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## PREFACE

This publication presents a range of detailed social and economic statistics for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Queensland, produced from the 1996 Census of Population and Housing.

The aim of the publication is to provide information which will be useful to Indigenous organisations and communities, government agencies and policy makers providing services to Indigenous people. The publication will also be of interest to research agencies and the general public.

This publication is part of a series which presents statistics for Indigenous Australians. While most tables present statistics for Indigenous and all Australians, some tables have been expanded to enable users to compare the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations of Queensland. As with publications for most other States/Territories, commentary is usually based on differences between the Indigenous and total populations. The detailed breakdown is provided as a reference and only on exception have comments been provided for the individual Indigenous groups.

Besides brief summary text, each chapter contains a set of State specific tables which are common in format to all publications in the series, thus providing a basis for comparison across jurisdictions in Australia.

Data presented in this publication represent only a selection of the full range of statistics that can be derived from the Census. Concepts and definitions used in this publication are explained in the Glossary and more detailed information is available in *Census Dictionary, 1996* (Cat. no. 2901.0).

ABS publications draw extensively on information provided freely by individuals, businesses, governments and other organisations. Their continued cooperation is very much appreciated; without it, the wide range of statistics published by the ABS would not be available. Information received by the ABS is treated in strict confidence as required by the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*.

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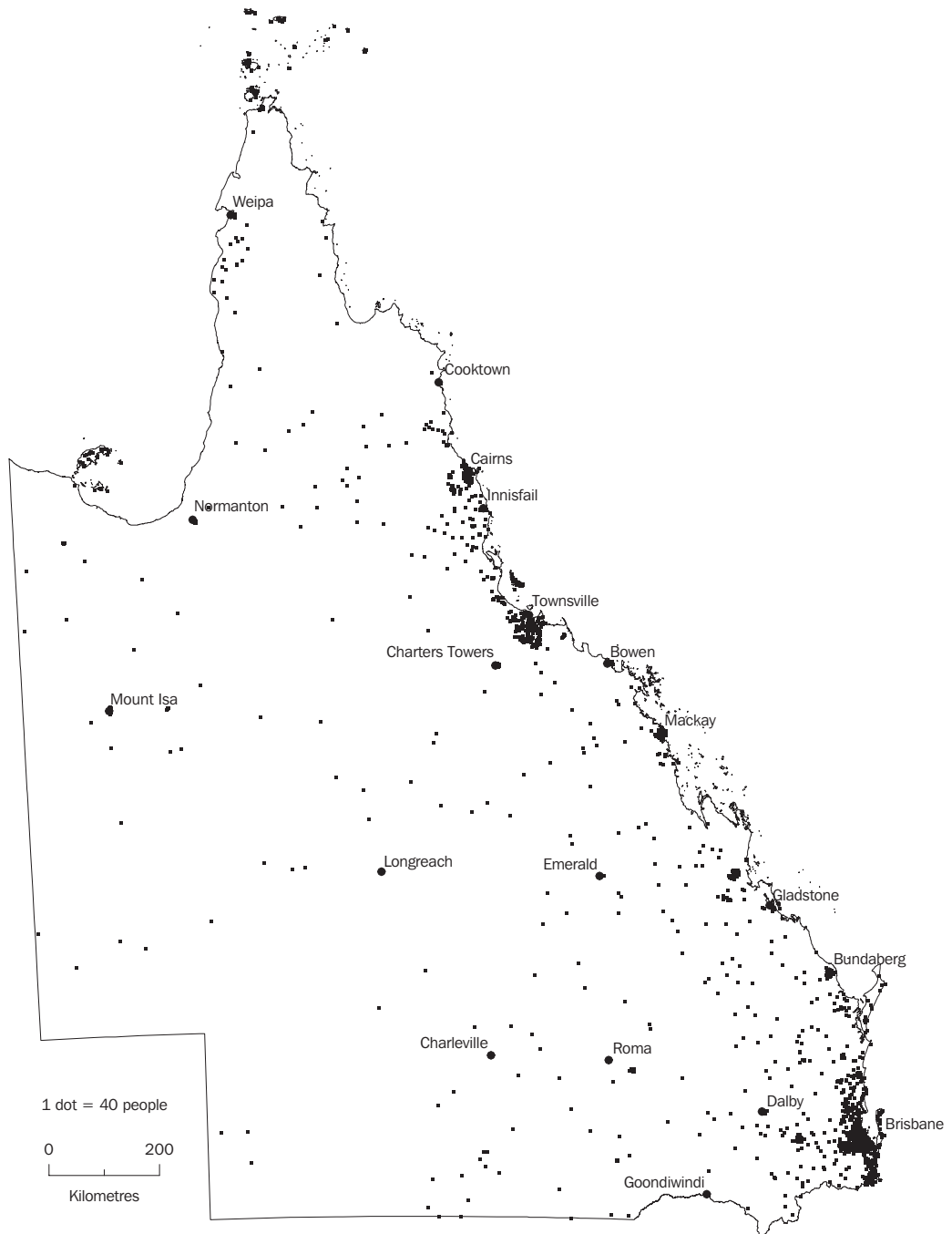
### ABBREVIATIONS

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ATSIC	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission
CD	Collection District
CDEP	Community Development Employment Projects
DAA	Department of Aboriginal Affairs
ERP	Estimated Resident Population
SLA	Statistical Local Area

### SYMBOLS

n.a.	not available
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified
n.f.d.	not further defined
. .	not applicable
—	nil or rounded to zero

INDIGENOUS POPULATION DISTRIBUTION



Based on Indigenous Areas

## CHAPTER 1

## POPULATION

### INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

This chapter presents a statistical summary of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations compared to the total population of Queensland using 1996 Census, experimental and estimated resident population data.

The majority of tables present statistics for Indigenous people and the total population. The category 'Indigenous' includes people who responded affirmatively on the Census form to the question 'Is the person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?' The total population includes Indigenous people, non-Indigenous people and persons who did not respond to the question ('Not stated').

Apart from tables 1.1 and 1.2 and the age pyramids (in this chapter), data in this publication are from the five-yearly Census of Population and Housing.

Overseas visitors are excluded from all figures in this publication.

### POPULATION ESTIMATES AND CENSUS COUNTS

The ABS publishes two types of data on the resident population in Australia; counts from the 1996 Census of Population and Housing and estimates of the population.

#### Estimated resident population

The estimated resident population (ERP) is the official estimate of the resident population at a particular date for a given area. It adjusts the Census count (by place of usual residence) for people missed in the Census, interstate and overseas migration, and births and deaths. ERP figures are only available at State, Territory and ATSI Region levels, and are not broken down to more detailed geographic levels or by socioeconomic characteristics (ABS 1998a).

#### Experimental estimates of the Indigenous population

The ABS also produces 'experimental' estimates of the Indigenous population. Separate estimates of the size of the populations of Aborigines or Torres Strait Islander peoples are not provided by ABS. Estimates have been produced on an annual basis from 30 June 1991. The estimates are known as experimental in that the standard approach to population estimation is not possible because satisfactory data on births, deaths and internal migration are not generally available. The experimental estimates in this chapter are final estimates.

Estimates are derived using the Census place of usual residence counts as a base and adjusting the figures taking into account the following factors:

- persons recorded as Indigenous whose parents were born overseas;
- non-response to the census question on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin;
- net census undercount; and
- registered births.

These figures are further modified to backdate the data to 30 June 1996.

Experimental estimates of Indigenous population (continued) The estimated resident Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population as at 30 June 1996 was 104,817, an increase of 11,626 from 30 June 1991. The average annual growth rate of the Indigenous population of Queensland for the period 1991 to 1996 was 2.5%, lower than the rate for the total population of 2.6% (ABS 1998a, 1998b).

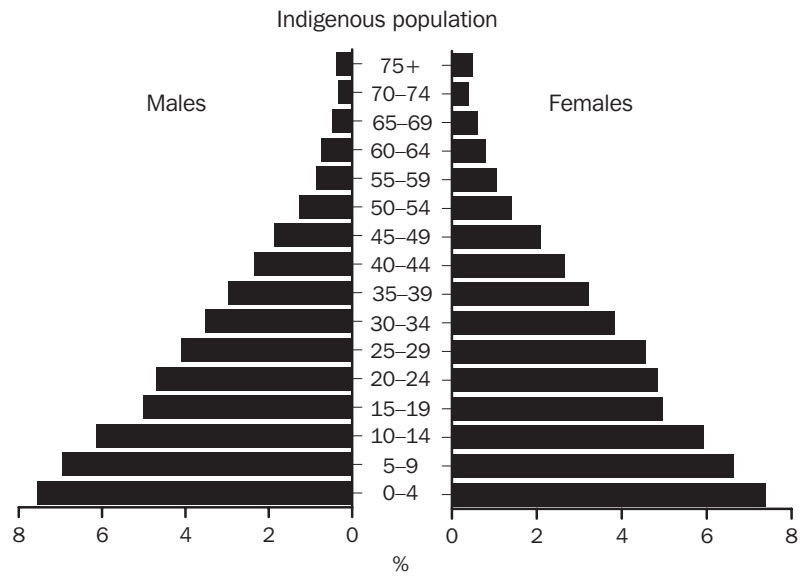
At 30 June 1996 Indigenous people comprised 3.1% of the total population of Queensland. This is similar to Western Australia and Tasmania.

#### AGE DISTRIBUTION

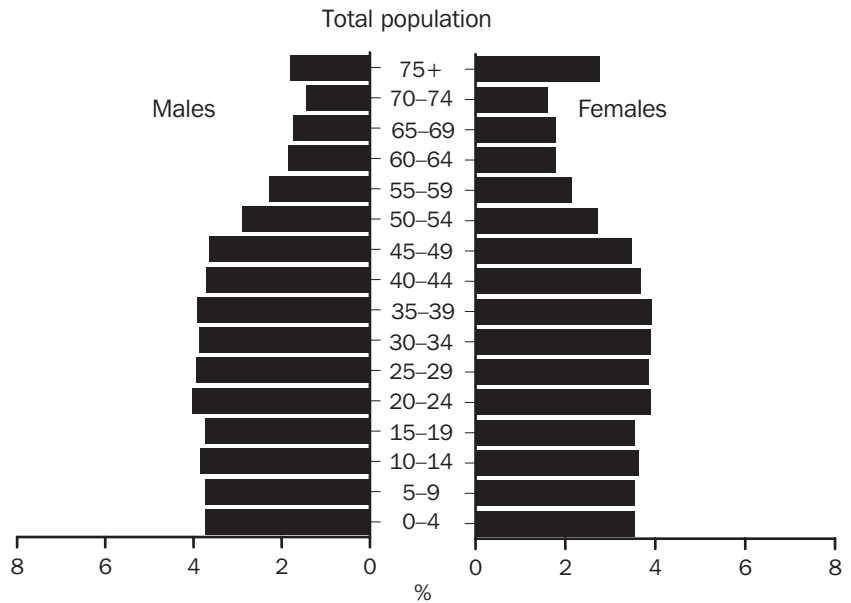
The age structure of the Indigenous population differed from that of the total population. The Indigenous population had a high proportion of people under the age of 15 years and a low proportion of people over the age of 65. The proportion of the Indigenous population of Queensland under 15 years of age was 40.6%, compared to 22.0% of the total population. Persons aged 65 and over comprised 2.6% of the Indigenous population and 11.2% of the total population. These figures reflect the relatively high fertility and, to a lesser extent, the high mortality of the Indigenous population (ABS 1998a, 1998b).

Median age At 30 June 1996, the Indigenous population had a median age of 19.7 years which is much younger than that of the total population of 33.3 years. The median age of Indigenous males at 30 June 1996 was 18.8 and of Indigenous females 20.5 years. The median age for all males was 32.7 and for all females 33.8 years (ABS 1998b).

INDIGENOUS AND TOTAL ERP — 30 JUNE 1996



Source: *Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, 30 June 1991 to 30 June 1996* (Cat. no. 3230.0).



Source: *Australian Demographic Statistics, September Quarter 1997* (Cat. no. 3101.0).

## CENSUS COUNTS

The Census is a snapshot of the population and its characteristics at a particular point in time (August 1996). The Census is conducted every five years.

Census counts are available either on the basis of where people were counted (enumerated) or where they usually live (usual residence).

Enumerated data is where people were located on the night of the census regardless of where they normally live, whereas usual residence involves counts of people at their normal place of residence (address at which a person has lived or intends to live for a total of 6 months or more in the census year).

Data presented in this publication relate to where people usually live (usual residence) except where otherwise stated.

## CENSUS COUNTS AND ERP

Users need to be careful when using census characteristics and ERP figures together. The 1996 Census count of Indigenous people was 95,374 and the ERP was 104,817, some 9.9% higher (1997). Users may wish to take this into account when interpreting census characteristics data.

