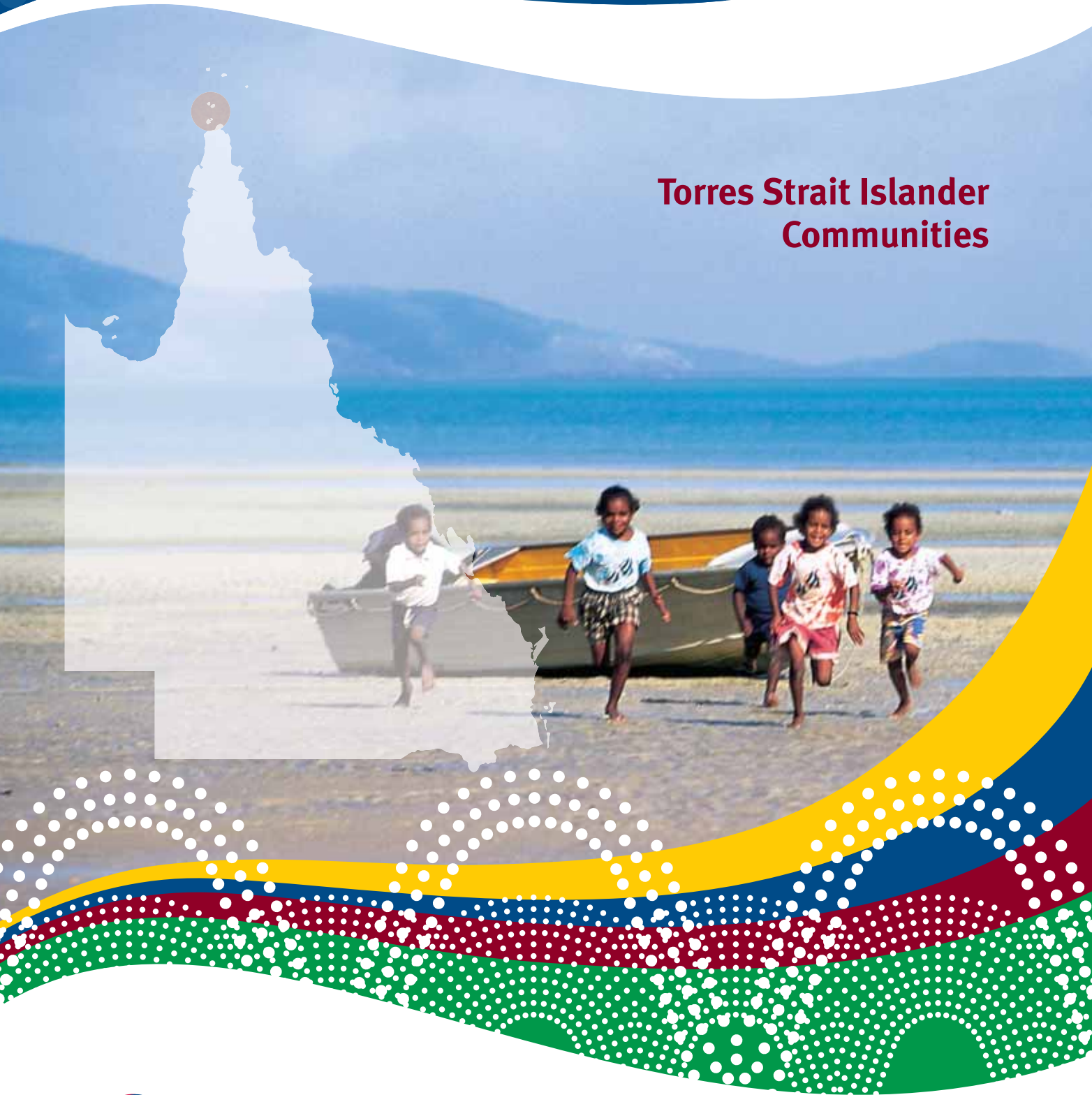


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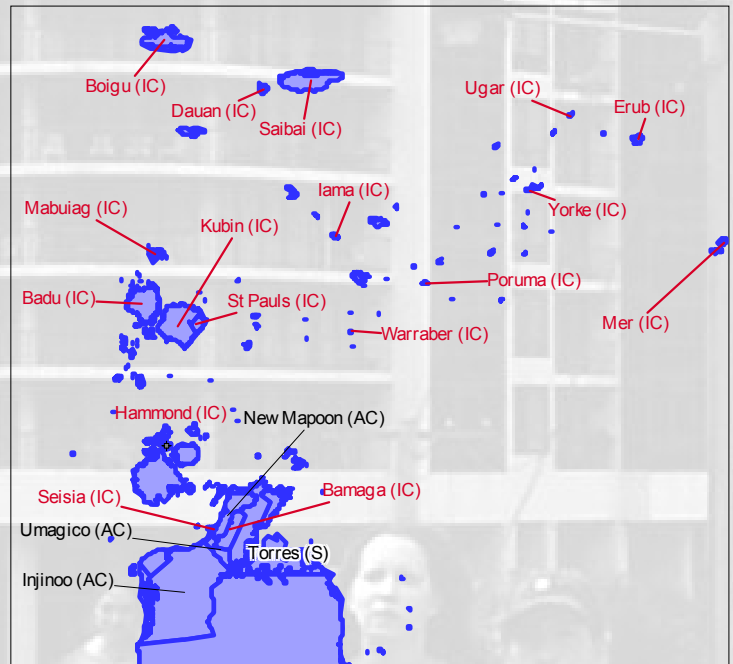


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Key Points

- The estimated resident population of Torres Strait Islander Communities at 30 June 2001 was 4,994 people, representing a total increase of 503 people or 2.1% per annum since 1996.
- The number of young people (0-14 years) increased by 7.2% from 1,784 people at the 30th June 1996 to 1,913 people at the 30th June 2001.
- The number of older people (65 years and over) decreased by 1.1% from 188 people at the 30th June 1996 to 186 people at the 30th June 2001.
- The number of 'working age' people (15-64 years) increased by 14.9% from 2,519 people at the 30th June 1996 to 2,895 people at the 30th June 2001.



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Introduction

This DEMOGRAPHIC profile provides an analysis of tables from the 2001 Census of Population and Housing Basic Community Profile. It also includes additional unpublished census data, the latest estimated resident population, and building approval figures. DEMOGRAPHIC profiles are available for areas throughout Queensland, including Local Government Areas, Statistical Local Areas (suburbs), urban centres, towns and postcodes.

Also available from the Planning Information and Forecasting Unit (QDLGP) are COMPARATIVE profiles. These have been designed to provide comparisons between an area such as a Local Government Area and its respective region (a Statistical Division) or between a number of selected areas (e.g. regional cities and Brisbane City).

Population change

- On Census night (7 August 2001), 4,633 people were counted in Torres Strait Islander Communities, representing a total increase of 187 people or 0.8% per annum since the 1996 Census.
- The estimated resident population of Torres Strait Islander Communities at 30 June 2001 was 4,994 people, representing a total increase of 503 people or 2.1% per annum since 1996.
- In comparison, Queensland's average annual growth rate in the 1996 to 2001 period was 1.7%.

Table 1: Population

	1991	1996	2001
Census population count	na	4,446	4,633
Estimated resident population	na	4,491	4,994

Table 2: Average annual growth rate

	1991 to 1996 %	1996 to 2001 %
Torres Strait Islander Communities		
Census population count	na	0.8 %
Estimated resident population	na	2.1 %
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Census population count	2.5 %	1.6 %
Estimated resident population	2.4 %	1.7 %

Census counts: Number of people counted in an area on Census night. Census counts include usual residents who were at home, as well as visitors from elsewhere in Australia or from overseas. Australian residents elsewhere in Australia or temporarily overseas at the time of the Census are excluded from the area.

