

Census fact sheet

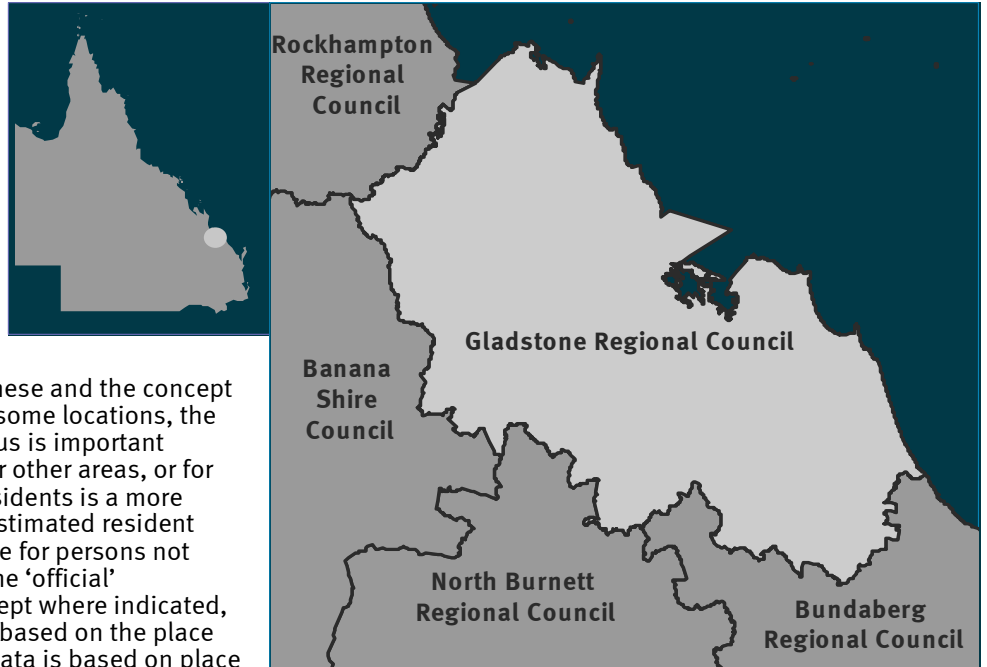
Gladstone Regional Council

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Based on local government boundaries effective March 2008

First release 2006 Census data

Most data from the 2006 Census will be released on a 'place of usual residence' basis – that is, according to where people normally live. For the 2001 Census most data was released on a 'place of enumeration' basis – that is, according to where people were on Census night. However, data on both bases are available from both Census years.



The figures in the table below illustrate the differences between these concepts, and the difference between these and the concept of 'estimated resident population'. For some locations, the number of persons counted at the Census is important because that figure includes visitors. For other areas, or for other purposes, the number of usual residents is a more appropriate measure. In all cases, the estimated resident population (which includes an allowance for persons not counted at the Census) is regarded as the 'official' population (see explanatory notes). Except where indicated, the population data in this fact sheet is based on the place of usual residence, while all dwellings data is based on place of enumeration.

Population summary

	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Total usual residents	26,119	24,636	50,755	22,789	21,867	44,656
Total persons counted at home on Census night(a)	24,194	23,312	47,506	21,960	21,271	43,231
Overseas visitors counted in area(a)	257	275	532	222	226	448
Total visitors counted in area(a)	2,755	1,979	4,734	2,053	1,556	3,609
Total persons counted in area(a)	26,949	25,291	52,240	24,013	22,827	46,840
Estimated resident population (30 June)	27,955	26,019	53,974	23,848	22,521	46,369

(a) This data is based on place of enumeration.

- The median age in the Gladstone region of 34 years was lower than the Queensland median. There is a larger proportion of the population aged under 15 and a smaller proportion aged over 65.
- Household income is \$122 a week higher on average in the Gladstone region, while the median mortgage payment is \$81 a month lower. The median rent is \$23 a week lower compared to Queensland in general.
- The proportion of the population with a severe or profound disability is 3.1% compared with the state average of 4.0%.

