Population growth, Queensland, June quarter 2016

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Key data

Preliminary estimated resident population (ERP) as at 30 June 2016:
Queensland ............................................................ 4,844,473
Australia .............................................................. 24,127,159
Queensland share of national population .................... 20.1%

Population growth (12 months to 30 June 2016):
Queensland .................................................................... 1.4%
Australia .......................................................................... 1.4%
Queensland share of national growth ...................... 19.1%

Main findings

- Queensland's preliminary ERP at 30 June 2016 was 4,844,473 persons (20.1% of the Australian population). This reflects an increase of 64,659 persons over the 12 months, and 17,608 persons since 31 March 2016 (Figure 1).

- Queensland recorded a population growth rate of 1.4% in the 12 months to 30 June 2016, in line with the national average and below Victoria (2.1%) (Figure 2).

- Natural increase made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 30 June 2016 (51.1%) followed by net overseas migration (31.0%) and net interstate migration (17.9%) (Table 1).

- In the 12 months to 30 June 2016, natural increase (births minus deaths) was 33,059 persons, an increase from the 32,244 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 March 2016.

- Net overseas migration to Queensland in the 12 months to 30 June 2016 was 20,019 persons. This was higher than the level recorded during the 12 month period to 31 March 2016 (19,407 persons).

- Net interstate migration contributed 11,581 persons to population change in Queensland over the 12 months to 30 June 2016, an increase from the 10,118 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 March 2016.

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 2016

Figure 3  Annual population growth rate, Queensland and Australia