



Department of Infrastructure and Planning

# Recent population trends and projected growth in Gold Coast

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Queensland the Smart State

## Population growth 2001-2006

- Qld averaged 92,500 people each year 2001-2006
- Growth slowed in 2007 – 90,500 people
- SEQ averaged 67,500 people each year (or 73% of Qld's growth)
- 'Old' Gold Coast grew by an average of 17,100 or 25% of SEQ's growth
- 'New' Gold Coast grew by an average of 15,900 people

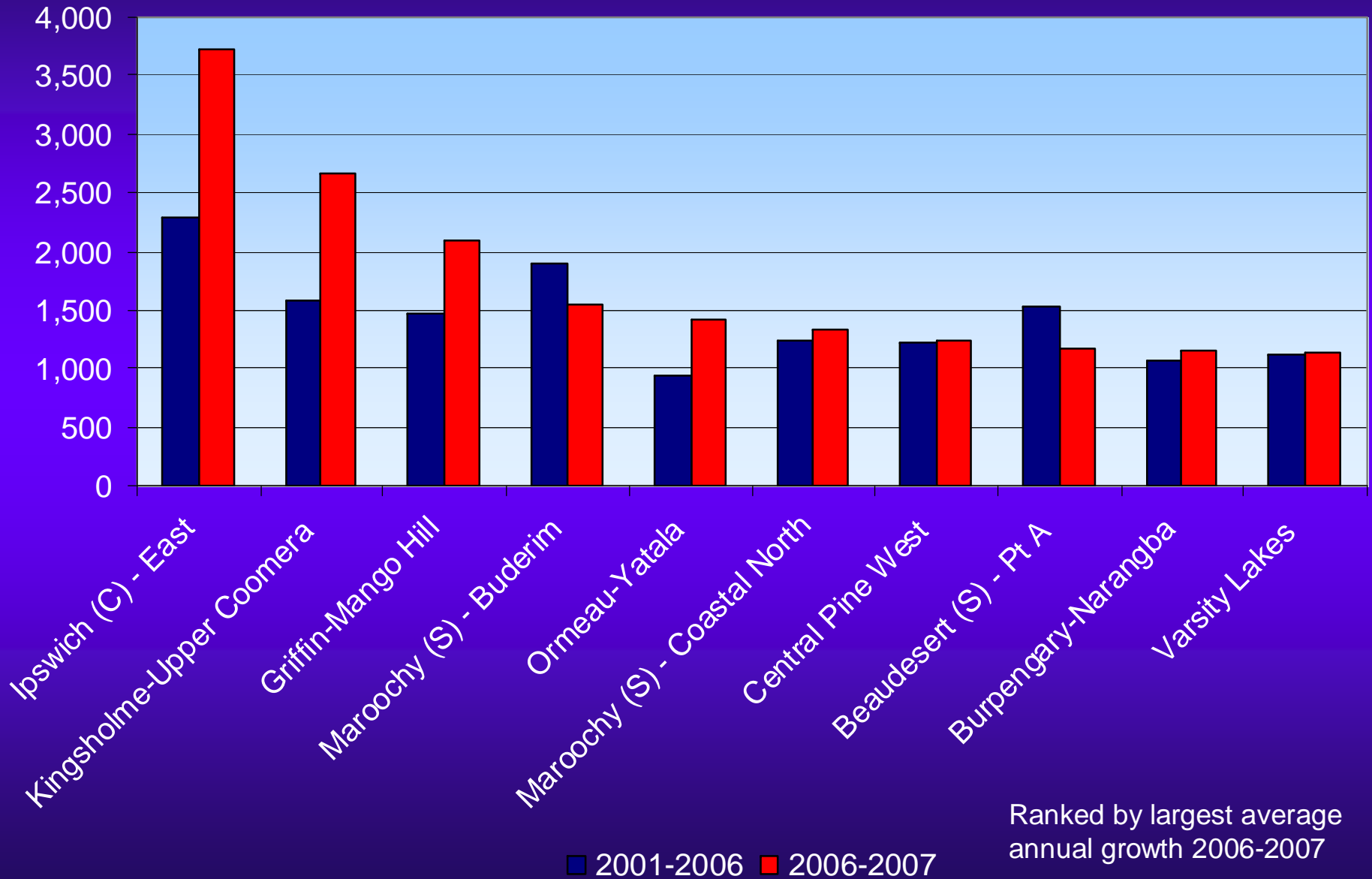
# 10 Largest growing LGAs in Queensland

## Average annual growth, 2001-2006 and 06-07

Rank	LGA	2001-2006		2006-2007	
		No.	%	No.	%
<b>1</b>	<b>Gold Coast (C)</b>	<b>15,910</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>16,562</b>	<b>3.5%</b>
<b>2</b>	Brisbane (C)	19,105	2.0%	<b>15,725</b>	1.6%
<b>3</b>	Moreton Bay (R)	9,241	3.0%	<b>10,816</b>	3.3%
<b>4</b>	Sunshine Coast (R)	9,592	3.6%	<b>7,925</b>	2.7%
<b>5</b>	Ipswich (C)	3,376	2.6%	<b>5,026</b>	3.5%
<b>6</b>	Cairns (R)	3,882	2.9%	<b>4,598</b>	3.1%
<b>7</b>	Townsville (C)	4,033	2.6%	<b>4,529</b>	2.7%
<b>8</b>	Logan (C)	4,463	1.8%	<b>3,830</b>	1.5%
<b>9</b>	Fraser Coast (R)	3,010	3.8%	<b>2,978</b>	3.3%
<b>10</b>	Redland (C)	2,816	2.3%	<b>2,391</b>	1.8%

Source: ABS Cat No 3218.0.

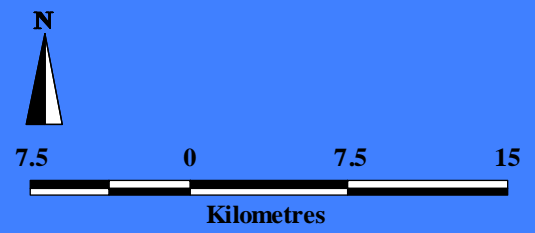
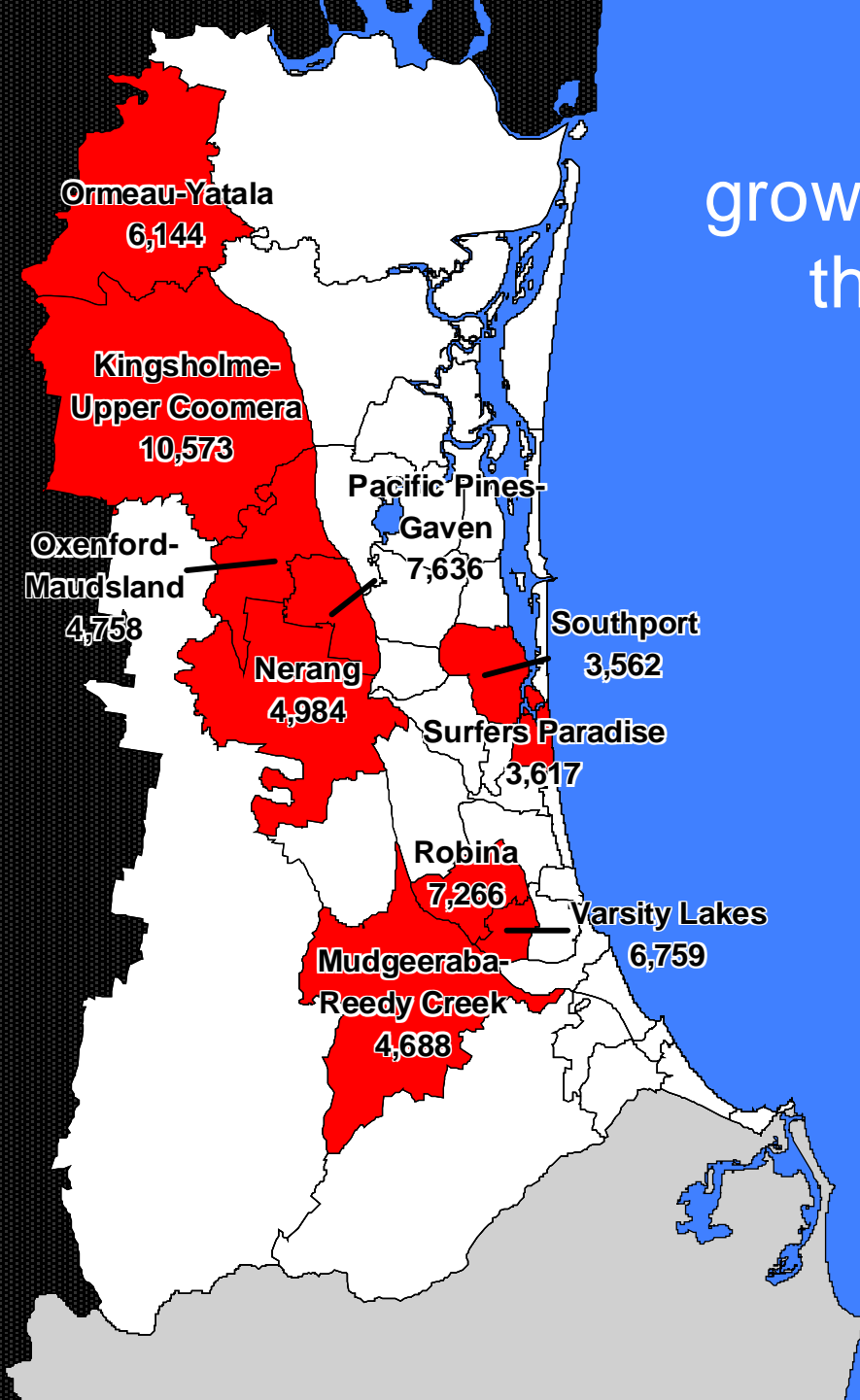
# Top 10 largest growth SLAs in SEQ