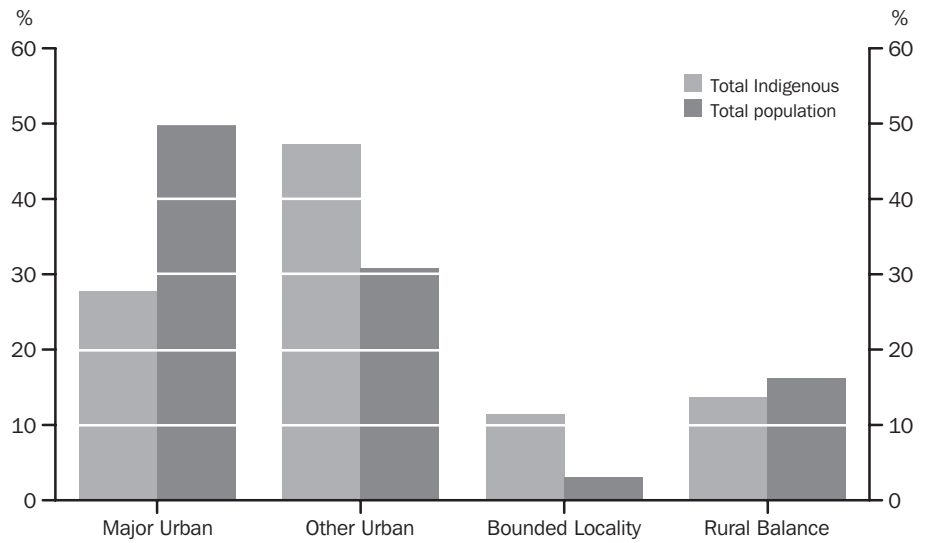
Census data are not adjusted for under enumeration or other factors used to calculate ERP.

Unlike other states, Queensland has a sufficient number of Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to record separate data. As the information regarding people of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin was not collected prior to the 1996 Census, users need to be careful when interpreting the data. Minimal commentary is provided in this publication.

## LOCATION

The Indigenous population has a different geographic distribution compared to the total population. Of the total Indigenous population 27.8% reside in Major Urban and 47.2% in Other Urban compared to 49.8% and 30.8% of the total population. Approximately 11% of the Indigenous population lived in Bounded Localities compared to 3.1% of the total population. Less than 14% of the Indigenous population lived in the Rural Balance, compared to the total population of 16.2%.

DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION, BY SECTION OF STATE

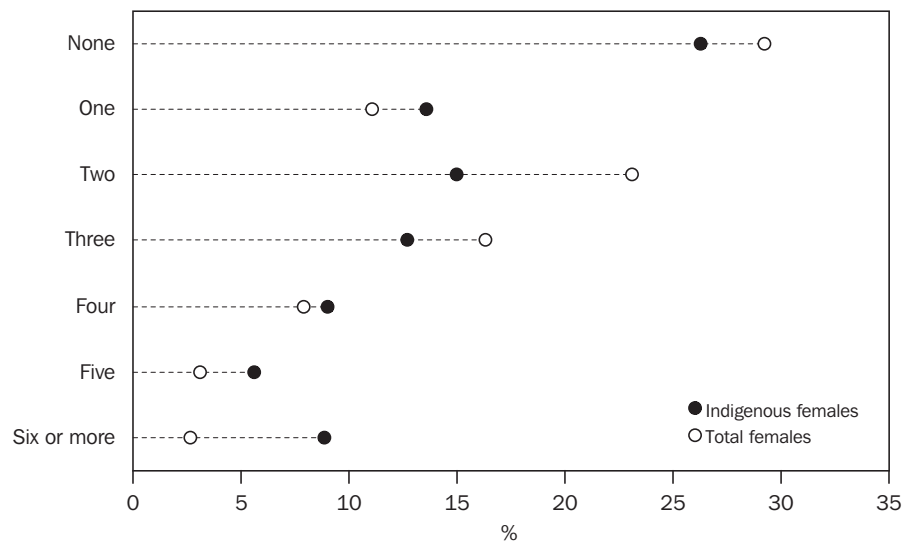


Source: Table 1.4

NUMBER OF LIVE BIRTHS

The proportions of Indigenous and total females aged 15 years and over who have ever had children are similar (65.3% and 64.6%, respectively). However, Indigenous females tend to have more children than total females. Approximately 15% of Indigenous females had five or more children compared to approximately 6% of total females.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN EVER BORN TO FEMALES AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER



Source: Table 1.5

## 1.1

### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION—30 JUNE 1996(a)

<i>State and Territory</i>	<i>Indigenous population(b)</i>	<i>Total population</i>	<i>Proportion of State or Territory's total population</i>	<i>Proportion of Australian Indigenous population</i>
	'000	'000	%	%
New South Wales	109.9	6 204.7	1.77	28.47
Victoria	22.6	4 560.2	0.49	5.85
Queensland	104.8	3 338.7	3.13	27.15
South Australia	22.1	1 474.3	1.49	5.71
Western Australia	56.2	1 765.3	3.18	14.55
Tasmania	15.3	474.4	3.22	3.96
Northern Territory	51.9	181.8	28.52	13.43
Australian Capital Territory	3.1	308.3	0.99	0.79
<b>Australia(c)</b>	<b>386.0</b>	<b>18 310.7</b>	<b>2.10</b>	<b>100.00</b>

(a) The ERPs have been rounded to the nearest 100 and as a result discrepancies may occur between sums of component items and totals.

(b) Experimental estimates.

(c) Includes Other Territories.

Source: *Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, 30 June 1991 to 30 June 1996 (Cat. no. 3230.0)*; *Australian Demographic Statistics, September Quarter 1997 (Cat. no. 3101.0)*.



## 1.2

### ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION, BY AGE AND SEX—30 JUNE 1996

Age group (years)	Males	Females	Persons
	no.	no.	no.
	INDIGENOUS(a)		
0-4	7 911	7 738	15 649
5-9	7 287	6 955	14 242
10-14	6 451	6 218	12 669
15-19	5 254	5 211	10 465
20-24	4 911	5 088	9 999
25-29	4 287	4 789	9 076
30-34	3 695	4 019	7 714
35-39	3 114	3 379	6 493
40-44	2 455	2 774	5 229
45-49	1 955	2 176	4 131
50-54	1 324	1 464	2 788
55-59	902	1 101	2 003
60-64	769	825	1 594
65-69	489	625	1 114
70-74	335	419	754
75 and over	386	511	897
<b>Total</b>	<b>51 525</b>	<b>53 292</b>	<b>104 817</b>
	TOTAL		
0-4	124 869	118 321	243 190
5-9	124 497	118 289	242 786
10-14	128 554	121 161	249 715
15-19	124 279	118 529	242 808
20-24	134 553	130 572	265 125
25-29	131 064	128 986	260 050
30-34	129 077	130 170	259 247
35-39	130 731	131 332	262 063
40-44	123 415	122 373	245 788
45-49	121 315	116 625	237 940
50-54	96 250	90 977	187 227
55-59	76 199	71 747	147 946
60-64	61 933	60 171	122 104
65-69	58 043	59 638	117 681
70-74	47 725	53 966	101 691
75 and over	60 536	92 793	153 329
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 673 040</b>	<b>1 665 650</b>	<b>3 338 690</b>

(a) Experimental estimates.

Source: *Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, 30 June 1991 to 30 June 1996* (Cat. no. 3230.0); *Australian Demographic Statistics, September Quarter 1997* (Cat. no. 3101.0).

## 1.3 INDIGENOUS ORIGIN

	1986	1991	1996
<i>Origin</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
Aboriginal	48 137	55 446	74 242
Torres Strait Islander	13 163	14 626	16 357
Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(a)	n.a.	n.a.	4 775
Non-Indigenous	2 440 870	2 723 666	3 050 635
Not stated	38 079	93 767	101 353
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 540 249</b>	<b>2 887 505</b>	<b>3 247 362</b>

(a) New category in 1996. Comprises persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1986, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## 1.4 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AND TOTAL POPULATIONS(a)

<i>Section of State</i>	<i>Aboriginal</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander</i>	<i>Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(c)</i>	<i>Total Indigenous</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
	1986				
Major Urban	9 692	1 396	n.a.	11 088	1 193 629
Other Urban	21 217	7 561	n.a.	28 778	836 048
Bounded Locality	9 938	1 075	n.a.	11 013	103 505
Rural Balance	7 218	3 108	n.a.	10 326	437 230
<b>Total(b)</b>	<b>48 092</b>	<b>13 158</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>61 250</b>	<b>2 572 678</b>
	1991				
Major Urban	13 916	2 728	n.a.	16 644	1 459 399
Other Urban	23 944	6 507	n.a.	30 451	877 749
Bounded Locality	10 864	1 111	n.a.	11 975	116 695
Rural Balance	6 729	4 287	n.a.	11 016	496 252
<b>Total(b)</b>	<b>55 464</b>	<b>14 638</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>70 102</b>	<b>2 951 464</b>
	1996				
Major Urban	21 835	3 589	1 142	26 566	1 652 031
Other Urban	35 380	7 126	2 592	45 098	1 023 474
Bounded Locality	8 764	1 588	494	10 846	102 724
Rural Balance	8 391	4 031	546	12 968	538 708
<b>Total(b)</b>	<b>74 394</b>	<b>16 346</b>	<b>4 778</b>	<b>95 518</b>	<b>3 319 186</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes 'Migratory'.

(c) This question was asked for the first time in the 1996 Census.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1986, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

# 1.5

## NUMBER OF CHILDREN EVER BORN(a)

	Age of mother				Total
	15-24	25-34	35-44	45 and over	
Number of children ever born	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
1986					
Indigenous females					
None	3 147	618	213	326	4 304
One	1 235	634	221	291	2 381
Two	656	897	370	333	2 256
Three	291	824	474	331	1 920
Four	90	607	425	369	1 491
Five	25	341	330	319	1 015
Six or more	13	293	655	1 458	2 419
Not stated	1 643	497	351	599	3 090
<b>Total</b>	<b>7 100</b>	<b>4 711</b>	<b>3 039</b>	<b>4 026</b>	<b>18 876</b>
Total females					
None	148 995	54 337	16 709	41 536	261 577
One	18 526	33 049	15 494	35 814	102 883
Two	9 384	57 876	59 221	79 939	206 420
Three	2 131	30 240	44 452	74 488	151 311
Four	449	9 982	20 036	50 487	80 954
Five	95	2 473	6 662	27 234	36 464
Six or more	80	1 151	4 387	31 943	37 561
Not stated	31 866	12 372	10 476	33 830	88 544
<b>Total</b>	<b>211 526</b>	<b>201 480</b>	<b>177 437</b>	<b>375 271</b>	<b>965 714</b>
1996					
Indigenous females					
None	5 235	1 482	572	491	7 780
One	1 672	1 295	591	482	4 040
Two	908	1 721	1 043	786	4 458
Three	361	1 377	1 115	914	3 767
Four	136	868	821	860	2 685
Five	32	441	519	697	1 689
Six or more	17	354	612	1 661	2 644
Not stated	932	502	380	665	2 479
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 293</b>	<b>8 040</b>	<b>5 653</b>	<b>6 556</b>	<b>29 542</b>
Total females					
None	193 146	96 039	33 276	52 023	374 484
One	19 525	45 696	28 315	48 573	142 109
Two	7 938	58 983	87 760	141 968	296 649
Three	2 060	28 681	58 419	119 920	209 080
Four	521	9 307	23 012	68 944	101 784
Five	126	2 517	6 401	31 624	40 668
Six or more	109	1 171	3 621	30 389	35 290
Not stated	17 777	9 778	8 985	41 686	78 226
<b>Total</b>	<b>241 202</b>	<b>252 172</b>	<b>249 789</b>	<b>535 127</b>	<b>1 278 290</b>

(a) Information not collected in 1991.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1986 and 1996 Censuses.



## CHAPTER 2

## FAMILIES

This chapter presents a statistical summary based on the 1996 Census of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families compared to Other families in Queensland.

### FAMILY TYPE

An 'Indigenous family' is defined by the ABS as a family where the reference person for the family (normally the first person on the form, and usually a parent) or spouse is recorded as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. Families in all other instances, including those where the Indigenous status of the reference person or spouse was recorded as 'Not stated', are termed 'Other families'. It is not possible to comment separately on Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander families, as there are no sub-classifications.

Of the 853,168 families counted in Queensland on census night 1996, 23,703 (2.8%) were classified as Indigenous families. Of these families, 38.3% were couple families with children under 15 only, compared to 28.9% of Other families.

Only 17.7% of Indigenous families were couples without children, whereas among Other families the proportion was 36.4%. The figures were much closer however, (49.8% and 47.6%), for couple families who had children or dependants.