Estimated resident population: Number of people estimated to be usual residents of an area. Census count is adjusted to exclude people not usually resident in the area and include people usually resident who were elsewhere on Census night. Further adjustments take into account Census under-enumeration and persons who usually reside in the area but were temporarily overseas on Census night.

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Age profile

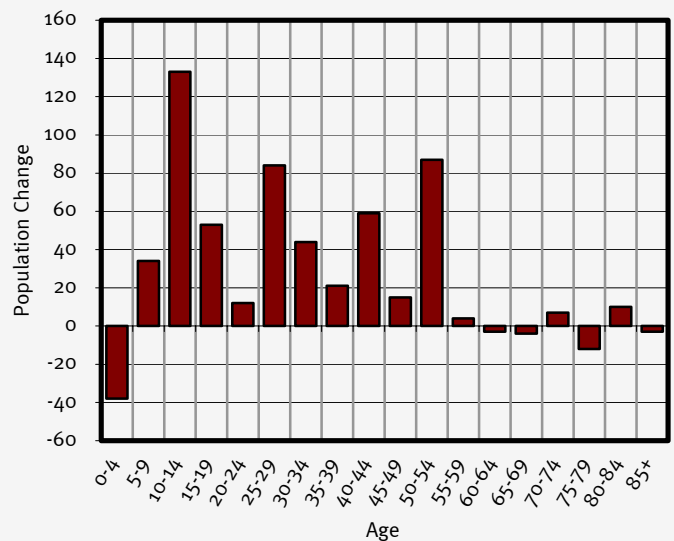
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- The number of older people (65 years and over) decreased by 1.1% from 188 people at the 30th June 1996 to 186 people at the 30th June 2001.
- The number of ‘working age’ people (15-64 years) increased by 14.9% from 2,519 people at the 30th June 1996 to 2,895 people at the 30th June 2001.

Table 3: Age structure, 2001

Estimated Resident Population

	Males	Females	Persons
0-4 years	376	300	676
5-9 years	379	331	710
10-14 years	287	240	527
15-19 years	212	165	377
20-24 years	210	215	425
25-29 years	220	225	445
30-34 years	179	161	340
35-39 years	164	151	315
40-44 years	147	141	288
45-49 years	114	130	244
50-54 years	128	95	223
55-59 years	74	60	134
60-64 years	40	64	104
65-69 years	43	38	81
70-74 years	18	22	40
75-79 years	13	16	29
80-84 years	15	13	28
85+ years	6	2	8
Total	2,625	2,369	4,994

Graph 1: Population change between 1996 and 2001



- At the 30th June 2001, 38.3% of the Torres Strait Islander Communities population were aged under 15 years, and 3.7% were aged 65 and over. This compares with 21.3% and 11.6% respectively for Queensland.
- At the 30th June 2001, 1.3% of the Torres Strait Islander Communities population were aged 75 years and over, a decrease from 1.6% in 1996.

Table 4: Age structure

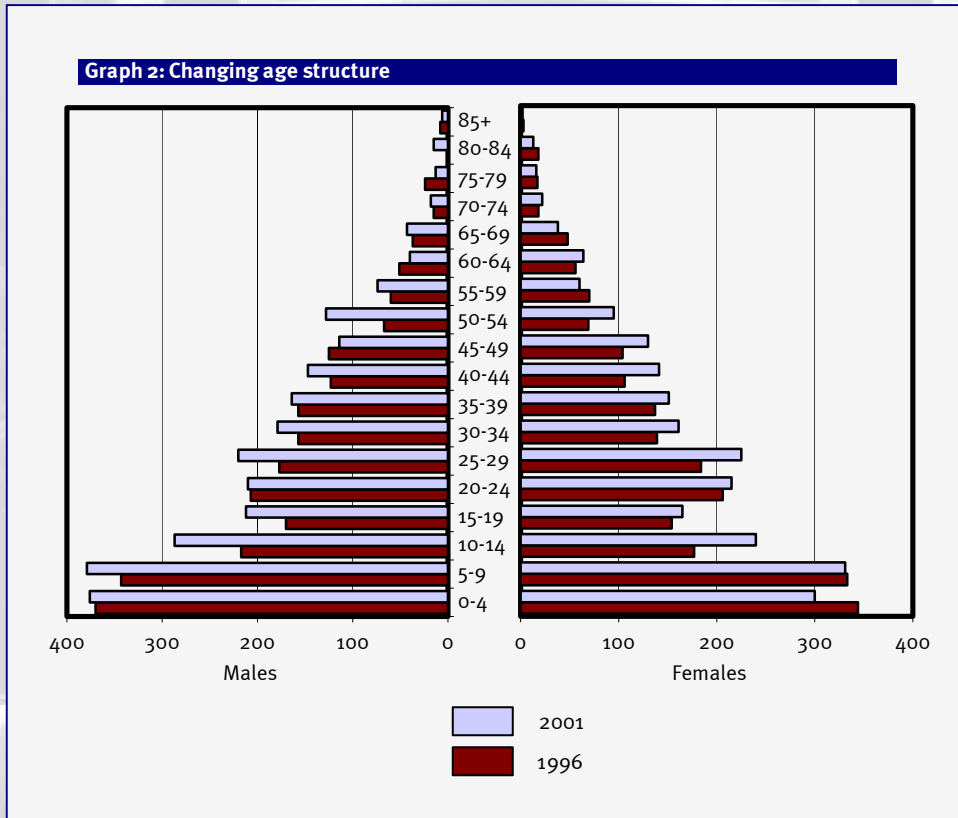
Estimated resident population

	1996		2001		Qld 2001 %
	No.	%	No.	%	
0-14 years	1,784	39.7 %	1,913	38.3 %	21.3 %
15-24 years	737	16.4 %	802	16.1 %	14.1 %
25-34 years	657	14.6 %	785	15.7 %	14.6 %
35-44 years	523	11.6 %	603	12.1 %	15.1 %
45-54 years	365	8.1 %	467	9.4 %	13.7 %
55-64 years	237	5.3 %	238	4.8 %	9.5 %
65-74 years	118	2.6 %	121	2.4 %	6.4 %
75-84 years	59	1.3 %	57	1.1 %	4.0 %
85+ years	11	0.2 %	8	0.2 %	1.2 %
Total	4,491	100.0 %	4,994	100.0 %	100.0 %

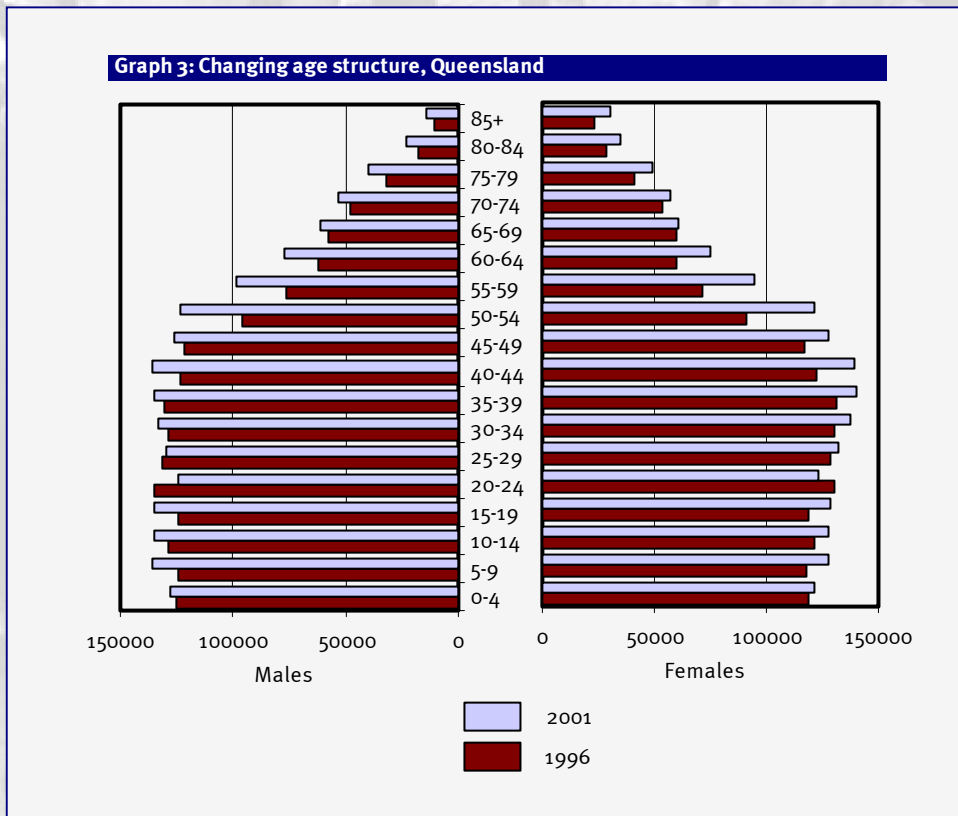
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Changing age structure

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Usual residents

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities on Census night 2001, there were 12 overseas visitors (0.3% of the region's census count) and 342 domestic visitors (7.4% of the region's census count). This compares with 1.9% and 6.2% respectively for Queensland.

