

Census fact sheet

Tablelands 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	20,707	20,199	40,906	19,667	19,208	38,875
Total persons counted at home on Census night(a)	19,326	19,181	38,507	18,428	18,263	36,691
Overseas visitors counted in area(a)	237	275	512	210	240	450
Total visitors counted in area(a)	1,870	1,819	3,689	1,358	2,028	3,386
Total persons counted in area(a)	21,196	21,000	42,196	19,786	20,291	40,077
Estimated resident population (30 June)	22,246	21,381	43,627	20,258	20,543	40,801

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

- The median age in the Tablelands region of 41 years was higher than the Queensland median. There is a larger proportion of the population aged under 15 and a larger proportion aged over 65.
- Household income is \$317 a week lower on average in the Tablelands region, while the median mortgage payment was also \$317 a month lower. The median rent is \$68 a week lower compared to Queensland in general.
- The proportion of the population with a severe or profound disability is 4.8% compared with the state average of 4.0%.

Comparisons to Queensland (2006)(a)

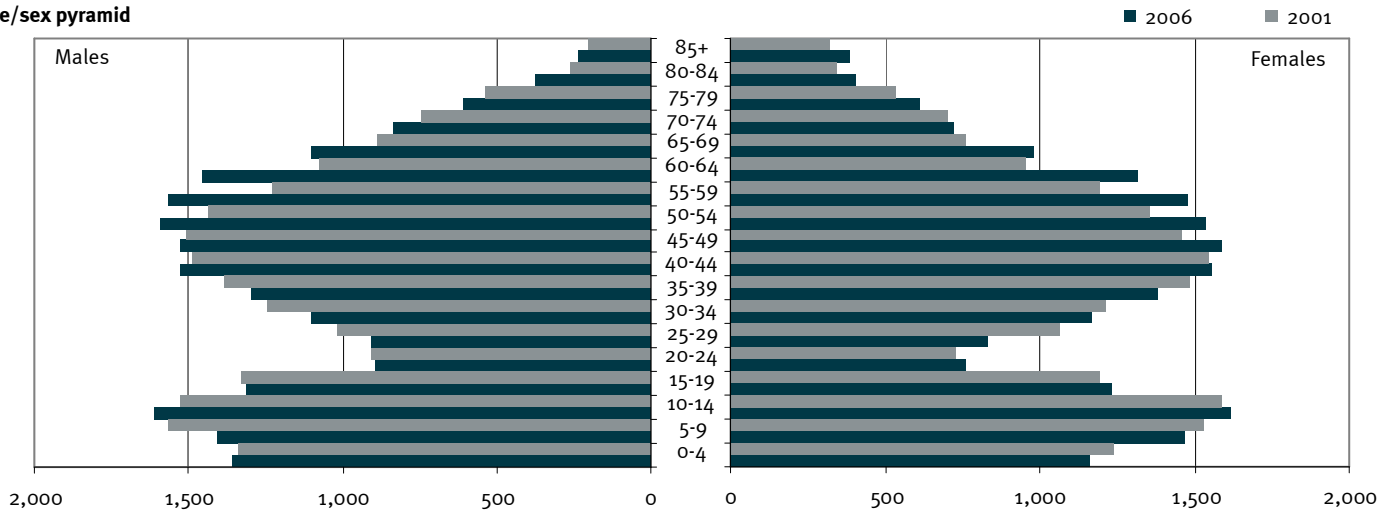
	LGA	QLD
Median age	41	36
% of population aged under 15	21.1%	20.7%
% of population aged 65 and over	15.3%	12.4%
% with profound or severe disability	4.8%	4.0%
Median income (weekly)(b)		
Individual income	\$373	\$476
Family income	\$922	\$1,154
Household income	\$716	\$1,033
Median housing loan repayment (monthly)(b)	\$983	\$1,300
Median rent (weekly)(b)	\$132	\$200
Average persons per bedroom	1.2	1.1
Average household size	2.5	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	4,375	4,253	8,628	21.1	4,435	4,356	8,791	22.6
15-24	2,212	1,994	4,206	10.3	2,230	1,920	4,150	10.7
25-34	2,004	1,996	4,000	9.8	2,259	2,276	4,535	11.7
35-44	2,825	2,932	5,757	14.1	2,869	3,030	5,899	15.2
45-54	3,120	3,122	6,242	15.3	2,942	2,814	5,756	14.8
55-64	3,019	2,794	5,813	14.2	2,303	2,149	4,452	11.5
65-74	1,934	1,706	3,640	8.9	1,634	1,463	3,097	8.0
75-84	984	1,020	2,004	4.9	795	880	1,675	4.3
85+	236	384	620	1.5	199	320	519	1.3
Total	20,709	20,201	40,910	100.0	19,666	19,208	38,874	100.0