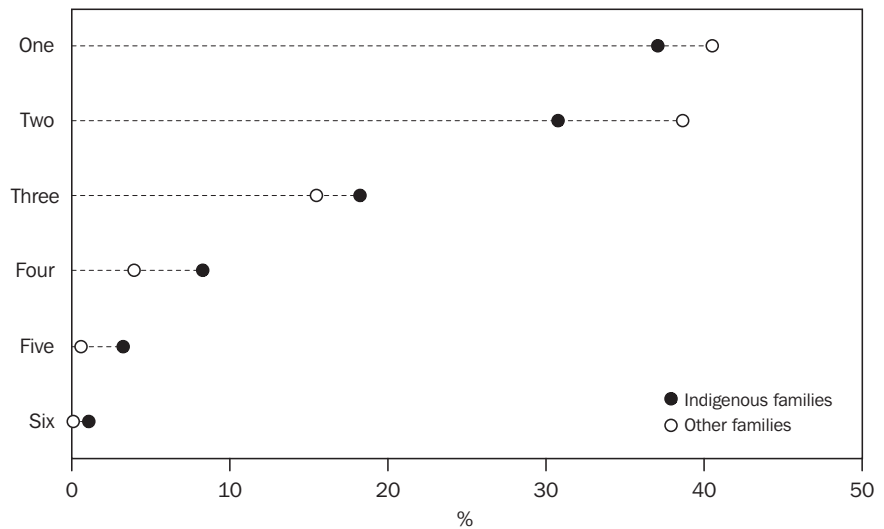
The proportion of Indigenous lone parent families with dependants (25.5%) was considerably higher than for Other lone parent families with dependants (10.0%).

### FAMILY SIZE

The average number of persons per Indigenous family was 3.7, compared to 3.1 for Other families. A similar difference was evident across most family types.

Approximately 68.0% of Indigenous families had one or two children, compared to 79.4% of Other families. The proportion of Indigenous families with four or more children (13.7%), however, was considerably higher than that for Other families (5.0%).

NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 15 YEARS, BY FAMILY TYPE(a)



(a) Applicable to couple and one-parent families with children under 15.  
Source: Table 2.3

EMPLOYED PERSONS PER FAMILY

Of the Indigenous families in Queensland, 62.2% had one or more family members in employment, compared to 74.0% of Other families. In Urban areas, 60.0% of Indigenous families had one or more family members in employment, while in Rural areas the proportion was 69.2%. For Other families the comparable proportions were 73.6% and 75.8%.

INCOME

The median weekly income for Indigenous families in Queensland was \$523. This was 75.5% of the corresponding figure for Other families (\$693). The greatest disparity between the median incomes of Indigenous and Other families existed in the Major Urban areas where the figure for Indigenous families (\$567) was just over 75% of the corresponding figure for Other families (\$754). The median income for Indigenous families in the rest of Queensland was uniformly lower than that of Other families, varying between 77.9% in Rural Balances and 80.9% in Other Urban centres.

## 2.1 FAMILY TYPE(a)(b)

<i>Family type</i>	<i>Families</i> <i>no.</i>	<i>Average number</i> <i>of persons</i> <i>per family(c)</i> <i>no.</i>
INDIGENOUS FAMILIES		
Couple family		
With children under 15	9 073	4.6
With dependent students (15–24)	519	3.8
With children under 15 and dependent students (15–24)	1 146	5.7
With non-dependent children	1 077	3.6
Without children	4 190	2.1
One-parent family		
With children under 15	5 393	3.5
With dependent students (15–24)	250	2.7
With children under 15 and dependent students (15–24)	403	4.6
With non-dependent children	1 006	2.6
Other family(d)	646	2.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>23 703</b>	<b>3.7</b>
OTHER FAMILIES		
Couple family		
With children under 15	239 834	4.1
With dependent students (15–24)	42 044	3.8
With children under 15 and dependent students (15–24)	47 067	5.0
With non-dependent children	66 221	3.3
Without children	302 068	2.0
One-parent family		
With children under 15	62 673	2.8
With dependent students (15–24)	11 836	2.5
With children under 15 and dependent students (15–24)	8 550	3.8
With non-dependent children	34 182	2.2
Other family(d)	14 990	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>829 465</b>	<b>3.1</b>
TOTAL FAMILIES		
Couple family		
With children under 15	248 907	4.1
With dependent students (15–24)	42 563	3.8
With children under 15 and dependent students (15–24)	48 213	5.0
With non-dependent children	67 298	3.3
Without children	306 258	2.0
One-parent family		
With children under 15	68 066	2.9
With dependent students (15–24)	12 086	2.5
With children under 15 and dependent students (15–24)	8 953	3.8
With non-dependent children	35 188	2.2
Other family(d)	15 636	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>853 168</b>	<b>3.1</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes up to three persons temporarily absent.

(c) Includes both Indigenous and other persons.

(d) Includes other related individuals residing in the household who do not form a couple or parent-child relationship.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 2.2 MEDIAN WEEKLY FAMILY INCOME(a)(b)

Section of State	Indigenous families	Other families	Total families
	\$	\$	\$
Major Urban	567	754	751
Other Urban	520	648	642
Bounded Locality	452	559	547
Rural Balance	507	651	648
<b>Total(c)</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>688</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Median family income is calculated excluding families where at least one member aged 15 years and over did not state an income and/or at least one family member was temporarily absent.

(c) Includes Migratory.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 2.3 NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 15(a)(b)(c)

Number	Indigenous families	Other families	Total families
	%	%	%
1	37.15	40.67	40.52
2	30.88	38.74	38.40
3	18.30	15.58	15.70
4	8.36	4.03	4.22
5	3.35	0.73	0.84
6	1.23	0.19	0.23
7	0.48	0.05	0.06
8	0.13	0.01	0.02
9	0.07	0.00	0.01
10 or more	0.06	0.00	0.01
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>16 015</b>	<b>358 124</b>	<b>374 139</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Applicable to couple and one-parent families with children under 15.

(c) Includes up to three children temporarily absent.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.



## 2.4

### EMPLOYED PERSONS(a)(b)

Number	Major Urban	Other Urban	Bounded Locality	Rural Balance	Total(c)
INDIGENOUS FAMILIES					
	%	%	%	%	%
0	38.67	40.82	30.35	31.23	37.81
1	29.17	31.55	31.68	34.40	31.24
2	27.28	23.14	26.25	27.65	25.28
3	4.18	3.25	7.23	5.07	4.19
4	0.55	0.84	3.09	1.16	1.04
5	0.16	0.27	0.86	0.32	0.31
6 or more	0.00	0.13	0.55	0.16	0.14
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 966</b>	<b>11 080</b>	<b>2 560</b>	<b>3 096</b>	<b>23 703</b>
OTHER FAMILIES					
	%	%	%	%	%
0	24.67	29.33	33.24	22.61	25.96
1	27.77	28.45	28.54	27.15	27.89
2	37.78	35.08	32.77	41.36	37.43
3	7.23	5.72	4.42	6.88	6.64
4	2.23	1.30	0.89	1.75	1.83
5	0.29	0.13	0.13	0.23	0.22
6 or more	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>418 419</b>	<b>247 623</b>	<b>23 776</b>	<b>139 648</b>	<b>829 465</b>
TOTAL FAMILIES					
	%	%	%	%	%
0	24.90	29.82	32.95	22.80	26.29
1	27.79	28.58	28.85	27.30	27.98
2	37.61	34.57	32.13	41.06	37.10
3	7.18	5.61	4.69	6.84	6.57
4	2.20	1.28	1.10	1.74	1.81
5	0.28	0.13	0.20	0.23	0.23
6 or more	0.03	0.01	0.06	0.03	0.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>425 385</b>	<b>258 703</b>	<b>26 336</b>	<b>142 744</b>	<b>853 168</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Excludes persons temporarily absent as labour force status was not recorded for these persons.

(c) Includes 'Migratory'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.



## CHAPTER 3

## HOUSEHOLDS AND DWELLINGS

### HOUSEHOLDS

This chapter presents a Census based statistical summary of the characteristics of Indigenous households and Other households, including information on the dwellings occupied by these households.

### HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

The Census classifies all people living in private dwellings into families and households. A family is a group of related individuals living together and a household is a group of people who usually reside and eat together. Households are further classified into family and non-family households, the latter defined as group households and people living alone.

### INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS

To meet the ABS definition of 'Indigenous households' the household must either comprise:

- an indigenous reference person or spouse or
- a lone person of indigenous origin.

Any other households are classified as 'Other households'. This includes family households with Indigenous members who do not have an indigenous reference person or spouse, i.e. child, dependent student or other relative. There were 5,206 households of this type in Queensland in 1996.

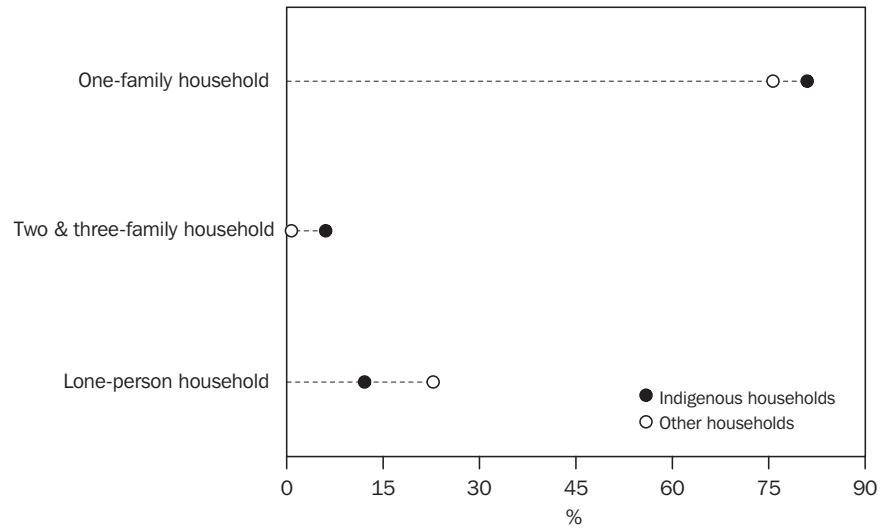
The concepts of Indigenous and Other households do not extend to group households. Group households play no part in this chapter other than tables 3.1 and 3.2.

It is not possible to comment separately on Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander households, as there are no sub-classifications.

### HOUSEHOLD TYPE

At the time of the 1996 Census 81.2% of Indigenous households were one family households, compared to 76.0% of Other households. Lone person households were the second most common household type, (12.4% for Indigenous households compared to 23.0% of Other households). Multi-family (two or three family) households were more common amongst Indigenous households (6.4%) than Other households (0.9%).

### HOUSEHOLD TYPE

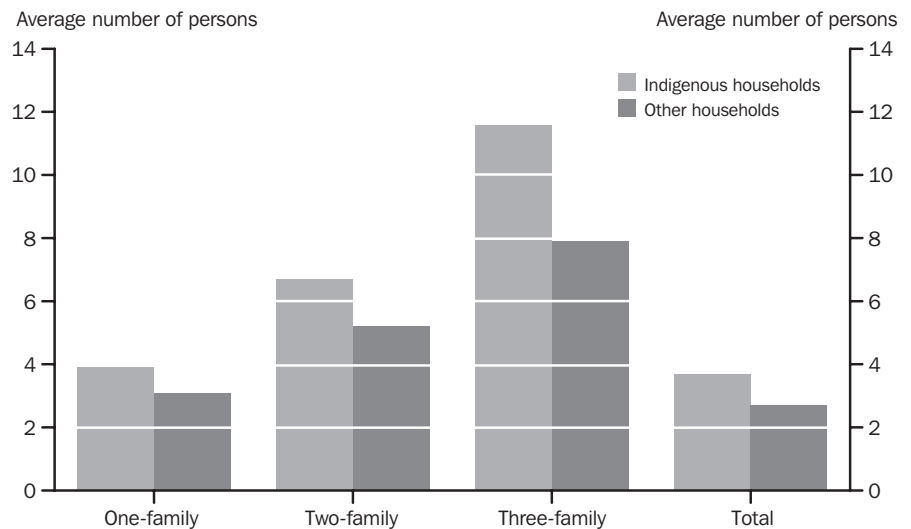


Source: Table 3.3

### AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD

In Queensland, Indigenous households had an average of 3.7 persons per household compared to 2.7 in Other households. Indigenous households recorded a higher average number of persons across all household types (except lone-person households) compared to Other households. The highest average number of persons were recorded for Indigenous households with three families (11.6) compared to Other households with three families (7.9).

### HOUSEHOLD TYPE, BY AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD



Source: Table 3.3

NUMBER OF CHILDREN  
PER HOUSEHOLD

In Queensland, at the time of the 1996 Census, the majority of Indigenous and Other households with children under 15 comprised one or two children families (64.8% and 79.2%, respectively).

Approximately 16% of Indigenous households with children under 15 had four or more children compared to approximately 5% of Other households.

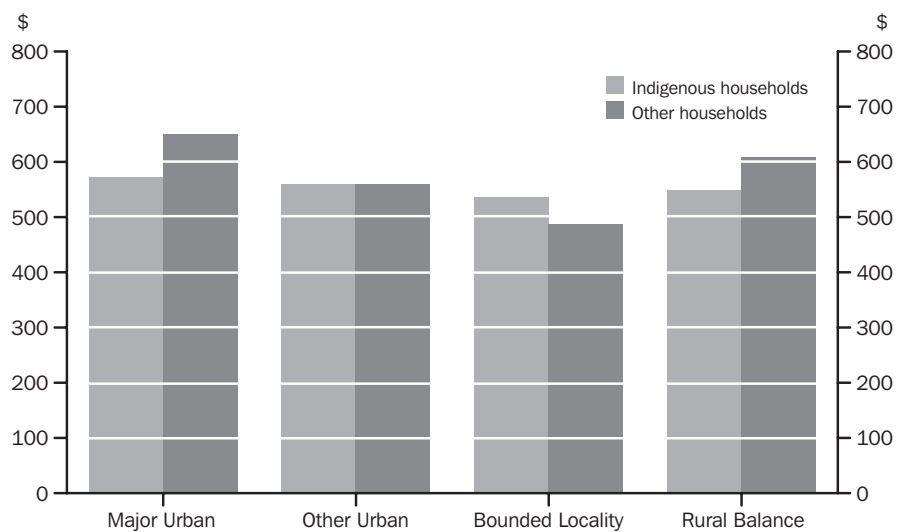
HOUSEHOLD MEDIAN  
INCOME

Household income is obtained by aggregating the personal income reported by each member in the household. Care needs to be taken when interpreting these statistics as Indigenous households had a higher average number of people (3.7) compared to Other households (2.7). Therefore, Indigenous household income may be distributed among more people compared with Other households.

