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WA has top house deals

THE best deals for first homebuyers are to be found in WA, according to a newly-launched first homebuyers' website.

A study by Our Home Sweet Home, www.ourhomesweethome.com.au, found that when Government fees and charges were subtracted from first homebuyer incentives, West Australians came out on top

with a net benefit of \$15,740 on the average WA property value of \$290,000, or 5.4 per cent of the total value.

In comparison, Victoria was the costliest State for first homebuyers, with a net benefit of just \$5992 on the average property price of \$275,000, or 2.2 percent of property value.

Our Home Sweet Home chief executive

Peter Boehm said that unlike in other States, WA homebuyers were reaping the benefits of a removal of stamp duty and lower fees.

Mr Boehm said WA's housing policies had delivered a stronger and more positive outcome for the first home buyer by significantly reducing the cost of buying a first property.