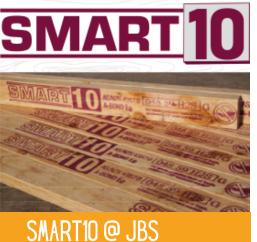


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JOHNS CLUB 2025

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We look forward to another year of working together and great moments with you all.

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JOHNS CLUB FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION 2025



2025 AFL SEASON: SEVEN ROUNDS IN AND NO ONE KNOWS ANYTHING

If the first seven rounds of the 2025 AFL season have shown us anything, it's that the footy scriptwriters have thrown the rulebook out the window.

Collingwood sits pretty on top, while the Lions are hanging in just behind—scrappy, but effective. The SUNS are the real shock, lighting up third spot despite a game in hand, while the Hawks and Crows are circling close behind. The Bulldogs hold onto eighth by a paw, with Freo nipping at their heels.

Meanwhile, Port, Carlton and Essendon are stuck in no-man's-land, and it's all gone sideways for the Swans, Dees and Eagles—who are locked in a battle for who can disappoint their fans more. The Johns Club Footy Tipping Competition? A total minefield. Tipsters beware—predictability has officially left the building.

JOHNS CLUB FOOTY TIPPING CHAOS IN THE EARLY ROUNDS

After seven chaotic rounds of footy, it's Jezarrr who's keeping the coolest head in the chaos—sitting on top of the Johns Club Footy Tipping ladder with 94 points. Julesmw is just two tips behind and clearly playing the long game, given their sky-high margin of 248.

There's a tight tussle for third between DROPICK123 and DBM Steve on 90 points, while a logjam of tipsters from fifth to eighth sit equal on 88, all within striking distance. Rounding out the top 10, Toby79 and Slittle are neck-and-neck on 86, hoping a big round eight will launch them back into contention. It's tight at the top—and one rogue round could flip it all.

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1	Jezzarrr	94	174
2	Julesmw	92	248
3	DROPKICK123	90	162
4	DBM Steve	90	199
5	Whitey Queen	88	168
6	Pat W	88	193
7	Magpie2369	88	196
8	Blacky74	88	198
9	T oby79	86	197
10	Slittle	86	197 M A V

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	140	and		33.5	25			10			
	190	45		31.8	24						
	290			29.6	22.4						
MGP 10	70 to 140	35	10000	17	7.7	18	2.6	10	0.5	500	JD5 ⁽¹⁾
	190	and		16	7.1	18	2.5				
	240	45		15	6.6	17	2.4				
	290	40		14	6.1	16	2.3				
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- 1. If heart excluded, Joint Group is JD4
- For beams with a depth greater than 90 mm, f'b has been multiplied by (90/d) 1.62 where d is the depth of the member
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WE HEARD FROM THE POLITICIANS; NOW ECONOMISTS OFFER THEIR HOUSING FIX

Removing stamp duty, ramping up modular home construction, clearing the way for foreign tradies, cutting excessive taxes for developers and building regional infrastructure would help deliver the muchneeded supply of new homes, say economists and analysts.

These are among an array of suggestions from economists and analysts polled in The Australian Financial Review's latest quarterly property survey, following the major parties' launch of their signature election policies, including for housing.

Boosting the supply of new homes is key to making housing more accessible.

Those policies lean heavily on the demand side – Dutton's mortgage deductibility policy and Labor's 5 per cent home deposit policy – drawing criticism that such initiatives would drive prices higher, making Australia's housing affordability problems worse.

Instead, the federal government should direct whatever powers and incentives it can muster to encourage new supply rather than stoking buyer demand, survey respondents said. The next federal government should "move in the opposite direction to the current federal policy thrust", said Maree Kilroy, senior economist at Oxford Economics Australia.

"Dial back existing support and concessions and use the receipts of this to fund investment that opens up developable land and drives increased competition from developers," she said.

As well, Canberra should incentivise state and local government planning to meet peak new housing demand rather than average demand. It should also encourage state governments towards more efficient taxation and infrastructure funding models that "dial back upfront costs for new housing", she said.



PLANNING AND ZONING CONSTRAINTS

Canberra's limited capacity to directly affect supply, rather than demand, was widely noted by respondents. It is state and local governments which have the most control over planning and zoning constraints that often restrict housing supply, they noted. "However, they do have much greater budgetary capacity than other levels of government and should use this to incentivise state governments to transition from stamp duty regime to a broad-based land tax," said Knight Frank chief economist Ben Burston.