Table 5: Usual residence on Census night

All persons

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
At home	3,794	85.5 %	4,291	92.4 %	91.9 %
Visitor from Queensland	571	12.9 %	272	5.9 %	3.6 %
Interstate visitor	49	1.1 %	70	1.5 %	2.6 %
Overseas visitor	24	0.5 %	12	0.3 %	1.9 %
Total	4,438	100.0 %	4,645	100.0 %	100.0 %

Year of arrival

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, of the 50 people who were born overseas, 100.0% arrived in Australia before 1991, and 0.0% arrived from 1996 onwards. This compares with 68.3% and 17.5% respectively for Queensland.

Table 6: Year of arrival in Australia

Persons born overseas(a)
(excl overseas visitors)

	2001		Qld
	No.	%	2001 %
Before 1991	50	100.0 %	68.3 %
1991 to 1995	0	0.0 %	9.2 %
1996 onwards	0	0.0 %	17.5 %
Not stated	0	0.0 %	5.1 %
Total	50	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) excludes persons who did not state their birthplace

Language spoken at home

- 13.0% of Torres Strait Islander Communities's population reported they spoke only English at home.
- However, 3,690 people (79.8% of the population) reported they spoke another language at home. This compares with 7.1% for Queensland.
- The top five languages spoken at home other than English in Torres Strait Islander Communities were Australian Indigenous Languages (28.4% of all people speaking another language), Spanish (0.2%), Tagalog/Filipino (0.1%), French (0.1%), and German (0.0%).

Table 7: Language spoken at home

All persons

(excl overseas visitors)

	1996(a)		2001(b)		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
Speaks English only	499	13.4 %	599	13.0 %	88.5 %
Speaks other language	3,079	82.7 %	3,690	79.8 %	7.1 %
Not stated	147	3.9 %	335	7.2 %	4.4 %
Total	3,725	100.0 %	4,624	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) excludes persons aged under 5 years

(b) includes persons aged under 5 years

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Birthplace

- The number of people in Torres Strait Islander Communities who were born overseas decreased from 42 people in 1996 to 40 people in 2001. The percentage of the population born overseas decreased from 1.0% in 1996 to 0.9% in 2001.
- The highest ranking birthplace countries of people who were born overseas were the United Kingdom (birthplace of 15 people), New Zealand (birthplace of 12 people), Philippines (birthplace of 3 people), South Africa (birthplace of 3 people), and Canada (birthplace of 0 people).
- 55 people failed to answer the Census question.

Table 8: Top ten birthplace countries 2001

All persons

	No.	% of total
1 Australia	4,514	97.8 %
2 United Kingdom	15	0.3 %
3 New Zealand	12	0.3 %
4 Philippines	3	0.1 %
5 South Africa	3	0.1 %
6 Canada	0	0.0 %
7 China (excl.SARs and Taiwan)	0	0.0 %
8 Croatia	0	0.0 %
9 Egypt	0	0.0 %
10 Fiji	0	0.0 %

Table 9: Birthplace (regions)

All persons

(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
Australia	4,363	98.7 %	4,514	97.9 %	77.7 %
New Zealand	7	0.2 %	12	0.3 %	3.6 %
United Kingdom and Ireland	11	0.2 %	12	0.3 %	5.3 %
Europe (excl UK and Ireland)	9	0.2 %	6	0.1 %	3.1 %
Southeast Asia	6	0.1 %	6	0.1 %	1.4 %
Northeast Asia	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	1.0 %
Americas (N, S, Central, Caribbean)	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	0.7 %
Africa (incl Middle East)	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	0.9 %
Other(a)	9	0.2 %	4	0.1 %	1.2 %
Not stated	14	0.3 %	55	1.2 %	5.1 %
Total	4,419	100.0 %	4,609	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes 'inadequately described', 'at sea' and 'not elsewhere classified'

Population composition

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, 97.9% of the population was born in Australia. This figure compares with 77.7% for Queensland.
- Indigenous Australians accounted for 84.9% of Torres Strait Islander Communities' population in 2001, compared with 3.1% for Queensland.

Table 10: Population composition

All persons

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
Indigenous Australians(a)	3,941	88.6 %	3,931	84.9 %	3.1 %
Others born in Australia	422	9.5 %	583	12.6 %	73.1 %
Born overseas	43	1.0 %	48	1.0 %	16.9 %
Overseas visitor	27	0.6 %	12	0.3 %	1.9 %
Not stated	14	0.3 %	55	1.2 %	5.0 %
Total	4,447	100.0 %	4,629	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, and both

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Education

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, more than 1,160 people (or 25.2% of the population) were attending an educational institution in 2001.
- The number of people undertaking University or other Tertiary studies increased from 30 people in 1996 to 38 people in 2001.
- The number of people undertaking Technical or Further Education increased from about 45 people in 1996 to 120 people in 2001.

Table 11: Type of educational institution attending

All persons (excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
Pre-school	163	3.7 %	137	3.0 %	1.5 %
Infants/Primary					
Government	666	15.1 %	694	15.0 %	7.2 %
Non-government	31	0.7 %	26	0.6 %	2.5 %
Secondary					
Government	118	2.7 %	109	2.4 %	4.0 %
Non-government	6	0.1 %	25	0.5 %	2.3 %
Technical or Further Edn	47	1.1 %	120	2.6 %	2.1 %
University or other Tertiary	30	0.7 %	38	0.8 %	3.8 %
Other	6	0.1 %	18	0.4 %	0.6 %
Not attending	2,995	67.8 %	3,085	66.7 %	71.6 %
Not stated	357	8.1 %	375	8.1 %	4.4 %
Total	4,419	100.0 %	4,627	100.0 %	100.0 %

Religion

- More than 80.0% of people in Torres Strait Islander Communities reported that they were Christians in 2001. Anglicans represented 2,450 people and Pentecostals represented 810 people in Torres Strait Islander Communities.
- Of non-Christian religions, Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions had the largest percentage of followers, with 22 people.

Table 12: Religion

All persons (excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
Christianity:					
Anglican	2,937	66.8 %	2,450	52.9 %	22.5 %
Catholic	300	6.8 %	318	6.9 %	24.8 %
Uniting Church	71	1.6 %	90	1.9 %	8.5 %
Other	771	17.5 %	914	19.7 %	15.3 %
Buddhism	3	0.1 %	3	0.1 %	1.1 %
Hinduism	0	0.0 %	3	0.1 %	0.3 %
Islam	9	0.2 %	6	0.1 %	0.4 %
Judaism	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	0.1 %
Other religions	18	0.4 %	40	0.9 %	0.4 %
No religion(a)	88	2.0 %	106	2.3 %	14.8 %
Inadequately described	27	0.6 %	461	10.0 %	1.9 %
Not stated	172	3.9 %	239	5.2 %	10.0 %
Total	4,396	100.0 %	4,630	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes 'No religion nfd', 'Agnosticism', 'Atheism', 'Humanism' and 'Rationalism'

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Marital status

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, about one third of the population aged 15 years and over (36.1% or 1,056 people), reported that they were married, compared with 51.1% for Queensland
- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, there were 125 people who were separated or divorced and 130 widows/widowers.
- About three fifths of the population had never married.

