

Population growth, Queensland, March quarter 2019

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Key data

Preliminary estimated resident population (ERP) as at 31 March 2019:

Queensland	5,076,512
Australia	25,287,394
Queensland share of national population	20.1%

Population growth (12 months to 31 March 2019):

Queensland	↑ 1.8%
Australia	↑ 1.6%
Queensland share of national growth	22.7%

Main findings

- Queensland's preliminary ERP at 31 March 2019 was 5,076,512 persons (20.1% of the Australian population). This reflects an increase of 88,139 persons over the 12 months, and 24,855 persons since 31 December 2018 (Figure 1).
- Queensland recorded a population growth rate of 1.8% in the 12 months to 31 March 2019, above the national average (1.6%) and below Victoria (2.1%) (Figure 2).
- Net overseas migration made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 31 March 2019 (40.0%) followed by natural increase (33.6%) and net interstate migration (26.4%) (Table 1).
- In the 12 months to 31 March 2019, natural increase (births minus deaths) was 29,578 persons, a decrease from the 30,055 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 December 2018.
- Net overseas migration to Queensland in the 12 months to 31 March 2019 was 35,292 persons. This was higher than the level recorded during the 12 month period to 31 December 2018 (34,734 persons).
- Net interstate migration contributed 23,269 persons to population change in Queensland over the 12 months to 31 March 2019, a decrease from the 23,796 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 December 2018.

Table 1 Components of population increase, Queensland

	12 months to 31 March 2019	Share of growth
	persons	%
Natural increase	29,578	33.6
Net overseas migration	35,292	40.0
Net interstate migration	23,269	26.4
Total	88,139	100.0

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

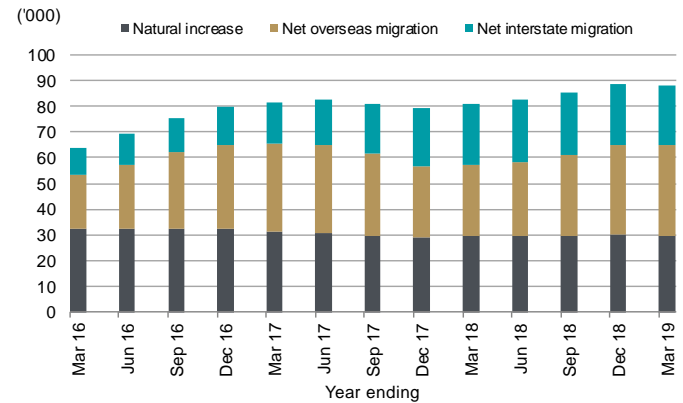


Figure 2 Population growth rate, Australia and states and territories, year ending 31 March 2019

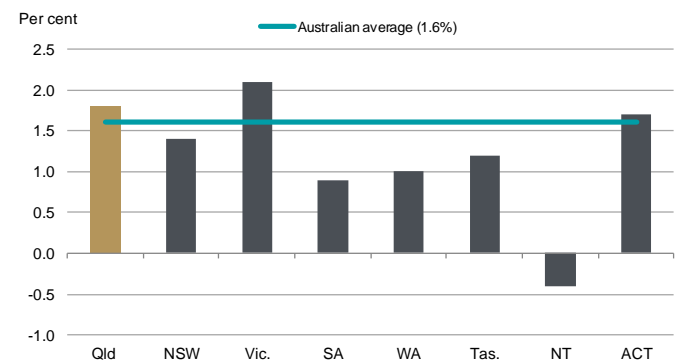


Figure 3 Annual population growth rate, Queensland and Australia