Current education status	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Pre-school	298	265	563	264	258	522
Infants/primary – government	1,401	1,398	2,799	1,602	1,539	3,141
Infants/primary – non government	461	465	926	480	489	969
Infants/primary – total	2,160	2,128	4,288	2,346	2,286	4,632
Secondary – government	1,156	1,139	2,295	1,132	1,211	2,343
Secondary – non government	102	192	294	154	179	333
Secondary – total	1,258	1,331	2,589	1,286	1,390	2,676
Technical or further educational institution	158	387	545	185	358	543
University or other tertiary Institution	148	316	464	175	347	522
Other and not stated	2,598	1,982	4,580	1,490	988	2,478
Total attending	6,620	6,409	13,029	5,746	5,627	11,373

Population characteristics	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Birthplace – Australia	16,108	15,491	31,599	15,758	15,310	31,068
Birthplace – Elsewhere(a)	2,889	3,102	5,991	2,848	2,912	5,760
Language spoken at home – English only	17,415	17,415	34,830	16,686	16,799	33,485
Language spoken at home – Other language(b)	1,331	1,526	2,857	1,545	1,592	3,137
Indigenous persons	1,933	1,707	3,640	1,872	1,628	3,500
Australian citizens	17,809	17,875	35,684	17,653	17,704	35,357
Count of persons in occupied private dwellings(c)	19,773	20,000	39,773	19,045	19,212	38,257
Count of persons in other dwellings(c)(d)	1,192	718	1,910	741	1,079	1,820

(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 decreased by 163 (1.9%) and the proportion of these children in the population fell from 22.6% to 21.1%. The population aged 75 and over increased by 430 (19.6%) and grew from 5.6% of the population in 2001 to 6.4% in 2006.
- The number of persons attending an educational institution increased by 14.6% over the 2001-06 period.
- The proportion of secondary students attending non-government schools declined from 12.4% in 2001 to 11.4% in 2006 and for infant and primary students the proportion in government schools fell from 67.8% to 65.3% over the same period.
- The number of students at TAFE or university decreased by 5.3%.
- In the five years to 2006 the proportion of persons in the Tablelands region who were born in Australia declined from 84.4% to 84.1%. During this period the population who were Australian citizens increased by 327.
- In 2006 4.6% of persons were counted in non-private dwellings, compared with 4.5% in 2001.

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- From 2001 to 2006 the proportion of persons who had never been married increased from 29.0% to 29.5%.
- Married persons increased in number by 617, but as a share of total persons declined from 52.8% to 51.2%.
- The number who were separated or divorced increased by 18.9%.
- The number of persons living in a de facto relationship increased by 24.0% between 2001 and 2006 compared with an increase of 1.2% 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)	8,255	8,255	16,510	7,994	7,899	15,893
Separated	532	547	1,079	504	555	1,059
Divorced	1,561	1,507	3,068	1,217	1,212	2,429
Widowed	487	1,615	2,102	427	1,551	1,978
Never married	5,492	4,026	9,518	5,082	3,637	8,719
Total (aged 15+)	16,327	15,950	32,277	15,224	14,854	30,078

Social marital status(a)	2006			2001		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Married (registered)	7,091	7,411	14,502	7,047	7,278	14,325
Married (de facto)	1,465	1,560	3,025	1,195	1,245	2,440
Not married	5,063	5,198	10,261	4,898	5,038	9,936
Total (aged 15+)	13,619	14,169	27,788	13,140	13,561	26,701