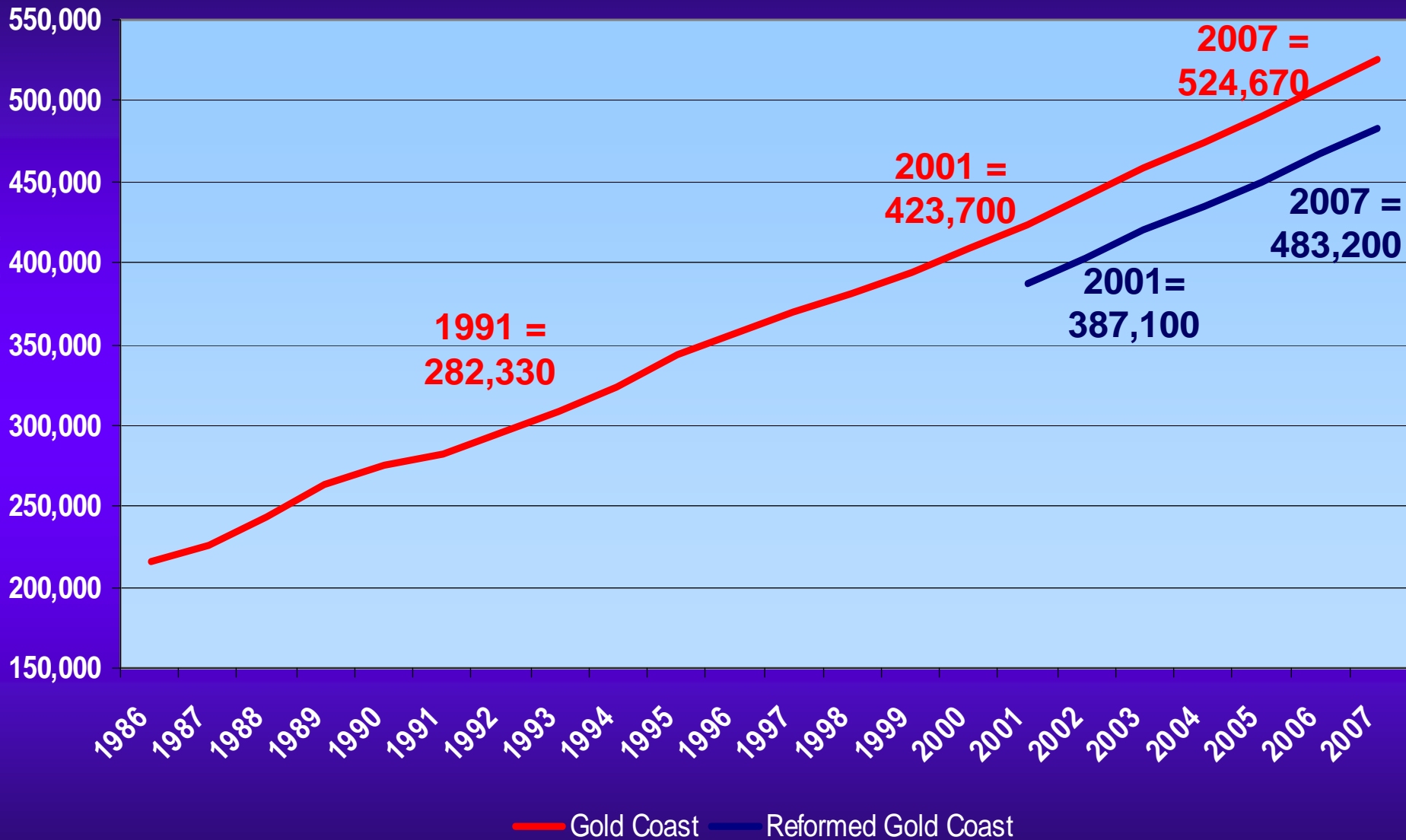
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Ranked by largest average annual growth 2006-2007

