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Australian Company Insolvency Report

June 2026

1,334	+21%	+2%
Companies entering external administration	vs May 2026	vs June 2025

Summary

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In June 2026, 1,334 Australian companies entered external administration or had a controller appointed for the first time. That is 20.8 per cent above May and 1.9 per cent above June 2025. Creditors' voluntary liquidations again accounted for almost exactly half of all appointments, 666 cases or 49.9 per cent, ahead of court liquidations with 218.

June closes the financial year, and the full-year figure is the more important number this month. The 2025-26 financial year ended with 14,153 first-time external administrations, against 14,722 in 2024-25. It is the first annual fall since the pandemic-era support measures were withdrawn, and it follows three years of steep increases: 4,912 in 2021-22, then 7,942, 11,053 and 14,722. The escalation has stopped. What it has stopped at is a level roughly three times the 2021-22 base, so the plateau is a high one, but the direction of the last four years has genuinely broken.

The month itself moved against the usual seasonal pattern, which is why the headline looks stronger than the year does. In each of the previous four years the June figure came in at or below May: down 3.6 per cent in 2022, down 9.2 per cent in 2023, down 15.1 per cent in 2024 and flat in 2025. This year it rose 20.8 per cent, the sharpest May-to-June move in the series. A year-end month that normally eases instead produced the third-highest monthly total of the financial year, behind October (1,480) and July (1,362).

New South Wales remains the centre of activity with 518 appointments, 28.5 per cent more than in May but exactly level with June 2025. Victoria follows with 392, up 16.3 per cent on the month and 5.4 per cent on the year. Between them the two states account for 68 per cent of all appointments nationally. Queensland, at 239, is the only larger state below its year-earlier level, by 2.4 per cent. South Australia (61, up 13.0 per cent on the year) and the Australian Capital Territory (27, up 17.4 per cent) show the clearest annual increases, though on numbers small enough that a single month moves the percentage a long way.

Construction accounts for 392 of the 1,651 companies we could classify by industry, or 17.9 per cent, more than twice the share of the next sector, accommodation and food services with 152. Among the individual failures, the longest-established are Kirribilli Ex-Service Club Ltd in New South Wales, in its 80th year, the manufacturer A.H. Beard Pty Ltd, founded 1947, and the retailer Rivers Pty Ltd, founded 1950. Worrells acted on 95 appointments in the month, more than the next two firms combined.

Figures are ASIC insolvency statistics, Series 1 (companies entering external administration or with a controller appointed for the first time). ASIC publishes these weekly, approximately two weeks in arrears; the most recent month is provisional until the following release. InsolvencyRadar presents the official monthly, appointment-type and state series alongside the individual company notices it records.

Company insolvencies since 2021

Monthly companies entering external administration, Australia (ASIC Series 1)

Monthly figures by year

MONTH	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	263	359	555	727	634
February	353	692	968	1,219	1,260
March	464	830	1,137	1,448	1,306
April	463	606	996	1,225	1,102
May	560	866	1,249	1,308	1,104
June	540	786	1,060	1,309	**1,334**
July	715	855	1,238	1,362	–
August	692	918	1,168	1,090	–
September	643	722	1,227	1,104	–
October	473	907	1,362	1,480	–
November	655	891	1,441	1,071	–
December	625	795	1,050	1,306	–

Appointment types

Companies by first external-administration or controller appointment type in June 2026

APPOINTMENT TYPE	JUNE 2026	SHARE
Creditors' voluntary liquidations	666	50%
Court liquidations	218	16%
Receiver / controller appointments	167	12%
Small business restructurings	145	11%
Voluntary administrations	138	10%

ASIC Series 1, Table 1.1. Each company is counted once, at its first appointment in the period. Receiver and controller variants are grouped; a company may later move to another external-administration type.

