Market Share peaked in December 16 (93.6%) and returning to historical norms (circa 80%?)
- Owner-occupied credit now driving market

# Rise of the Non-Banks...

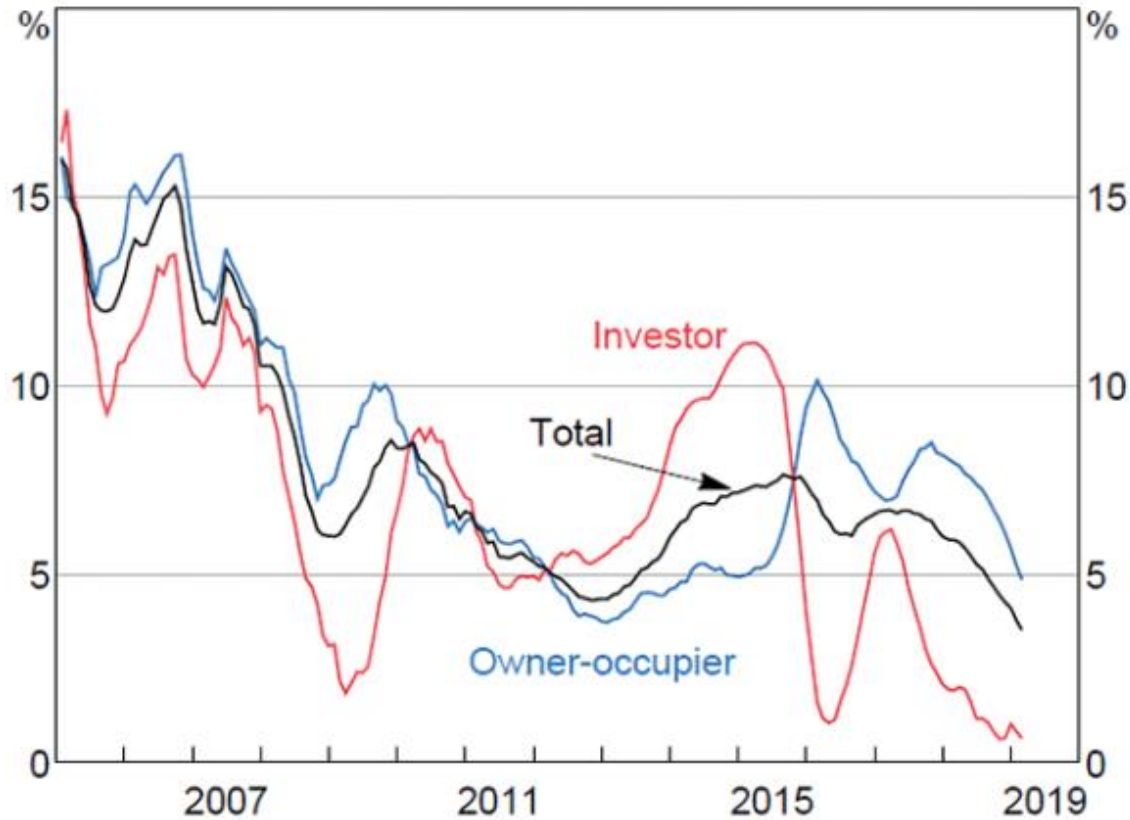


- ADIs still hold over 93% of housing stock
- Non banks appear to be increasing market share, but yet to reflect significantly in ABS Stats



