Main Features

Households with computer access (annual change)
Queensland  ↑  4.7%
Australia    ↑  4.9%

Households with internet access (annual change)
Queensland  ↑  6.8%
Australia    ↑  7.0%

Commentary

Note: Household use of information technology data have been collected biennially since 2008–09.

• There were 1,406,000 households in Queensland with home computer access in 2010–11 (83% of total households), an average annual increase of 4.7% from 2008–09 (1,283,000 households) (Figure 1). In comparison, Australia had 7,035,000 households with computer access in 2010–11 (83% of total), an average annual increase of 4.9% from 2008–09.

• Queensland households with home internet access rose by an average annual increase of 6.8% from 1,182,000 in 2008–09 to 1,347,000 (79% of total households) in 2010–11 (Figure 1). The number of Australian households with internet access was 6,724,000 in 2010–11 (79% of total), an average annual increase of 7.0% from 2008–09.

• Of all state and territories, Queensland had the equal third-highest percentage of households with internet access (79%), behind the Australian Capital Territory (88%), and Western Australia (81%). (Figure 2).

• In 2010–11, Queensland had 74% of households with access to broadband at home. This was slightly higher than the national average of Australian households with broadband access (73%).

• Of the households in Queensland during 2010–11 with broadband internet connection at home, the most common type was digital subscriber line (62%), followed by wireless (20%). For Australia, 62% had a digital subscriber line and 18% had wireless (Figure 3).

• In 2010–11, for persons in Queensland aged 15 years and over, 94% accessed the internet at home and 46% access the internet at work. The corresponding figures for persons in Australia were 95% and 49% respectively.