



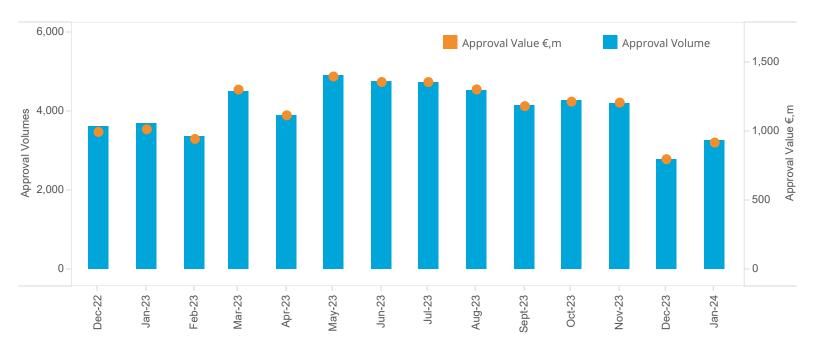
|                       |                       | Jan-23 | Dec-23 | Jan-24 | Month-on-Month | Year-on-Year |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|--------------|
| Approval<br>Volume    | FTB                   | 1,902  | 1,693  | 1,991  | 17.6%          | 4.7%         |
|                       | Mover Purchase        | 820    | 637    | 680    | 6.8%           | -17.1%       |
|                       | RIL                   | 74     | 34     | 47     | 38.2%          | -36.5%       |
|                       | Re-mortgage/Switching | 671    | 257    | 338    | 31.5%          | -49.6%       |
|                       | Top-up                | 230    | 172    | 206    | 19.8%          | -10.4%       |
|                       | Total                 | 3,697  | 2,793  | 3,262  | 16.8%          | -11.8%       |
| Approval<br>Value €,m | FTB                   | 524    | 491    | 577    | 17.6%          | 10.2%        |
|                       | Mover Purchase        | 270    | 216    | 227    | 5.2%           | -15.7%       |
|                       | RIL                   | 12     | 7      | 7      | 9.8%           | -39.6%       |
|                       | Re-mortgage/Switching | 179    | 63     | 79     | 24.5%          | -56.0%       |
|                       | Top-up                | 30     | 22     | 29     | 30.9%          | -5.2%        |
|                       | Total                 | 1,015  | 799    | 919    | 15.1%          | -9.4%        |

There were 3,262 mortgage approvals, valued at €919 million in January 2024.

Mortgage approval activity decreased in volume terms by 11.8% year on year and decreased in value terms by 9.4% over the same period.

There were 2,718 purchase mortgage approvals, valued at €812 million in January 2024.

Purchase mortgage approval activity fell in volume terms by 2.8% year on year and increased in value terms by 0.8% over the same period.







# **Mortgage Volumes**

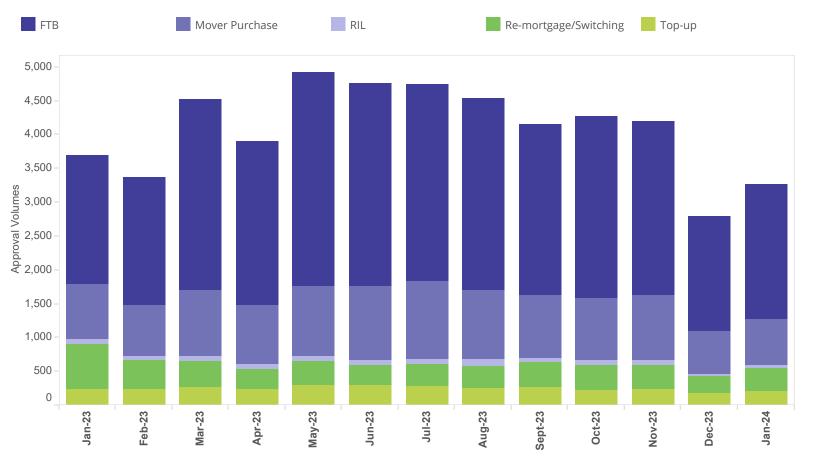
In January 2024, mortgage approval volumes for property purchase decreased by 2.8% year-on-year to 2,718.

First-time buyer (FTB) mortgage approval volumes increased by 4.7% year-on-year to 1,991 while mover purchase approval volumes decreased by 17.1% year-on-year to 680.

