Population growth, Queensland, September quarter 2016

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Key data

Preliminary estimated resident population (ERP) as at 30 September 2016:

Queensland ............................................................ 4,860,448
Australia .............................................................. 24,220,192
Queensland share of national population .................... 20.1%

Population growth (12 months to 30 September 2016):

Queensland .................................................................... 1.4%
Australia .......................................................................... 1.5%
Queensland share of national growth ......................... 19.4%

Main findings

- Queensland's preliminary ERP at 30 September 2016 was 4,860,448 persons (20.1% of the Australian population). This reflects an increase of 67,699 persons over the 12 months, and 17,145 persons since 30 June 2016 (Figure 1).

- Queensland recorded a population growth rate of 1.4% in the 12 months to 30 September 2016, below the national average (1.5%) and below Victoria (2.1%) and Australian Capital Territory (1.5%) (Figure 2).

- Natural increase made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 30 September 2016 (49.1%) followed by net overseas migration (31.7%) and net interstate migration (19.2%) (Table 1).

- In the 12 months to 30 September 2016, natural increase (births minus deaths) was 33,264 persons, an increase from the 33,059 persons recorded during the 12 months to 30 June 2016.

- Net overseas migration to Queensland in the 12 months to 30 September 2016 was 21,469 persons. This was higher than the level recorded during the 12 month period to 30 June 2016 (20,019 persons).

- Net interstate migration contributed 12,966 persons to population change in Queensland over the 12 months to 30 September 2016, an increase from the 11,581 persons recorded during the 12 months to 30 June 2016.

Table 1 Components of population increase, Queensland

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