Table 13: Registered marital status

Persons aged 15 years and over
(excl overseas visitors)

	2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	%
Married	1,056	36.1 %	51.1 %
Separated	48	1.6 %	3.7 %
Divorced	77	2.6 %	7.9 %
Widowed	130	4.4 %	5.8 %
Never married	1,612	55.1 %	31.5 %
Total	2,923	100.0 %	100.0 %

Family type

- Couple families with children increased from 49.4% of all families in 1996 to 53.1% in 2001.
- Couple families without children increased from 9.4% of all families in 1996 to 15.9% in 2001.
- One parent families decreased from 36.8% of all families in 1996 to 28.8% in 2001.

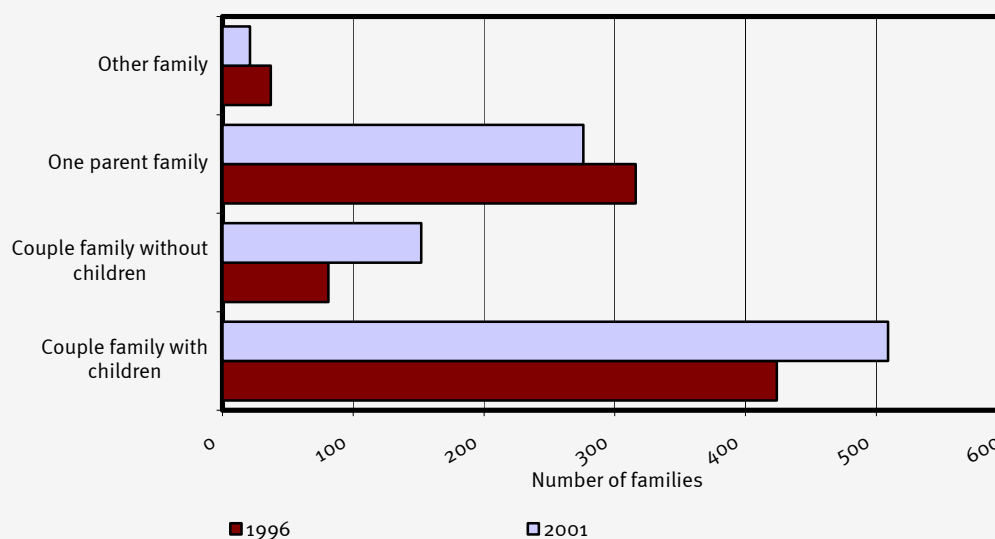
Table 14: Family type

Families(a) in occupied private dwellings
(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Couple family with children	424	49.4 %	509	53.1 %	44.7 %
Couple family without children	81	9.4 %	152	15.9 %	37.4 %
One parent family	316	36.8 %	276	28.8 %	16.0 %
Other family	37	4.3 %	21	2.2 %	1.8 %
Total	858	100.0 %	958	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes same sex couple families

Graph 4: Family types



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Relationships

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, there were 141 people living alone in 2001, representing 3.3% of the population.
- In addition, there were 295 lone parents in Torres Strait Islander Communities, representing 6.9% of the population. This compares with 4.6% for Queensland.
- Husbands and wives accounted for 31.1% of the Torres Strait Islander Communities population in 2001, an increase of 3 percentage points since 1996.

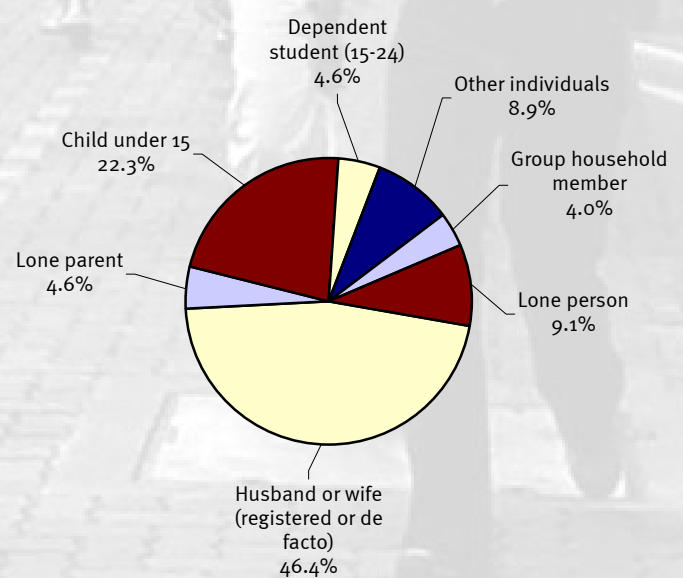
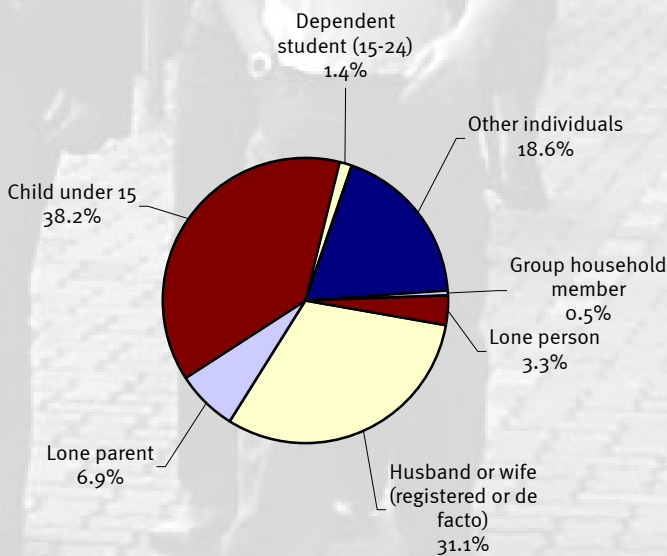
Table 15: Relationship in household

Persons in occupied private dwellings

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001
Husband or wife (registered or de facto)	1,053	28.1 %	1,334	31.1 %	46.4 %
Lone parent	300	8.0 %	295	6.9 %	4.6 %
Child under 15	1,521	40.6 %	1,639	38.2 %	22.3 %
Dependent student (15-24)	50	1.3 %	58	1.4 %	4.6 %
Other individuals	719	19.2 %	797	18.6 %	8.9 %
Group household member	34	0.9 %	23	0.5 %	4.0 %
Lone person	67	1.8 %	141	3.3 %	9.1 %
Total usual residents at home	3,744	100.0 %	4,287	100.0 %	100.0 %
Visitor (from within Australia)	532	n.a.	303	n.a.	n.a.
Overseas visitors	28	n.a.	6	n.a.	n.a.

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Dwelling type by age of residents

- In 2001, there were 6 people in Torres Strait Islander Communities living in attached dwellings such as townhouses, units and flats.
- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, there were about 220 people living in other(a) dwellings in 2001, and of these people, 5.4% were aged 65 years and over.

Table 16: Dwelling type by age of persons

Usual residents in occupied private dwellings

	2001			
	Separate house	Townhouse / Unit	Other(a)	Total
15 years	1,600	0	89	1,689
15-24 years	686	0	25	711
25-44 years	1,126	3	65	1,194
45-64 years	598	3	31	632
65+ years	175	0	12	187
Total	4,185	6	222	4,413

(a) includes caravans, cabins, houseboats, improvised homes, tents, sleepers out etc

People per dwelling

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities in 2001, the average number of people per occupied private dwelling was lower at 4.2 people, compared with 1996 figures. This compares with a Queensland average of 2.6 people per dwelling in 2001.
- In 2001, there were no people living in townhouses or units, and 3.3 people lived in each caravan.

