



## February 2022

		Feb-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Month-on-Month	Year-on-Year
Approval Volume	FTB	1,969	1,868	2,053	9.9%	4.3%
	Mover Purchase	903	802	848	5.7%	-6.1%
	RIL	92	92	75	-18.5%	-18.5%
	Re-mortgage/Switching	503	673	719	6.8%	42.9%
	Top-up	184	186	199	7.0%	8.2%
	Total	3,651	3,621	3,894	7.5%	6.7%
Approval Value €,m	FTB	493	479	546	14.2%	10.7%
	Mover Purchase	255	243	255	5.1%	0.1%
	RIL	13	14	12	-15.9%	-4.2%
	Re-mortgage/Switching	123	176	194	9.7%	57.3%
	Top-up	18	20	20	3.2%	12.9%
	Total	902	932	1,028	10.3%	13.9%

There were 3,894 mortgage approvals, valued at €1,028 million in February 2022.

Mortgage approval activity increased in volume terms by 6.7% year-on-year and increased in value terms by 13.9% over the same period.

There were 2,976 purchase mortgage approvals, valued at €814 million in February 2022.

Purchase mortgage approval activity rose in volume terms by 0.4% year-on-year and increased in value terms by 6.9% over the same period.







# **Mortgage Volumes**

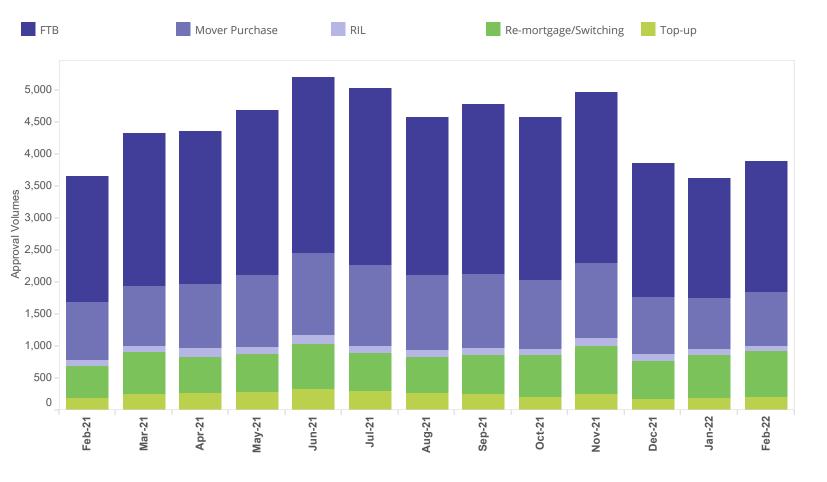
In February 2022, mortgage approval volumes for property purchase increased by 0.4% year-on-year to 2,976.

First-time buyer (FTB) mortgage approval volumes increased by 4.3% year-on-year to 2,053 while mover purchase approval volumes decreased by 6.1% year-on-year to 848.

Residential investment letting (RIL) mortgage approval volumes decreased by 18.5% year-on-year to 75.

Remortgage/switching mortgage approval volumes rose by 42.9% year-on-year to 719 while the number of top-up approvals rose by 8.2% year-on-year to 199.









# **Mortgage Values**

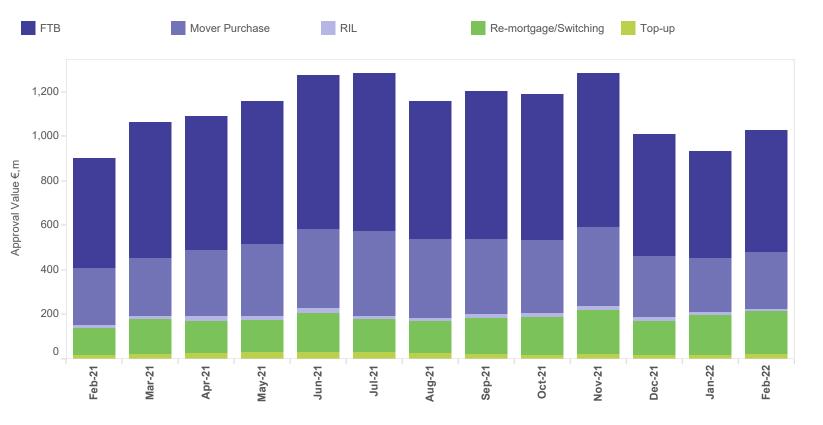
The value of mortgage approvals for property purchase increased by 6.9% year-on-year to €814 million.

The value of FTB mortgage approvals increased by 10.7% year-on-year to €546 million, while the value of mover purchase approvals increased by 0.1% year-on-year to €255 million.

RIL mortgage approval values decreased by 4.2% year-on-year to €12 million.

Re-mortgage/switching approval values rose by 57.3% year-on-year to €194 million while the value of top-up approvals rose by 12.9% year-on-year to €20 million.

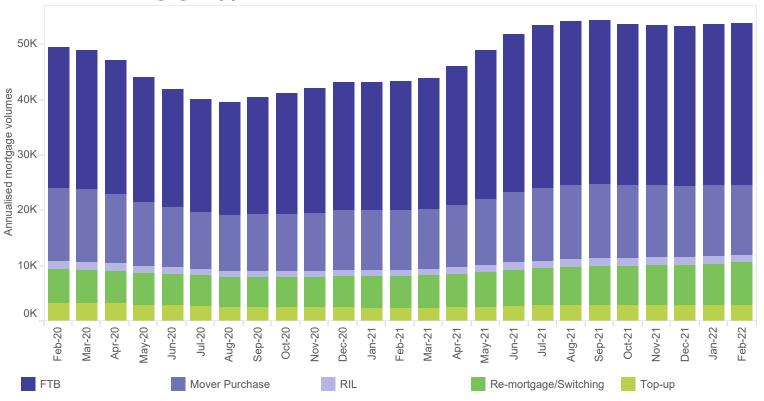








## **Annualised Mortgage Approvals**



There were 53,844 mortgage approvals in the twelve months ending February 2022, valued at €13,680 million. Annualised mortgage approval activity to end-February 2022 increased in volume terms by 0.45% compared with the twelve months ending January 2022 and increased in value terms by 0.93% over the same period.

Annualised purchase mortgage approval volumes rose by 0.03% compared with the prior period to 43,236 in the twelve months ending February 2022, while the annualised value of purchase mortgage approvals was €11,423 million, up by 0.46% over the same period.

### Notes:

## What is an approval?

A mortgage approval is defined as a "firm offer" to a customer of a credit facility secured on a specific residential property. A mortgage approval arises when the lender issues a formal offer of mortgage finance to the customer (whether it be in print or some other durable form) for a specific residential property which contains the Notice of important information to be included in a housing loan agreement specified in the Consumer Credit Act 1995. All mortgage loans must be secured on residential property in Ireland.

#### About this data

This data relates to loans approved by participating BPFI member institutions which are secured by a mortgage on residential Irish property. The full data series, including the list of participating institutions, as well as definitions and methodology, is available on the BPFI website at <a href="www.bpfi.ie">www.bpfi.ie</a>.

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