Comparisons to Queensland (2006)(a)

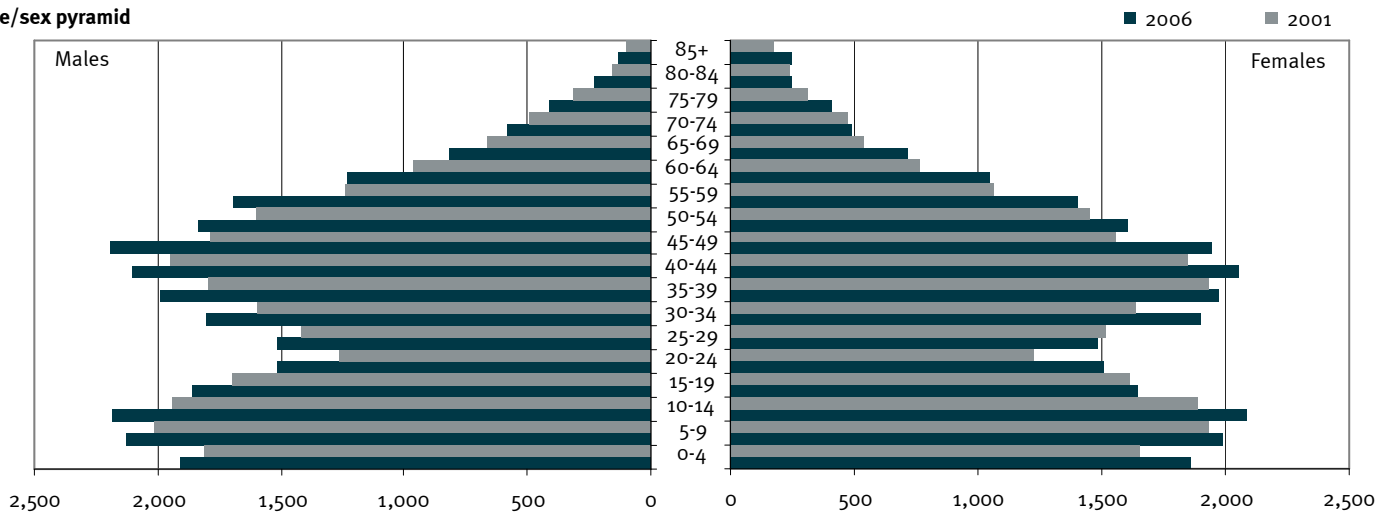
	LGA	QLD
Median age	34	36
% of population aged under 15	24.0%	20.7%
% of population aged 65 and over	8.5%	12.4%
% with profound or severe disability	3.1%	4.0%
Median income (weekly)(b)		
Individual income	\$499	\$476
Family income	\$1,336	\$1,154
Household income	\$1,155	\$1,033
Median housing loan repayment (monthly)(b)	\$1,219	\$1,300
Median rent (weekly)(b)	\$177	\$200
Average persons per bedroom	1.1	1.1
Average household size	2.7	2.6

(a) For detailed explanatory notes refer to Australian Bureau of Statistics, Basic Community Profile, Table 2.

(b) Median values derived by PIFU by assuming that persons falling in the median range are distributed equally across \$ values in that range.

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Age/sex pyramid



Age group	2006				2001			
	Males	Females	Persons	%	Males	Females	Persons	%
0-14	6,220	5,941	12,161	24.0	5,763	5,482	11,245	25.2
15-24	3,376	3,154	6,530	12.9	2,960	2,842	5,802	13.0
25-34	3,320	3,390	6,710	13.2	3,013	3,150	6,163	13.8
35-44	4,093	4,030	8,123	16.0	3,743	3,786	7,529	16.9
45-54	4,030	3,545	7,575	14.9	3,391	3,008	6,399	14.3
55-64	2,916	2,450	5,366	10.6	2,202	1,831	4,033	9.0
65-74	1,400	1,215	2,615	5.2	1,154	1,023	2,177	4.9
75-84	634	662	1,296	2.6	466	563	1,029	2.3
85+	130	251	381	0.8	96	178	274	0.6
Total	26,119	24,638	50,757	100.0	22,788	21,863	44,651	100.0

Current education status	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Pre-school	410	386	796	361	342	703
Infants/primary – government	2,159	2,054	4,213	2,286	2,250	4,536
Infants/primary – non government	581	547	1,128	391	372	763
Infants/primary – total	3,150	2,987	6,137	3,038	2,964	6,002
Secondary – government	1,461	1,424	2,885	1,331	1,295	2,626
Secondary – non government	260	283	543	260	300	560
Secondary – total	1,721	1,707	3,428	1,591	1,595	3,186
Technical or further educational institution	356	482	838	506	611	1,117
University or other tertiary Institution	363	579	942	373	579	952
Other and not stated	2,231	1,960	4,191	1,044	1,059	2,103
Total attending	8,231	8,101	16,332	6,913	7,150	14,063

Population characteristics	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Birthplace – Australia	21,454	20,485	41,939	19,064	18,446	37,510
Birthplace – Elsewhere(a)	2,755	2,591	5,346	2,435	2,285	4,720
Language spoken at home – English only	23,880	22,733	46,613	21,284	20,405	41,689
Language spoken at home – Other language(b)	679	690	1,369	508	563	1,071
Indigenous persons	790	782	1,572	675	704	1,379
Australian citizens	23,045	22,044	45,089	20,780	20,063	40,843
Count of persons in occupied private dwellings(c)	25,606	24,527	50,133	23,132	22,320	45,452
Count of persons in other dwellings(c)(d)	1,077	496	1,573	881	507	1,388

(a) Includes responses that could not be coded to a specific country but excludes 'not stated'.

