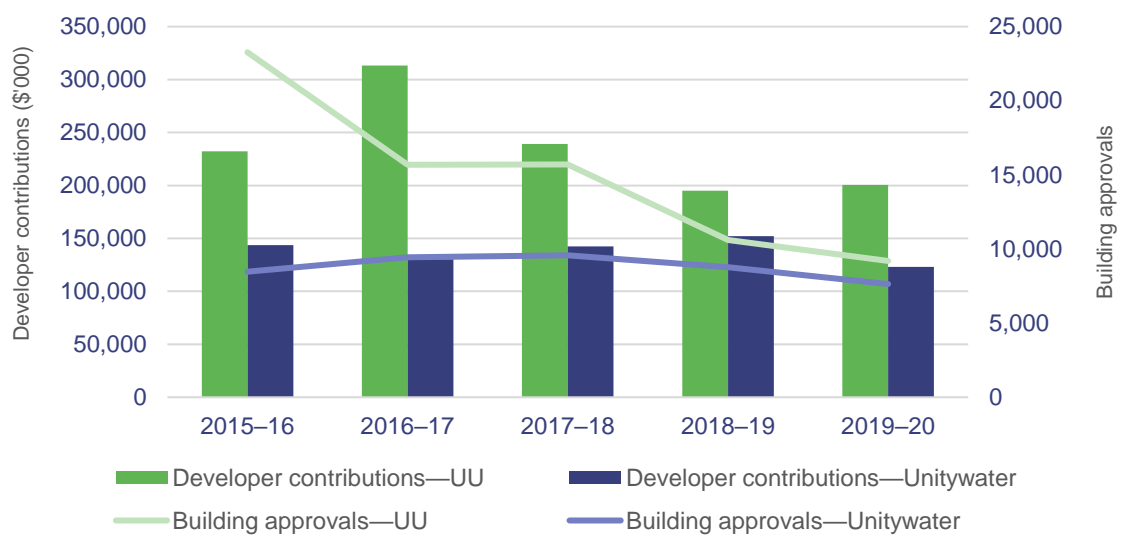


E. Developer contributions

Distributor-retailers collect infrastructure charges (developer contributions) from developers. These are calculated based on the size and type of development. Developer contributions are settled through cash contributions or donated assets (for example, water and sewerage infrastructure). These contributions are intended to increase the capacity of the water and sewerage networks that are needed to support new developments.

In 2019–20, developer contributions of \$323.9 million were recognised, a decrease of 6.7 per cent from 2018–19. The decline is linked to a decrease in building approvals.

Figure E1
Trend of developer contributions and building approvals



Note: Building approvals do not include alterations, additions, and conversions. UU—Urban Utilities.

Source: Compiled by the Queensland Audit Office from Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Urban Utilities, and Unitywater data.