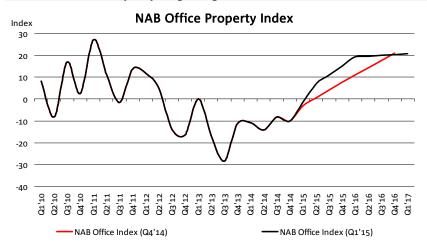
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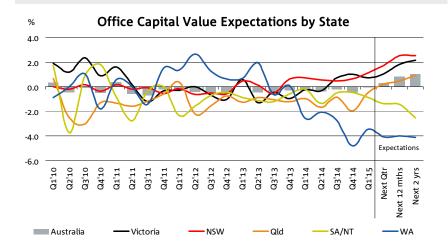
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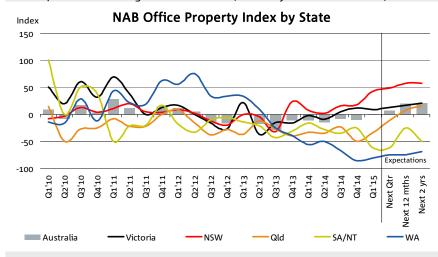
Office market sentiment improves in Q1'15, but still overall negative (-2 points). Confidence also stronger and improving more rapidly than predicted in Q4'14 survey (particularly in the short-term). This suggests that market recovery may be gaining momentum.



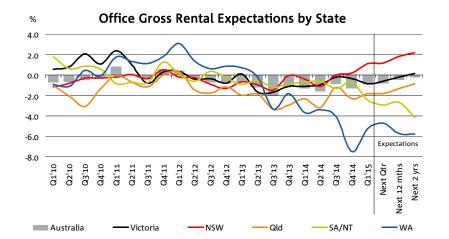
Office values rising in NSW & VIC, down heavily in WA and falling in SA/NT & QLD. Overall capital growth to remain moderate in next 1-2 yrs, with rising values in NSW, VIC & QLD offset by ongoing falls in WA & SA/NT.



However, there is big variance as to where each state market currently sits. Sentiment in WA, SA/NT & QLD continues to languish in deeply negative territory, but is positive in NSW (and improving) & VIC (but lower). Outlook strongest in NSW & VIC, but very weak in WA & SA/NT.



NSW was the only state reporting income returns in Q1'15, Weak tenant demand and over-supply having big negative impact in WA. Best returns expected in NSW & VIC in next 1-2 yrs. Negative in WA, SA/NT & QLD.



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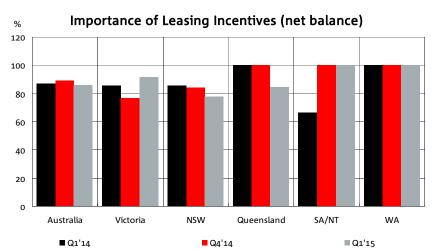
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Improving vacancy profile in NSW offset by rising vacancy in all other markets. VIC & NSW now tightest markets. Weak demand associated with mining slow down and over-supply negatively impacting vacancy in WA & QLD, with double digit rates persisting in next 1-2 yrs.

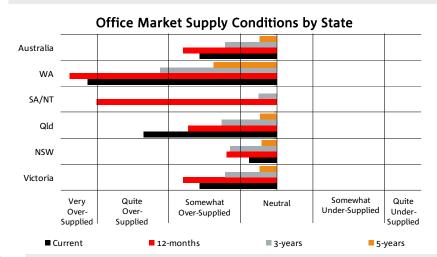
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The importance of incentives in office markets in NSW and QLD have reduced, but are still at very high levels. Incentives increased in VIC and remain very high in WA & SA/NT.

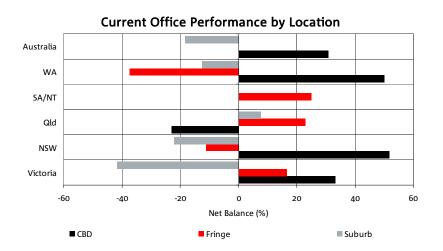
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Over-supply of office space prevalent in all states (bar NSW). Over-supply remains a very big issue in WA (and is expected to remain so for the next 3 years). Over-supply also an issue in QLD, where further supply additions are already in the pipeline.

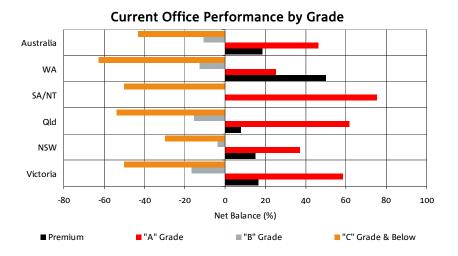


CBD the best performing location in all states bar QLD & SA/NT where Fringe considered best, Suburbs under-performing in VIC, NSW & WA. CBD worst in QLD amid reports CBD tenants continue relocating to the Fringe.



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"A" grade stock best performing grade of office property in all states, except WA where premium is out-performing as many tenants are reportedly taking advantage of current market weakness to upgrade. "B" and "C" grade properties identified as the worst performers in all states...



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