The weekly median income for Indigenous households (\$559) was 8.5% lower than Other households (\$611).

Throughout most sections of Queensland the median incomes of Indigenous households were lower than Other households with the exception of Bounded Locality where Indigenous households recorded \$536 compared to \$487 for Other households.

MEDIAN (WEEKLY) HOUSEHOLD INCOME BY SECTION OF STATE



Source: Table 3.8

## DWELLINGS

### STRUCTURE OF OCCUPIED DWELLINGS

At the time of the 1996 Census the majority of dwellings occupied by Indigenous and Other households were separate houses (78.9% and 81.1%), followed by flats and apartments (9.5% and 9.4%, respectively). A similar proportion of Indigenous and Other households occupied semi-detached dwellings (5.2% and 5.7%, respectively).

### NUMBER OF BEDROOMS

A bedsitter or house with no bedrooms is treated as equivalent to one bedroom.

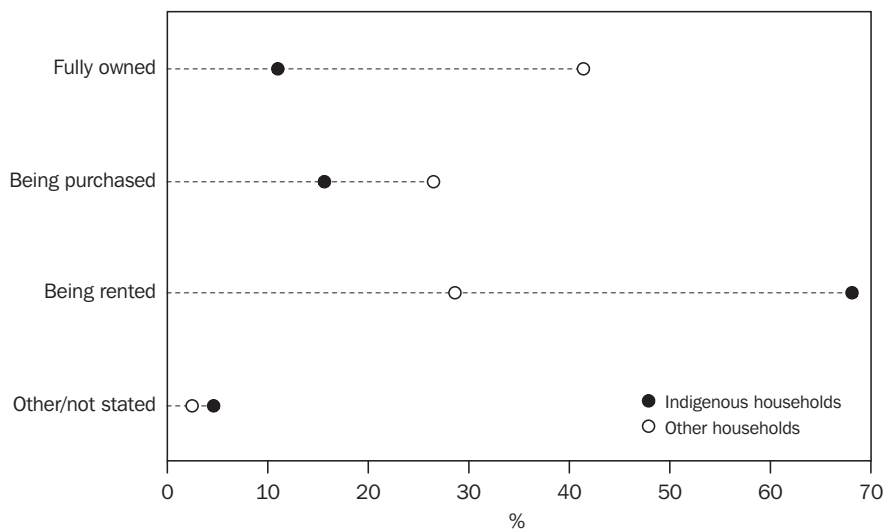
Of those who responded to the question on the number of bedrooms per dwelling, 8.2% of Indigenous households recorded having more than two persons to one bedroom or bedsitter compared to 0.7% of Other households.

Although there has been no agreement in Australia on a definition or measure of overcrowding, one author has suggested that there should be no more than two persons per bedroom (Jones 1994, pp.4–8).

### TENURE TYPE

In Queensland, Indigenous households had a lower proportion of home ownership (that is, owning or purchasing their own home) compared to Other households, 27.0% and 68.3%, respectively. Approximately 68% of Indigenous dwellings were being rented, compared to approximately 29% of Other dwellings.

TENURE TYPE



Source: Table 3.7

### 3.1 HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION(a)(b)(c)

<i>Household type</i>	<i>All members Indigenous(d)</i>	<i>Both Indigenous and non-Indigenous members</i>	<i>All members non-Indigenous(e)(f)</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
Family households				
One-family household	9 750	14 765	805 124	829 639
Two-family household	898	678	9 578	11 154
Three-family household	161	71	175	407
Non-family households				
Lone-person household	3 125	0	245 211	248 336
Group household	260	1 672	55 492	57 424
<b>Total</b>	<b>14 194</b>	<b>17 186</b>	<b>1 115 580</b>	<b>1 146 960</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Excludes visitors to the household and persons temporarily absent as Indigenous origin was not recorded for these persons.

(c) Excludes visitors only households and other not classifiable households.

(d) Except in the case of group households, these households are regarded as 'Indigenous households'.

(e) Includes 'Not stated'.

(f) Except in the case of group households, these households are regarded as 'Other households'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

### 3.2 HOUSEHOLD TYPE, BY HOUSEHOLDS WITH BOTH INDIGENOUS AND NON-INDIGENOUS MEMBERS(a)(b)(c)

<i>Household type</i>	<i>Reference person or spouse Indigenous (d)</i>	<i>Other family member Indigenous(e)</i>	<i>Total households</i>
<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
Family households			
One-family household	10 754	4 011	14 765
Two-family household	495	183	678
Three-family household	61	10	71
Non-family households			
Group households	670	1 002	1 672
<b>Total</b>	<b>11 980</b>	<b>5 206</b>	<b>17 186</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Excludes lone-person, visitors only and other not classified households.

(c) Excludes visitors to the household and persons temporarily absent as Indigenous origin was not recorded for these persons.

(d) Except in the case of group households, these households are regarded as 'Indigenous households'.

(e) Except in the case of group households, these households are regarded as 'Other households'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

### 3.3

#### HOUSEHOLD TYPE, BY AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD(a)(b)(c)(d)

<i>Household type</i>	<i>Households no.</i>	<i>Average number of persons per household(e)</i>
INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS		
One-family household	20 504	3.9
Two-family household	1 393	6.7
Three-family household	222	11.6
Lone-person household	3 125	1.0
<i>Total</i>	25 244	3.7
OTHER HOUSEHOLDS		
One-family household	809 135	3.1
Two-family household	9 761	5.2
Three-family household	185	7.9
Lone-person household	245 211	1.0
<i>Total</i>	1 064 292	2.7
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS		
One-family household	829 639	3.1
Two-family household	11 154	5.4
Three-family household	407	9.9
Lone-person household	248 336	1.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 089 536</b>	<b>2.7</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes up to three temporarily absent persons.

(c) Excludes visitors to the household.

(d) Excludes group, visitors only and other not classifiable households.

(e) Includes both Indigenous and other persons.

*Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.*



### 3.4

#### NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 15 YEARS, BY HOUSEHOLD TYPE(a)(b)(c)

	<i>One-family household</i>	<i>Two-family household</i>	<i>Three-family household</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Number of children</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS				
1	4 773	340	13	5 126
2	4 334	379	30	4 743
3	2 658	262	39	2 959
4	1 216	146	36	1 398
5	487	70	24	581
6	170	50	23	243
7	65	20	19	104
8	15	10	11	36
9	11	8	10	29
10 or more	9	0	11	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 738</b>	<b>1 285</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>15 239</b>
OTHER HOUSEHOLDS				
1	139 587	3 997	45	143 629
2	136 431	2 277	53	138 761
3	55 259	771	33	56 063
4	14 336	216	16	14 568
5	2 592	61	6	2 659
6	661	28	3	692
7	164	9	0	173
8	45	3	0	48
9	10	3	3	16
10 or more	9	0	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>349 094</b>	<b>7 365</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>356 618</b>
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS				
1	144 360	4 337	58	148 755
2	140 765	2 656	83	143 504
3	57 917	1 033	72	59 022
4	15 552	362	52	15 966
5	3 079	131	30	3 240
6	831	78	26	935
7	229	29	19	277
8	60	13	11	84
9	21	11	13	45
10 or more	18	0	11	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>362 832</b>	<b>8 650</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>371 857</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Applicable to couple and lone-parent families with children under 15.

(c) Includes up to three temporarily absent children.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

### 3.5

#### STRUCTURE OF DWELLING(a)(b)(c)(d)

Structure of dwelling	Major Urban		Other Urban		Bounded Locality	
	Households	Average number of persons per household	Households	Average number of persons per household	Households	Average number of persons per household
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS</b>						
Separate house	6 076	3.6	9 117	4.1	2 024	4.7
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	548	2.4	658	2.8	33	3.2
Flat, unit or apartment	993	1.9	1 309	2.4	65	2.1
Other dwelling						
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	140	2.0	253	2.2	24	1.9
Improvised home, tent, sleepers-out	3	0.0	121	3.4	69	0.0
House or flat attached to a shop, office etc.	15	2.3	34	3.2	6	0.0
Total	158	2.0	408	2.7	99	3.2
Not stated	154	3.3	232	3.9	136	5.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7 929</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>11 724</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>2 357</b>	<b>4.6</b>
<b>OTHER HOUSEHOLDS</b>						
Separate house	423 825	2.9	260 362	2.8	27 735	2.6
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	39 176	1.9	19 388	1.8	693	2.1
Flat, unit or apartment	67 073	1.6	30 586	1.6	966	1.6
Other dwelling						
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	5 022	1.5	6 602	1.5	744	1.5
Improvised home, tent, sleepers out	40	1.2	111	1.7	29	1.4
House or flat attached to a shop, office etc.	1 011	2.2	1 615	2.5	419	2.6
Total	6 073	1.6	8 328	1.7	1 192	1.9
Not stated	9 953	2.5	5 710	2.4	503	2.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>546 100</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>324 374</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>31 089</b>	<b>2.6</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>						
Separate house	429 901	2.9	269 479	2.8	29 759	2.8
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	39 724	1.9	20 046	1.8	726	2.1
Flat, unit or apartment	68 066	1.6	31 895	1.6	1 031	1.7
Other dwelling						
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	5 162	1.5	6 855	1.6	768	1.6
Improvised home, tent, sleepers-out	43	1.1	232	2.6	98	3.0
House or flat attached to a shop, office etc.	1 026	2.2	1 649	2.5	425	2.6
Total	6 231	1.6	8 736	1.8	1 291	2.0
Not stated	10 107	2.5	5 942	2.5	639	2.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>554 029</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>336 098</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>33 446</b>	<b>2.7</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes up to three persons temporarily absent.

(c) Average number of persons per household includes both Indigenous and other persons.

(d) Excludes group, visitors only and other not classifiable households.

(e) Includes 'Migratory'.

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### 3.5 STRUCTURE OF DWELLING(a)(b)(c)(d)—continued

Structure of dwelling	Rural Balance		Total(e) no.	Average number of persons per household
	House- holds no.	Average number of persons per household no.		
INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS				
Separate house	2 710	3.9	19 927	4.0
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	62	4.3	1 301	2.7
Flat, unit or apartment	27	3.5	2 394	2.2
Other dwelling				
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	156	2.4	573	2.2
Improvised home, tent, sleepers-out	202	4.3	395	3.9
House or flat attached to a shop, office etc.	3	1.0	58	2.8
Total	361	3.4	1 026	2.9
Not stated	78	3.7	600	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 238</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>25 244</b>	<b>3.7</b>
OTHER HOUSEHOLDS				
Separate house	151 348	3.0	863 270	2.9
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	1 314	2.4	60 571	1.9
Flat, unit or apartment	1 264	1.9	99 889	1.6
Other dwelling				
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	4 723	1.7	17 091	1.6
Improvised home, tent, sleepers out	856	2.2	1 036	2.1
House or flat attached to a shop, office etc.	464	2.6	3 509	2.4
Total	6 043	1.9	21 636	1.7
Not stated	2 760	2.7	18 926	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>162 729</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>1 064 292</b>	<b>2.7</b>
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS				
Separate house	154 058	3.0	883 197	2.9
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse etc.	1 376	2.5	61 872	1.9
Flat, unit or apartment	1 291	1.9	102 283	1.6
Other dwelling				
Caravan, cabin, houseboat	4 879	1.7	17 664	1.6
Improvised home, tent, sleepers-out	1 058	2.6	1 431	2.6
House or flat attached to a shop, office etc.	467	2.6	3 567	2.4
Total	6 404	1.9	22 662	1.8
Not stated	2 838	2.7	19 526	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>165 967</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>1 089 536</b>	<b>2.7</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes up to three persons temporarily absent.

(c) Average number of persons per household includes both Indigenous and other persons.

(d) Excludes group, visitors only and other not classifiable households.