# Ten largest growing suburbs in the Gold Coast, 2001-2007

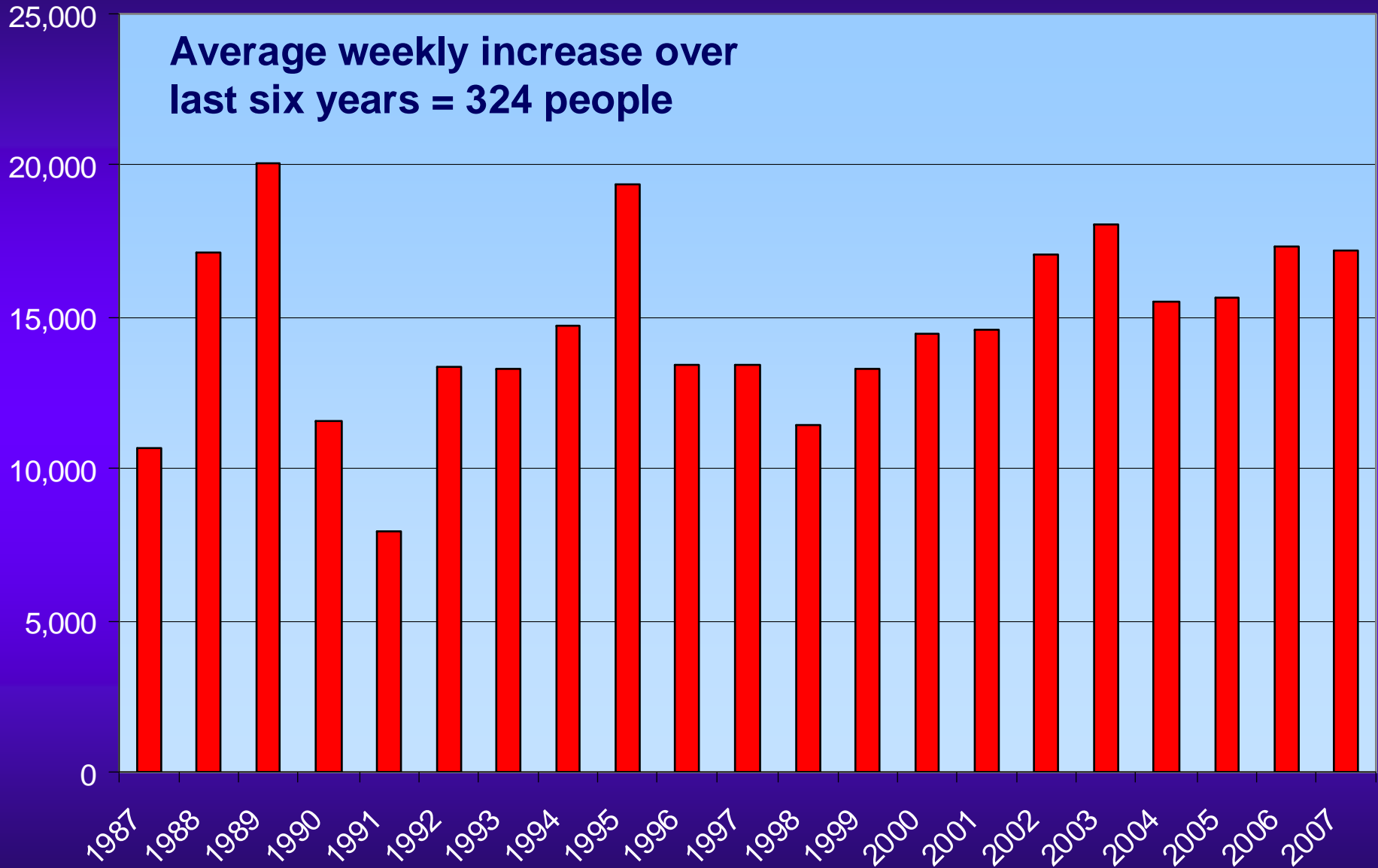


# Gold Coast population



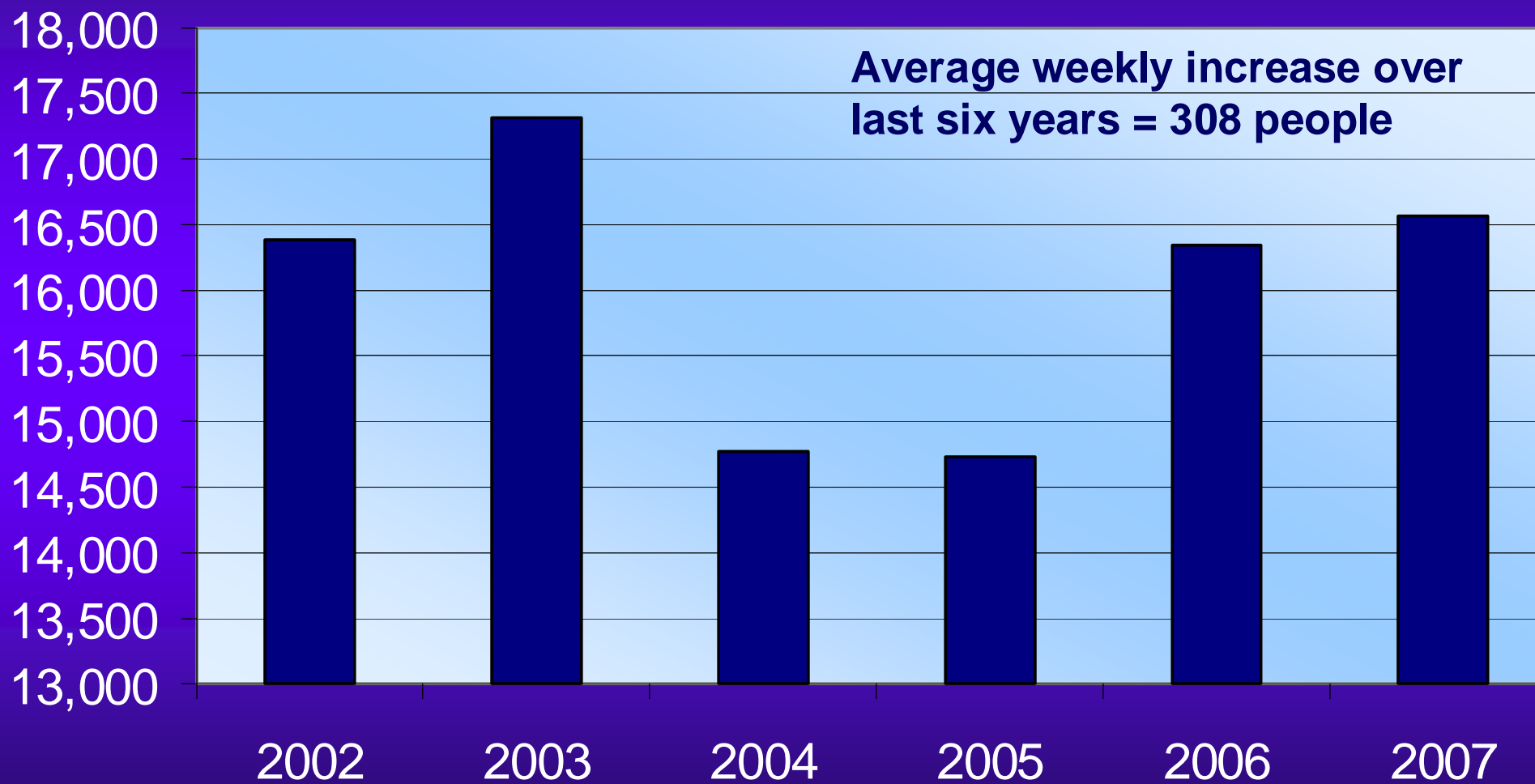
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# Gold Coast population change



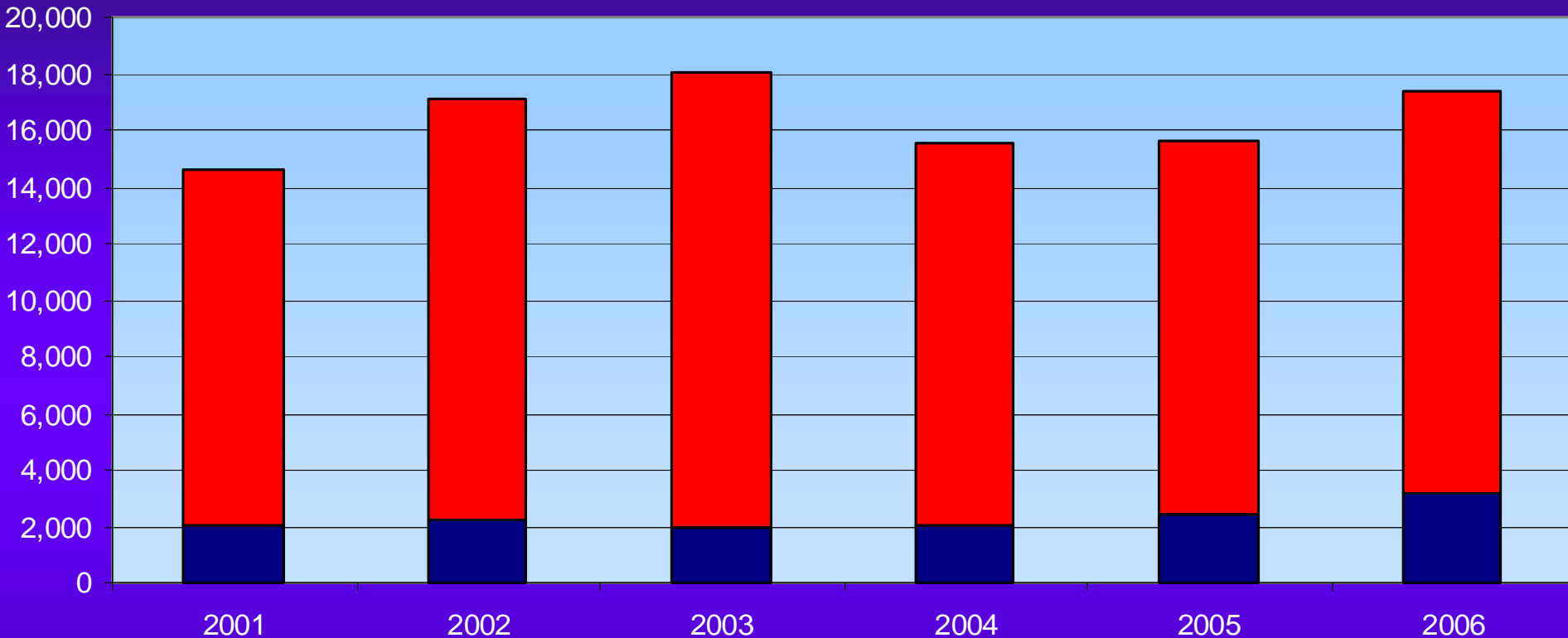
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# 'New' Gold Coast population change



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# Components of population change Year ending 30<sup>th</sup> June



## Averages 2002-2006

Natural increase 2,056 per year

Net migration 13,854 per year

Net migration = 87.1% of population growth

■ Natural Increase ■ Net Migration

Source: PIFU est.