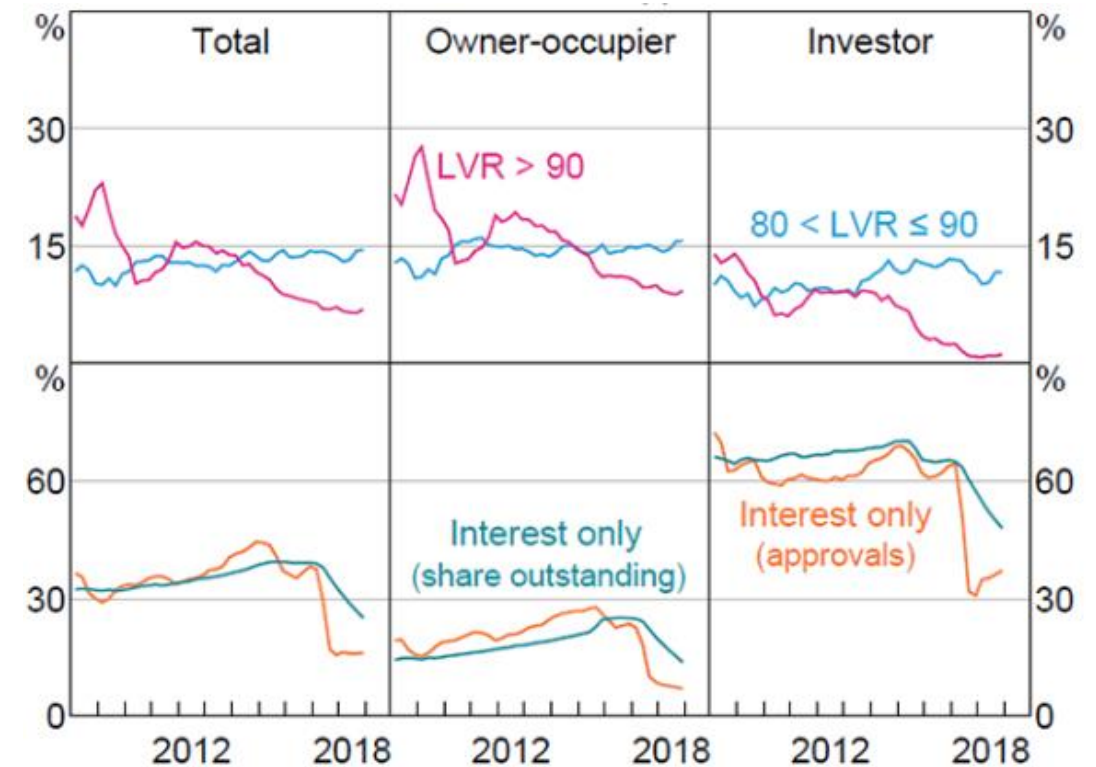
# Property Credit

## Property Credit Growth



Sources: APRA; RBA

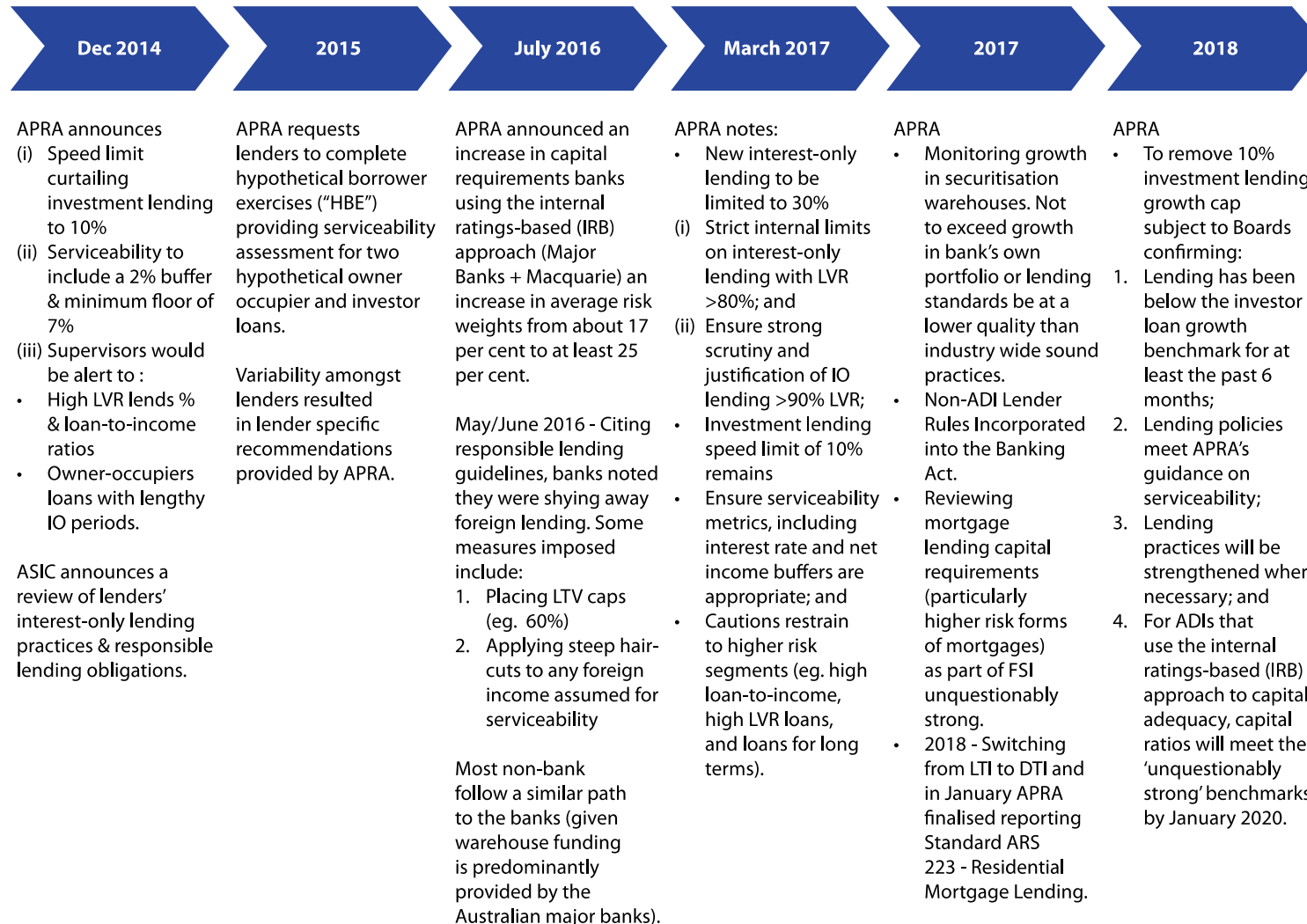
## Property Credit – improving characteristics



\* Series are break-adjusted for reporting changes; interest-only series are seasonally adjusted

Sources: APRA; RBA

# Macro-Prudential Reform



# The Royal Commission: Summary of key issues

Royal Commission Discussion Points	La Trobe Financial Response
<b>Serviceability</b> Lenders criticised for over-reliance on benchmarks (HEM & HPI) and inadequate verification of expenses.	<p>La Trobe Financial has a multi-step verification process including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multi-point collection of living expenses (9 categories);</li> <li>• Rigorous validation process including investigation of unusual or low amounts;</li> <li>• Telephone interview direct with the applicant; and</li> <li>• Using the higher of validated living expenses and HPI.</li> </ul>
<b>Manual vs Automated Underwriting</b> Banks have been criticised for applying insufficient rigour to loan assessment processes using AU (viz: Westpac v ASIC enforcement action).	<p>Our approach is to have at least two (2) experienced and skilled credit analysts assess the merits of each loan application. We do not use automated credit scores and we do not apply mechanical or automated decision making processes. The loan assessment process includes analysis of key risk areas such as suitability of overall loan characteristics and suitability of any interest only periods. Key data points such as income and expenses are manually verified.</p>
<b>Broker Remuneration</b> The use of introducers and the approach to commission payment structures, which has included volume based incentives, has been brought into question.	<p>La Trobe Financial do not use introducers and all brokers must be a member of a regulatory body such as the FBAA. La Trobe Financial does not have any volume based incentive arrangements in place with brokers or aggregators. We anticipate a move away from trail commissions. No material impact is anticipated on our business model.</p>
<b>Aggregators</b> A focus on the role of brokers within the broader mortgage industry along with their ability to mitigate fraud risk and conflict of interest.	<p>Aggregators have been self-policing their members via a greater focus on loan file reviews and compliance checks. Aggregators are reporting increased feedback from lenders in relation to performance of individual brokers.</p>

