

# Population and Dwelling Profile

## Gympie Regional Council

Updated April 2012

### Estimated resident population

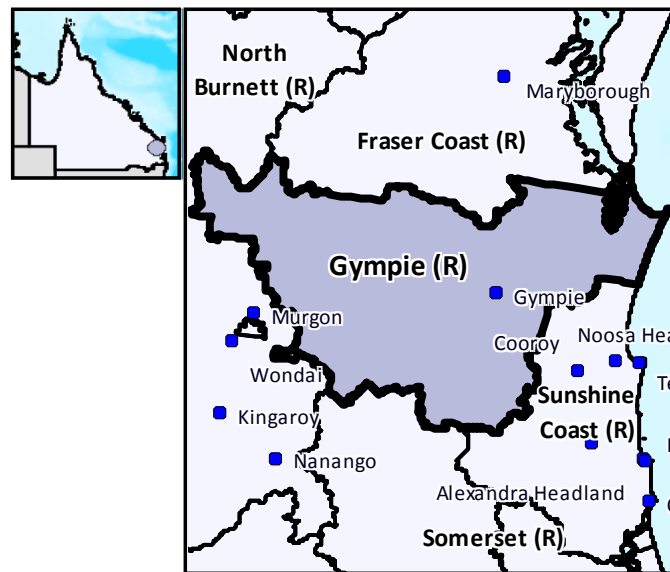
The preliminary estimated resident population of Gympie Regional Council at 30 June 2011 was 50,011 persons, an increase of 770 persons or 1.6 per cent over the year. This compares with an increase of 960 persons or 2.0 per cent in the year to June 2010 (Table 1 and Figure 1).

### Components of population change

In the year to June 2009, natural increase (births minus deaths) accounted for an increase of 295 persons while assumed net migration resulted in a gain of 1,460 persons (Table 1 and Figure 2).

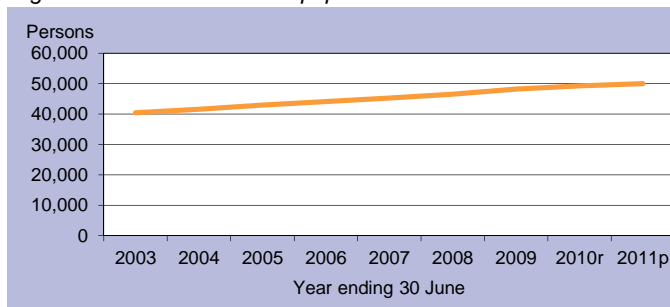
### Population projections

Projections released in 2011 indicate that by 2016 the expected population of Gympie Regional Council will be between 51,901 and 54,568 persons (Table 2 and Figure 3). By 2031 this is expected to change to between 61,636 and 72,974 persons (low and high series).



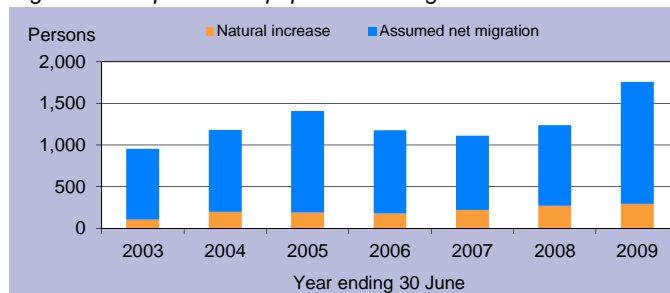
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Figure 1: Estimated resident population



p = preliminary r = revised

Figure 2: Components of population change



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Figure 3: Population projections

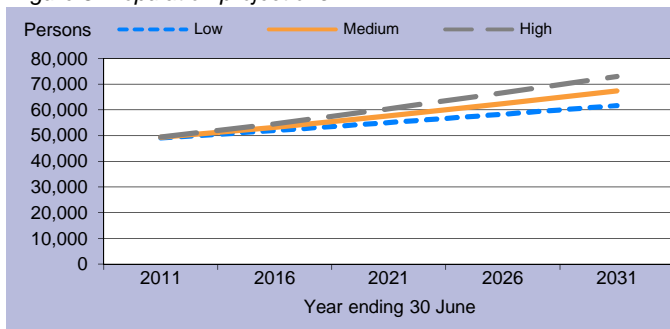


Table 1: Estimated resident population and components of change

Population trends		Annual population change				
As at 30 Jun	Est. resident population	Year to 30 Jun	Natural increase	Assumed net migration	Annual change Total	Per cent
2003	40,413	2,003	106	848	954	2.4
2004	41,593	2004	199	981	1,180	2.9
2005	43,001	2005	192	1,216	1,408	3.4
2006	44,177	2006	181	995	1,176	2.7
2007	45,287	2007	222	888	1,110	2.5
2008	46,526	2008	272	967	1,239	2.7
2009	48,281	2009	295	1,460	1,755	3.8
2010r	49,241	2010r	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	960	2.0
2011p	50,011	2011p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	770	1.6

p = preliminary r = revised n.y.a. = not available

Table 2: Population projections

	Projected population			Average annual change (medium series)	
	Low series	Medium series	High series	Number	Per cent
2011	49,036	49,287	49,506	1,022	2.2
2016	51,901	53,217	54,568	786	1.5
2021	54,992	57,669	60,391	890	1.6
2026	58,269	62,443	66,608	955	1.6
2031	61,636	67,373	72,974	986	1.5