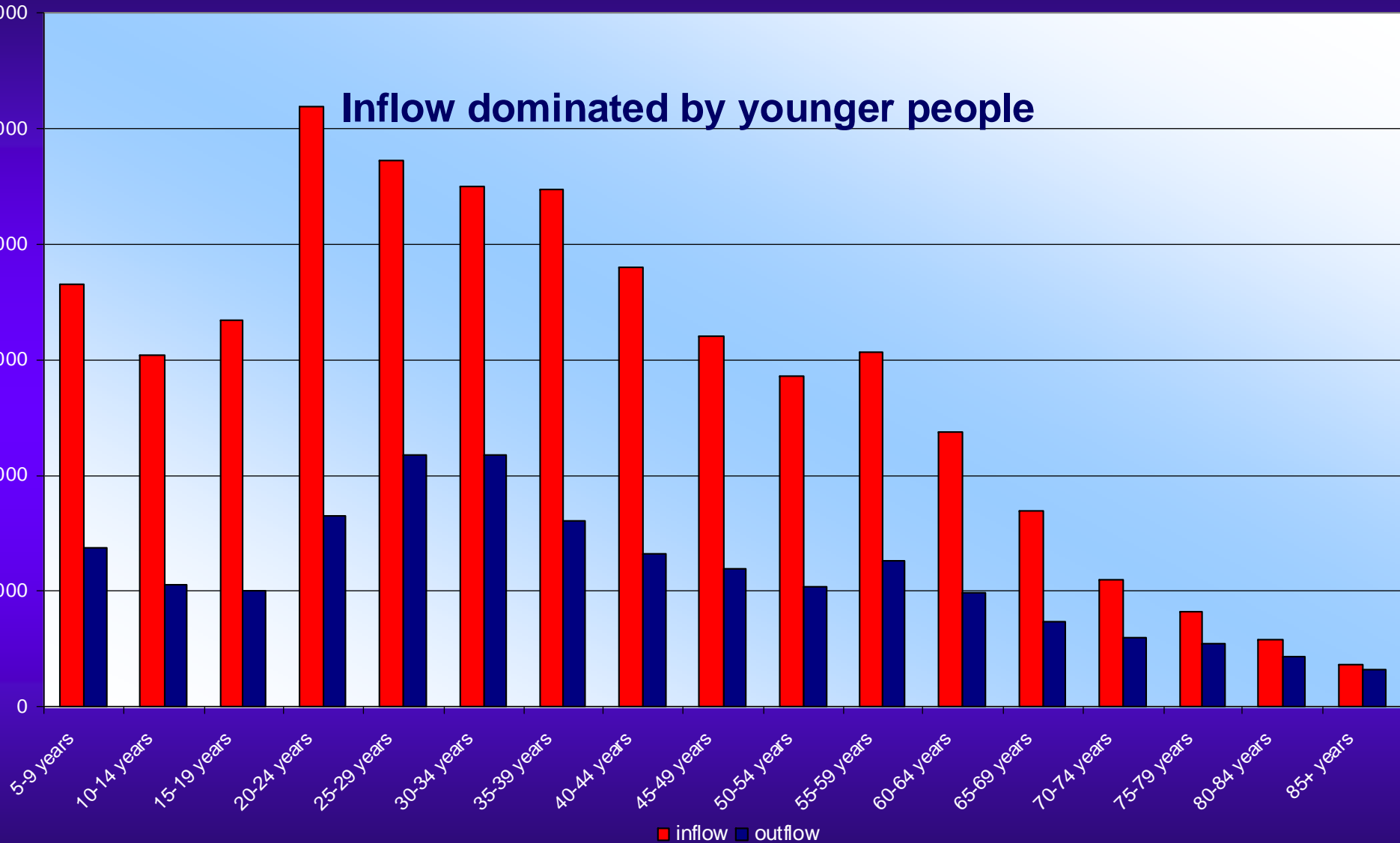
# Gold Coast migration patterns

Total population increase from migration between 2001-2006 was 58,400 people

- Net gain from interstate 29,360
- Net gain from intrastate 2,690
- Overseas in movement 26,360 (out movement unknown)

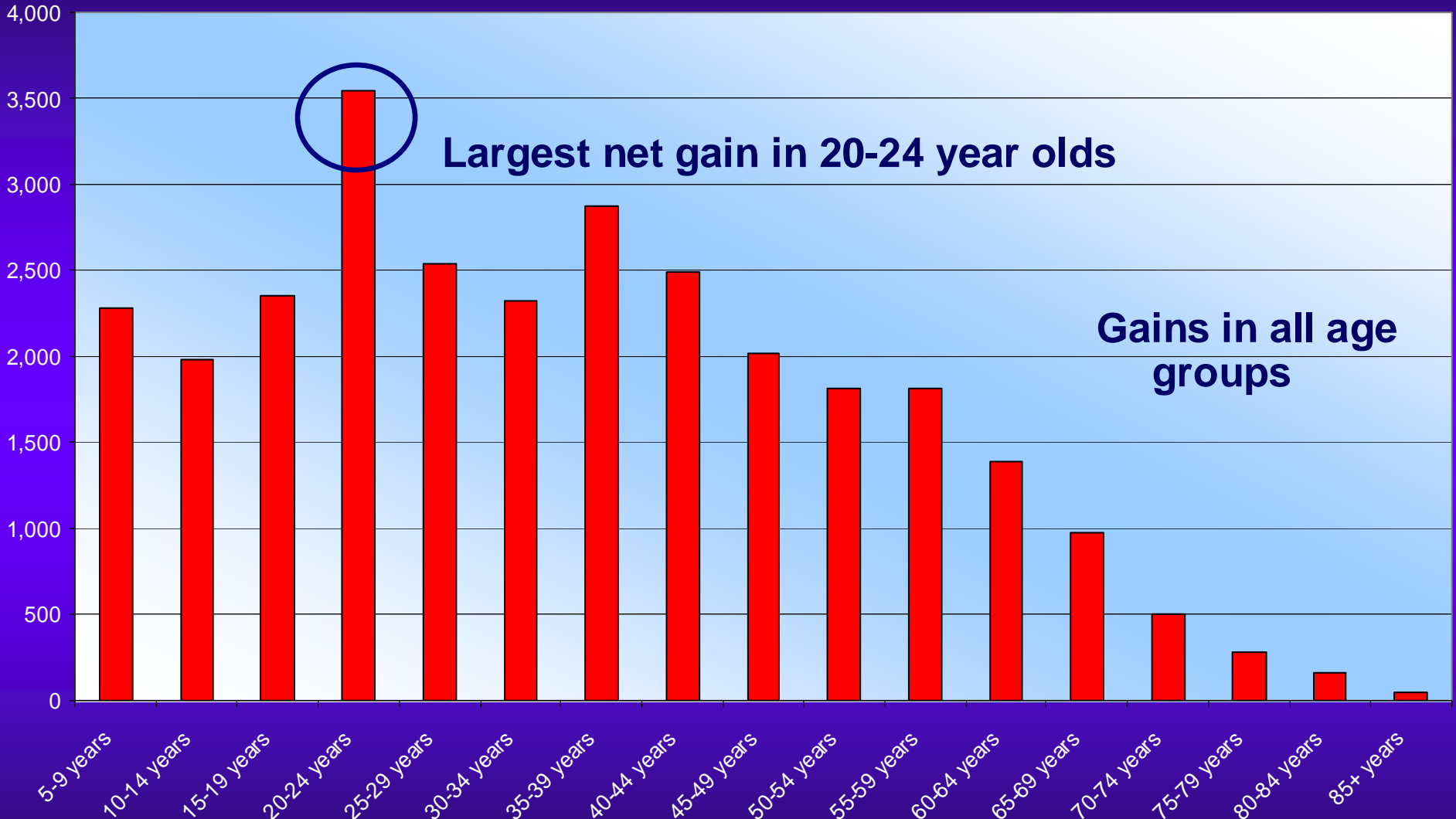
# Interstate migration flows, Gold Coast, 2001-2006