# Property Markets

## Index results as at 30 June 2019

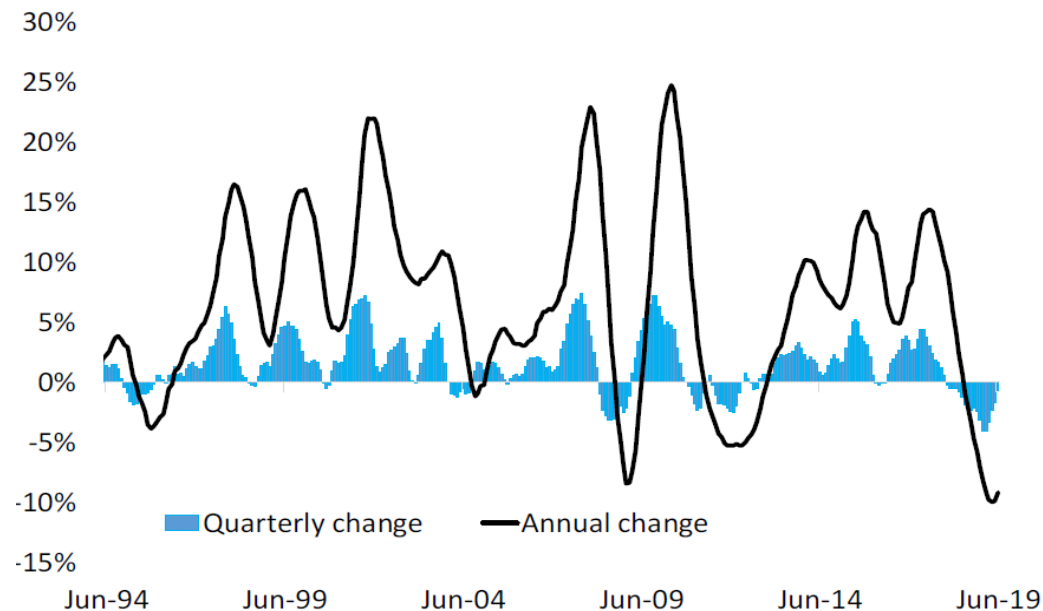
	Change in dwelling values				Median price (all)	Rental yield (all)
	Month	Quarter	Annual	Since peak		
Sydney	0.1	-1.1	-9.9	-14.9	\$ 777,693	3.5
Melbourne	0.2	-0.6	-9.2	-10.9	\$ 619,383	3.7
Brisbane	-0.6	-1.4	-2.6	-2.9	\$ 486,121	4.6
Adelaide	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3	-1.0	\$ 430,654	4.5
Perth	-0.7	-2.1	-9.1	-19.8	\$ 439,732	4.3
Hobart	0.2	-1.1	2.9	-1.1	\$ 453,033	5.2
Darwin	-0.9	-3.6	-9.3	-30.1	\$ 387,382	6.0
Canberra	-0.9	-0.7	1.4	-1.1	\$ 585,193	4.8
Capitals	-0.1	-1.1	-8.0	-10.2	\$ 590,431	3.9
Regional	-0.4	-0.9	-3.1	-3.4	\$ 374,991	5.1
National	-0.2	-1.0	-6.9	-8.4	\$ 516,713	4.1

Corelogic: Home Value Index

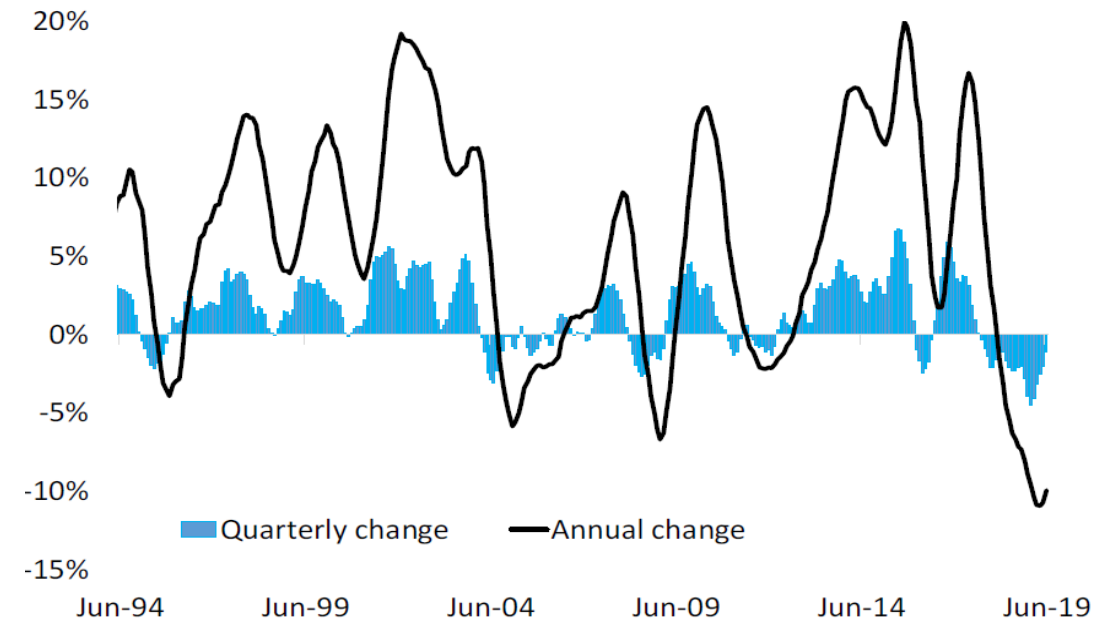
- Orderly correction of July 2017 – early 2019 appears to be nearing its end.
- Sydney and Melbourne now showing MoM house price growth
- Auction clearance rates in Sydney & Melbourne strengthening significantly.
- Sentiment change following election result has buoyed investors – still too early to show in official statistics.
- Overall strong long-term demand/supply fundamentals support values and provide protection against disorderly retracement
- We expect a subdued but broadly stable and predictable market on aggregate basis with pockets of softness to persist.
- LTF not bullish – decline has been orderly as predicted and comfortable with low growth in values as markets appear to hit bottom.

