

Population growth, Queensland, June quarter 2024

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Key data

Preliminary estimated resident population (ERP) as at 30 June 2024:

Queensland	5,586,322
Australia	27,204,809
Queensland share of national population	20.5%

Population growth (12 months to 30 June 2024):

Queensland	↑ 2.3%
Australia	↑ 2.1%
Queensland share of national growth	22.8%

Main findings

Population statistics are impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting Australian Government closure of the international border from March 2020.

The ABS is assessing the impact of changed traveller behaviour on overseas migration estimates, which is likely to result in more frequent revisions to preliminary overseas migration estimates to reflect the most timely data available.

- Queensland's preliminary ERP at 30 June 2024 was 5,586,322 persons (20.5% of the Australian population). This reflects an increase of 125,845 persons over the 12 months, and 25,471 persons since 31 March 2024 (Figure 1).
- Queensland recorded a population growth rate of 2.3% in the 12 months to 30 June 2024, above the national average (2.1%) and below Western Australia (2.8%) and Victoria (2.4%) (Figure 2).
- Net overseas migration made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 30 June 2024 (59.5%) followed by net interstate migration (23.8%) and natural increase (16.7%) (Table 1).
- In the 12 months to 30 June 2024, natural increase (births minus deaths) was 21,003 persons, an increase from the 20,872 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 March 2024.
- Net overseas migration to Queensland in the 12 months to 30 June 2024 was 74,932 persons. This was lower than the level recorded during the 12 month period to 31 March 2024 (83,193 persons).
- Net interstate migration contributed 29,910 persons to population change in Queensland over the 12 months to 30 June 2024, a decrease from the 30,930 persons recorded during the 12 months to 31 March 2024.

Table 1 Components of population increase, Queensland

	12 months to 30 Jun 2024	Share of growth
	persons	%
Natural increase	21,003	16.7
Net overseas migration	74,932	59.5
Net interstate migration	29,910	23.8
Total	125,845	100.0

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

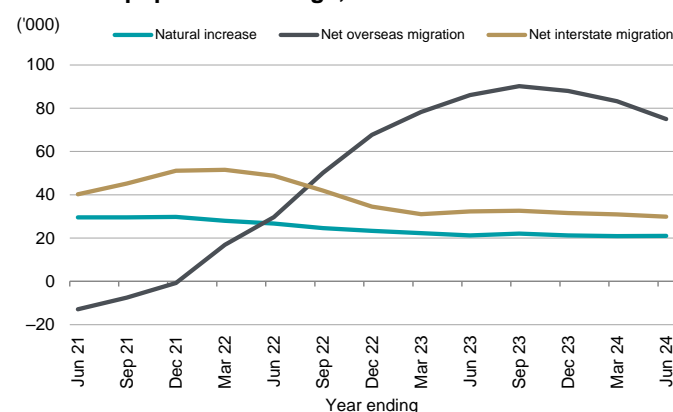


Figure 2 Population growth rate, Australia and states and territories, year ending 30 June 2024



Figure 3 Annual population growth rate, Queensland and Australia