Table 17: Average number of people per dwelling

Occupied private dwellings

	1996	2001	Qld 2001
Separate house	5.5	4.4	2.8
Townhouse	5.0	0.0	1.9
Unit	0.0	0.0	1.7
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	1.7	3.3	1.7
Other(a)	4.5	2.7	2.0
Not stated	3.1	2.2	2.1
Total	4.9	4.2	2.6

(a) includes improvised home, tent, sleepers out, house/flat attached to shop, office etc

Dwelling approvals

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, dwelling approvals averaged 26 a year over the past five years. Dwellings other than separate houses represented almost one quarter of these approvals. On average, approvals were given for 8 townhouses per annum.

Table 18: Dwelling approvals

Year ending 30 June	Separate house	Town-house	Unit	Total	Separate house	Town-house	Unit
	No.	No.	No.	No.	%	%	%
1997	27	27	0	54	50.0 %	50.0 %	0.0 %
1998	23	7	0	30	76.7 %	23.3 %	0.0 %
1999	15	2	0	17	88.2 %	11.8 %	0.0 %
2000	24	2	0	26	92.3 %	7.7 %	0.0 %
2001	4	0	0	4	100.0 %	0.0 %	0.0 %

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Dwelling Stock

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, there were 1,270 private dwellings in 2001, representing an increase in dwelling stock of 45.0% since the 1996 Census. This figure compares with a population increase of 11.2%.
- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, there were no occupied Townhouses or Units in 2001.
- Between 1996 and 2001, there was an increase of 365 houses and the number of caravans increased to 65.

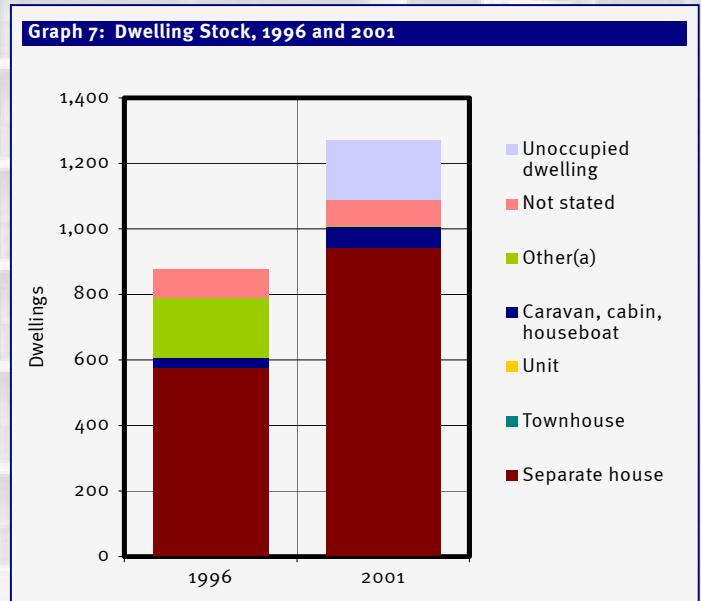


Table 19: Dwelling stock

All private dwellings

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001 %
Separate house	578	66.0 %	943	74.3 %	70.5 %
Townhouse	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	6.2 %
Unit	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	11.1 %
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	31	3.5 %	65	5.1 %	2.3 %
Other(a)	180	20.5 %	3	0.2 %	0.5 %
Not stated	87	9.9 %	78	6.1 %	0.8 %
Unoccupied dwelling	0	0.0 %	181	14.3 %	8.6 %
Total	876	100.0 %	1,270	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes improvised home, tent, sleepers out, house/flat attached to shop, office etc

Unoccupied dwellings

- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, there were more than 180 unoccupied dwellings on Census night 2001, 14.3% of all dwelling stock. This compares with the Queensland average of 8.6%.

Table 20: Unoccupied dwellings 2001

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Dwelling stock	Unoccupied	% unoccupied
1,270	181	14.3 %

Table 21: Ten LGAs with highest number of unoccupied dwellings, 2001

	Dwelling stock	Unoccupied	% unoccupied
1 Brisbane (C)	364,587	23,920	6.6 %
2 Gold Coast (C)	187,103	15,897	8.5 %
3 Maroochy (S)	55,973	5,147	9.2 %
4 Cairns (C)	51,474	4,312	8.4 %
5 Caloundra (C)	33,995	4,212	12.4 %
6 Caboolture (S)	43,529	3,429	7.9 %
7 Noosa (S)	22,378	3,426	15.3 %
8 Redland (S)	44,264	3,369	7.6 %
9 Townsville (C)	37,759	3,069	8.1 %
10 Ipswich (C)	46,405	3,049	6.6 %

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Tenure

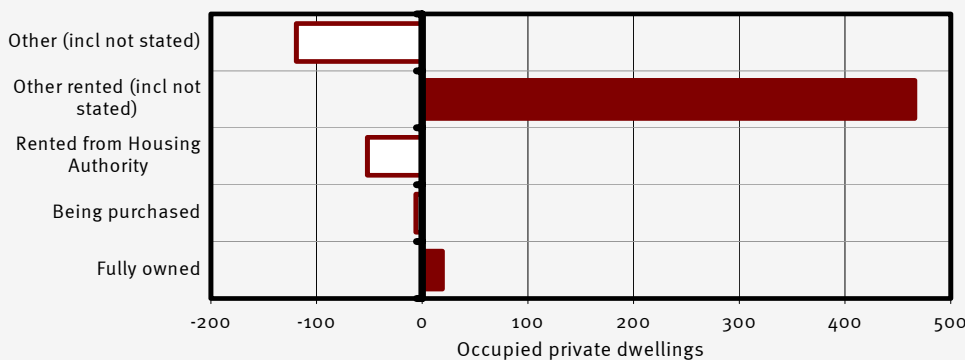
- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, the proportion of occupied private dwellings owned or being purchased decreased from 8.3% in 1996 to 7.2% in 2001. This compares with 62.4% for Queensland
- The proportion of occupied private dwellings being rented increased from 50.3% in 1996 to 73.8% in 2001.

Table 22: Tenure type(a)
Occupied private dwellings

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Fully owned	57	7.2 %	76	6.9 %	36.6 %
Being purchased	9	1.1 %	3	0.3 %	25.8 %
Rented					
Housing Authority	79	9.9 %	27	2.5 %	3.5 %
Other rented (incl not stated)	320	40.3 %	786	71.3 %	26.6 %
Other (incl not stated)	329	41.4 %	210	19.1 %	7.5 %
Total	794	100.0 %	1,102	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) 'being occupied under a life tenure scheme' is included in 'Other' in 1996 and in 'Fully owned' in 2001

Graph 8: Change in tenure between 1996 and 2001



Non-private dwellings

- In 2001, 56 of the 89 usual residents in non-private dwellings (62.9%) were in "other" non-private dwellings. Approximately 16.9% of people were living in hotels and motels, 6.7% of people were in boarding schools, and 3.4% of people were living in hospitals. A further 3.4% of people lived in nursing homes.