(e) Includes 'Migratory'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

### 3.6 NUMBER OF BEDROOMS(a)(b)(c)(d)

Number of residents	None (includes bedsitters)	1 bedroom	2 bedrooms	3 bedrooms	4 bedrooms	5 or more bedrooms	Not stated	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS								
1	99	747	1 061	828	133	29	228	3 125
2	33	358	1 583	2 456	407	54	177	5 068
3	13	107	1 071	2 753	499	70	132	4 645
4	21	60	556	3 062	788	118	124	4 729
5	10	30	283	2 058	764	144	108	3 397
6	6	14	128	1 223	629	155	93	2 248
7	3	6	38	422	240	65	40	814
8	3	4	24	248	127	45	22	473
9	0	3	11	139	96	26	19	294
10	0	0	6	95	34	13	10	158
11	0	0	0	47	28	6	4	85
12 or more	0	3	3	95	65	20	23	209
<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>1 332</b>	<b>4 764</b>	<b>13 426</b>	<b>3 810</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>980</b>	<b>25 244</b>
OTHER HOUSEHOLDS								
1	4 509	37 757	87 463	89 253	14 119	2 363	9 747	245 211
2	1 017	10 760	81 019	191 284	49 748	5 827	4 289	343 944
3	256	1 114	21 577	106 970	39 852	5 688	1 275	176 732
4	171	470	8 734	99 865	57 777	8 658	1 066	176 741
5	73	149	2 224	35 064	38 004	8 694	561	84 769
6	36	47	618	8 949	11 825	6 509	266	28 250
7	5	8	71	1 459	2 517	1 868	53	5 981
8	0	3	26	335	681	679	27	1 751
9	0	0	7	95	191	260	15	568
10	0	0	3	36	49	114	3	205
11	0	0	0	11	25	40	0	76
12 or more	0	0	0	5	16	37	3	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 067</b>	<b>50 308</b>	<b>201 742</b>	<b>533 326</b>	<b>214 804</b>	<b>40 737</b>	<b>17 305</b>	<b>1 064 292</b>
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS								
1	4 608	38 504	88 524	90 081	14 252	2 392	9 975	248 336
2	1 050	11 118	82 602	193 740	50 155	5 881	4 466	349 012
3	269	1 221	22 648	109 723	40 351	5 758	1 407	181 377
4	192	530	9 290	102 927	58 565	8 776	1 190	181 470
5	83	179	2 507	37 122	38 768	8 838	669	88 166
6	42	61	746	10 172	12 454	6 664	359	30 498
7	8	14	109	1 881	2 757	1 933	93	6 795
8	3	7	50	583	808	724	49	2 224
9	0	3	18	234	287	286	34	862
10	0	0	9	131	83	127	13	363
11	0	0	0	58	53	46	4	161
12 or more	0	3	3	100	81	57	26	270
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 255</b>	<b>51 640</b>	<b>206 506</b>	<b>546 752</b>	<b>218 614</b>	<b>41 482</b>	<b>18 285</b>	<b>1 089 536</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Excludes group, visitors only and other not classifiable households.

(c) Includes up to three temporarily absent persons.

(d) Number of persons resident includes both Indigenous and other persons.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

### 3.7 TENURE TYPE(a)(b)

Tenure type	Major Urban	Other Urban	Bounded Locality	Rural Balance	Total(c)
INDIGENOUS HOUSEHOLDS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Fully owned(d)	10.19	9.75	8.74	20.64	11.19
Being purchased(e)	19.86	13.30	7.21	20.86	15.76
Being rented(f)					
Private landlord, real estate agent	38.11	29.30	12.52	17.18	28.95
Government agency	21.41	21.50	9.72	5.25	18.29
Community/cooperative housing	3.32	14.36	42.09	12.18	13.20
Other/not stated/rent free	4.35	7.92	10.90	13.47	7.79
Total	67.19	73.08	75.22	48.08	68.23
Other/not stated	2.76	3.87	8.82	10.41	4.82
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Total	7 927	11 724	2 357	3 236	25 244
OTHER HOUSEHOLDS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Fully owned(d)	39.82	40.51	47.78	48.80	41.64
Being purchased(e)	27.48	24.01	23.15	30.08	26.69
Being rented(f)					
Private landlord, real estate agent	22.31	22.80	17.10	10.57	20.51
Government agency	4.89	3.99	1.00	0.17	3.78
Community/cooperative housing	0.27	0.45	0.42	0.07	0.30
Other/not stated/rent free	2.65	5.47	7.17	6.88	4.29
Total	30.12	32.71	25.69	17.69	28.88
Other/not stated	2.58	2.77	3.38	3.42	2.79
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Total	546 100	324 374	31 089	162 729	1 064 292
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Fully owned(d)	39.39	39.44	45.02	48.25	40.93
Being purchased(e)	27.37	23.64	22.02	29.90	26.44
Being rented(f)					
Private landlord, real estate agent	22.54	23.02	16.78	10.70	20.71
Government agency	5.12	4.60	1.62	0.27	4.11
Community/cooperative housing	0.31	0.93	3.36	0.31	0.60
Other/not stated/rent free	2.68	5.56	7.43	7.01	4.37
Total	30.65	34.12	29.18	18.28	29.79
Other/not stated	2.59	2.81	3.77	3.56	2.84
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>554 027</b>	<b>336 098</b>	<b>33 446</b>	<b>165 965</b>	<b>1 089 536</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Excludes group, visitors only and other not classifiable households.

(c) Includes 'Migratory'.

(d) Includes 'Occupied under a life tenure scheme'.

(e) Includes 'Being occupied rent free'.

(f) Includes 'Being purchased under a rent/buy scheme'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

### 3.8 MEDIAN WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME(a)(b)(c)

Section of State	Indigenous households	Other households	Total households(d)
	\$	\$	\$
Major Urban	572	650	649
Other Urban	559	560	560
Bounded Locality	536	487	490
Rural Balance	548	608	607
<b>Total</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>610</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Excludes group, visitors only and other not classifiable households.

(c) Median household income is calculated excluding households where at least one member aged 15 years and over did not state an income and/or at least one household member was temporarily absent.

(d) Includes 'Migratory'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## CHAPTER 4

## EMPLOYMENT

This chapter presents a statistical summary of the employment characteristics of Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people compared to the employment characteristics of the total population in Queensland.

### LABOUR FORCE STATUS

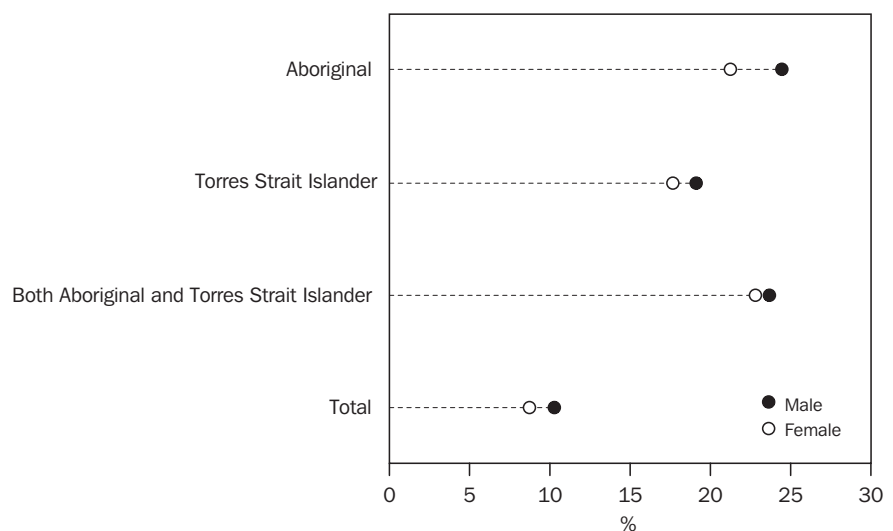
Just over 41% of the Indigenous population of Queensland was employed in 1996, compared to 55.6% of the total population. Patterns of employment were similar in both populations; however the levels were significantly different.

A higher proportion of Indigenous males (50.0%) than Indigenous females (33.3%) were employed. This gender difference also existed in the total population, but with much higher levels of employment (63.3% for males and 48.2% for females).

The unemployment rate was much higher for the Indigenous population (22.5%) than that recorded for the total population (9.7%). Indigenous males experienced higher unemployment rates (23.6%) than females (20.8%). This pattern was also evident in the total population, but with significantly lower rates of unemployment (10.4% for males and 8.8% for females).

The unemployment rate for Aboriginal people was 23.3%, nearly 5% higher than that for Torres Strait Islanders (18.6%).

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, INDIGENOUS ORIGIN AND TOTAL POPULATION



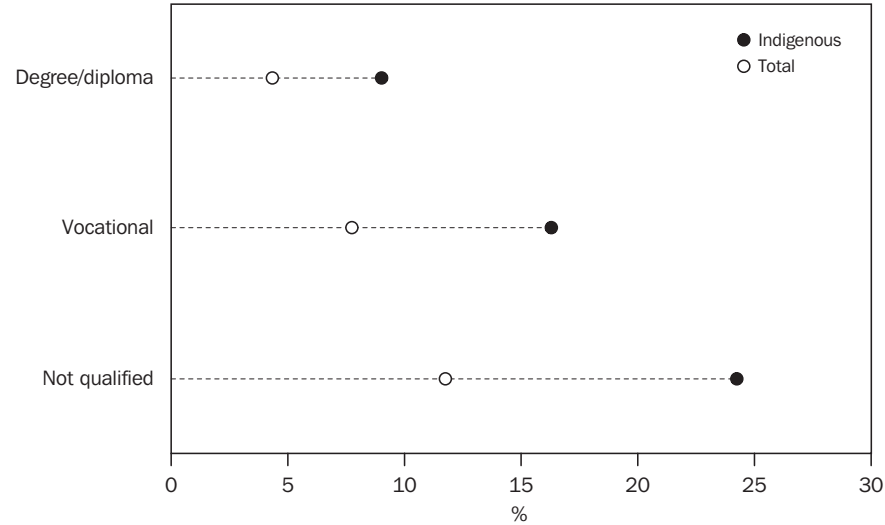
Source: Table 4.1.

Participation rates	<p>The participation rates were similar for males and females in both populations, with the rates in the total population higher in both cases. The participation rate for Indigenous males was 67.7% and for males in the total population, 72.6%. The comparable figures for females were 43.5% and 54.0%.</p>
Industry sector	<p>The majority of employed Indigenous people (50.1%) worked in the private sector while a further 29.2% were employed in the government sector and 16.7% were recorded as being employed in the CDEP scheme. The proportions of the total population in public and private sector employment were 18.4% and 79.0% respectively.</p> <p>Government administration and Defence was the industry employing the most Indigenous people in Queensland at around 20%. This was followed by Health and community services (17.3%), Education (7.6%) and Retail (6.9%). In comparison, the largest employers of the total population were the Retail and Manufacturing industries.</p>
Occupation	<p>The most common occupational group for Indigenous people was Labourers and related workers (29.1%) followed by Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers (15.8%), Tradespersons (10.6%) and Intermediate production and transport workers (10.3%). In comparison, the most common group in the total population was Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers (16.3%), followed by Professionals (15.0%) and Tradespersons (13.7%).</p>
CDEP scheme	<p>The CDEP scheme in Queensland employed 3,892 people or 13.0% of the Indigenous labour force of 30,063. Of these people, 67.3% were males and the majority (67.0%) of those employed under the scheme worked part-time hours. Nearly 48% of CDEP employees worked in Bounded Localities, while 30.6% worked in Other Urban areas.</p> <p>The CDEP scheme employed 16.2% of all Aboriginal people in Queensland who were working, and 20.3% of employed Torres Strait Islanders.</p>
Hours worked	<p>There was little variation in the pattern of full-time and part-time employment in both the Indigenous and total populations. Of employed Indigenous people, 59.2% worked full-time (35 hours or more) compared to 67.7% in the total population. The comparable figures for part-time employment were 36.3% in the Indigenous population and 30.1% in the total population.</p>
Qualifications	<p>Indigenous persons with a qualification had a higher rate of employment (70.0%) than those without a qualification (39.4%). This was also the case for the total population. Similarly, the labour force participation rate among Indigenous people was higher for persons with qualifications (81.3%) than for those without qualifications (52.7%). The participation rate for Indigenous people with a qualification was higher than that for qualified people in the total population (80.8%).</p>



Qualifications Unemployment rates were also affected by the attainment of qualifications. Within the Indigenous population, persons holding a degree or diploma experienced the lowest unemployment rate of 9.1% followed by 16.4% for those with vocational qualifications and 24.3% for those without qualifications. Although a similar pattern was evident in the total population, the actual unemployment rates of the Indigenous population were much higher. Those with degrees in the total population had an unemployment rate of 4.4%, for vocationally qualified people it was 7.7% and 11.8% for unqualified people.