(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	3,489	3,130	359
1	1,658	1,556	102
2	3,999	3,326	673
3	3,135	2,812	323
4	1,627	1,535	92
5	642	667	-25
6 or more	528	611	-83
Not stated	1,259	1,098	161
Total females aged 15+	16,337	14,735	1,602

(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	9,668	8,610	1,058
Couple family with children	16,200	16,961	-761
One parent family	4,620	4,624	-4
Other family(a)	332	304	28
Total members of families	30,820	30,499	321

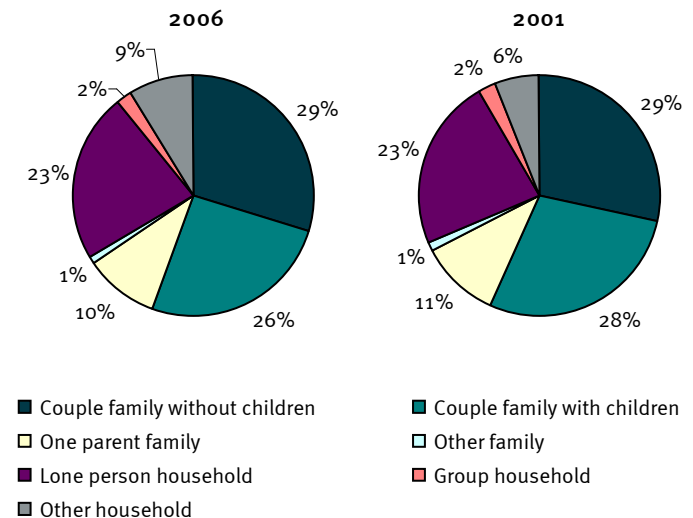
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Household composition (households)	2006	2001	Change 2001-2006
One family household			
Couple family without children	4,838	4,324	514
Couple family with children	4,134	4,267	-133
One parent family	1,626	1,597	29
Other family(a)	154	146	8
Lone person household	3,682	3,524	158
Group household	380	338	42
Other household	1,389	933	456
Total households	16,203	15,129	1,074

(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 21.4% compared to 21.2% in 2001. Those who had borne three or more children fell from 38.2% in 2001 to 36.3% in 2006.
- Over the five years to 2006 there was a decrease of 761 in the number of persons in families with children, while the proportion of persons in couples without children increased from 28.2% to 31.4%.
- Between 2001 and 2006 there was an increase of 158 (4.5%) lone person households in the Tablelands region. One parent families increased by 29 (1.8%) while the number of couples without children increased by 514 (11.9%).

Household composition (occupied private dwellings)



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Dwelling structure	2006	2001	Change 2001-2006
Separate house	14,073	12,963	1,110
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	411	398	13
Flat, unit or apartment	748	644	104
Other dwelling(a)	962	987	-25
Dwelling structure not stated	7	137	-130
Total occupied private dwellings	16,201	15,129	1,072
Unoccupied private dwelling	1,749	2,054	-305
Total private dwellings	17,950	17,183	767
Non-private dwelling	88	102	-14

(a) Includes caravans, cabins and improvised dwellings.

Tenure (occupied dwellings)	2006	2001	Change 2001-2006
Fully owned	6,606	7,114	-508
Being purchased	3,822	2,652	1,170
Rented	4,275	4,331	-56
Other incl. rent-free	142	294	-152
Tenure not stated	1,355	732	623
Total occupied private dwellings	16,200	15,123	1,077

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 13 while the number of attached dwellings increased by 117.
- As a proportion of occupied private dwellings, attached dwellings rose from 6.1% in 2001 to 6.5% in 2006.
- The proportion of all private dwellings that were vacant declined from 12.0% to 9.7% over the same period.
- The proportion of households renting their home decreased from 28.6% in 2001 to 26.4% in 2006, while the proportion of households paying off their home rose from 17.5% to 23.6%. The number of dwellings being purchased increased by 1,170.

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