Residential investment letting (RIL) mortgage approval volumes decreased by 36.5% year-on-year to 47.

The number of switching/re-mortgage approvals fell by 49.6% year on year to 338. The number of top-up approvals fell by 10.4% year on year to 206.









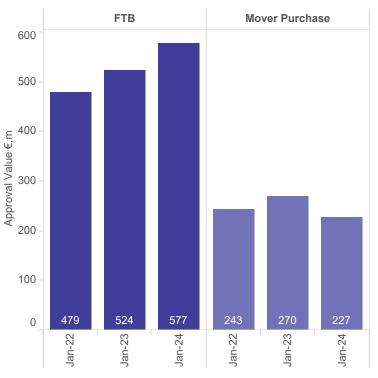
# **Mortgage Values**

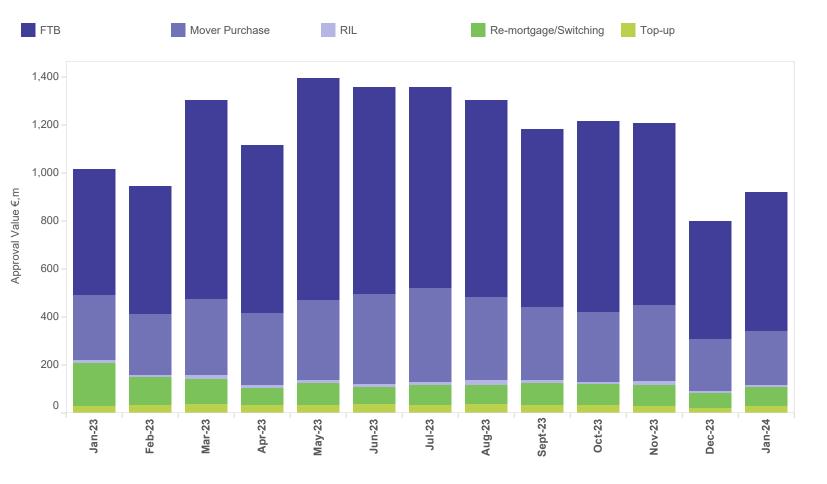
The value of mortgage approvals for property purchase increased by 0.8% year on year to €812 million.

The value of FTB mortgage approvals increased by 10.2% year on year to €577 million, while the value of mover purchase approvals decreased by 15.7% year on year to €227 million.

RIL mortgage approval values decreased by 39.6% year on year to €7 million.

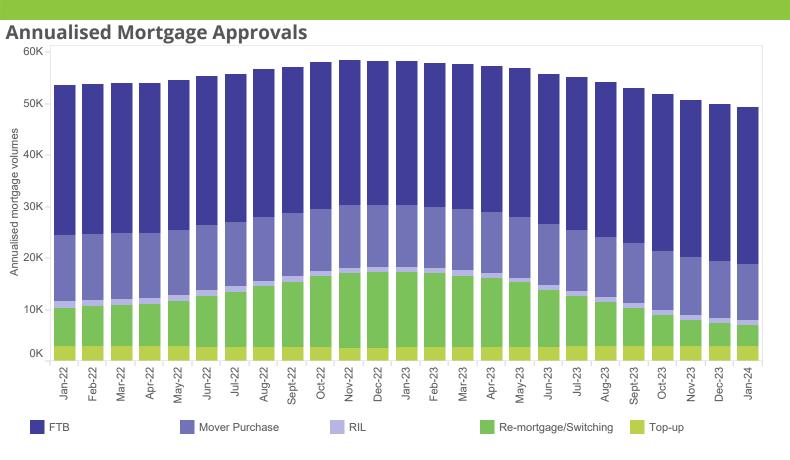
Switching/re-mortgage approval values fell by 48.7% year on year to €79 million. Top-up approval values fell by 5.2% year on year to €29 million.











There were 49,463 mortgage approvals in the twelve months ending January 2024, valued at €14,094 million. Annualised mortgage approval activity to end-January 2024 decreased in volume terms by 0.87% compared with the twelve months ending December 2023 and decreased in value terms by 0.67% over the same period.

Annualised purchase mortgage approval volumes fell by 0.18% compared with the prior period to 42,399 in the twelve months ending January 2024, while the annualised value of purchase mortgage approvals was €12,676 million, up by 0.05% 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

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