# Property Markets – key cities turning the corner?

Quarterly and annual change in dwelling values - Melbourne



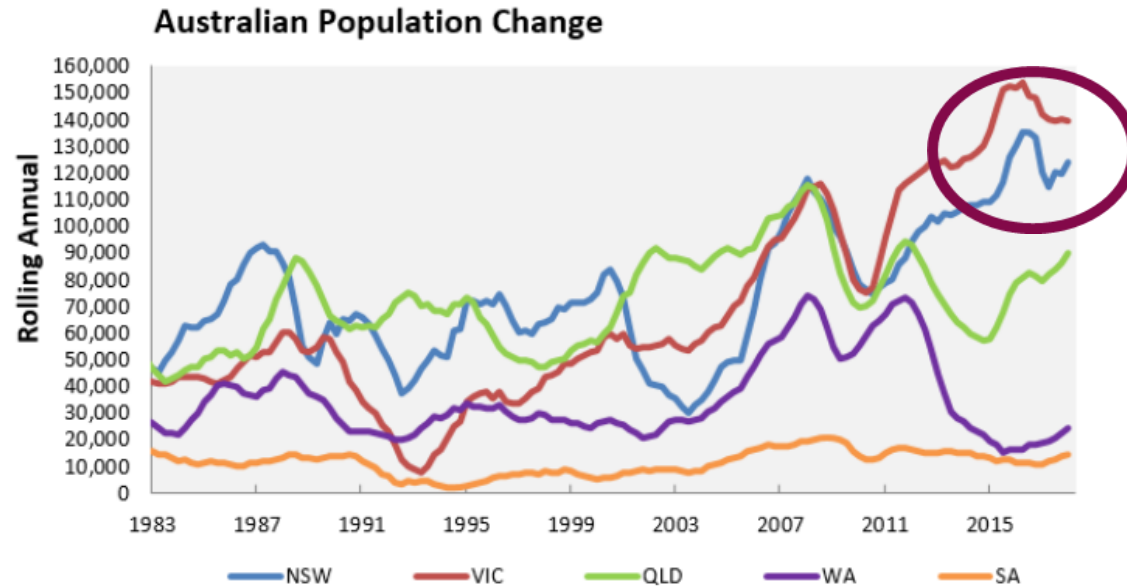
Quarterly and annual change in dwelling values - Sydney



