

Population and Dwelling Profile

Torres Shire Council

Updated April 2012

Estimated resident population

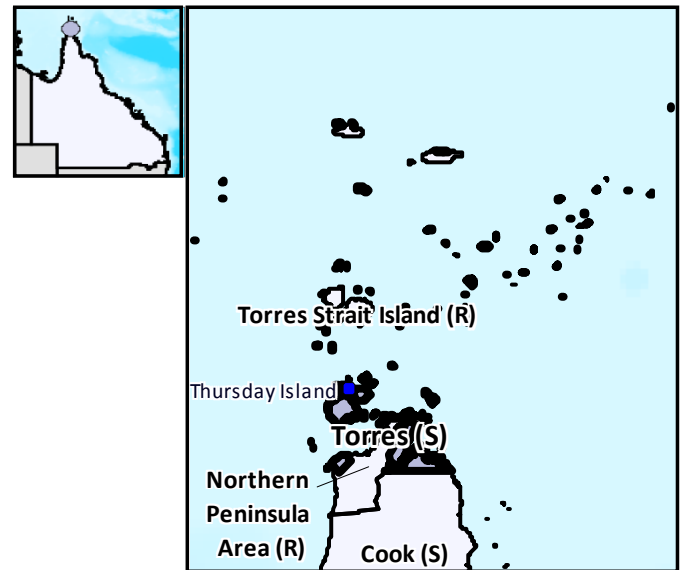
The preliminary estimated resident population of Torres Shire Council at 30 June 2011 was 3,700 persons, an increase of 7 persons or 0.2 per cent over the year. This compares with an increase of 51 persons or 1.4 per cent in the year to June 2010 (Table 1 and Figure 1).

Components of population change

In the year to June 2009, natural increase (births minus deaths) accounted for an increase of 123 persons while assumed net migration resulted in a loss of 171 persons (Table 1 and Figure 2).

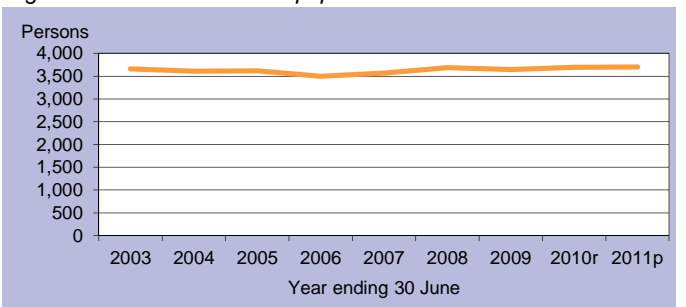
Population projections

Projections released in 2011 indicate that by 2016 the expected population of Torres Shire Council will be between 3,859 and 4,079 persons (Table 2 and Figure 3). By 2031 this is expected to change to between 4,119 and 5,080 persons (low and high series).



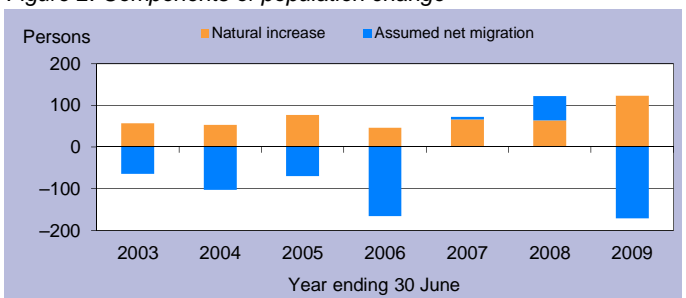
C = City S = Shire R = Regional Council T = Town

Figure 1: Estimated resident population



p = preliminary r = revised

Figure 2: Components of population change



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Figure 3: Population projections

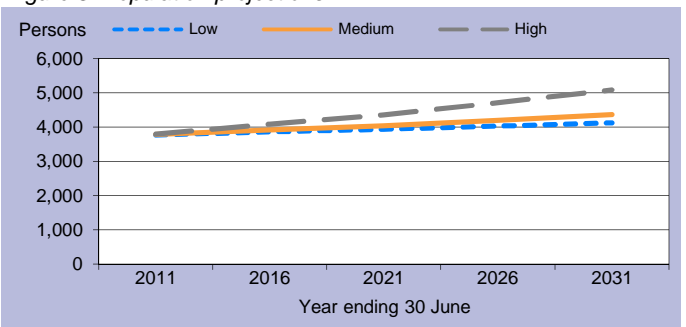


Table 1: Estimated resident population and components of change

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	3,659	2,003	57	-64	-7	-0.2
2004	3,609	2004	53	-103	-50	-1.4
2005	3,616	2005	77	-70	7	0.2
2006	3,496	2006	46	-166	-120	-3.3
2007	3,568	2007	66	6	72	2.1
2008	3,690	2008	64	58	122	3.4
2009	3,642	2009	123	-171	-48	-1.3
2010r	3,693	2010r	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	51	1.4
2011p	3,700	2011p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	7	0.2