(b) Includes responses that could not be coded to a specific language but excludes 'not stated'.

(c) This data is based on place of enumeration.

(d) Includes persons counted in 'migratory, offshore and shipping' Collection Districts as well as those in non-private dwellings such as hotels and hospitals.

- Over the five years to 2006 the number of children aged 0-14 years increased by 916 (8.1%) but the proportion of these children in the population fell from 25.2% to 24.0%. The population aged 75 and over increased by 374 (28.7%) and grew from 2.9% of the population in 2001 to 3.3% in 2006.
- The number of persons attending an educational institution increased by 16.1% over the 2001-06 period.
- The proportion of secondary students attending non-government schools declined from 17.6% in 2001 to 15.8% in 2006 and for infant and primary students the proportion in government schools fell from 75.6% to 68.6% over the same period.
- The number of students at TAFE or university decreased by 14.0%.
- In the five years to 2006 the proportion of persons in the Gladstone region who were born in Australia declined from 88.8% to 88.7%. During this period the population who were Australian citizens increased by 4,246.
- In 2006 3.0% of persons were counted in non-private dwellings, compared with 3.0% in 2001.

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- From 2001 to 2006 the proportion of persons who had never been married increased from 28.8% to 30.9%.
- Married persons increased in number by 2,052, but as a share of total persons declined from 55.4% to 53.3%.
- The number who were separated or divorced increased by 19.2%.
- The number of persons living in a de facto relationship increased by 35.3% between 2001 and 2006 compared with an increase of 6.4% for those living in a registered marriage.
- Social marital status is generally assumed to more closely reflect current living arrangements than do figures for formal registered marital status.

Marital status (registered)	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Married (excl. de facto)	10,313	10,259	20,572	9,246	9,274	18,520
Separated	719	726	1,445	669	729	1,398
Divorced	1,675	1,490	3,165	1,287	1,183	2,470
Widowed	313	1,176	1,489	316	1,079	1,395
Never married	6,873	5,048	11,921	5,509	4,123	9,632
Total (aged 15+)	19,893	18,699	38,592	17,027	16,388	33,415

Social marital status(a)	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Married (registered)	9,019	9,326	18,345	8,528	8,720	17,248
Married (de facto)	2,080	2,191	4,271	1,546	1,610	3,156
Not married	6,138	5,266	11,404	5,589	5,004	10,593
Total (aged 15+)	17,237	16,783	34,020	15,663	15,334	30,997

(a) This data is derived from analysis of relationships within households in private dwellings and so are on a different basis to the figures reported for registered marital status.

Number of children ever born (a)(b)	2006	2001	Change 2001-2006
0	4,377	3,644	733
1	2,047	1,699	348
2	5,308	4,161	1,147
3	3,601	2,943	658
4	1,590	1,429	161
5	574	551	23
6 or more	418	525	-107
Not stated	1,195	891	304
Total females aged 15+	19,110	15,843	3,267

(a) This data is based on place of enumeration.

(b) Refers to live births only.

Family composition (persons)	2006	2001	Change 2001-2006
Couple family without children	10,191	8,736	1,455
Couple family with children	25,173	23,761	1,412
One parent family	4,739	4,611	128
Other family(a)	250	219	31
Total members of families	40,353	37,327	3,026

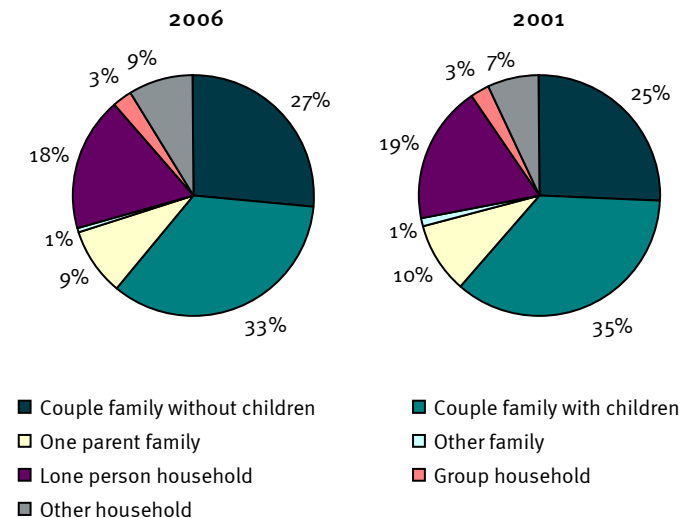
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Household composition (households)	2006	2001	Change 2001-2006
One family household			
Couple family without children	5,071	4,378	693
Couple family with children	6,493	6,050	443
One parent family	1,748	1,655	93
Other family(a)	118	106	12
Lone person household	3,446	3,225	221
Group household	524	453	71
Other household	1,620	1,159	461
Total households	19,020	17,026	1,994

