

Population and Dwelling Profile

Barcoo Shire Council

Updated April 2012

Estimated resident population

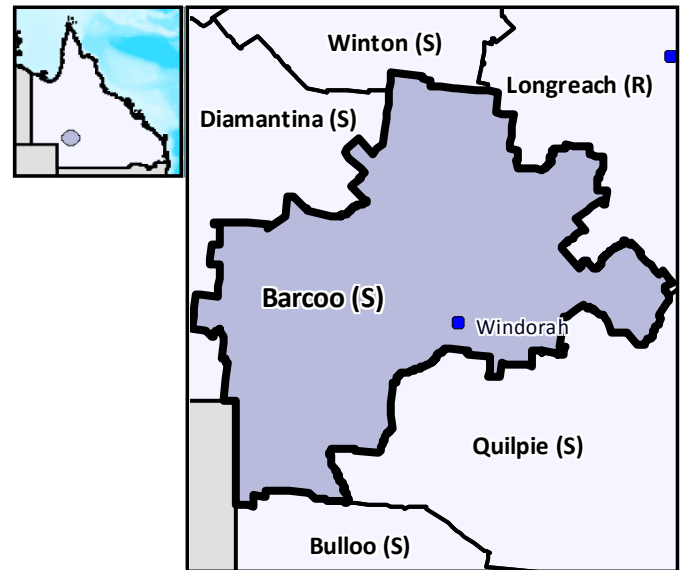
The preliminary estimated resident population of Barcoo Shire Council at 30 June 2011 was 344 persons, a decrease of 1 person or 0.3 per cent over the year. This compares with a decrease of 8 persons or 2.3 per cent in the year to June 2010 (Table 1 and Figure 1).

Components of population change

In the year to June 2009, natural increase (births minus deaths) accounted for an increase of 1 person while assumed net migration resulted in a loss of 18 persons (Table 1 and Figure 2).

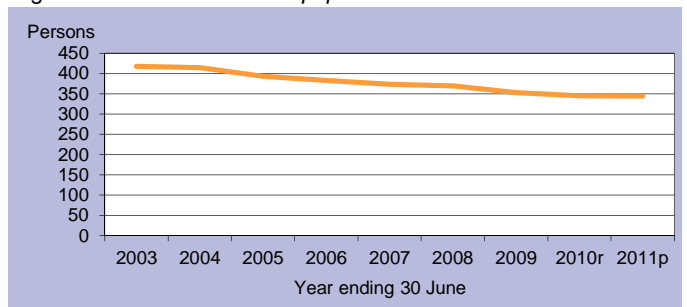
Population projections

Projections released in 2011 indicate that by 2016 the expected population of Barcoo Shire Council will be between 312 and 362 persons (Table 2 and Figure 3). By 2031 this is expected to change to between 274 and 415 persons (low and high series).



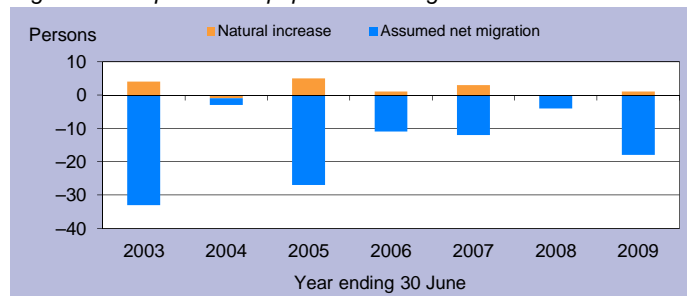
C = City S = Shire R = Regional Council T = Town

Figure 1: Estimated resident population



p = preliminary r = revised

Figure 2: Components of population change



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Figure 3: Population projections

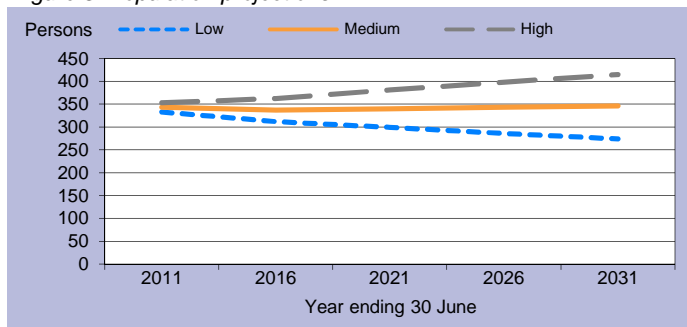


Table 1: Estimated resident population and components of change

Population trends		Annual population change				
As at 30 Jun	Est. resident population	Year to 30 Jun	Natural increase	Assumed net migration	Annual change	
					Total	Per cent
2003	418	2,003	4	-33	-29	-6.5
2004	415	2004	-1	-2	-3	-0.7
2005	393	2005	5	-27	-22	-5.3
2006	383	2006	1	-11	-10	-2.5
2007	374	2007	3	-12	-9	-2.3
2008	370	2008	0	-4	-4	-1.1
2009	353	2009	1	-18	-17	-4.6
2010r	345	2010r	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	-8	-2.3
2011p	344	2011p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	-1	-0.3

p = preliminary r = revised n.y.a. = not available

Table 2: Population projections

	Projected population			Average annual change (medium series)	
	Low series	Medium series	High series	Number	Per cent
2011	333	343	353	-8	-2.2
2016	312	337	362	-1	-0.4
2021	299	340	381	1	0.2
2026	286	343	398	1	0.2
2031	274	346	415	1	0.2