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	3,766	3,783	3,795	57	1.6
2016	3,859	3,916	4,079	27	0.7
2021	3,933	4,034	4,353	24	0.6
2026	4,025	4,192	4,711	32	0.8
2031	4,119	4,359	5,080	33	0.8

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

	Age group					Median age
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65+	
2006	1,097	571	1,017	626	185	26.3
	31.4%	16.3%	29.1%	17.9%	5.3%	
2031*	1,496	816	1,011	772	263	23.2
	34.3%	18.7%	23.2%	17.7%	6.0%	

* Medium series

Age structure

The median age of Torres Shire Council's population is projected to decrease by 3.1 years from a median age of 26.3 years in 2006 to a median age of 23.2 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

There were 4 new dwelling approvals in Torres Shire Council over the year ending December 2011, a decrease of 73.3 per cent from the previous year (15) (Table 5). Separate houses made up 25.0 per cent of all new dwelling approvals over the year ending December 2011 (Figure 5).

Table 5: New dwelling approvals*

Year ending	New dwelling approvals		
	Houses	Other	Total
December			
2005	2	8	10
2006	1	8	9
2007	1	4	5
2008	0	10	10
2009	1	16	17
2010	1	14	15
2011	1	3	4
Mar qtr 2011	1	0	1
Jun qtr 2011	0	0	0
Sep qtr 2011	0	0	0
Dec qtr 2011	0	3	3

* Excludes alterations/additions

Figure 5: Dwelling approvals

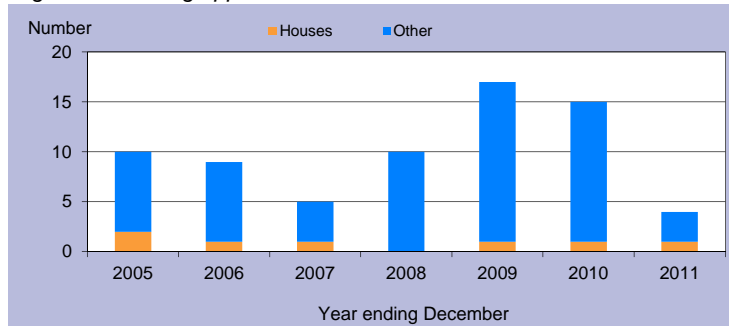
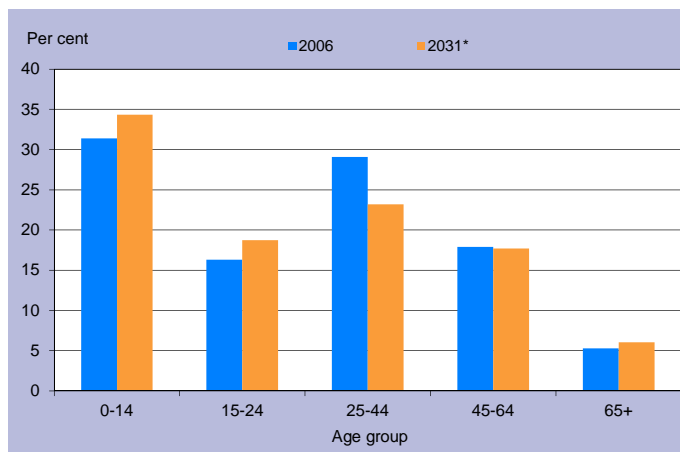


Table 4: Population by age group, Queensland

	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, Torres (S), 2006 and 2031*



* Medium series

Household size

In 2006, the average household size for all occupied private dwellings in Torres Shire Council was 3.6 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			
	Torres (S)			Qld
	1996	2001	2006	2006
Separate house	5.1	3.7	4.1	2.8
Semi-detached, flats, etc	3.0	2.3	2.3	1.8
Other dwellings inc caravans	3.7	2.1	2.0	1.8
All occupied private dwellings	4.5	3.2	3.6	2.6

Sources for the Population and Dwelling Profile:

ABS cat nos 3201.3, 3218.0, 3235.3, 8731.0 (preliminary as at December 2011); ABS unpublished births and deaths data, Census of Population and Housing, 1996, 2001 and 2006; Queensland Government Population Projections, 2011.

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