# Effect of Energy Efficiency Rating (EER) of Dwellings on Sale Prices in the ACT 1999-2023



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#### Introduction

- Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) Act 1997
- Requirement for EERs in effect in 1999
- Civil Law (Sale of Residential Property) Act 2003
- ▶ Initially studied across 153 months in quarterly intervals until 2012, and on a monthly basis thereafter
  - ▶ Relationship between EER and prices was weak
  - Proximity of worst rating dwellings to the city centre
  - Mean price used instead of median price
  - Best rating dwelling-type (apartments) priced low

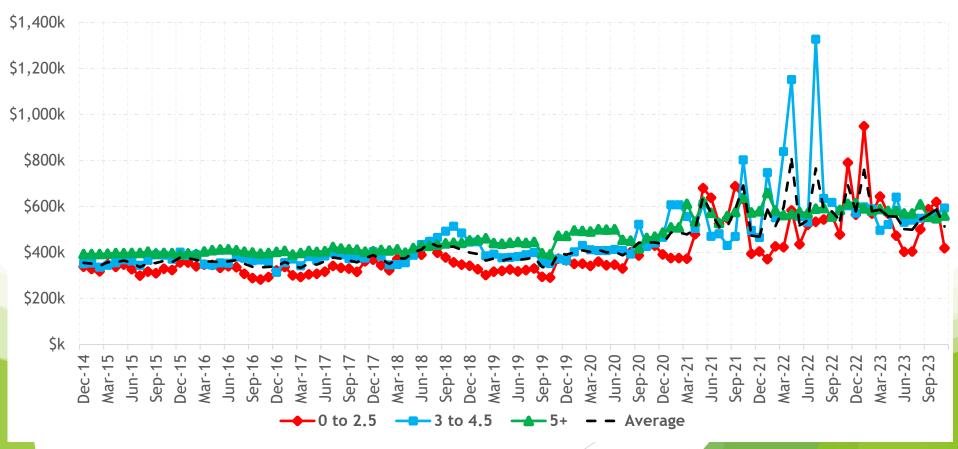


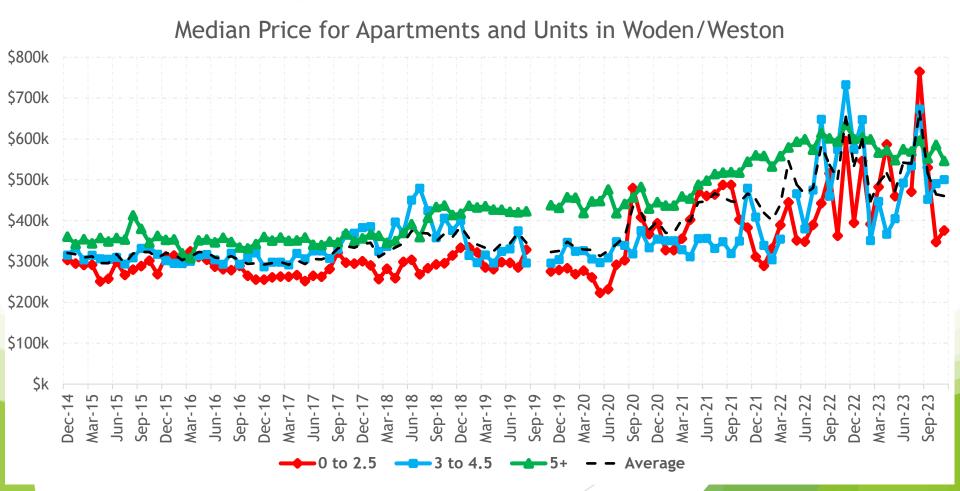
#### Revised Methodology and Rationale

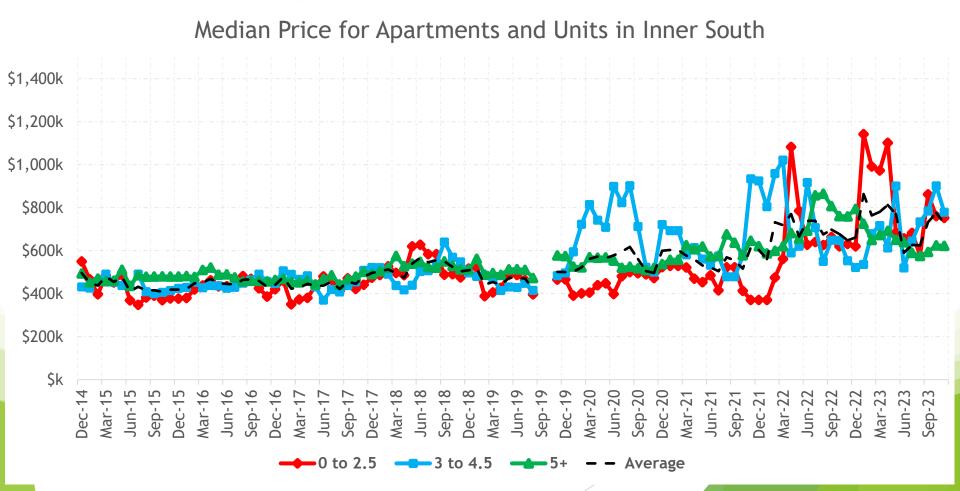
- Properties in each suburb are grouped to 6 larger suburb regions (Gungahlin, Belconnen, Inner North, Inner South, Woden/Weston Creek and Tuggeranong)
- Weston Creek is expanding to its west with extensive medium density green-fields development of Molonglo
- Properties in each suburb region are grouped
  - Dwelling classification (Apartment/Units, Houses, Townhouses)
  - ► EER groups (0-2.5 star, 3-4.5 star, 5+ star)
  - Median prices
- Better data representation
  - ▶ Account for occasional outstandingly high advertised price
  - Price of each dwelling type differs significantly
  - More inefficient housing located in inner regions still obscuring \$/EER trends







