Population growth, Queensland, June quarter 2014

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Key data

Preliminary estimated resident population (ERP) as at 30 June 2014:
Queensland ............................................................ 4,722,447
Australia .............................................................. 23,490,736
Queensland share of national population .................... 20.1%

Population growth (12 months to 30 June 2014):
Queensland .................................................................... 1.5%
Australia .......................................................................... 1.6%
Queensland share of national growth ........................... 19.3%

Main findings

• Queensland’s preliminary ERP at 30 June 2014 was 4,722,447 persons (20.1% of the Australian population). This reflects an increase of 70,535 persons over the 12 months, and 14,724 persons since 31 March 2014 (Figure 1).

• Queensland recorded the third–highest population growth rate (1.5%) of all states and territories in the 12 months to 30 June 2014 and was lower than the national average of 1.6% (Figure 2).

• Natural increase made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 30 June 2014 (48.9%) followed by net overseas migration (42.9%) and net interstate migration (8.2%) (Table 1).

• In the 12 months to 30 June 2014, natural increase (births minus deaths) was 34,512 persons, a decrease from the 35,521 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 March 2014.

• Net overseas migration to Queensland in the 12 months to 30 June 2014 was 30,270 persons. This was lower than the level recorded during the 12 month period to 31 March 2014 (34,462 persons).

• Net interstate migration contributed 5,753 persons to population change in Queensland over the 12 months to 30 June 2014, a decrease from the 5,772 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 March 2014.

Table 1: Components of population increase, Queensland

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Figure 1: Annual population increase by components of population change, Queensland

Figure 2: Population growth rate, Australia and states and territories, year ending 30 June 2014

Figure 3: Annual population growth rate, Queensland and Australia