Table 23: Non-private dwellings

Usual residents in non-private dwellings

	2001		
	Residents	Staff	Total
Hotel/motel	15	0	15
Nurse/staff quarters	0	3	3
Board school/college/hall of res	6	0	6
Public/private/psych hospital	3	0	3
Nursing home	3	0	3
Accommodation for retired or aged	0	0	0
Prison/corrective/detention	3	0	3
Other	53	3	56
Total	83	6	89

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Income

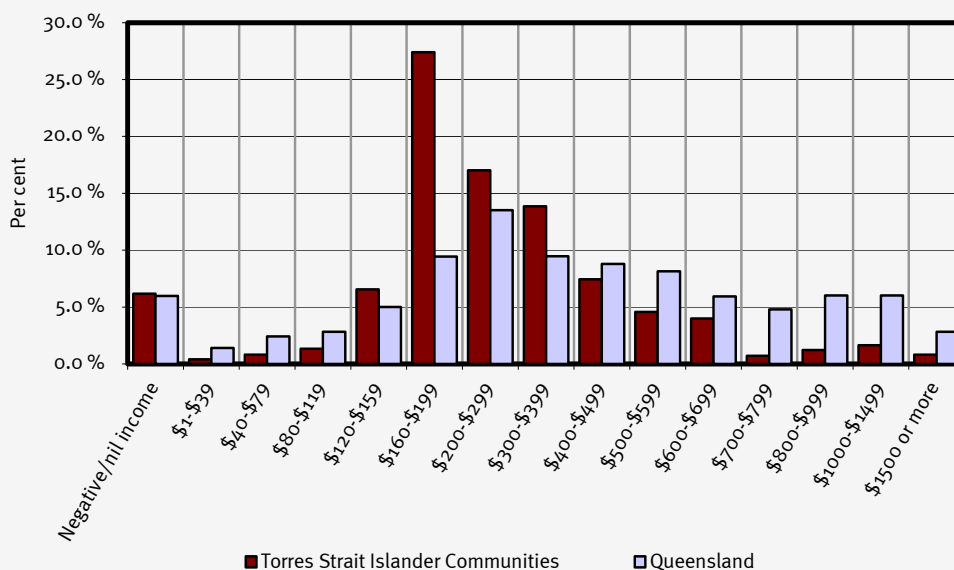
- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, low income earners (earning less than \$200 a week), accounted for 42.7% of all people aged 15 years and over in 2001.
- High income earners (earning more than \$1,500 a week), accounted for 0.8% of all people aged 15 years and over in 2001.
- Torres Strait Islander Communities had a smaller proportion of people earning incomes of \$500 a week or more, and a higher proportion of people earning less than \$500 a week, when compared to Queensland figures.

Table 24: Weekly individual income

Persons aged 15 years and over
(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Negative/nil income	195	7.2 %	181	6.2 %	6.0 %
\$1-\$39	36	1.3 %	12	0.4 %	1.4 %
\$40-\$79	63	2.3 %	24	0.8 %	2.4 %
\$80-\$119	118	4.3 %	39	1.3 %	2.8 %
\$120-\$159	392	14.4 %	192	6.6 %	5.0 %
\$160-\$199	551	20.3 %	803	27.4 %	9.4 %
\$200-\$299	414	15.2 %	499	17.0 %	13.5 %
\$300-\$399	356	13.1 %	406	13.9 %	9.5 %
\$400-\$499	163	6.0 %	218	7.4 %	8.8 %
\$500-\$599	80	2.9 %	134	4.6 %	8.1 %
\$600-\$699	109	4.0 %	117	4.0 %	5.9 %
\$700-\$799	6	0.2 %	21	0.7 %	4.8 %
\$800-\$999	31	1.1 %	36	1.2 %	6.0 %
\$1000-\$1499	22	0.8 %	48	1.6 %	6.0 %
\$1500 or more	6	0.2 %	24	0.8 %	2.8 %
Not stated	178	6.5 %	176	6.0 %	7.5 %
Total	2,720	100.0 %	2,930	100.0 %	100.0 %

Graph 9: Distribution of weekly individual income, 2001



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Mortgage

- In 2001, more than half of the housing mortgages in Torres Strait Islander Communities had repayments exceeding \$400 a month, while more than a quarter of the mortgages had monthly repayments of over \$400. This compares with Queensland where more than half had monthly repayments of over \$800, and over a quarter had repayments that exceeded \$1000 a month.

Table 25: Monthly housing loan repayment

Occupied private dwellings being purchased(a)(b)

	2001		Qld
	No.	%	2001 %
\$1-\$199	0	0.0 %	2.4 %
\$200-\$399	0	0.0 %	6.0 %
\$400-\$599	3	100.0 %	13.6 %
\$600-\$799	0	0.0 %	19.0 %
\$800-\$999	0	0.0 %	18.9 %
\$1000-\$1199	0	0.0 %	13.2 %
\$1200-\$1399	0	0.0 %	8.2 %
\$1400-\$1599	0	0.0 %	4.0 %
\$1600-\$1799	0	0.0 %	2.8 %
\$1800-\$1999	0	0.0 %	1.2 %
\$2000 or more	0	0.0 %	4.8 %
Not stated	0	0.0 %	6.0 %
Total	3	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes 'being purchased under a rent/buy scheme'

(b) excludes visitor only households and other non classifiable households

Rent

- In 2001, dwellings being rented in Torres Strait Islander Communities had a median weekly rent of between \$50 and \$100. This compares with Queensland's median rent of between \$150 and \$200 a week in 2001.

Table 26: Weekly rent

Occupied private dwellings being rented(a)

	2001		Qld
	No.	%	2001 %
\$0-\$49	361	45.2 %	5.3 %
\$50-\$99	290	36.3 %	13.5 %
\$100-\$149	58	7.3 %	28.0 %
\$150-\$199	12	1.5 %	29.7 %
\$200-\$249	0	0.0 %	11.2 %
\$250-\$299	0	0.0 %	4.0 %
\$300-\$349	0	0.0 %	1.6 %
\$350-\$399	0	0.0 %	0.8 %
\$400-\$499	3	0.4 %	0.8 %
\$500 or more	3	0.4 %	1.6 %
Not stated	71	8.9 %	3.6 %
Total	798	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) excludes visitor only households and other non classifiable households

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Migration

- On census night 2001, there were 3,521,990 residents in Queensland, 43.6% of them living in the same address as in 1996. A further 41.4% of residents in Queensland lived at a different address in Australia in 1996 and 3.5% lived overseas.
- This table is available only at Statistical Local Area (SLA) level and above.

Table 27: Usual address in 1996

Residents in 2001

	2001		QLD 2001
	No.	%	%
Same address as in 2001	na	na	43.6 %
Elsewhere in Australia	na	na	41.4 %
Overseas 1996	na	na	3.5 %
Not Stated	na	na	4.6 %
Not applicable (aged under 5 years in 2001)	na	na	6.8 %
Total residents in 2001	na	na	100.0 %

Migration by age group

- The age profile of people who moved between 1996 and 2001 differs from that of people who did not move.
- Table 28 and Graph 10 are available only at Statistical Local Area (SLA) level and above.

Table 28: Migration by age group, 1996 to 2001

Residents aged 5 years and over

Age 2001

	Address in 1996	
	Same	Different
	No.	No.
5-9 years	na	na
10-14 years	na	na
15-19 years	na	na
20-24 years	na	na
25-29 years	na	na
30-34 years	na	na
35-39 years	na	na
40-44 years	na	na
45-49 years	na	na
50-54 years	na	na
55-59 years	na	na
60-64 years	na	na
65-69 years	na	na
70-74 years	na	na
75-79 years	na	na
80-84 years	na	na
85+ years	na	na
Total	na	na