RATE OF UNEMPLOYMENT BY LEVEL OF ATTAINMENT



Source: Table 4.7

## 4.1

### LABOUR FORCE STATUS, PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

<i>Labour force status</i>	<i>Aboriginal</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander</i>	<i>Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander</i>	<i>Total Indigenous</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
<b>Males</b>					
Labour force					
Employed CDEP(a)	1 933	618	68	2 619	2 625
Employed other(b)	8 508	1 835	511	10 854	785 753
<i>Total</i>	10 441	2 453	579	13 473	788 378
Unemployed	3 408	581	181	4 170	91 327
<i>Total labour force</i>	13 849	3 034	760	17 643	879 705
Not in labour force	6 562	1 529	318	8 409	331 325
Not stated	660	186	42	888	34 512
<i>Total</i>	21 071	4 749	1 120	26 940	1 245 542
<b>Females</b>					
Labour force					
Employed CDEP(a)	1 000	236	37	1 273	1 273
Employed other(b)	6 632	1 519	409	8 560	614 409
<i>Total</i>	7 632	1 755	446	9 833	615 682
Unemployed	2 073	381	133	2 587	59 243
<i>Total labour force</i>	9 705	2 136	579	12 420	674 925
Not in labour force	12 592	2 851	660	16 103	575 096
Not stated	791	184	44	1 019	28 267
<i>Total</i>	23 088	5 171	1 283	29 542	1 278 288
<b>Persons</b>					
Labour force					
Employed CDEP(a)	2 933	854	105	3 892	3 898
Employed other(b)	15 140	3 354	920	19 414	1 400 162
<i>Total</i>	18 073	4 208	1 025	23 306	1 404 060
Unemployed	5 481	962	314	6 757	150 570
<i>Total labour force</i>	23 554	5 170	1 339	30 063	1 554 630
Not in labour force	19 154	4 380	978	24 512	906 421
Not stated	1 451	370	86	1 907	62 779
<b>Total</b>	<b>44 159</b>	<b>9 920</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>56 482</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>

(a) CDEP data were first collected in the 1996 Census. As a specific question was not asked to determine CDEP employment, these data should be interpreted cautiously, as their reliability is variable.

(b) Includes all other employed persons.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 4.2

### EMPLOYMENT SECTOR, EMPLOYED PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

Industry sector	Aboriginal	Torres Strait Islander	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	Total Indigenous	Total
	%	%	%	%	%
Commonwealth Government	7.36	5.73	7.61	7.08	3.96
State/Territory Government	14.61	16.90	18.73	15.21	12.32
Local government	6.83	7.34	6.83	6.92	2.16
Private sector	51.02	45.41	52.98	50.09	79.00
CDEP(a)	16.23	20.29	10.24	16.70	0.28
Not stated	3.95	4.33	3.61	4.00	2.29
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>18 073</b>	<b>4 208</b>	<b>1 025</b>	<b>23 306</b>	<b>1 404 062</b>

(a) CDEP data were first collected in the 1996 Census. As a specific question was not asked to determine CDEP employment, these data should be interpreted cautiously, as their reliability is variable.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 4.3

### HOURS WORKED, INDIGENOUS PERSONS(a)(b)

Hours worked	Major Urban	Other Urban	Bounded Locality	Rural Balance	Total(c)
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Employed CDEP(d)					
0–34 hours(e)	4	887	1 269	446	2 606
35 hours or more	3	272	529	361	1 165
Not stated	0	32	68	21	121
<i>Total</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>1 191</i>	<i>1 866</i>	<i>828</i>	<i>3 892</i>
Employed other(f)					
0–34 hours(e)	1 812	2 737	466	847	5 866
35 hours or more	4 381	5 586	921	1 739	12 643
Not stated	257	441	93	118	909
<i>Total</i>	<i>6 450</i>	<i>8 764</i>	<i>1 480</i>	<i>2 704</i>	<i>19 418</i>
Total					
0–34 hours(e)	1 816	3 624	1 735	1 293	8 472
35 hours or more	4 384	5 858	1 450	2 100	13 808
Not stated	257	473	161	139	1 030
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 457</b>	<b>9 955</b>	<b>3 346</b>	<b>3 532</b>	<b>23 310</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Number of hours worked in all jobs during the week prior to census night.

(c) Includes 'Migratory'.

(d) CDEP data were first collected in the 1996 Census. As a specific question was not asked to determine CDEP employment, these data should be interpreted cautiously, as their reliability is variable.

(e) '0' hours may include persons who were absent on holidays, on paid leave, on strike or temporarily stood down.

(f) Includes all other employed persons.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 4.4 HOURS WORKED, EMPLOYED PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)(b)

Section of State	0-34 hours(c)	35 hours or more	Not stated	Total	Total
	%	%	%	%	no.
INDIGENOUS					
Major Urban	28.13	67.89	3.98	100.00	<b>6 456</b>
Other Urban	36.40	58.84	4.75	100.00	<b>9 955</b>
Bounded Locality	51.85	43.34	4.81	100.00	<b>3 346</b>
Rural Balance	36.61	59.46	3.94	100.00	<b>3 532</b>
Total(d)	36.35	59.23	4.42	100.00	<b>23 310</b>
TOTAL					
Major Urban	30.31	67.71	1.98	100.00	<b>737 400</b>
Other Urban	30.99	66.85	2.16	100.00	<b>407 674</b>
Bounded Locality	32.25	64.81	2.94	100.00	<b>37 522</b>
Rural Balance	27.71	69.60	2.69	100.00	<b>236 635</b>
Total(d)	30.11	67.72	2.17	100.00	<b>1 420 666</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Number of hours worked in all jobs during the week prior to census night.

(c) '0' hours may include persons who were absent on holidays, on paid leave, on strike or temporarily stood down.

(d) Includes 'Migratory'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 4.5 INDUSTRY, EMPLOYED PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

Industry	Aboriginal	Torres Strait Islander	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	Total Indigenous	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	847	173	57	1 077	72 229
Mining	427	48	15	490	22 279
Manufacturing	1 242	238	80	1 560	147 668
Electricity, gas and water supply	87	15	6	108	10 013
Construction	936	195	57	1 188	101 356
Wholesale trade	395	56	24	475	78 033
Retail trade	1 243	289	79	1 611	199 447
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	660	196	41	897	77 166
Transport and storage	770	178	54	1 002	69 078
Communication services	376	38	24	438	23 841
Finance and insurance	118	28	4	150	41 379
Property and business services	1 092	210	69	1 371	130 092
Government administration and defence	3 682	930	135	4 747	71 322
Education	1 316	363	83	1 762	101 441
Health and community services	3 022	837	182	4 041	129 917
Cultural and recreational services	368	61	21	450	32 915
Personal and other services	644	139	50	833	50 289
Non-classifiable economic units	241	50	8	299	19 572
Not stated	607	164	36	807	26 025
<b>Total</b>	<b>18 073</b>	<b>4 208</b>	<b>1 025</b>	<b>23 306</b>	<b>1 404 062</b>

(a) Excludes 'Unemployed persons', 'Persons not in the labour force', 'Persons who did not state their labour force status' and 'Persons aged under 15 years'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 4.6

### OCCUPATION, EMPLOYED PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
Managers and administrators	674	122 523
Professionals	2 105	210 355
Technicians and associate professionals	1 860	161 078
Tradespersons and related workers	2 460	192 435
Advanced clerical and service workers	437	55 608
Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	3 678	229 046
Intermediate production and transport workers	2 406	127 387
Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	1 815	132 905
Labourers and related workers	6 784	138 279
Inadequately described	357	11 921
Not stated	730	22 525
<b>Total</b>	<b>23 306</b>	<b>1 404 062</b>

(a) Excludes 'Unemployed persons', 'Persons not in the labour force', 'Persons who did not state their labour force status' and 'Persons aged under 15 years'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 4.7

### LABOUR FORCE STATUS, BY LEVEL OF QUALIFICATION—PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

Labour force status	Degree/ diploma(b)	Vocational(c)	Level of attainment inadequately described/ not stated	Not qualified(d)	Total
	%	%	%	%	%
INDIGENOUS					
In labour force					
Employed					
CDEP(a)	0.78	1.81	3.87	8.08	6.89
Other	72.87	65.89	25.37	31.33	34.37
Total	73.65	67.70	29.25	39.40	41.26
Unemployed	7.33	13.26	8.56	12.62	11.96
Total labour force	80.98	80.97	37.81	52.02	53.23
Not in labour force	18.52	18.64	43.28	46.65	43.40
Not stated	0.50	0.40	18.91	1.33	3.38
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Total	2 182	3 536	6 869	43 895	56 482
TOTAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
In labour force					
Employed					
CDEP(a)	0.00	0.02	0.09	0.23	0.15
Other	78.46	72.92	32.14	50.67	55.48
Total	78.46	72.94	32.24	50.90	55.63
Unemployed	3.59	6.12	4.02	6.84	5.97
Total labour force	82.06	79.06	36.26	57.74	61.60
Not in labour force	17.79	20.60	45.91	41.62	35.91
Not stated	0.15	0.34	17.83	0.64	2.49
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>352 281</b>	<b>344 528</b>	<b>287 367</b>	<b>1 539 654</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>

(a) CDEP data were first collected in the 1996 Census. As a specific question was not asked to determine CDEP employment, these data should be interpreted cautiously, as their reliability is variable.

(b) Includes Higher degree, Postgraduate degree, Bachelor degree, Undergraduate diploma, Associate diploma.

(c) Includes skilled and basic qualification.

(d) Includes persons who have a qualification that is outside the scope of the Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## CHAPTER 5

## INCOME

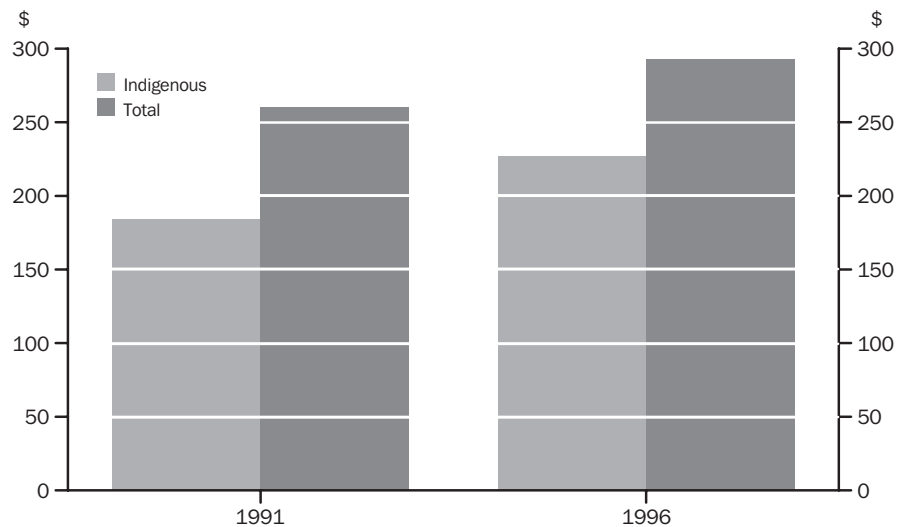
This chapter presents a statistical summary of the personal income characteristics of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Queensland and provides a comparison with the income characteristics of the total population in the State.

### PERSONAL MEDIAN WEEKLY INCOME

As at August 1996 the median weekly personal income of Indigenous people in Queensland was \$227. Although this figure had increased by \$43 since the 1991 Census, it was still well below the median weekly income recorded for the total population in 1996 (\$293). In the period between the 1991 and 1996 Censuses, a greater increase in the median weekly income was recorded for the Indigenous population (\$43) than for the total population (\$33).

There was no appreciable difference between median incomes for Aboriginal people (\$225) and Torres Strait Islander people (\$232).

MEDIAN WEEKLY INCOME, INDIGENOUS AND TOTAL PERSONS



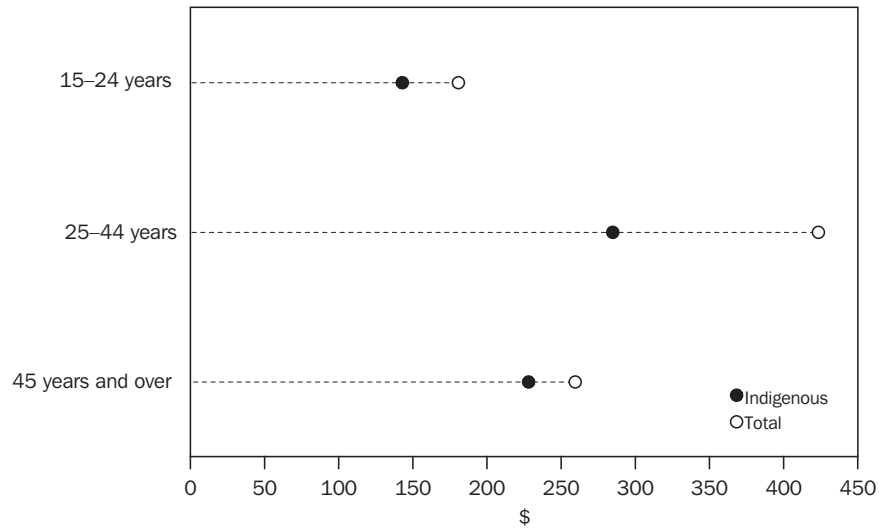
Source: Table 5.1

### AGE

In both the Indigenous and total populations, personal weekly median income varied significantly according to age, with peak earnings occurring in the 25–44 year age group. In the Indigenous population, persons of 'prime working age' (25–44 years) had the highest median weekly income of \$282. This was significantly more than the income of those in the 15–24 year age group (\$141) and those aged 45 years or more (\$225). It is important to note that the 15–24 year age group includes people still at school or undertaking further education in addition to recent school leavers.

