

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

<b>ROLE:</b>	<b>Economist</b>
<b>ROLE PURPOSE:</b>	There are two primary purposes of this role: to provide high level policy advice and analysis to HIA staff and members, in addition to the wider residential construction industry; and to effectively present and communicate the views of HIA in relation to economic policies affecting housing to members, wider industry stakeholders, and media.
<b>WHAT DOES THE ROLE DO:</b>	<p>The Economist:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performs economic modelling, assessment and analysis to assist with HIA communications for members and internal stakeholders.</li> <li>• Assists with the research and preparation of HIA economics publications, research projects and housing market forecasts.</li> <li>• Contributes to the development of housing and economic policy.</li> <li>• Provides presentations to members, the media and other key stakeholders, and represents the HIA's policy views in the media.</li> </ul>
<b>HOW IS THE ROLE DONE:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide an active contribution to the development of policy in the areas of housing affordability, taxation, population and economic analysis of broader industry policy issues.</li> <li>• National and regional policy development including support for government inquiries, taskforces and commissions.</li> <li>• Economic modeling and assessment that can be used in the development of new, and advancement of existing, HIA policies.</li> <li>• Policy support and analysis for major submissions, representation to governments, executive briefs, and other HIA communications.</li> <li>• Assist the Chief Economist and Senior Executive in shaping and developing industry and economic policy for the association.</li> <li>• Assist the Chief Economist in shaping and developing existing and new HIA economics publications and research projects.</li> <li>• Prepare high-level economic and econometric research, analysis and advice across all areas of HIA which may be suitable for both internal stakeholders, and HIA members.</li> <li>• Statistical analysis and interpretation of data to assist with the development and communication of new and existing policy.</li> <li>• Maintain strategic alliances with key policy makers, HIA members and broader industry representatives.</li> <li>• Provide presentations to members, the media, and key stakeholders around Australia.</li> <li>• Communicate effectively with television, print, radio and on-line media.</li> <li>• In relation to Australian Construction Insights, the consultancy arm of HIA Economics:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Scope and develop research projects and proposals.</li> <li>○ Undertake research for specific projects.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timely production of high quality economics publications and market briefs.</li> <li>• Performing high level economic research and analysis to support the delivery of HIA communications to members and stakeholders.</li> <li>• Providing relevant, well-prepared and engaging presentations; and successfully representing HIA to the media.</li> <li>• Effective time management of a wide range of daily work requirements and projects.</li> <li>• Active contribution to the team environment and the sharing of ideas.</li> <li>• Active contribution to the development of unique research into Australia's residential construction industry.</li> </ul>
<b>ATTRIBUTES &amp; EXPERIENCE:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formal qualifications in economics and/or econometrics.</li> <li>• Demonstrated experience in providing engaging economic presentations to a wide variety of audiences.</li> <li>• Demonstrated ability to engage effectively with all forms of media.</li> <li>• Extensive experience and proven skills in preparing detailed economic reports and analysis.</li> <li>• Proven experience and skills in economic modelling, forecasting, and also econometric analysis.</li> <li>• High-level analytical ability and problem solving skills and experience.</li> <li>• Sound judgement and capacity to identify and form key alliances with people in industry, government and the community.</li> <li>• Highly developed oral and written communication skills and commitment to producing high quality outputs.</li> </ul>
<b>REPORTING:</b>	Chief Economist