Table 3: Population by age group, Barcoo (S)

	Age group					Median age
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+	
2006	61	63	122	103	34	36.4
	15.9%	16.4%	31.9%	26.9%	8.9%	
2031*	37	33	90	141	43	46.3
	10.8%	9.6%	26.2%	41.0%	12.5%	

* Medium series

Age structure

The median age of Barcoo Shire Council's population is projected to increase by 9.9 years from a median age of 36.4 years in 2006 to a median age of 46.3 years in 2031 (Table 3 and Figure 4). The median age of Queensland in 2031 is projected to be 40.2 years, under the medium series (Table 4).

Dwelling approvals

For the year ending December 2011, Barcoo Shire Council has had no reported new dwelling approvals (Table 5 and Figure 5).

Table 5: New dwelling approvals*

Year ending	New dwelling approvals		
	Houses	Other	Total
December			
2005	2	0	2
2006	0	0	0
2007	0	0	0
2008	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0
2011	0	0	0
Mar qtr 2011	0	0	0
Jun qtr 2011	0	0	0
Sep qtr 2011	0	0	0
Dec qtr 2011	0	0	0

* Excludes alterations/additions

Figure 5: Dwelling approvals

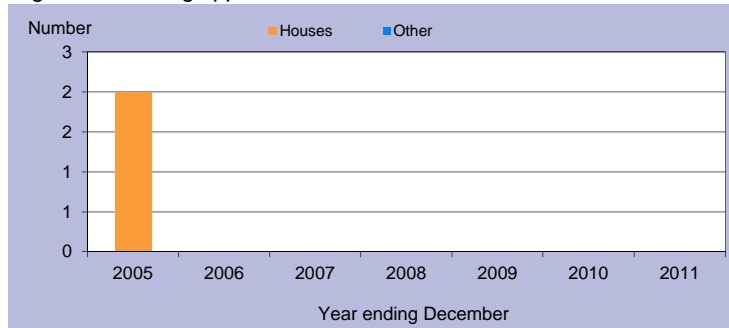
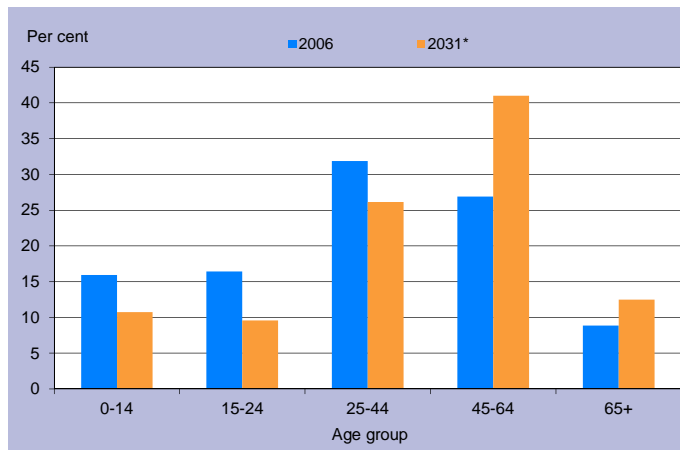


Table 4: Population by age group, Queensland

	Age group					Median age
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+	
2006	834,682	578,600	1,169,244	1,013,986	494,396	36.1
	20.4%	14.1%	28.6%	24.8%	12.1%	
2031*	1,205,836	814,688	1,703,235	1,578,741	1,290,350	40.2
	18.3%	12.4%	25.8%	23.9%	19.6%	

* Medium series

Figure 4: Age distribution, Barcoo (S), 2006 and 2031*



* Medium series

Household size

In 2006, the average household size for all occupied private dwellings in Barcoo Shire Council was 2.2 persons. This compares with an average household size of 2.6 for all of Queensland in the same year (Table 6).

Table 6: Average household size by dwelling type

Dwelling type	Average household size			
	Barcoo (S)			Qld
	1996	2001	2006	2006
Separate house	2.9	2.7	2.3	2.8
Semi-detached, flats, etc	2.8	1.3	1.1	1.8
Other dwellings inc caravans	1.8	1.8	2.1	1.8
All occupied private dwellings	2.8	2.4	2.2	2.6

Sources for the Population and Dwelling Profile:

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