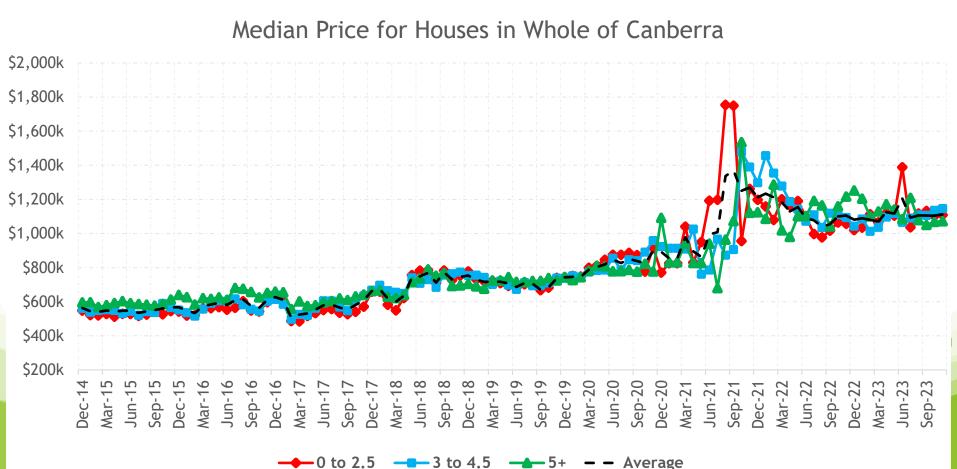


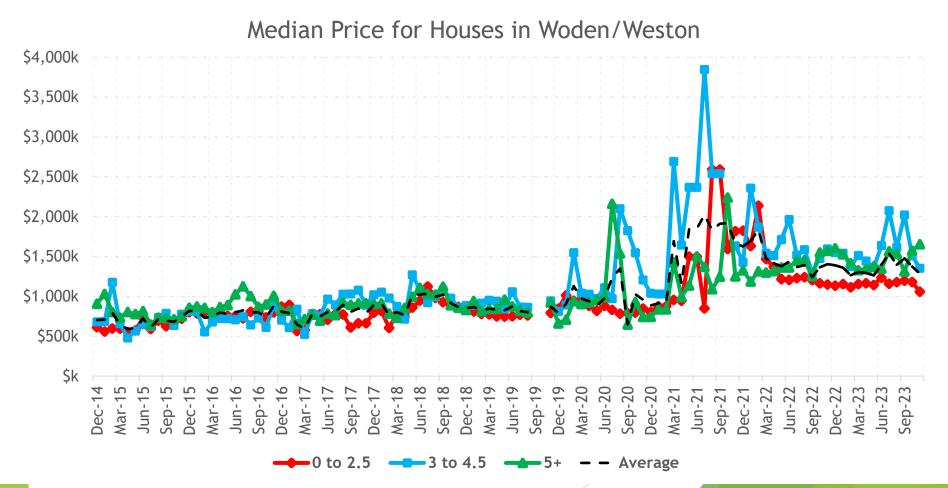


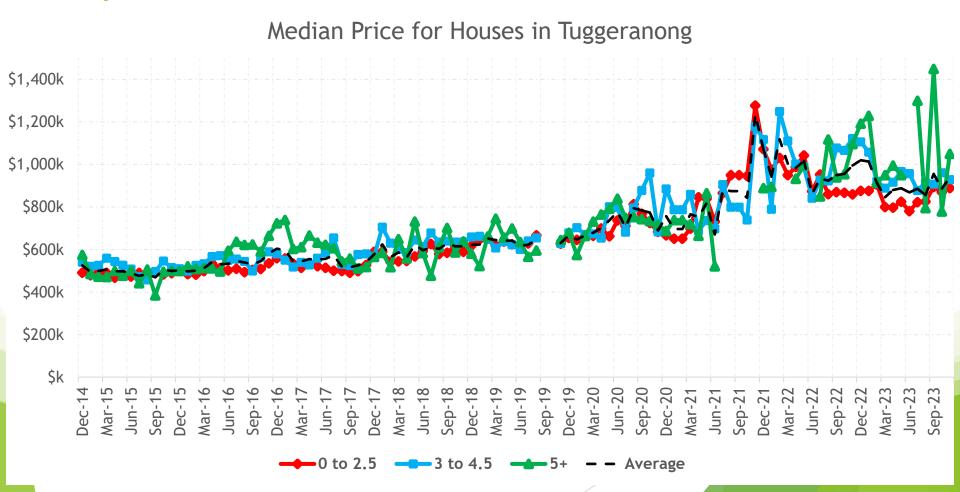
Average sale premiums for Apartments and Units in the past 12 months

Property Type	Suburb Region	Description	Average Sale Premium in the Past 12 Months
Apartments/Units	Belconnen	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-5.10%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-4.24%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	0.91%
	Gungahlin	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-2.08%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-1.82%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	0.27%
	Inner North	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-1.50%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	18.99%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	20.80%
	Inner South	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-5.34%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-20.86%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-16.39%
	Tuggeranong	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-8.06%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-2.54%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	6.00%
	Woden/Weston Creek	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	14.35%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	19.04%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	4.11%
	Canberra	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	2.78%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-1.95%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-4.61%