**Inflow dominated by younger people**



Source: ABS, 2006 Census of population and housing, unpublished data

# Net interstate migration gain, Gold Coast, 2001-2006



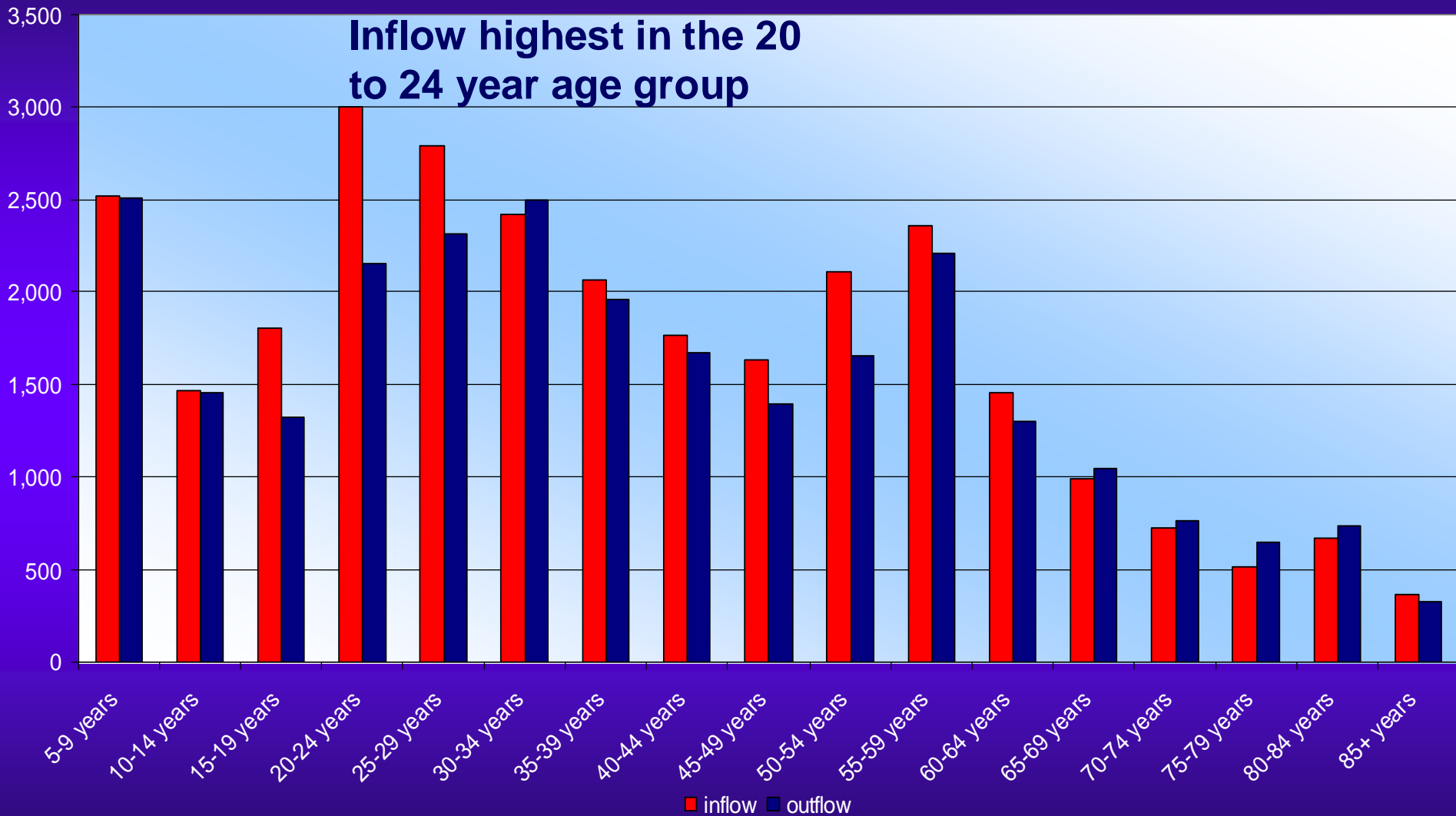
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# Interstate source locations for movers to Gold Coast

- NSW - 32,460
  - Tweed Heads – 2,350
  - Rest of Richmond Tweed SD – 2,540
  - Sydney SD – 17,640
  - Bal of NSW – 9,930
- Vic - 9,900
  - Melbourne SD – 6,740
  - Bal of Vic – 3,160
- SA – 2,540
- WA – 1,990
- Bal – 4,420

Source: ABS, 2006 Census of population and housing, unpublished data

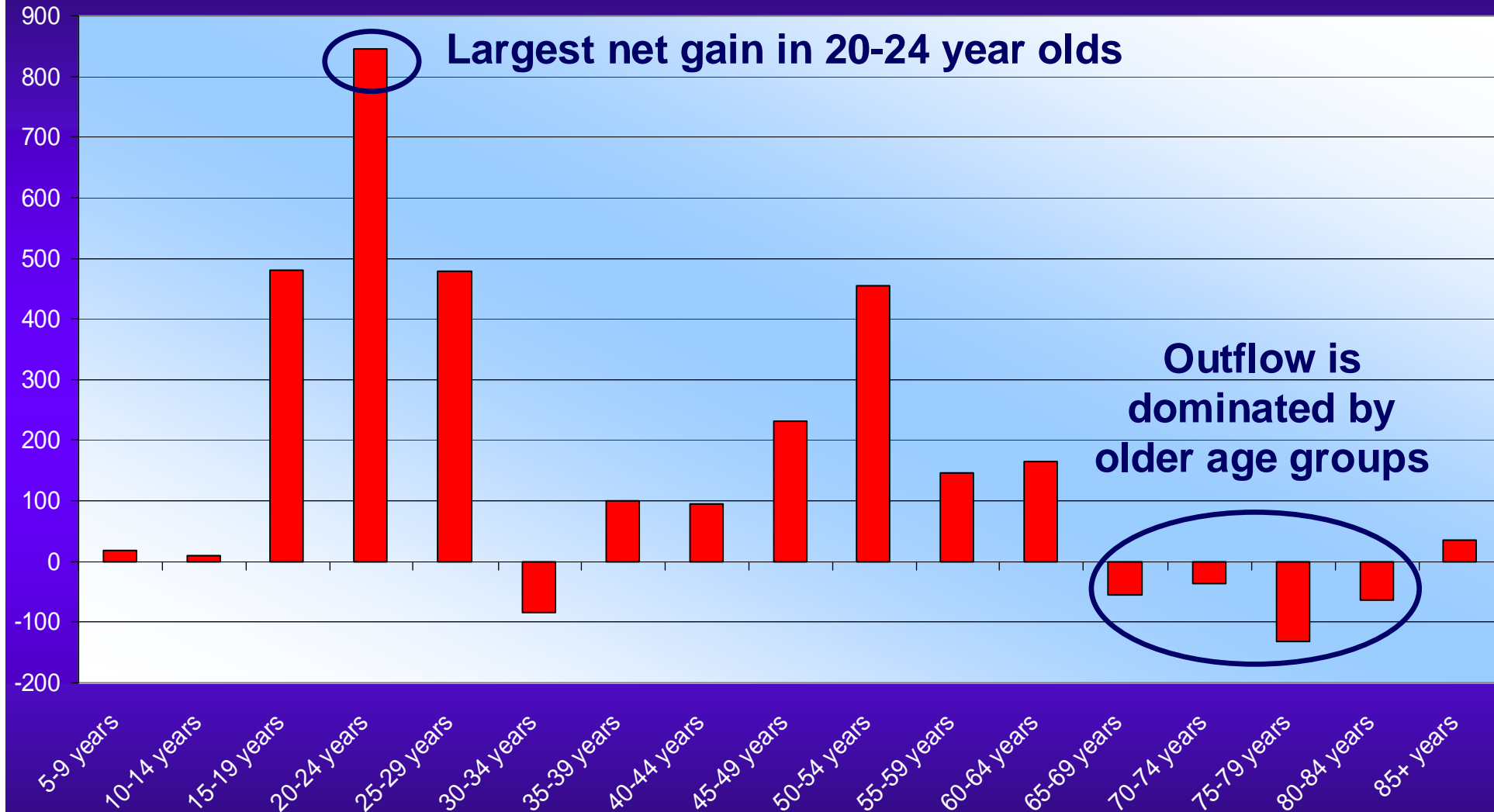
# Intrastate migration flows, Gold Coast, 2001-2006



