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Renters

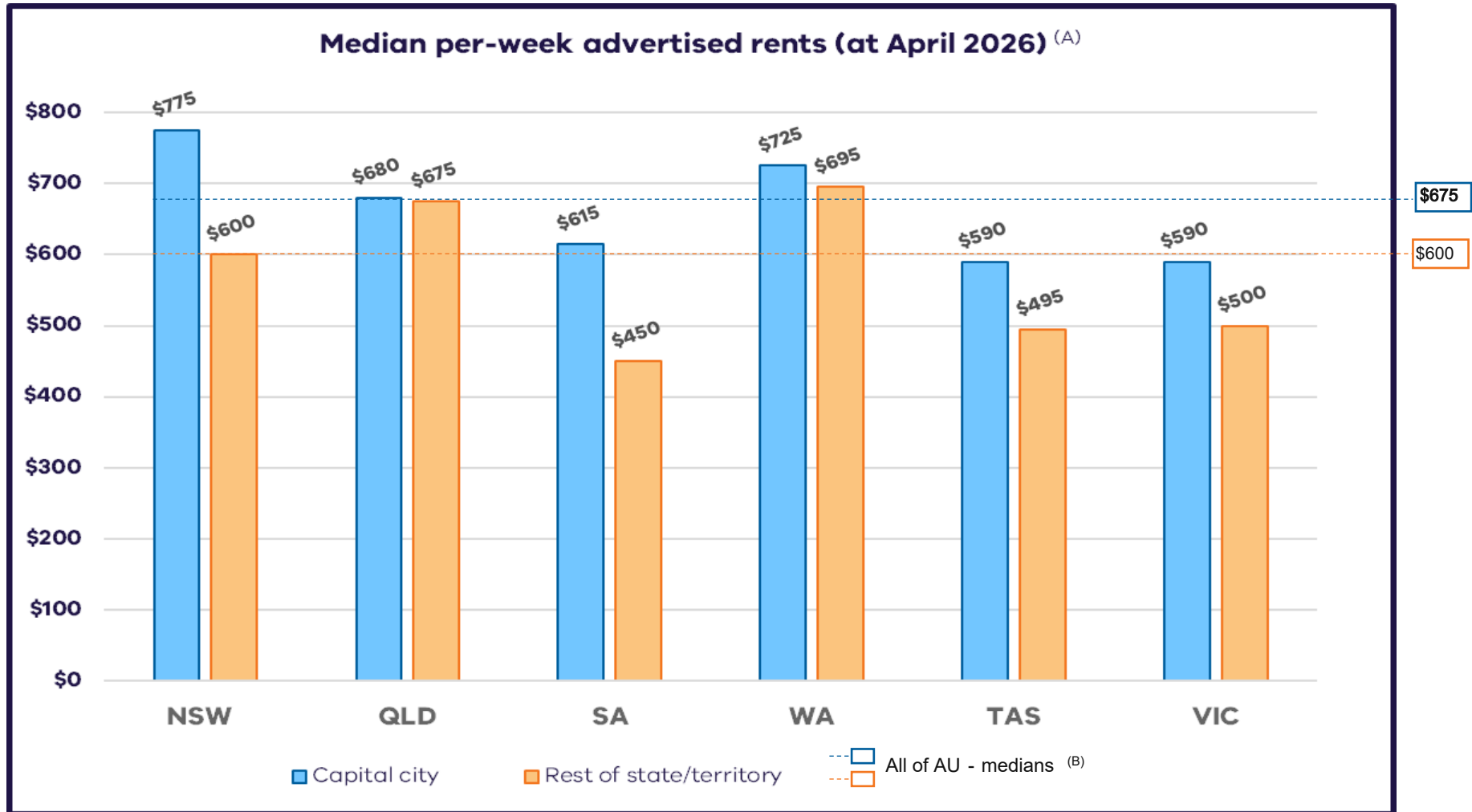
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The most affordable place to rent in the country



Source : Cotality data on median per -week advertised rents, up to April 2026

Notes:

(a) Medians are calculated over rolling three -month windows by geography; totals may fall outside the range of capital city and regional figures due to compositional shifts.
 (b) 'All of AU' medians include territory data, which is otherwise omitted from the table due to data not being sufficiently reliable. Median capital city data includes the eight capital cities combined

Making renting fairer, safer and more secure

With almost 2 million Victorians renting, the system must support longer-term housing security and quality of life.

- Victoria is **leading the nation** on rental reform with more minimal standards, stronger enforcement and a broader reform program than any other state.
- The Victorian Government has already delivered **over 150 reforms** to make it fairer for renters.
- The new reforms:
 - make rental properties are safe, secure and energy efficient
 - deliver stronger protections for renters.
- **Rooming house minimum standards** are stronger.



Support for those who need it most

Supporting renters through targeted services, community partnerships and early dispute resolution

→ Providing **\$110 million** to agencies to provide renter support services.

→ The **Victorian Renter Rights Program** will expand access to advice and advocacy through:

- **Local Renter Rights Services**
- the **Older Persons Housing Rights Service**
- a new **Victorian Renters Helpline** .

→ Delivered **Rental Dispute Resolution Victoria** to help renters resolve issues earlier and more fairly.



Making the rental system work better for renters

We are making sure rental laws are followed, so renters can feel more confident that their rights will be upheld.

- The **Renting Taskforce** monitors rental properties to act on poor conduct and offences affecting the safety, security and tenure for renters.
- Consumer Affairs Victoria regulates the rental market including by investigating **excessive rent increases** :
 - CAV investigated Ingenia Gardens who will now pay over \$1 million.
- The new **RTBA bond system** has modernised the management of more than **745,500 active bonds** worth more than **\$1.62 billion**.
- Government is progressing work on a new **Portable Rental Bond Scheme** .