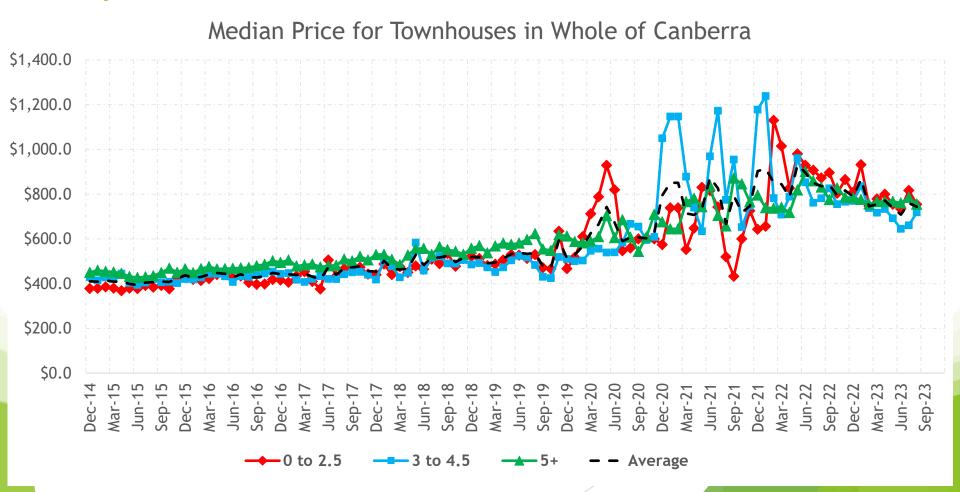


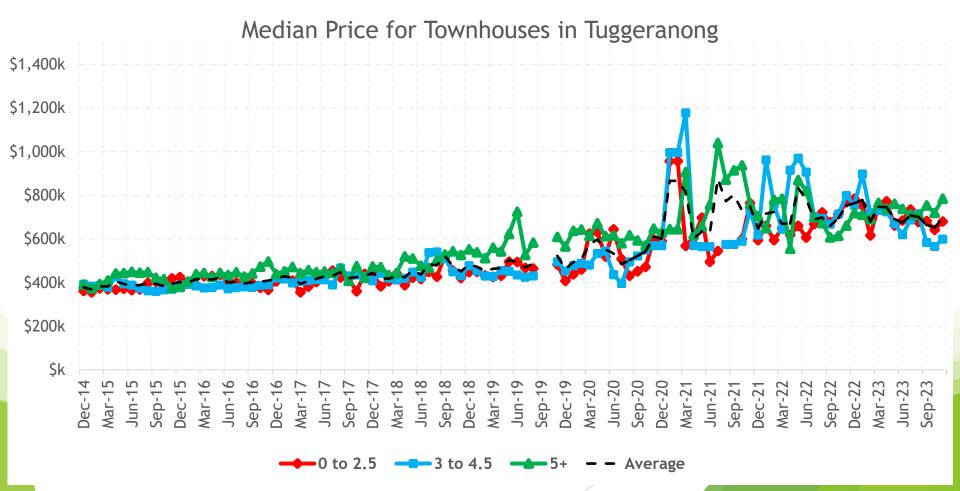


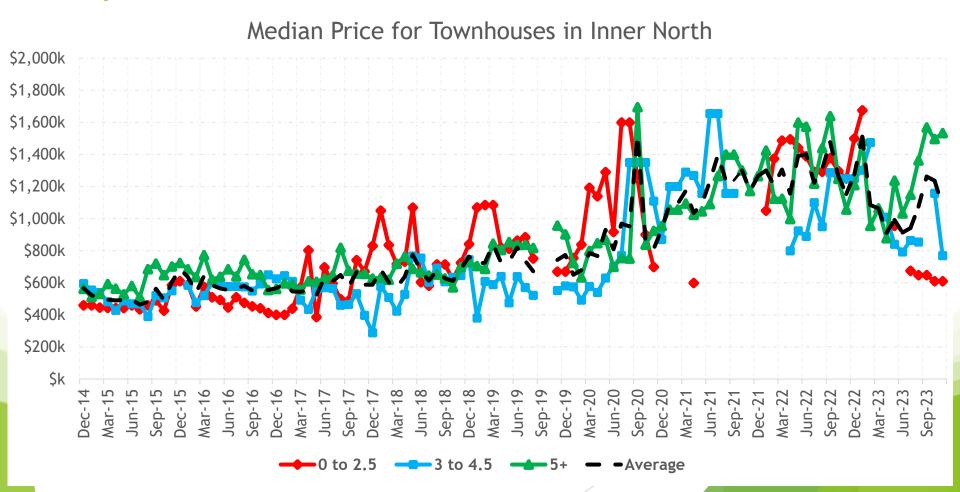
#### Average sale premiums for Houses in the past 12 months

Property Type	Suburb Region	Description	Average Sale Premium in the Past 12 Months
Houses	Belconnen	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	5.70%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	5.67%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-0.03%
	Gungahlin	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-1.57%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	4.88%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	6.55%
	Inner North	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-21.54%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-20.13%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	1.81%
	Inner South	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-25.07%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-13.69%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	15.18%
	Tuggeranong	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	10.30%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	25.37%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	13.67%
	Woden/Weston Creek	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-6.93%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	27.63%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	37.14%
	Canberra	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	4.51%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	2.98%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-1.46%









#### Average sale premiums for Townhouses in the past 12 months

Property Type	Suburb Region	Description	Average Sale Premium in the Past 12 Months
Townhouses	Belconnen	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	2.84%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	1.02%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-1.77%
	Gungahlin	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	-6.37%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-1.33%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	5.39%
		3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	25.28%
	Inner North	0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	11.70%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-10.84%
	Inner South	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	13.03%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	19.52%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	5.74%
	Tuggeranong	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	2.88%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	1.95%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-0.91%
	Woden/Weston Creek	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	10.70%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-7.75%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-16.67%
	Canberra	3 to 4.5 star - 5+ star	5.07%
		0 to 2.5 star - 5+ star	-1.51%
		0 to 2.5 star - 3 to 4.5 star	-6.27%



#### **Conclusions**

- Our results support the existence of positive effects of energy efficiency and property prices, albeit to a lesser extent for houses
- Price discounts and premiums progression may not be linear
- ► EER affects positively with property prices up to a certain price point in which other market variables appear to take effect
- ▶ In our case, effects of EER diminishes as listing price goes above \$800,000
- ► Labor/Greens Agreement (2016) reviewing the Energy Efficiency Rating Scheme not implemented by the 9<sup>th</sup> Assembly
- ▶ Recent "Independent Review" currently with the Minister's office



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#### Questions?

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