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# Net intrastate migration gains and losses

## Gold Coast, 2001-2006



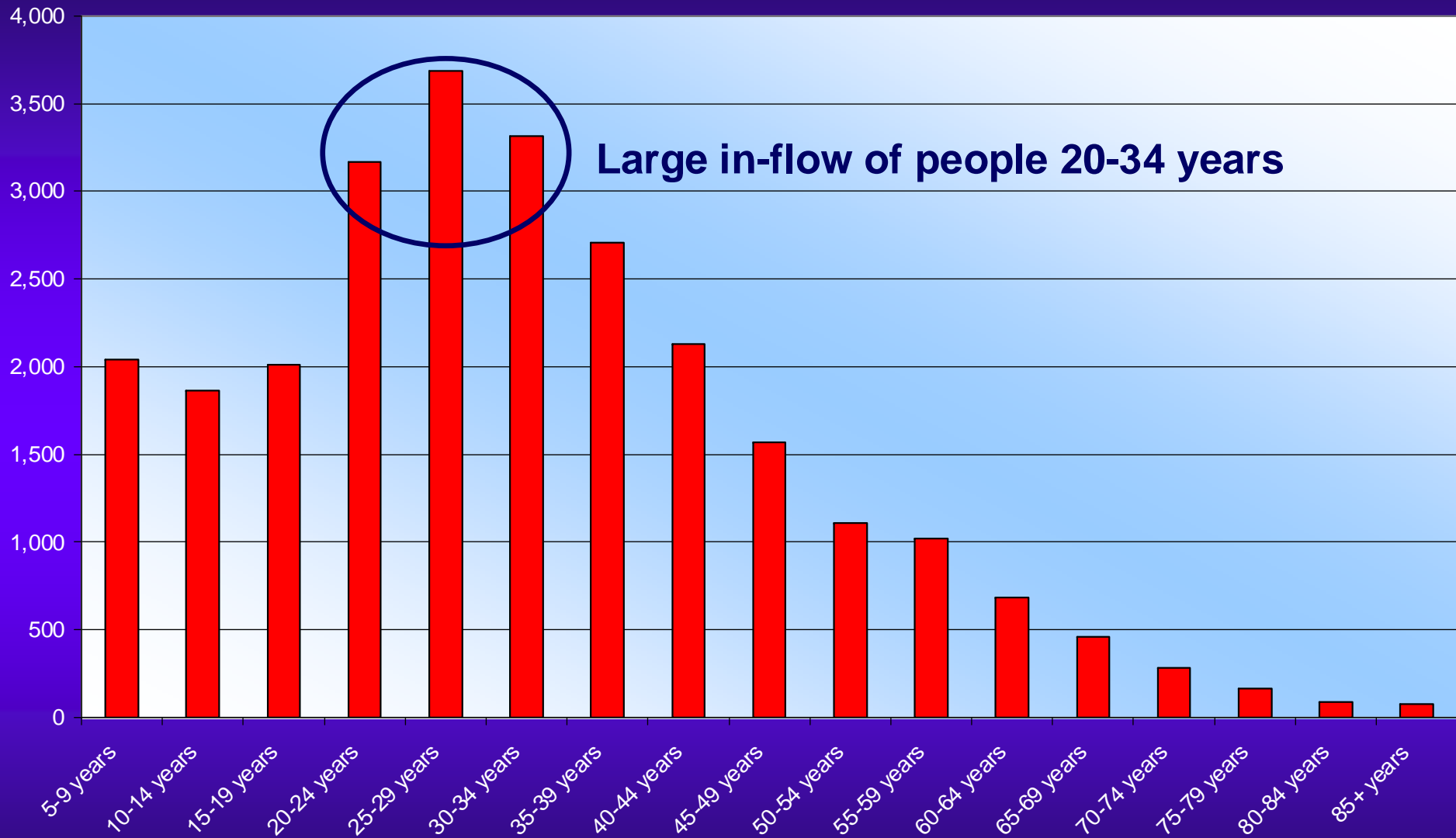
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# Intrastate source locations for movers to Gold Coast

- Brisbane SD – 19,800
- Sunshine Coast SD – 1,500
- West Moreton SD – 700
- Wide Bay-Burnett SD – 1,460
- Darling Downs SD – 1,700
- Fitzroy SD – 1,000
- Mackay SD – 900
- Northern SD – 1,060
- Far North SD – 1,200
- Balance – 2,760

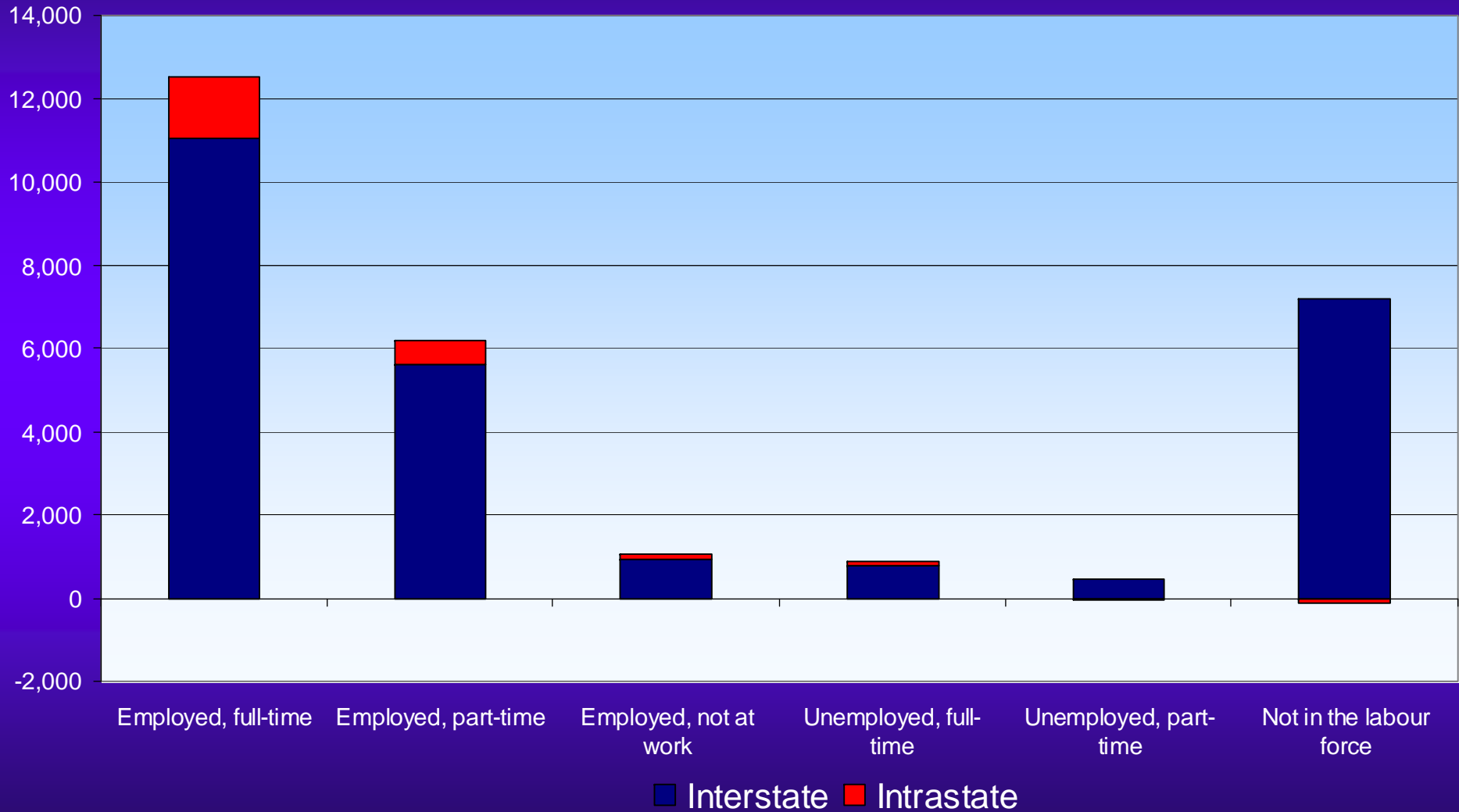
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# Overseas inflow, Gold Coast, 2001-2006