Source: CoreLogic



# Population Growth



Source: Macrobusiness, June 2019

**New Home Sales – Last 5 years**

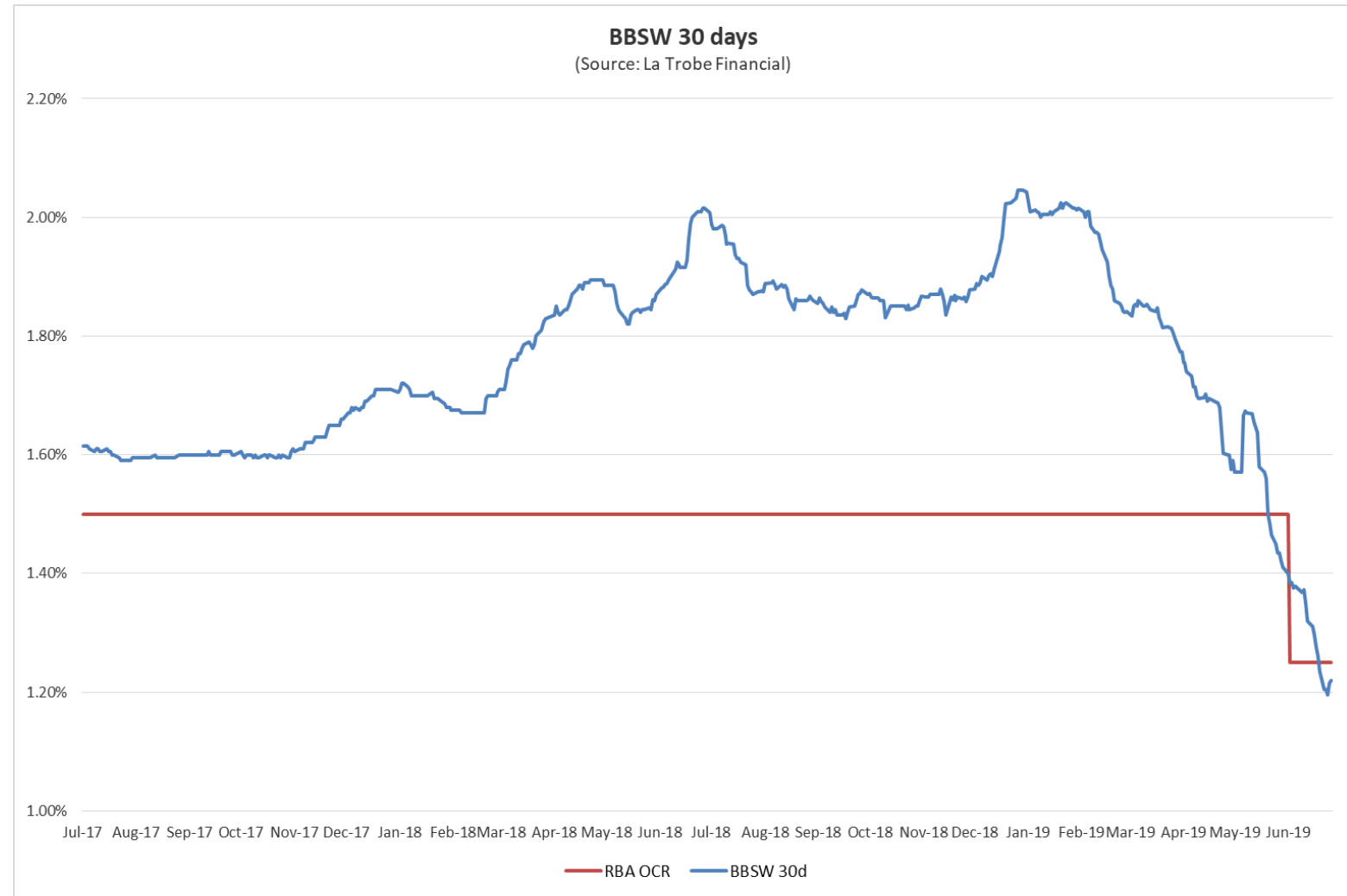


Source: Trading Economics, July 2019

*Incorporating increasing new home sales, expect housing in SYD/MEL to work back towards structural shortfall – potentially as soon as 1H FY20 (later this year!). Expect the housing discussion to move back towards affordability challenges in the medium term.*

# Funding Costs

- BBSW (bank bill swap rate) is the key market index and basis for fund costs
- Historically tracks at relatively stable margin over OCR
- Nov 17-Jan 19 saw divergence between 30d BBSW & OCR.
- Causes include rising US interest rates and reduced liquidity in the domestic market (bank levy, US Tax Cuts & Jobs Act - 8% tax on repatriation – down from 35%)
- Lenders re-priced retail book in response –albeit in a constrained manner due to Royal Commission and reputational risks issues
- 2019 has seen convergence by mean reversion
- Current low BBSW suggests rates 'lower for longer'.
- Watch for benchmark changes (LIBOR, BBSW) – from 2021 LIBOR will not be supported by FCA – work continues on replacement reference rates for circa \$350 trillion of derivatives
- Current environment beneficial for property credit however intensifies modern thematic of difficulty for investors to gain meaningful returns from investments.
- Funding costs and Interest Rates fundamental challenge for investors.





# The La Trobe Australian Credit Fund

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# La Trobe Australian Credit Fund

## La Trobe Financial Credit Fund Five investment options

Pooled options

Peer-to-Peer(P2P) option

### Classic 48 hour Account

Access to funds generally available within 2 business days

**2.60%<sup>\*#</sup>**  
p.a. var

Segregated pool of assets

### 90 Day Notice Account

Access to funds generally available within 90 days

**3.10%<sup>\*#</sup>**  
p.a. var

Segregated pool of assets

### 12 Month Term Account

12 month term investment

**5.20%<sup>\*</sup>**  
p.a. var

Segregated pool of assets

### High Yield Credit Account

Investing for 4 year term investment

**6.70%<sup>\*</sup>**  
p.a. var

Segregated pool of assets

### Select Investment Account

Investing for term Peer-to-Peer

from  
**6.00%<sup>\*</sup>**  
p.a. var

Investment in specified asset(s)