The median income for Indigenous persons aged 25–44 years was 32.7% lower than that for the same group in the total population. For people over 45 years the figure was 12.1% lower and in the 15–24 year age group the median income of the Indigenous population (\$141) was 21.2% lower than that of the total population (\$179).

MEDIAN WEEKLY INCOME BY AGE



Source: Table 5.2

LOCATION

Indigenous persons in Major Urban had a weekly median personal income of \$249 which was significantly higher than that recorded for Indigenous persons living in other areas of the state. Beyond the boundaries of Major Urban, Indigenous incomes were highest in Other Urban (\$227) followed by Rural Balance (\$208) and Bounded Locality (\$197).

Indigenous personal incomes were lower than the incomes of the total population in all areas of the state.

The degree of variation was most evident between the Indigenous and total populations in Major Urban and Rural Balances, where Indigenous median incomes were 18.4% and 24.9% lower, respectively.

LABOUR FORCE STATUS

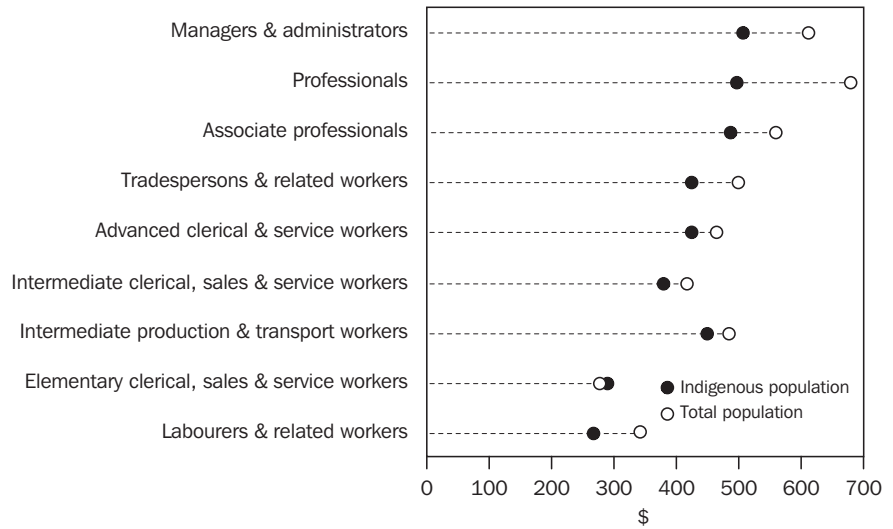
The median weekly personal income for employed Indigenous people in Queensland was \$363. This was 22.8% lower than the income of the total employed population. The median weekly incomes of the unemployed and those not in the labour force were \$127 and \$161, respectively, for the Queensland Indigenous population, compared with \$121 and \$151 recorded for the total population.

OCCUPATION

Within the Indigenous population, the highest median personal weekly income was recorded for Managers and administrators (\$504) and the lowest for Labourers and related workers (\$265). These incomes were lower by 17.2% and 21.8% than the median weekly incomes of the total population employed in each respective occupation. Elementary clerical, sales and service was the only group for the Indigenous population which recorded a higher income level than the total population.



MEDIAN WEEKLY INCOME, BY OCCUPATION



Source: Table 5.5

QUALIFICATIONS

In both the Indigenous and the total Queensland populations, employed persons with degrees had higher personal incomes than those with vocational training or who were not qualified. The median weekly income of employed Indigenous persons with a degree was \$561 which was 15.1% lower than the median income of those in the total population holding a degree. For persons with vocational qualifications, the Indigenous median income (\$487) was 8.1% lower than that for the total population (\$530). Employed Indigenous people without qualifications had a median weekly income of \$336, 16.0% lower than that recorded for the same group in the total population (\$400).

# 5.1

## INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

	Aboriginal	Torres Strait Islander	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(b)	Total Indigenous	Total
1991					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/Nil income(c)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
\$1–\$159	13 140	2 997	n.a.	16 137	677 633
\$160–\$299	9 181	2 363	n.a.	11 544	469 765
\$300–\$399	3 084	879	n.a.	3 963	204 165
\$400–\$599	3 166	853	n.a.	4 019	377 686
\$600–\$799	638	210	n.a.	848	162 313
\$800–\$999	150	37	n.a.	187	55 665
\$1 000 or more	131	31	n.a.	162	58 615
Not stated	3 928	1 239	n.a.	5 167	214 167
<b>Total</b>	<b>33 418</b>	<b>8 609</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>42 027</b>	<b>2 220 009</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(d)	181	199	n.a.	184	260
1996					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/Nil income	3 066	813	190	4 069	162 919
\$1–\$159	11 803	2 334	586	14 723	505 233
\$160–\$299	11 912	2 589	578	15 079	548 007
\$300–\$399	5 598	1 364	326	7 288	255 578
\$400–\$599	5 503	1 249	362	7 114	449 358
\$600–\$799	1 899	430	124	2 453	227 747
\$800–\$999	500	102	29	631	105 304
\$1 000 or more	529	110	19	658	109 129
Not stated	3 349	929	189	4 467	160 557
<b>Total</b>	<b>44 159</b>	<b>9 920</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>56 482</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(d)	225	232	240	227	293

(a) Gross income from all sources.

(b) New category in 1996. Comprises persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

(c) 1991 Classification did not allow for the separate identification of negative income or no income.

(d) Excludes 'Not stated'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## 5.2

### INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, BY AGE—PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

	Age group (years)			Total
	15-24	25-44	45 and over	
INDIGENOUS				
	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	2 644	869	556	4 069
\$1-\$159	6 288	5 315	3 120	14 723
\$160-\$299	4 150	6 821	4 108	15 079
\$300-\$399	1 808	4 165	1 315	7 288
\$400-\$599	1 224	4 536	1 354	7 114
\$600-\$799	239	1 761	453	2 453
\$800-\$999	40	457	134	631
\$1 000 or more	76	402	180	658
Not stated	1 929	1 578	960	4 467
<b>Total</b>	<b>18 398</b>	<b>25 904</b>	<b>12 180</b>	<b>56 482</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(b)	141	282	225	227
TOTAL				
	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	73 500	40 358	49 061	162 919
\$1-\$159	139 292	139 448	226 493	505 233
\$160-\$299	89 002	155 185	303 820	548 007
\$300-\$399	54 498	114 382	86 698	255 578
\$400-\$599	70 828	234 632	143 898	449 358
\$600-\$799	16 984	138 421	72 342	227 747
\$800-\$999	3 111	62 508	39 685	105 304
\$1 000 or more	2 351	57 752	49 026	109 129
Not stated	39 690	51 038	69 829	160 557
<b>Total</b>	<b>489 256</b>	<b>993 724</b>	<b>1 040 852</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(b)	179	419	256	290

(a) Gross income from all sources.

(b) Excludes 'Not stated'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 5.3

### INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)(b)

	<i>Major Urban</i>	<i>Other Urban</i>	<i>Bounded Locality</i>	<i>Rural Balance</i>	<i>Total(c)</i>
INDIGENOUS					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	1 038	1 868	494	676	4 076
\$1-\$159	3 778	6 680	2 064	2 213	14 735
\$160-\$299	4 045	6 931	2 065	2 066	15 115
\$300-\$399	2 064	3 455	828	935	7 287
\$400-\$599	2 463	3 259	554	829	7 112
\$600-\$799	956	1 029	165	287	2 445
\$800-\$999	245	255	33	106	642
\$1 000 or more	199	335	19	107	663
Not stated	1 085	2 196	593	615	4 489
<i>Total</i>	<i>15 873</i>	<i>26 008</i>	<i>6 815</i>	<i>7 834</i>	<i>56 564</i>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(d)	249	227	197	208	226
TOTAL					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	83 136	45 833	4 842	31 660	165 538
\$1-\$159	249 704	164 364	19 538	86 831	520 650
\$160-\$299	279 589	187 239	19 471	81 919	568 540
\$300-\$399	129 877	81 260	7 852	42 388	261 522
\$400-\$599	243 519	133 500	11 735	68 551	457 723
\$600-\$799	130 295	64 079	5 156	32 167	232 119
\$800-\$999	60 548	29 720	2 307	14 867	107 695
\$1 000 or more	61 702	32 683	2 096	16 549	113 252
Not stated	79 182	51 809	5 493	28 556	165 179
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 317 552</b>	<b>790 487</b>	<b>78 490</b>	<b>403 488</b>	<b>2 592 218</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(d)	305	278	247	277	289

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Gross income from all sources.

(c) Includes 'Migratory'.

(d) Excludes 'Not stated'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 5.4

### INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, BY LABOUR FORCE STATUS—PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

	<i>Employed</i>			<i>Unemployed</i>	<i>Total labour force</i>	<i>Not in labour force</i>	<i>Not stated</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>CDEP(b)</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Total</i>					
INDIGENOUS								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	10	138	148	540	688	3 322	59	4 069
\$1–\$159	1 772	1 663	3 435	3 356	6 791	7 747	185	14 723
\$160–\$299	1 318	3 477	4 795	1 976	6 771	8 089	219	15 079
\$300–\$399	513	4 138	4 651	388	5 039	2 168	81	7 288
\$400–\$599	187	6 074	6 261	123	6 384	685	45	7 114
\$600–\$799	31	2 258	2 289	19	2 308	137	8	2 453
\$800–\$999	0	588	588	7	595	36	0	631
\$1 000 or more	3	533	536	17	553	100	6	659
Not stated	59	545	604	331	935	2 228	1 304	4 467
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 893</b>	<b>19 414</b>	<b>23 307</b>	<b>6 757</b>	<b>30 064</b>	<b>24 512</b>	<b>1 907</b>	<b>56 482</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(c)	174	401	363	127	306	161	196	227
TOTAL								
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	10	16 132	16 142	18 395	34 537	126 956	1 426	162 919
\$1–\$159	1 775	123 390	125 165	71 580	196 745	305 499	2 989	505 233
\$160–\$299	1 321	200 884	202 205	41 313	243 518	301 615	2 875	548 008
\$300–\$399	516	197 577	198 093	7 175	205 268	49 489	823	255 580
\$400–\$599	190	410 110	410 300	4 654	414 954	33 621	785	449 360
\$600–\$799	31	216 348	216 379	1 260	217 639	9 899	209	227 747
\$800–\$999	0	101 450	101 450	408	101 858	3 364	80	105 302
\$1 000 or more	3	103 543	103 546	508	104 054	4 947	130	109 131
Not stated	59	30 728	30 787	5 276	36 063	71 031	53 462	160 556
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 905</b>	<b>1 400 162</b>	<b>1 404 067</b>	<b>150 569</b>	<b>1 554 636</b>	<b>906 421</b>	<b>62 779</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(c)	175	471	470	121	438	151	172	290

(a) Gross income from all sources.

(b) CDEP data were first collected in the 1996 Census. As a specific question was not asked to determine CDEP employment, these data should be interpreted cautiously, as their reliability is variable.

(c) Excludes 'Not stated'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

# 5.5

## INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, BY OCCUPATION—EMPLOYED PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

	<i>Managers and administrators</i>	<i>Professionals</i>	<i>Technicians and associate professionals</i>	<i>Tradespersons and related workers</i>	<i>Advanced clerical and service workers</i>
INDIGENOUS					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	10	14	17	11	3
\$1–\$159	48	126	75	125	31
\$160–\$299	70	248	201	492	75
\$300–\$399	105	314	321	488	90
\$400–\$599	178	700	714	838	176
\$600–\$799	111	446	363	264	40
\$800–\$999	56	135	72	84	11
\$1 000 or more	74	76	53	94	5
Not stated	22	46	44	64	6
<i>Total</i>	<i>674</i>	<i>2 105</i>	<i>1 860</i>	<i>2 460</i>	<i>437</i>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(b)	504	493	482	419	419
TOTAL					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	5 387	1 017	2 102	1 063	627
\$1–\$159	7 111	7 745	6 866	6 966	3 426
\$160–\$299	12 303	14 331	14 943	25 450	8 360
\$300–\$399	10 023	14 357	16 747	27 561	8 374
\$400–\$599	23 840	46 063	49 530	70 544	22 140
\$600–\$799	19 275	53 646	36 255	35 548	8 281
\$800–\$999	14 006	37 851	16 587	11 405	1 854
\$1 000 or more	27 088	32 640	14 964	9 387	1 538
Not stated	3 490	2 705	3 084	4 511	1 008
<b>Total</b>	<b>122 523</b>	<b>210 355</b>	<b>161 078</b>	<b>192 435</b>	<b>55 608</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(b)	609	675	554	493	459

(a) Gross income all sources.

(b) Excludes 'Not stated'.