Source: ABS, 2006 Census of population and housing, unpublished data

# Net migration by labour force status, Gold Coast, 2001-2006



Source: ABS, 2006 Census of population and housing, unpublished data

# Permanent additions to Queensland, 2006-07

## By eligibility category

Family	Skill	Special eligibility	Humanitarian program	Non program	Total
6,836	13,933	19	1,464	13,355 (12,979 from NZ)	35,607

Skills category includes Aust sponsored (920), Regional Designated Area sponsored (965), Employer Nomination Scheme (2,855), Business Skills (1,263), Distinguished Talents (44), Independent (7,616), Skilled Independent Regional (270)

# Settler arrivals to Queensland, 2006-07

## Top five countries of birth

Country	Number
New Zealand	11,278
United Kingdom	5,569
South Africa	1,185
Philippines	923
India	903
Total	28,640

Top five for Australia (2006-07)

New Zealand, United Kingdom, India, China, Philippines

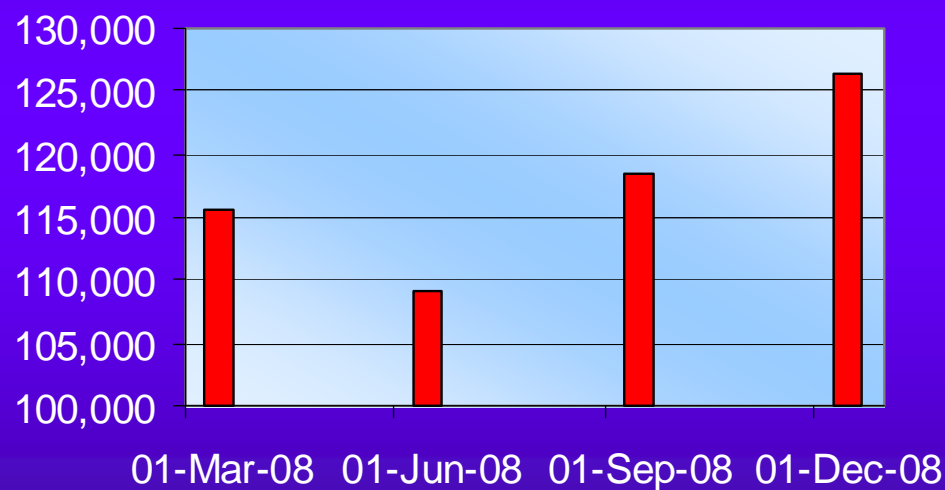
Top five for Australia (1976-77)

United Kingdom, Lebanon, New Zealand, Cyprus, Malaysia

# Temporary entrants in QLD at 30 Jun 2007 by visa

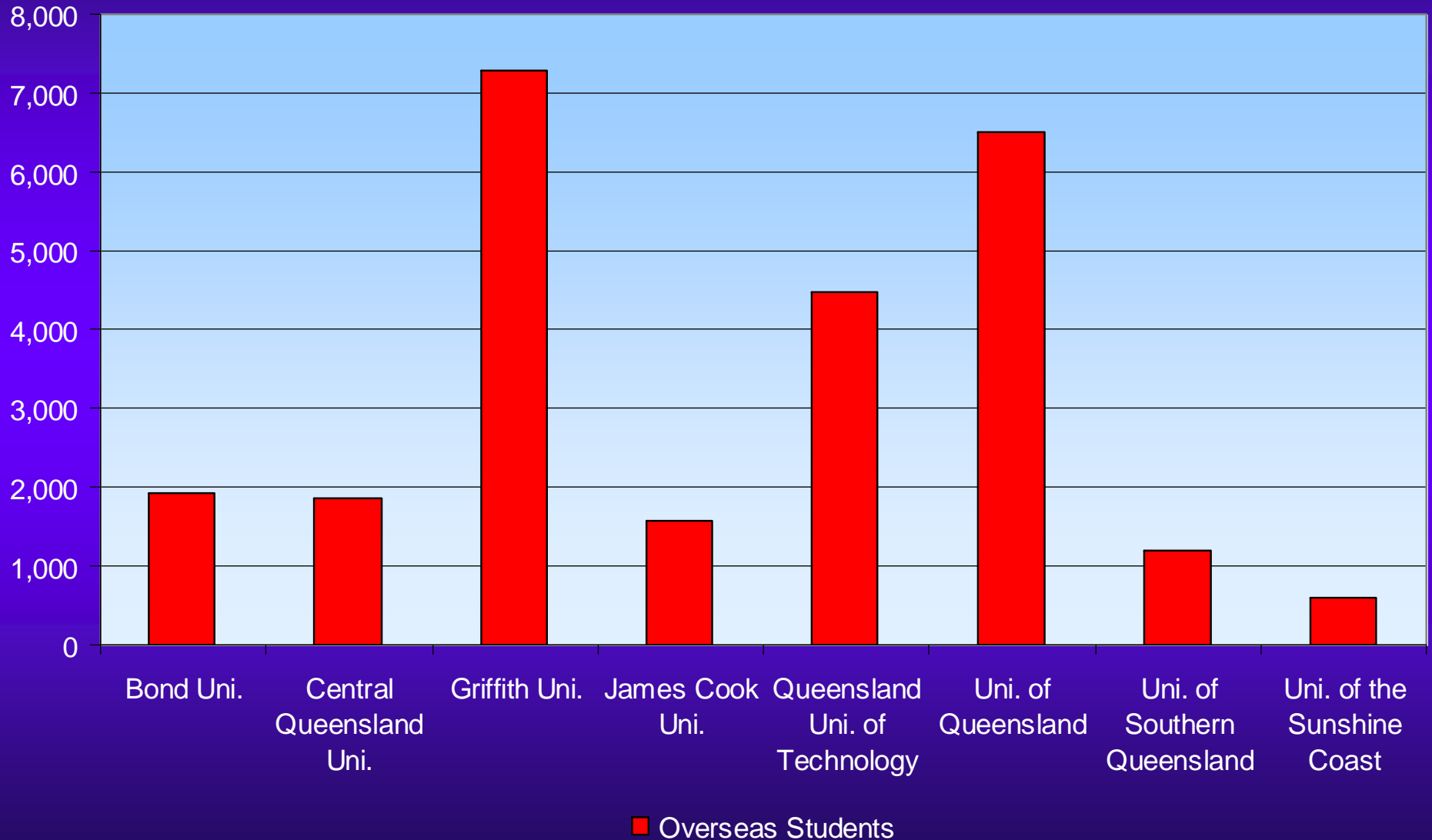
Visa type	Number
Temporary resident	37,624
Student	32,462
Visitor	32,035
Others	6,937
<b>Total</b>	<b>109,058</b>

## Stock of temporary entrants, 2007



Source: Dept of Immigration and Citizenship, unpublished data

# Overseas born students resident in Queensland by institution, 2006



Source: Department of Education, Science and Training

# Temporary residents in QLD at 30 Jun 2007 by visa

Visa type	Number
Business (long stay)	17,724
Working holiday maker	15,570
Work and holiday	87
Retirement	1,691
Medical practitioner	683

Visa type	Number
Occupational training	517
Visiting academic	327
Religious worker	310
Other	715
Total	37,624

