Queensland’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

186,482 people in 2016

4.0% of all Queenslanders in 2016 compared with 3.3% in 2006

Compared with 2006, median age has increased from 20 years to 22 years

The population is still very young—in every 100 people in 2016, there were 46 aged 0–19 years

Housing and income

More dwellings are mortgaged 22.2% to 23.6%

More dwellings are owned outright 9.8% to 10.3%

Median monthly mortgage payments are up by 45.4%

$1,192 to $1,733

Fewer dwellings are rented 63.1% to 61.8%

Median weekly rental payments are up by 80.0%

$150 to $270

Median household weekly income is up by 36.0%

$899 to $1,222

Education, language and ancestry

More people have at least Year 12 or equivalent 25.5% to 37.9%

More people are studying university and technical education courses 5.5% to 6.5%

In 2016, 7.0% of people spoke an Indigenous language at home, compared with 8.8% in 2006

More people provided unpaid assistance to a person with a disability 10.2% to 12.6%

2 in every 3 with Australian South Sea Islander ancestry identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

Note: All figures are derived from place of usual residence, except those prior to 2001 (place of enumeration).

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