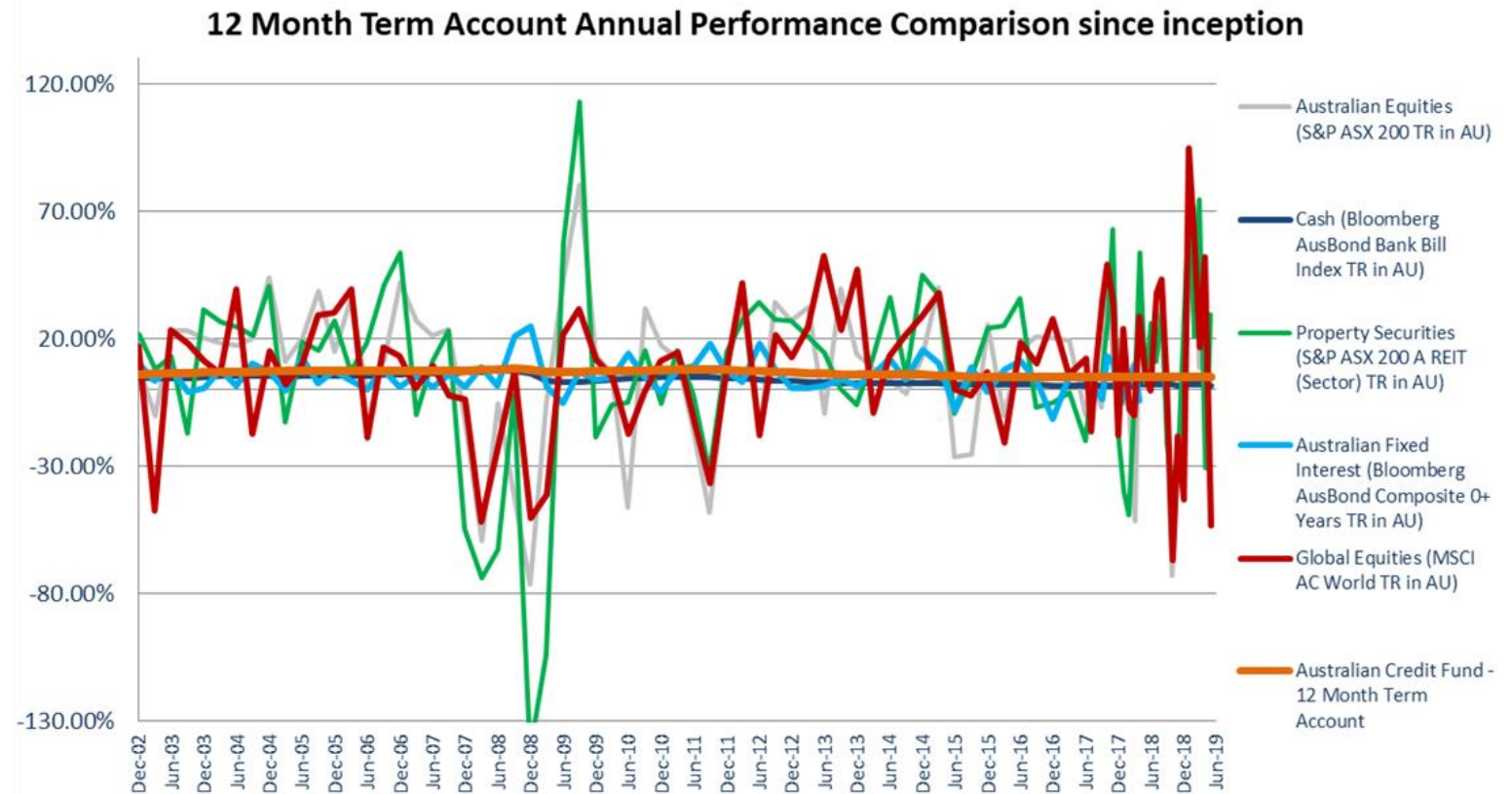
# Key Statistics – La Trobe Australian Credit Fund

## Credit Fund

- Total FUM: \$3.5 bn
- # investors: 38,000

## 12 Month Term Account

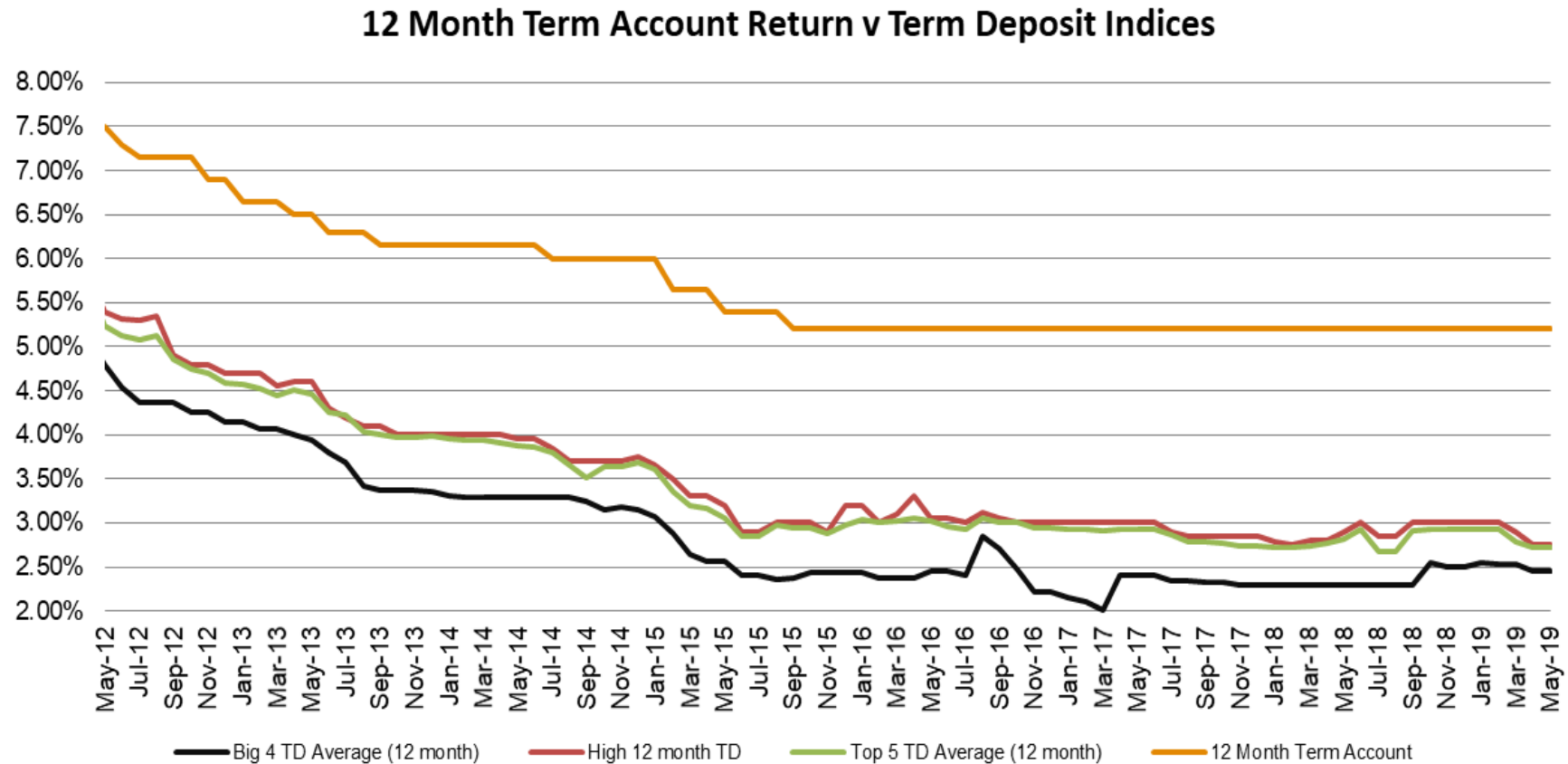
- 12 Month Term FUM: \$2.3 bn
- Inception: October 2002
- WAV LVR: 62.0%
- Current yield: 5.20% p.a. var (monthly)
- Last yield adj: September 2015