Source: Dept of Immigration and Citizenship, unpublished data

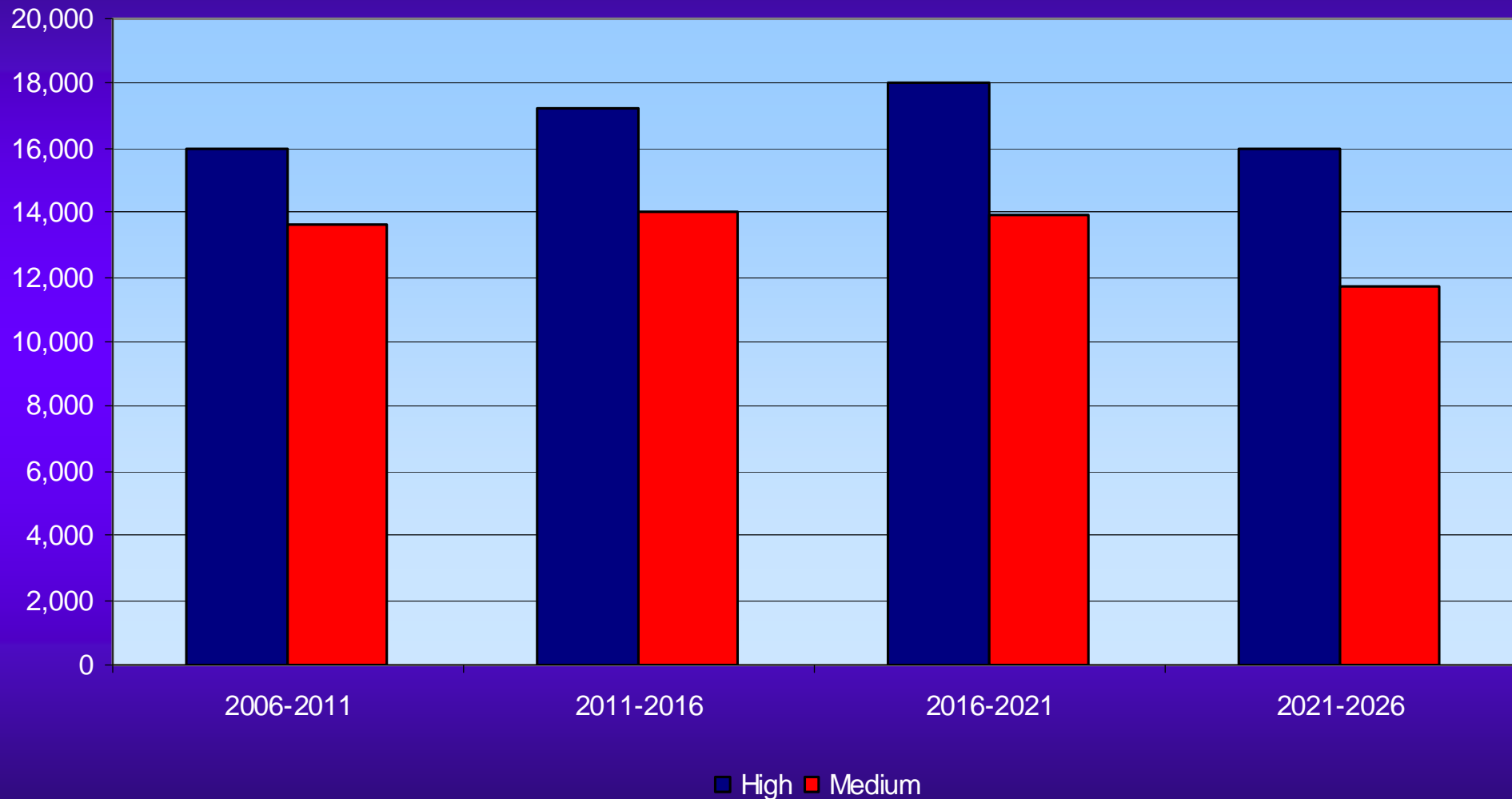
# Gold Coast City population projections



Source: Qld Govt Population Projections, 2006 Edition

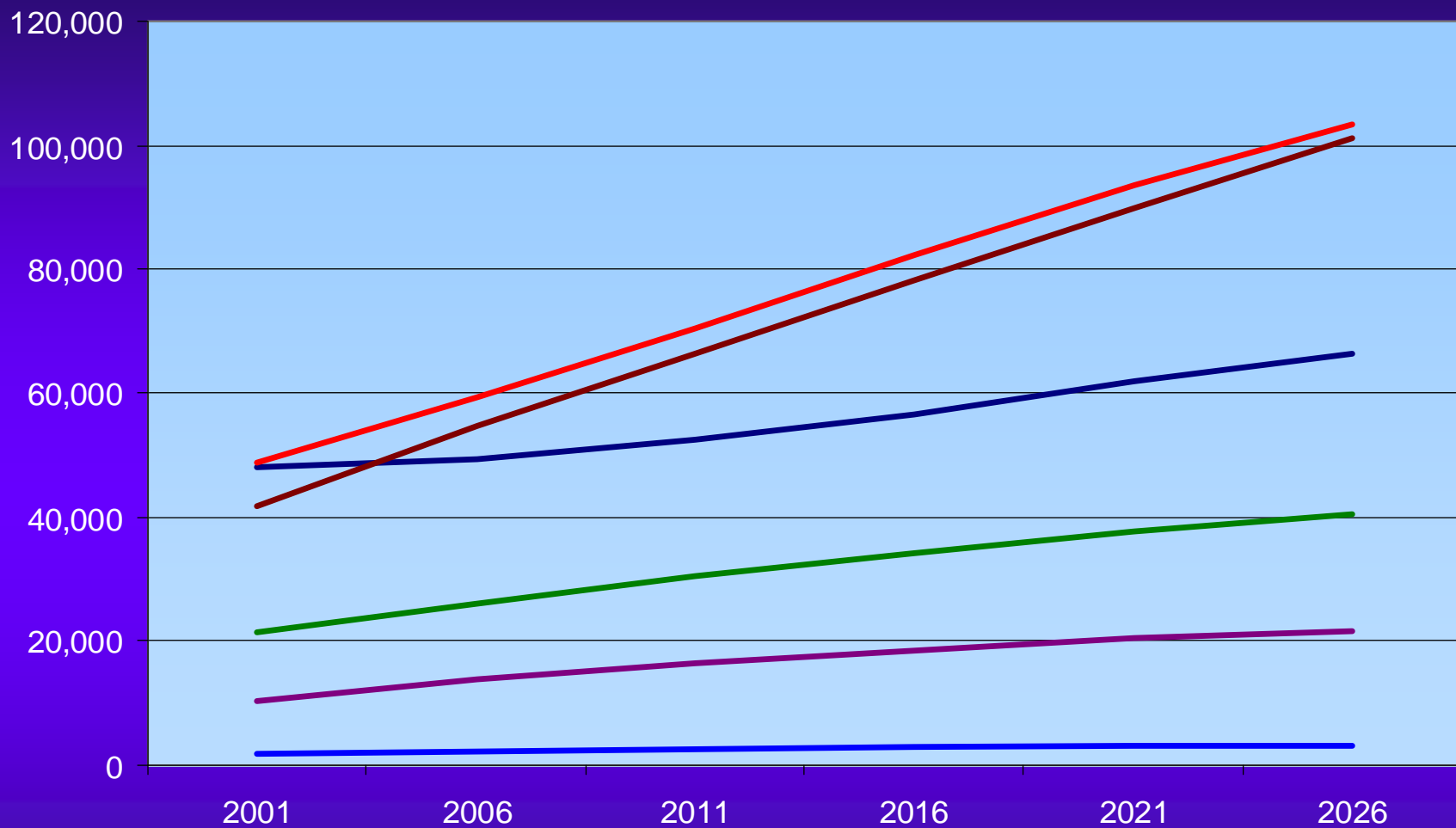
# Projected population change

## Average annual growth



Source: DIP Population Projections, 2006 Edition

# Gold Coast City projected households by type



— Couple family with children households      — Couple without children households  
— One parent family households      — Other family households  
— Group households      — Lone person households

Source: Qld Govt Household Projections 2006

## Concluding remarks ...

- Population growth will be accommodated in infill and redevelopment locations as well as greenfield
- The share of detached housing is likely to decline over time in favour of higher density residential development
- Household change may create demand for smaller dwellings
- The future is uncertain and the past is not necessarily a good guide
- We can intervene to shape the future

**Afternoon tea**

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