Graph 10: Migration by age group 1996-2001



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Labour force

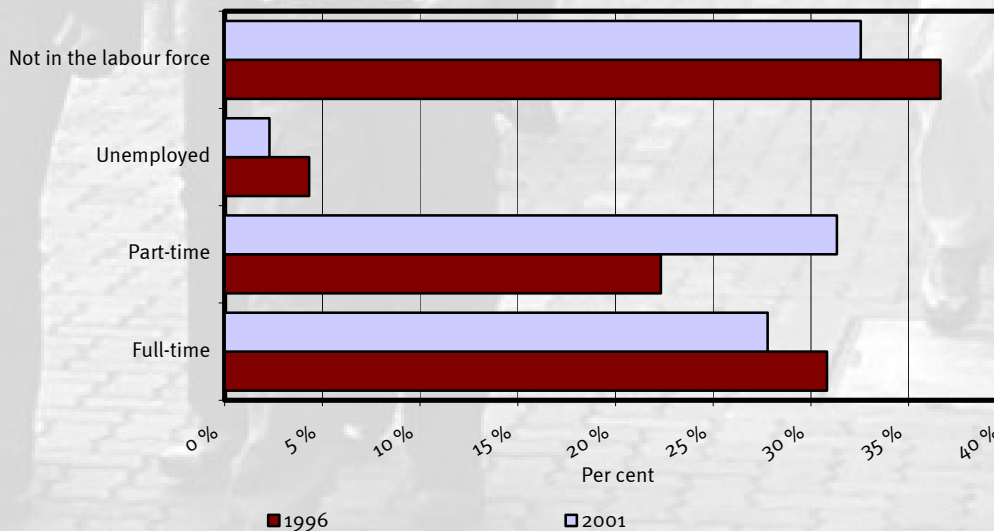
- Between 1996 and 2001, the labour force in Torres Strait Islander Communities increased by 214 people, with the rate of unemployment decreasing from 7.2% in 1996 to 3.6% in 2001. This compares with Queensland's unemployment rate of 8.2% in 2001.
- The percentage of people employed full-time decreased from 55.3% of all employed persons in 1996 to 45.0% of all employed persons in 2001
- In Torres Strait Islander Communities, 32.5% of all persons aged 15 years and over were not in the labour force. This compares with 35.4% for Queensland.

Table 29: Labour force status

Persons aged 15 years and over
(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Employed:					
Full-time	834	30.8 %	799	27.8 %	35.5 %
Part-time	604	22.3 %	901	31.3 %	18.4 %
Hours of work not stated	71	2.6 %	74	2.6 %	1.7 %
Unemployed	117	4.3 %	66	2.3 %	5.0 %
Total labour force	1,626	60.1 %	1,840	64.0 %	60.6 %
Not in the labour force	991	36.6 %	936	32.5 %	35.4 %
Labour force status not stated	89	3.3 %	100	3.5 %	4.0 %
Total persons aged 15 years and over	2,706	100.0 %	2,876	100.0 %	100.0 %
Unemployment rate	na	7.2 %	na	3.6 %	8.2 %

Graph 11: Labour force



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Occupation

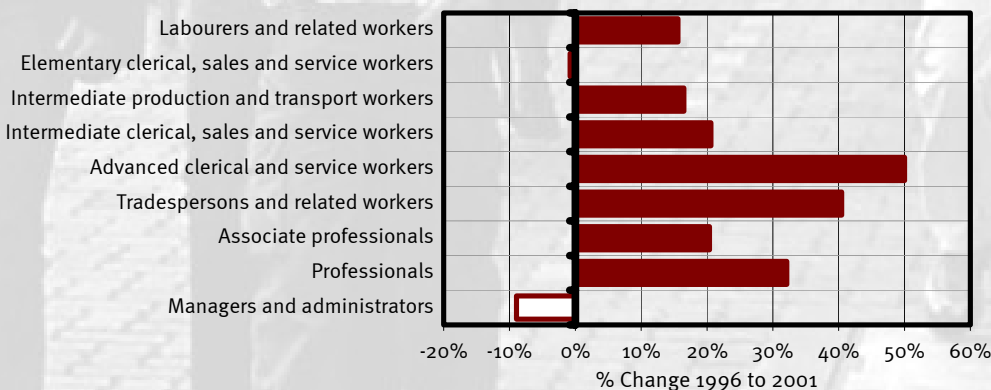
- Of the 1,729 employed persons (excluding overseas visitors) who were in Torres Strait Islander Communities on Census night 2001, 41.2% were labourers and related workers and 11.5% were intermediate clerical, sales and service workers. This compares with 9.7% and 16.9% respectively for Queensland.
- Between 1996 and 2001 the occupation with the largest absolute change was labourers and related workers with an increase of 96 people or 15.6%. The occupation with the largest percentage change was advanced clerical and service workers with an increase of 50.0% or 6 people.

Table 30: Occupation

Employed persons
(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Managers and administrators	56	3.8 %	51	2.9 %	8.5 %
Professionals	137	9.2 %	181	10.5 %	16.0 %
Associate professionals	108	7.2 %	130	7.5 %	12.0 %
Tradespersons and related workers	89	6.0 %	125	7.2 %	12.8 %
Advanced clerical and service workers	12	0.8 %	18	1.0 %	3.5 %
Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	165	11.1 %	199	11.5 %	16.9 %
Intermediate production and transport workers	91	6.1 %	106	6.1 %	8.5 %
Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	127	8.5 %	126	7.3 %	10.1 %
Labourers and related workers	616	41.3 %	712	41.2 %	9.7 %
Inadequately described	45	3.0 %	39	2.3 %	0.7 %
Not stated	45	3.0 %	42	2.4 %	1.2 %
Total employed persons	1,491	100.0 %	1,729	100.0 %	100.0 %

Graph 12: Change in occupation between 1996 and 2001



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Industry

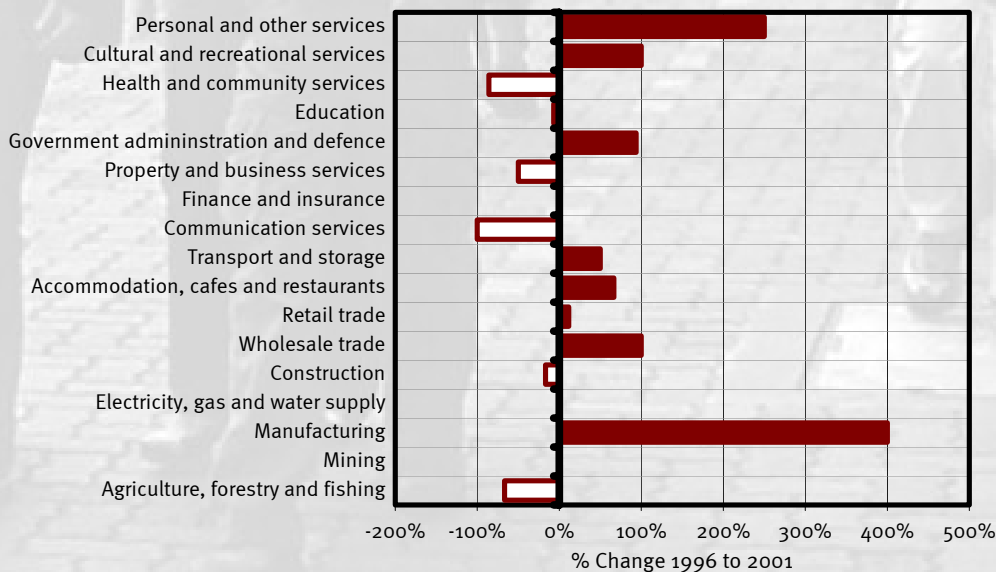
- Of the 1,748 employed persons (excluding overseas visitors) who were in Torres Strait Islander Communities on Census night 2001, 73.6% worked in government administration and defence and 8.6% worked in education. This compares with 4.8% and 7.6% respectively for Queensland.
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Table 31: Industry

Employed persons
(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	9	0.6 %	3	0.2 %	4.9 %
Mining	0	0.0 %	3	0.2 %	1.2 %
Manufacturing	3	0.2 %	15	0.9 %	10.7 %
Electricity, gas and water supply	3	0.2 %	3	0.2 %	0.8 %
Construction	42	2.8 %	35	2.0 %	7.1 %
Wholesale trade	3	0.2 %	6	0.3 %	5.1 %
Retail trade	52	3.5 %	58	3.3 %	15.3 %
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	9	0.6 %	15	0.9 %	5.6 %
Transport and storage	6	0.4 %	9	0.5 %	4.9 %
Communication services	3	0.2 %	0	0.0 %	1.5 %
Finance and insurance	3	0.2 %	3	0.2 %	2.8 %
Property and business services	42	2.8 %	21	1.2 %	9.8 %
Government administration and defence	664	44.6 %	1,286	73.6 %	4.8 %
Education	162	10.9 %	151	8.6 %	7.6 %
Health and community services	433	29.1 %	61	3.5 %	9.6 %
Cultural and recreational services	3	0.2 %	6	0.3 %	2.4 %
Personal and other services	6	0.4 %	21	1.2 %	3.7 %
Non-classifiable economic units	6	0.4 %	3	0.2 %	0.5 %
Not stated	40	2.7 %	49	2.8 %	1.8 %
Total employed persons	1,489	100.0 %	1,748	100.0 %	100.0 %

Graph 13: Change in industry between 1996 and 2001



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Qualifications

- Of the 2,898 people aged 15 years and over in Torres Strait Islander Communities in 2001, 14.9% stated that they had a non-school qualification. This compares with 32.3% for Queensland.
- There were 9 people with Postgraduate Degrees (0.3% of the population aged 15 years and over) and 77 people with Bachelor Degrees (2.7%).