# Performance

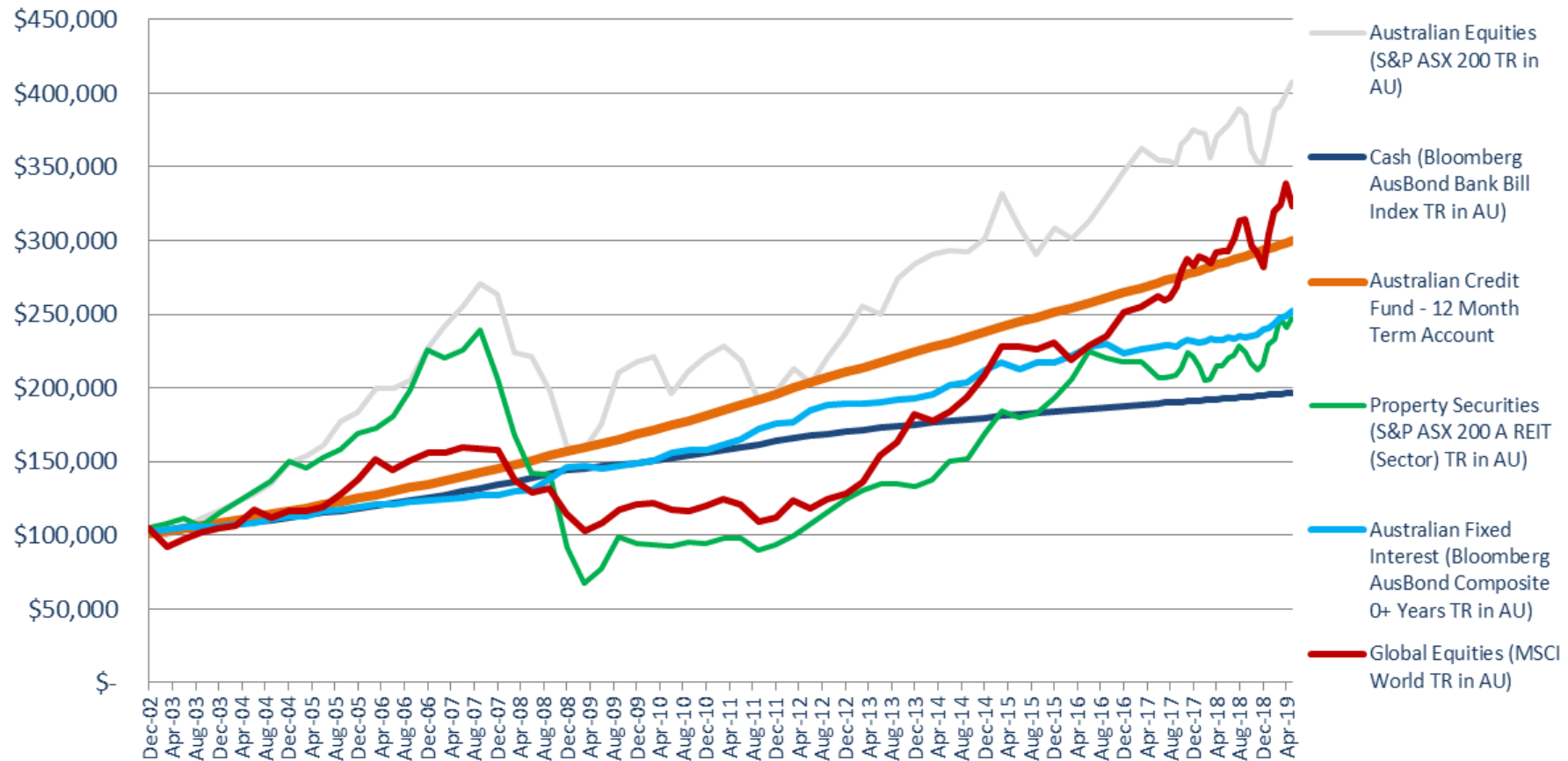
Sustained outperformance of Top Five 12 month term (average) deposits.



