

# Population growth, Queensland, September quarter 2024

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## Key data

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

Queensland .....	5,608,666
Australia .....	27,309,396
Queensland share of national population .....	20.5%

### Population growth (12 months to 30 September 2024):

Queensland .....	↑ 2.0%
Australia .....	↑ 1.8%
Queensland share of national growth .....	23.1%

## 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 September 2024 was 5,608,666 persons (20.5% of the Australian population). This reflects an increase of 111,938 persons over the 12 months, and 24,833 persons since 30 June 2024 (Figure 1).
- Queensland recorded a population growth rate of 2.0% in the 12 months to 30 September 2024, above the national average (1.8%) and below Western Australia (2.5%) and Victoria (2.1%) (Figure 2).
- Net overseas migration made the largest contribution to population growth in Queensland in the 12 months to 30 September 2024 (57.2%) followed by net interstate migration (25.2%) and natural increase (17.6%) (Table 1).
- In the 12 months to 30 September 2024, Queensland's natural increase (births minus deaths) was 19,737 persons, a decrease from the 21,003 persons recorded during the 12 months to 30 June 2024.
- Net overseas migration to Queensland in the 12 months to 30 September 2024 was 64,000 persons. This was lower than the level recorded during the 12 month period to 30 June 2024 (72,443 persons).
- Net interstate migration contributed 28,201 persons to population change in Queensland over the 12 months to 30 September 2024, a decrease from the 29,910 persons recorded during the 12 months to 30 June 2024.

Table 1 Components of population increase, Queensland

	12 months to 30 Sep 24	Share of growth
	persons	%
Natural increase	19,737	17.6
Net overseas migration	64,000	57.2
Net interstate migration	28,201	25.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>111,938</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Figure 1 Population increase by components of population change, Queensland, year ending

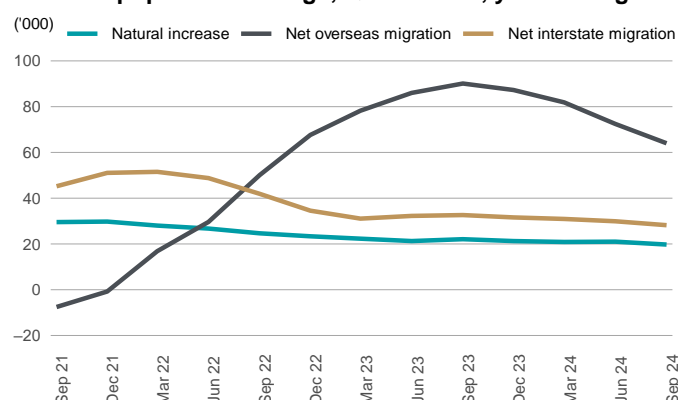


Figure 2 Population growth rate, Australia and states and territories, year ending 30 September 2024

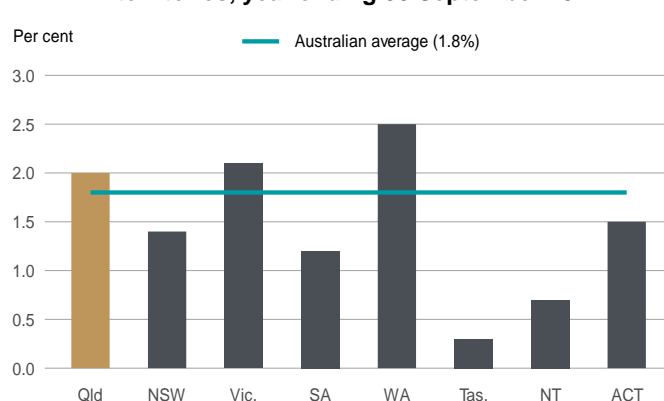


Figure 3 Population growth rate, Queensland and Australia, year ending