Table 32: Non-school qualification

Persons aged 15 years and over
(excl overseas visitors)

	2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	%
Postgraduate Degree	9	0.3 %	1.4 %
Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate	3	0.1 %	1.1 %
Bachelor Degree	77	2.7 %	8.3 %
Advanced Diploma and Diploma	86	3.0 %	5.5 %
Certificate	258	8.9 %	16.0 %
Not stated	357	12.3 %	10.8 %
No qualifications, still studying, or outside scope of ASCED	2,108	72.7 %	56.8 %
Total persons aged 15 years and over	2,898	100.0 %	100.0 %

Field of study

- Of the 2,891 people in Torres Strait Islander Communities aged 15 years and over, 4.3% had a qualification in education. This compares with 3.4% for Queensland.
- A further 3.7% had a qualification in management and commerce while 2.9% had a qualification in engineering and related technologies. This compares with 5.8% and 8.6% respectively for Queensland.

Table 33: Non-school qualification: field of study

Persons aged 15 years and over
(excl overseas visitors)

	2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	%
Natural and physical sciences	6	0.2 %	1.0 %
Information technology	3	0.1 %	0.7 %
Engineering and related technologies	85	2.9 %	8.6 %
Architecture and building	81	2.8 %	3.0 %
Agriculture, environmental and related studies	12	0.4 %	0.9 %
Health	61	2.1 %	3.9 %
Education	125	4.3 %	3.4 %
Management and commerce	107	3.7 %	5.8 %
Society and culture	41	1.4 %	3.2 %
Creative arts	22	0.8 %	1.1 %
Food, hospitality and personal services	24	0.8 %	2.3 %
Mixed field programmes	6	0.2 %	0.0 %
Field of study inadequately described	6	0.2 %	0.4 %
Not stated	204	7.1 %	8.9 %
No qualifications, or outside scope of ASCED	2,108	72.9 %	56.8 %
Total persons aged 15 years and over	2,891	100.0 %	100.0 %

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Travel to work

- In 2001, more than 420 people (24.4% of employed persons) in Torres Strait Islander Communities travelled to work using a private vehicle while 28 people (1.6%) travelled by bus or train only. This compares with 65.9% and 4.2% respectively for Queensland.
- A further 1,118 people (63.5% of employed persons) walked or rode a bicycle to work, while 35 people (2.0%) worked from home.

Table 34: Method of travel to work

Employed persons

(excl overseas visitors)

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001
Train only	0	0.0 %	0	0.0 %	1.8 %
Bus only	31	2.1 %	28	1.6 %	2.4 %
Car as driver	177	11.9 %	249	14.1 %	57.8 %
Car as passenger	128	8.6 %	137	7.8 %	7.2 %
Motor bike/motor scooter	44	3.0 %	43	2.4 %	1.0 %
Bicycle	15	1.0 %	15	0.9 %	1.3 %
Walked only	941	63.3 %	1,103	62.6 %	3.9 %
Other(a)	87	5.9 %	89	5.1 %	5.4 %
Worked at home	15	1.0 %	35	2.0 %	5.9 %
Did not go to work	24	1.6 %	32	1.8 %	11.8 %
Not stated	24	1.6 %	30	1.7 %	1.7 %
Total employed persons	1,486	100.0 %	1,761	100.0 %	100.0 %

(a) includes ferry, tram, taxi, any two methods, any three methods, other

Motor vehicles

- Between 1996 and 2001 the number of occupied private dwellings with one or more cars increased by 56.4% from 181 to 283.
- 69.3% of dwellings in Torres Strait Islander Communities did not have a car in 1996, declining to 60.3% in 2001.

Table 35: Number of motor vehicles

Occupied private dwellings

	1996		2001		Qld
	No.	%	No.	%	2001
None	596	69.3 %	655	60.3 %	9.3 %
One	143	16.6 %	220	20.2 %	40.1 %
Two	29	3.4 %	45	4.1 %	32.8 %
Three or more	9	1.0 %	18	1.7 %	11.7 %
Not stated	83	9.7 %	149	13.7 %	6.2 %
Total occupied private dwellings	860	100.0 %	1,087	100.0 %	100.0 %

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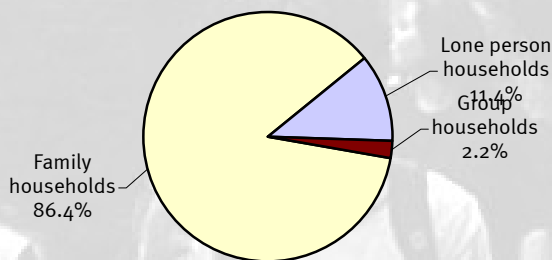
Households

- There were 1,010 households in Torres Strait Islander Communities in 2001, an increase of 178 or 21.4% since 1996.
- Family households accounted for 84.1% of all households in 2001, down 2.4 percentage points since 1996.
- Lone person households accounted for 15.0% of all households in 2001, up 3.5 percentage points since 1996.

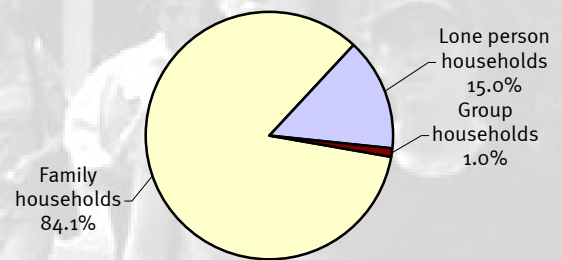
Table 36: Household type
Households in occupied private dwellings

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Family households	719	86.4 %	849	84.1 %	72.3 %
Lone person households	95	11.4 %	151	15.0 %	23.2 %
Group households	18	2.2 %	10	1.0 %	4.5 %
Total	832	100.0 %	1,010	100.0 %	100.0 %

1996



2001



Household income

- The weekly median household income in Torres Strait Islander Communities in 2001 was \$630 up 6.8% since 1996.
- High income households with more than \$2,000 a week accounted for 2.6% of all households in Torres Strait Islander Communities in 2001.
- Low income households with less than \$300 a week accounted for 13.4% of all households.

Table 37: Weekly household income

Occupied private dwellings(a)

	1996		2001		Qld 2001
	No.	%	No.	%	%
Negative/nil income	6	0.7 %	9	0.9 %	0.8 %
\$1-\$299	114	13.9 %	127	12.5 %	11.7 %
\$300-\$499	162	19.7 %	209	20.6 %	17.5 %
\$500-\$699	165	20.1 %	183	18.1 %	12.7 %
\$700-\$999	145	17.6 %	178	17.6 %	15.0 %
\$1,000-\$1,499	92	11.2 %	144	14.2 %	16.3 %
\$1,500-\$1,999	17	2.1 %	43	4.2 %	8.9 %
\$2000 or more	15	1.8 %	26	2.6 %	5.9 %
Not stated	106	12.9 %	94	9.3 %	11.3 %
Total	822	100.0 %	1,013	100.0 %	100.0 %
Median weekly household income	\$590	na	\$630	na	\$740

(a) excludes non classifiable and visitor only households

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2001 Census publications

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