(a) This data is based on place of enumeration.

- The proportion of females aged 15 or more in 2006 who had never borne children was 22.9% compared to 23.0% in 2001. Those who had borne three or more children fell from 34.4% in 2001 to 32.4% in 2006.
- Despite an increase of 1,412 in the number of persons in families with children, the proportion of persons in couples without children increased from 23.4% to 25.3% over the five years to 2006.
- Between 2001 and 2006 there was an increase of 221 (6.9%) lone person households in the Gladstone region. One parent families increased by 93 (5.6%) while the number of couples without children increased by 693 (15.8%).

Household composition (occupied private dwellings)



Dwelling structure			Change
	2006	2001	2001-2006
Separate house	15,805	14,112	1,693
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	443	376	67
Flat, unit or apartment	1,528	1,294	234
Other dwelling(a)	1,223	1,001	222
Dwelling structure not stated	17	243	-226
Total occupied private dwellings	19,016	17,026	1,990
Unoccupied private dwelling	2,553	1,938	615
Total private dwellings	21,569	18,964	2,605
Non-private dwelling	83	71	12

(a) Includes caravans, cabins and improvised dwellings.

Tenure (occupied dwellings)			Change
	2006	2001	2001-2006
Fully owned	5,448	5,997	-549
Being purchased	6,998	4,998	2,000
Rented	5,247	5,119	128
Other incl. rent-free	101	181	-80
Tenure not stated	1,225	745	480
Total occupied private dwellings	19,019	17,040	1,979

Explanatory notes

- Estimated Resident Population (ERP) is derived from census usual residence counts, by making three adjustments: (a) an adjustment for persons in Australia at the time of the Census who were not counted; (b) inclusion of an estimated number of Australian residents who were temporarily overseas on Census night, and (c) an adjustment for births, deaths and migration between 30 June and the Census date (8 August 2006).
- 'Family' is defined as two or more persons (at least one aged 15+) related to each other who are usually resident in the same household, even if one or more (but not all) are temporarily absent, whereas a 'household' comprises all usual residents of a private dwelling. Thus a couple where one partner was temporarily away would be classed as a couple family, not as a lone person.
- Where local government area (LGA) boundaries have changed since 2001, the 2006 and 2001 Census data presented here have been estimated by apportioning statistical local area (SLA) level Census data. The apportionment ratios are based on an analysis of collection district (CD) population, dwellings and land parcels.
- Where indigenous LGAs have been established since 2001, no 2001 Census data are available for these areas. Note that the 2001 data for the LGAs from which they were created are not directly comparable to the 2006 Census data for these LGAs. It is not possible to accurately adjust the 2001 data for these 'parent' LGAs to allow for the separation of the indigenous areas.
- Data on persons by family type are presented on a place of enumeration basis, as the family data on a place of usual residence basis exclude individuals temporarily absent on Census night, although they are taken into account in determining family type, and are included in the usual resident population for the area.
- In making comparisons between 2001 and 2006 for individual categories in a classification, the size of the not stated category should be considered, as in some cases the real change may be obscured or distorted. Likewise the exclusion of some categories of households may distort the change in household characteristics or size.

Sources

ABS, *Census of Population and Housing*, 2001 and 2006, published and unpublished data. ABS, *Regional Population Growth*, ABS Cat. No. 3218.0

- Between 2001 and 2006 the number of separate houses rose by 67 while the number of attached dwellings increased by 301.
- As a proportion of occupied private dwellings, attached dwellings rose from 8.8% in 2001 to 9.1% in 2006.
- The proportion of all private dwellings that were vacant increased from 10.2% to 11.8% over the same period.
- The proportion of households renting their home decreased from 30.0% in 2001 to 27.6% in 2006, while the proportion of households paying off their home rose from 29.3% to 36.8%. The number of dwellings being purchased increased by 2,000.

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