Table 3: Population by age group, Gympie (R)

	Age group					Median age
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+	
2006	9,383	4,759	10,380	13,021	6,637	41.2
	21.2%	10.8%	23.5%	29.5%	15.0%	
2031*	13,163	6,524	14,450	17,857	15,377	44.4
	19.5%	9.7%	21.4%	26.5%	22.8%	

\* Medium series

### Age structure

The median age of Gympie Regional Council's population is projected to increase by 3.2 years from a median age of 41.2 years in 2006 to a median age of 44.4 years in 2031 (Table 3 and Figure 4). The median age of Queensland in 2031 is projected to be 40.2 years, under the medium series (Table 4).

### Dwelling approvals

There were 287 new dwelling approvals in Gympie Regional Council over the year ending December 2011, a decrease of 28.4 per cent from the previous year (401) (Table 5). Separate houses made up 95.5 per cent of all new dwelling approvals over the year ending December 2011 (Figure 5).

Table 5: New dwelling approvals\*

Year ending	New dwelling approvals		
	Houses	Other	Total
December			
2005	461	52	513
2006	462	117	579
2007	538	48	586
2008	527	48	575
2009	399	32	431
2010	359	42	401
2011	274	13	287
Mar qtr 2011	56	2	58
Jun qtr 2011	58	5	63
Sep qtr 2011	69	0	69
Dec qtr 2011	91	6	97

\* Excludes alterations/additions

Figure 5: Dwelling approvals

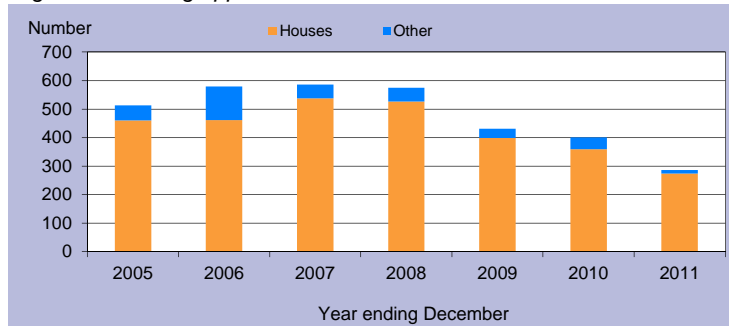
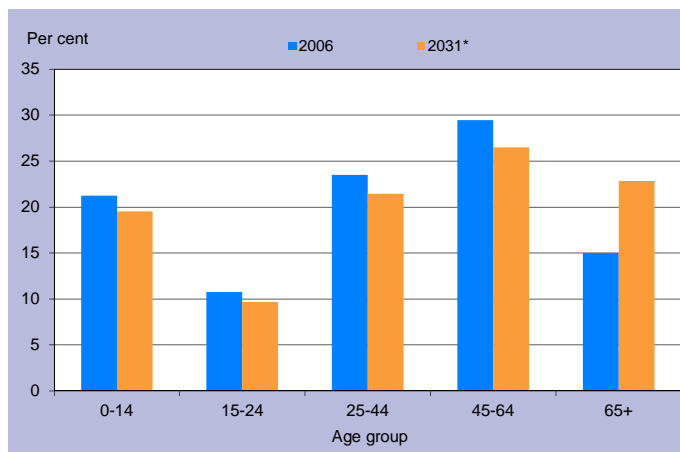


Table 4: Population by age group, Queensland

	Age group					Median age
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+	
2006	834,682	578,600	1,169,244	1,013,986	494,396	36.1
	20.4%	14.1%	28.6%	24.8%	12.1%	
2031*	1,205,836	814,688	1,703,235	1,578,741	1,290,350	40.2
	18.3%	12.4%	25.8%	23.9%	19.6%	

\* Medium series

Figure 4: Age distribution, Gympie (R), 2006 and 2031\*



\* Medium series

### Household size

In 2006, the average household size for all occupied private dwellings in Gympie Regional Council was 2.5 persons. This compares with an average household size of 2.6 for all of Queensland in the same year (Table 6).

Table 6: Average household size by dwelling type

Dwelling type	Average household size			
	Gympie (R)			Qld
	1996	2001	2006	2006
Separate house	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.8
Semi-detached, flats, etc	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.8
Other dwellings inc caravans	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8
All occupied private dwellings	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.6

Sources for the Population and Dwelling Profile:

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