"Stamp duty is a damaging form of taxation which discourages people at all stages of life from moving house."

Nicola Powell, Domain chief of research and economics, said the next federal government could mitigate the overall tax burden of residential development by deploying the lever of GST, exempting house construction from that impost.

"New housing is one of the most highly taxed and regulated sectors in the economy, with taxes making 20 per cent to 40 per cent of the cost of every new home built. This considerable tax burden discourages construction, leading to fewer new homes, increased rents, and a decline in homeownership," she said. Such initiatives could be tackled at a housing summit, convened by the next federal government with the states, to coordinate the phasing out of stamp duty nationally and its replacement with a

land tax, said SQM Research founder Louis Christopher. A phase-out of negative gearing over the medium term on existing dwellings – while retained for new dwellings – should also be on the agenda, along with a significant reduction in construction levies and an increased oversight of the building industry "in order to improve buyer confidence in the construction sector", Christopher said.

INDUSTRY NEWS

Proptrack's executive manager for economic research, Angus Moore, also highlighted the role Canberra could play in managing a transition from stamp duty.

"This would help remove a key barrier against people moving home and encourage better utilisation of the houses we already have. Given how significant stamp duty revenue is for the states, federal support is likely necessary to make the transition," he said.

The federal government has a critical role to play through infrastructure investment as well, according to Benjamin Martin-Henry, MSCI's Pacific research chief.

"One of the most effective ways to address housing supply is by unlocking more land in regional areas - but that only works if we invest in the infrastructure to connect people to jobs," he said.

IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT BUILDING HOMES

"A transformative policy would be committing to high-speed rail between major cities and regional centres. If people can get from places like Newcastle, Wollongong, or the Central Coast to Sydney in under an hour, we instantly expand the feasible housing footprint. It's not just about building homes – it's about building access, opportunity, and long-term resilience into our cities."

Survey respondents flagged initiatives to accelerate the construction process itself, not least by boosting the supply of qualified tradies, including from overseas.

"Streamlined visa processes for in-demand construction trades could help attract the necessary talent, ensuring that projects are completed on time and on budget," Domain's Powell said.

Innovation in construction methods – through artificial intelligence, robotics, and prefabrication – is also critical to boosting housing supply, said respondents, including Powell and Ray White chief economist Nerida Conisbee.

"Implementation should encourage modular construction methods, less customisation of homes, and alternative building materials to increase efficiency," Conisbee said.

"Additionally, policy should incentivise higher-density development that better aligns with changing household demographics, particularly the growing number of single-person households."

Conisbee also called out the need for foreign capital to help fund the target of 1.2 million over the five years set by federal Labor.

"Foreign investment, though politically unpopular, needs serious reconsideration given its critical role in funding end-product purchases," she said.

"The last time Australia came close to delivering 1.2 million homes in five years coincided with record levels of foreign investment, suggesting current targets remain unrealistic without similar capital flows."

Australian National University associate professor Ben Phillips agreed that most levers to boost supply were at the state and local level, while the federal government could help with financial incentives.

"However, ultimately, it's been the case for decades that the main delivery of new housing stock will be the private sector and for that to happen you need a private sector that is confident in the economy, and perhaps ironically a strong outlook for residential property, which unfortunately translates into higher house prices.

"Expectations of house price falls and a weak property market won't get builders and developers over the line on new developments."

Economists and property market analysts tipped a median price rise of around 5 per cent nationally this calendar year. Stronger demand, fuelled by falling interest rates, would be blunted by the relative unaffordability of homes after several years of strong growth, they said.

"Easier monetary policy is the main factor driving price growth in our view - we expect three cuts this year - along with the ongoing mismatch between high demand and low supply," said Jarden chief economist Micaela Fuchila.

Another mitigating factor, noted by several respondents, was the flow-on into household confidence from uncertainty in global markets disrupted by trade wars.

"Trump's tariff shock also risks constraining buyers and so poses a near-term threat of a reversal in prices," said AMP chief economist Shane Oliver.

"We see home prices rising around 3 per cent in 2025. Lower rates and even more generous measures for first home buyers regardless of who wins the federal election should start to drive a more decisive upswing in prices from later this year."

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Paslode (3 – 4.5%)
Melamine Shelving (approx 4%)

1st June 2025

Corinthian Doors Macsim Fasteners (approx 5%)

1st July 2025

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