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AUSTRALIAN DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS DECEMBER QUARTER 2010

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Main Features

Preliminary estimated resident population at 31 December 2010:

Queensland	4,548,661
Australia	22,477,378
Qld share of national population	*20.2%*

Population growth (12 months to 31 Dec 2010):

Queensland	1.7%
Australia	1.5%
Qld share of national growth	*23.4%*

Queensland components of population increase:

	12 mths to 31 Dec 2010	% of growth
Natural increase	37,202	48.9
Net overseas migration	31,595	41.6
Net interstate migration	7,243	9.5
Total	76,040	100.0

Commentary

- Figures quoted in this brief are preliminary and subject to revision. As such, comparisons between time periods should be treated with caution.
- Queensland's preliminary estimated resident population at 31 December 2010 was 4,548,661 persons, 20.2% of the Australian population.
- Queensland's population increased by 76,040 persons over the 12 months to 31 December 2010 (Figure 1). This moderation in population growth was also evident at the national level. Queensland (1.7%) recorded the third highest rate of population growth of all states and territories, and higher than for Australia (1.5%) (Figure 2).
- Natural increase made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 31 December 2010 (48.9%), followed by net overseas migration (41.6%) and net interstate migration (9.5%).
- Natural increase (births minus deaths) in the year ending 31 December 2010 was 37,202 persons, a decrease from the 39,886 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 December 2009.
- In the 12 months to 31 December 2010, net overseas migration to Queensland was 31,595 persons. This was a decline from the level recorded during the 12-month period to 30 September 2010 (33,827), and significantly below the 50,754 figure in the 12-month period to 31 December 2009.
- Net interstate migration to Queensland was 7,243 persons over the 12 months to 31 December 2010.

Figure 1: Annual population change, Queensland

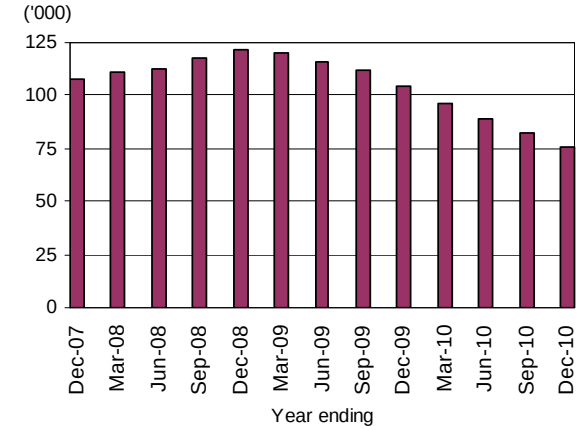


Figure 2: Population growth rate, Australia and states and territories, year ending 31 December 2010

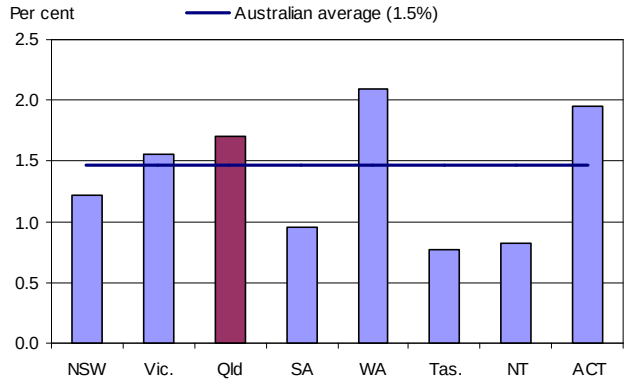
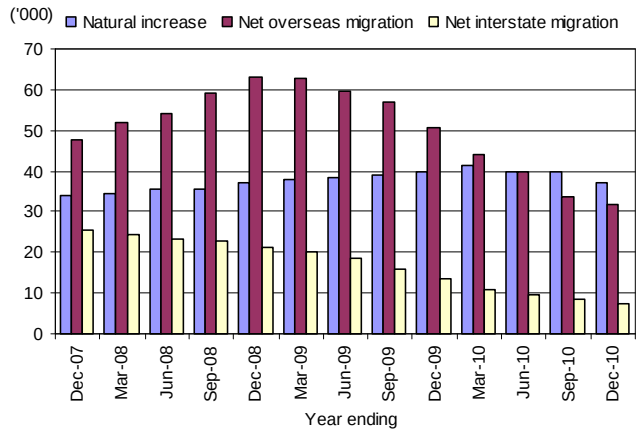


Figure 3: Annual population increase by component of growth, Queensland



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