State breakdown

Companies entering external administration by state and territory in June 2026

STATE / TERRITORY	JUN	MAY	MOM	JUN	YOY
New South Wales	518	403	+28.5%	518	0.0%
Victoria	392	337	+16.3%	372	+5.4%
Queensland	239	206	+16.0%	245	–2.4%
Western Australia	84	73	+15.1%	79	+6.3%
South Australia	61	49	+24.5%	54	+13.0%
Australian Capital Territory	27	19	+42.1%	23	+17.4%
Tasmania	7	4	+75.0%	11	–36.4%
Northern Territory	6	13	–53.8%	7	–14.3%

ASIC Series 1, Table 1.3, by the company's principal place of business. Based on 1,334 companies for June 2026. MoM compares with May 2026; YoY with June 2025.

Notable insolvencies

The longest-established companies entering external administration in June 2026

COMPANY	LOCATION	INDUSTRY	REGISTERED	YEARS TRADING
Kirribilli Ex-Service Club Ltd	New South Wales	Arts & recreation services	1946	80
A.H. Beard Pty Ltd	New South Wales	Manufacturing	1947	79
Rivers Pty Ltd	New South Wales	Retail trade	1950	76
Kostagin Management Pty Ltd	Victoria	—	1954	72
Rubber Auto Supplies Pty Ltd	New South Wales	Wholesale trade	1955	71
Betts Group Pty Ltd	Western Australia	Retail trade	1955	71
S.J.D. Properties Pty. Ltd.	South Australia	Rental, hiring & real estate	1955	71
The Sunshine City Club	Victoria	Arts & recreation services	1956	70

Australian company records do not include balance-sheet or turnover figures, so notable cases are ranked by length of trading history (year of ASIC registration). Industry is inferred from the company name (ANZSIC division). Cases are drawn from insolvency notices recorded by InsolvencyRadar.

Industry breakdown

Companies entering external administration by industry in June 2026

INDUSTRY (ANZSIC DIVISION)	JUNE 2026	SHARE
Construction	392	18%
Accommodation & food services	152	7%
Holding & investment entities	135	6%
Professional, scientific & technical	107	5%
Administrative & support services	94	4%
Transport, postal & warehousing	93	4%
Manufacturing	91	4%
Information media & telecommunications	74	3%
Health care & social assistance	69	3%
Retail trade	65	3%
Financial & insurance services	64	3%
Rental, hiring & real estate	60	3%
Arts & recreation services	57	3%
Other services	48	2%
Mining	32	2%
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	31	1%
Wholesale trade	30	1%
Electricity, gas, water & waste	29	1%
Education & training	27	1%
Public administration & safety	1	0%

Based on 1,651 companies recorded by InsolvencyRadar for June 2026. ASIC published notices carry no ANZSIC code, so industry is inferred from the company name and is indicative rather than an official classification. Companies whose name carries no industry signal are not shown.

Insolvency practitioners

The registered liquidators and administrators handling the most appointments in June 2026

Most active practitioners

PRACTITIONER	FIRM	APPOINTMENTS
Wayne Kelcey	Hall & Wilcox	16
Geoffrey Peter Granger	Dissolve Pty Ltd	14
Gloria Veneris	McInnes Wilson Lawyers	14
Sam Haguthee	Hilton Bradley Lawyers	14
Stephen Dixon	HM Advisory	14
Jarvis Lee Archer	Business Reset	13
Madeline Elgey	McInnes Wilson Lawyers	11
Stephen John Hundy	Worrells	11
Andrew Chambers	K&L Gates	10
Graeme Beattie	C-/ Worrells	10

Most active firms

FIRM	APPOINTMENTS
Worrells	95
Mackay Goodwin	54
Craddock Murray Neumann Lawyers	34
McInnes Wilson Lawyers	33
Jirsch Sutherland	27
SV Partners	24
Hall Chadwick	23
Business Reset	19
K&L Gates	19
Dissolve Pty Ltd	18

Appointments counted are distinct companies each practitioner or firm was named on in insolvency notices recorded by InsolvencyRadar for June 2026. A company may have more than one appointee.

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