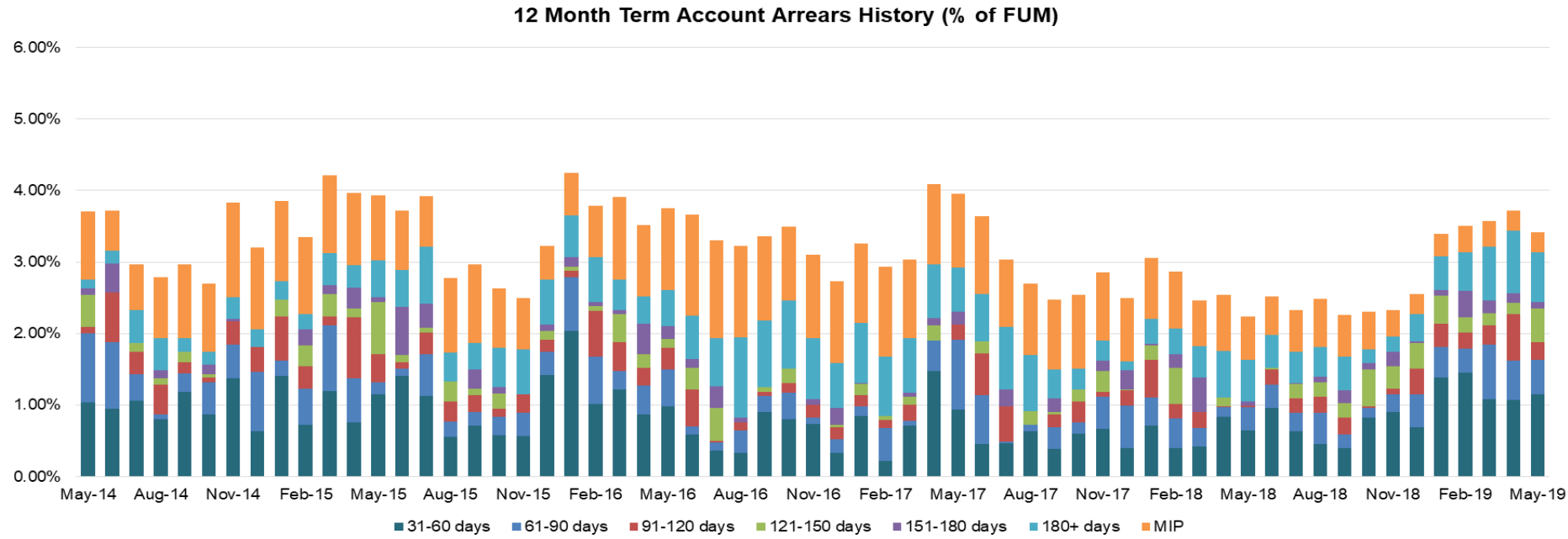
An investment in the 12 Month Term Account is not a term deposit with a bank and has a different risk profile. You should take this into account when considering an investment in the Fund.

# Performance

## 12 Month Term Account Accumulation Comparison since inception



# 12 Month Term Account - Arrears



Shortfall History - 12 Month Term Account	31 May 2019
PERIOD	Annualised Losses (% of FUM)
1 year	0.14%
3 years	0.16%
5 years	0.13%
7 years	0.13%
Since Inception	0.12%

# Peer to Peer - Investment Innovations



**West Melbourne, VIC**  
Commercial Industrial

**Available Investment:**  
\$228,930

Return	LVR	Months
6.29	65.00	28
Variable		remaining

[More info >](#)



**Wulkuraka, QLD**  
Residential – Construction

**Available Investment:**  
\$253,363

Return	LVR	Months
8.30	58.58	13
Fixed		remaining

[More info >](#)



**Chiswick, NSW**  
Residential – Owner Occup

**Available Investment:**  
\$845,000

Return	LVR	Months
6.19	75.00	55
Variable		remaining

[More info >](#)

## Request SPDS:

If you would like to invest in this property please fill in your details below and click the request spds button. This will send an email to La Trobe Financial with your details and an SPDS will be emailed to you.

☐ New Investor

☒ Existing Investor

Amount to invest:

Investor Number

Account Name

Phone

Email

Special Instructions

Request SPDS

Close

# High Yield Credit Account

## Investment Return

6.70%p.a (variable)

## Investment Objective

Provide Retail Investors access to a class of credit investments which historically has only been available to institutional and professional investors.

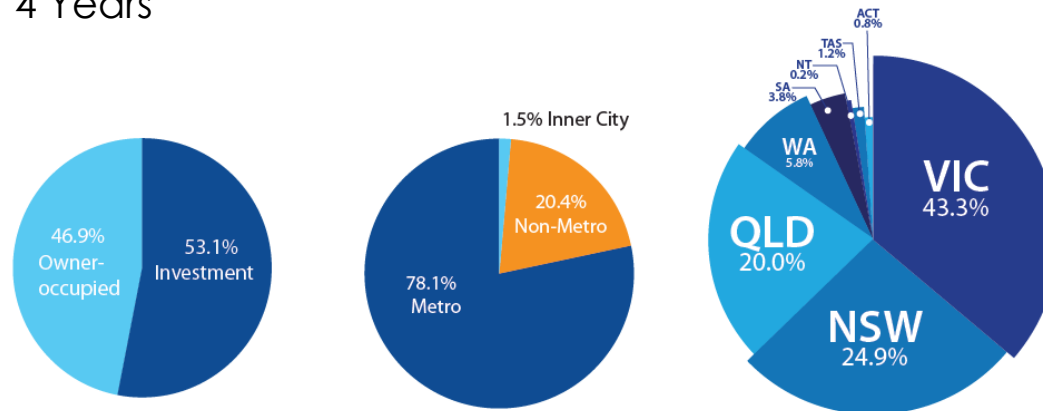
## Minimum Investment

\$250,000

## Investment Term

4 Years

## Portfolio composition





# Wealth Management Team



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# Conclusions

1. Property credit remains a resilient asset class
2. Asset class fundamentals are controlled and improving
3. Investor demand is strong at retail and institutional levels
4. La Trobe Financial products available on:
  - APLs: 250
  - Platforms: CFS, MQG, IOOF, AMP, Netwealth, Hub24 etc

# Awards & Ratings



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2013, 2014, 2015,  
2016, 2017, 2018, 2019



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