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# 5.5

## INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, BY OCCUPATION—EMPLOYED PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)—continued

	<i>Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers</i>	<i>Intermediate production and transport workers</i>	<i>Elementary clerical, sales and service workers</i>	<i>Labourers and related workers</i>	<i>Not stated/ inadequately described</i>	<i>Total</i>
INDIGENOUS						
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	14	8	11	26	34	148
\$1–\$159	343	183	403	1 913	188	3 435
\$160–\$299	840	291	517	1 843	218	4 795
\$300–\$399	809	501	396	1 457	170	4 651
\$400–\$599	1 093	816	370	1 157	219	6 261
\$600–\$799	445	285	60	183	92	2 289
\$800–\$999	46	104	7	51	22	588
\$1 000 or more	19	151	8	31	24	535
Not stated	69	67	43	123	120	604
<i>Total</i>	<i>3 678</i>	<i>2 406</i>	<i>1 815</i>	<i>6 784</i>	<i>1 087</i>	<i>23 306</i>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(b)	374	445	287	265	325	363
TOTAL						
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	1 191	732	1 081	1 229	1 712	16 141
\$1–\$159	21 079	7 475	36 983	22 787	4 727	125 165
\$160–\$299	43 947	13 914	32 928	31 028	5 000	202 204
\$300–\$399	41 630	21 527	21 941	31 821	4 110	198 091
\$400–\$599	78 149	47 022	27 898	37 584	7 528	410 298
\$600–\$799	27 728	17 781	6 646	7 343	3 876	216 379
\$800–\$999	7 074	7 195	1 808	2 001	1 669	101 450
\$1 000 or more	4 622	8 916	1 268	1 438	1 684	103 545
Not stated	3 626	2 825	2 352	3 048	4 139	30 788
<b>Total</b>	<b>229 046</b>	<b>127 387</b>	<b>132 905</b>	<b>138 279</b>	<b>34 445</b>	<b>1 404 062</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(b)	412	479	275	339	389	470

(a) Gross income all sources.

(b) Excludes 'Not stated'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

# 5.6

## INDIVIDUAL WEEKLY INCOME, BY LEVEL OF QUALIFICATION—PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

	Degree/ diploma	Vocational	Not qualified	Inadequately described/ not stated (b)	Total
INDIGENOUS					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	9	20	105	13	147
\$1–\$159	54	100	3 046	235	3 435
\$160–\$299	119	279	3 953	444	4 795
\$300–\$399	193	374	3 681	403	4 651
\$400–\$599	503	919	4 340	499	6 261
\$600–\$799	423	403	1 279	184	2 289
\$800–\$999	166	123	253	46	588
\$1 000 or more	99	132	261	43	535
Not stated	41	44	378	141	604
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>2 394</b>	<b>17 296</b>	<b>2 008</b>	<b>23 306</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(c)	561	487	336	359	363
TOTAL					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
Negative/nil income	2 201	2 190	10 365	1 385	16 141
\$1–\$159	10 679	8 945	95 788	9 753	125 165
\$160–\$299	21 031	23 949	143 333	13 891	202 204
\$300–\$399	20 769	29 476	133 361	14 485	198 091
\$400–\$599	62 538	89 208	232 271	26 281	410 298
\$600–\$799	63 064	52 426	89 190	11 699	216 379
\$800–\$999	45 346	20 714	30 559	4 831	101 450
\$1 000 or more	47 543	18 999	31 495	5 509	103 546
Not stated	3 241	5 379	17 364	4 804	30 788
<b>Total</b>	<b>276 412</b>	<b>251 286</b>	<b>783 726</b>	<b>92 638</b>	<b>1 404 062</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Median income(c)	661	530	400	433	470

(a) Gross income from all sources.

(b) Includes persons with a qualification outside the scope of the Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications.

(c) Excludes 'Not stated'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.



## CHAPTER 6

## EDUCATION

This chapter presents a Census based statistical summary of the educational qualifications of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples compared to the total population in Queensland.

### ATTENDANCE AT AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

At the time of the 1996 Census, 33.2% of the Indigenous population of Queensland was attending an educational institution, compared to 24.5% of the total population.

The proportion of people attending an educational institution, from both the Indigenous and total populations, remained the same during the intercensal period 1986–1996 (33.0% and 24.5%, respectively). Both populations, however, showed an increase in the proportion of people attending a tertiary institution. In the Indigenous population this increased from 1.4% to 3.4%, and in the total population, from 3.0% to 5.4%.

There were virtually no differences in attendance at educational institutions between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

### AGE LEFT SCHOOL

Between the 1986 and 1996 Censuses, changes in the age at which people had left school were similar for both the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations. Decreases were recorded in the percentage of students leaving at 15 years of age and under and increases were recorded in the percentage of students leaving at ages 16, 17, 18 and 19 years or more.

In 1996, 40.5% of the total Indigenous population had left school under 15 years of age compared to 49.7% in 1986. A similar decline was evident for the total population (39.1% in 1996 compared to 51.3% in 1986).

At the time of the 1996 Census, 19.3% of the total Indigenous population reported leaving school at 16 years of age, compared to 18.6% in 1986. In comparison, the proportions in 1986 and 1996 were similar for the total population (18.4% and 18.6%, respectively). The proportion of total Indigenous people leaving school at 17 years and over increased from 12.5% in 1986 to 23.3% in 1996. This change was consistent with the general trend in the total population for the same period (an increase from 20.7% to 30.8%).

### LEVEL OF ATTAINMENT

Results from the 1996 Census indicated that a significantly lower proportion of the Indigenous population had post secondary school qualifications (12.9%) compared to the total population (31.5%). This was despite an increase between the 1991 and 1996 censuses in the proportion of Indigenous persons with post secondary school qualifications (9.7% in 1991 and 12.9% in 1996).

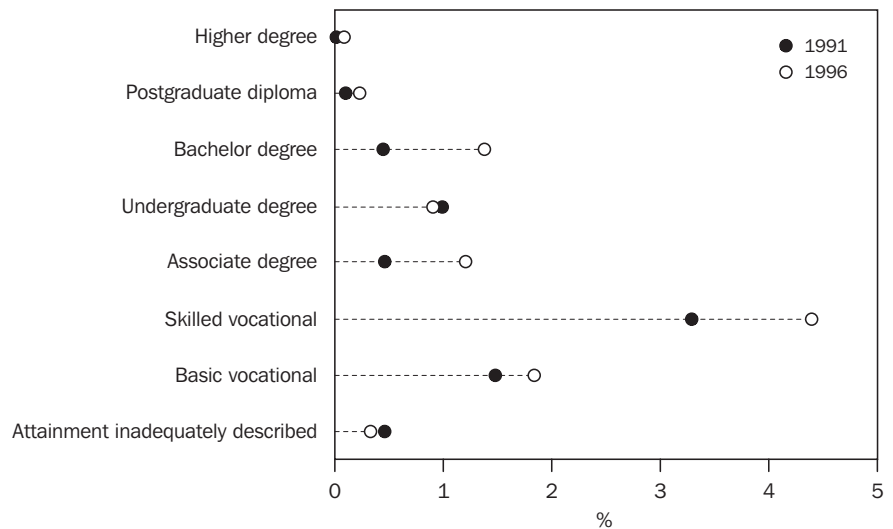
## LEVEL OF ATTAINMENT

Between 1991 and 1996, increases were recorded in the proportion of Indigenous people with Bachelor degrees (0.5% to 1.4%) and Associate diplomas (0.5% to 1.2%). These compare to increases in the level of attainment in the total population from 4.6% to 6.6% (Bachelor degree) and from 1.2% to 2.3% (Associate diploma) over the same period.

In 1996, 11.3% of the total population had Skilled vocational qualifications, compared to 4.4% of the Indigenous population. However, the difference in level of attainment was not so marked in the Basic vocational qualification category, where the proportions were 2.3% for the total population, compared to 1.9% for the Indigenous population.

There were only small differences between Indigenous groups with respect to the percentage who had attained qualifications. These varied from 12.6% for Aboriginals, to 13.6% for Torres Strait Islanders, and 15.2% for people with both Indigenous origins.

LEVEL OF ATTAINMENT, INDIGENOUS PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OVER

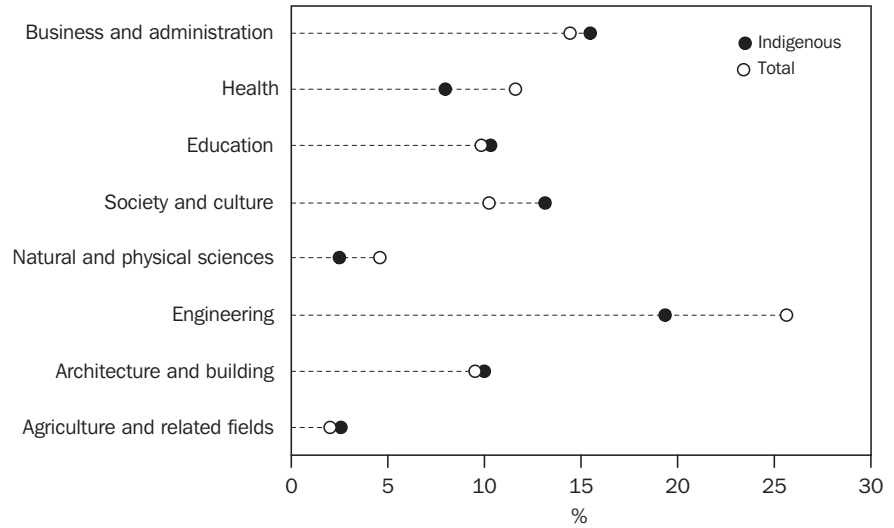


Source: Table 6.3

FIELD OF ATTAINMENT

Of the 7,272 Indigenous people with post secondary school qualifications, most had attained them in the fields of Engineering (19.4%) or Business and administration (15.7%). For the total population the proportions were Engineering (25.7%) and Business and administration (14.5%).

FIELD OF ATTAINMENT



Source: Table 6.4

LOCATION

At the time of the 1996 Census a higher proportion of Indigenous people living in Major Urban or Other Urban sections of the State had post secondary school qualifications (17.8% and 11.9%, respectively) compared to those living in Rural Balance (11.9%) and Bounded Locality (6.1%).

## 6.1 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION ATTENDED

<i>Educational Institution</i>	<i>Aboriginal</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander</i>	<i>Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(a)</i>	<i>Total Indigenous</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
1986					
Preschool(b)	1 375	425	n.a.	1 800	46 142
Infants/primary(b)	8 073	2 274	n.a.	10 347	267 586
Secondary(b)	4 442	1 271	n.a.	5 713	185 034
Technical or Further Education(b)	361	106	n.a.	467	29 077
University or other tertiary(b)	319	81	n.a.	400	47 016
Other(b)	125	32	n.a.	157	12 821
Institution not stated(c)	1 083	286	n.a.	1 369	34 674
Not attending	29 313	7 603	n.a.	36 916	1 787 158
Attendance not stated(d)	3 046	1 085	n.a.	4 131	130 741
<b>Total</b>	<b>48 137</b>	<b>13 163</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>61 300</b>	<b>2 540 249</b>
1991					
Preschool(b)	1 690	480	n.a.	2 170	46 713
Infants/primary(b)	8 107	2 194	n.a.	10 301	292 090
Secondary(b)	4 331	1 318	n.a.	5 649	192 540
Technical or Further Education(b)	736	232	n.a.	968	47 443
University or other tertiary(b)	663	165	n.a.	828	88 457
Other(b)	343	80	n.a.	423	20 690
Institution not stated(c)	2 617	854	n.a.	3 471	41 945
Not attending	34 537	8 505	n.a.	43 042	2 053 907
Attendance not stated(d)	2 422	798	n.a.	3 220	103 720
<b>Total</b>	<b>55 446</b>	<b>14 626</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>70 072</b>	<b>2 887 505</b>
1996					
Preschool(b)	1 881	423	159	2 463	47 710
Infants/primary(b)	12 712	2 606	953	16 271	325 588
Secondary(b)	5 432	1 470	416	7 318	208 332
Technical or Further Education(b)	1 356	341	87	1 784	61 165
University or other tertiary(b)	1 170	240	72	1 482	113 367
Other(b)	270	52	12	334	15 141
Institution not stated(c)	1 518	368	89	1 975	24 871
Not attending	46 959	9 986	2 792	59 737	2 319 283
Attendance not stated(d)	2 944	871	195	4 010	131 906
<b>Total</b>	<b>74 242</b>	<b>16 357</b>	<b>4 775</b>	<b>95 374</b>	<b>3 247 362</b>

(a) New category in 1996. Comprises persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

(b) Includes persons whose full-time student status is not stated but institution is stated.

(c) Full-time/part-time student stated but institution not stated.

(d) Full-time/part-time student and institution not stated.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1986, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## 6.2

### AGE LEFT SCHOOL, PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

Age left school	Aboriginal	Torres Strait Islander	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(b)	Total Indigenous	Total
		1986			
	%	%	%	%	%
Still at school	6.60	7.89	n.a.	6.88	4.47
Never attended school	3.57	1.40	n.a.	3.11	0.45
14 years and under	23.08	17.09	n.a.	21.80	23.97
15 years	29.82	20.94	n.a.	27.93	27.32
16 years	17.42	22.78	n.a.	18.57	18.41
17 years	7.86	11.15	n.a.	8.56	14.18
18 years	2.28	4.69	n.a.	2.80	5.01
19 years and over	0.76	2.69	n.a.	1.18	1.53
Not stated	8.60	11.37	n.a.	9.19	4.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>28 894</b>	<b>7 831</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>36 725</b>	<b>1 921 275</b>
	%	%	%	%	%
Still at school	6.14	7.47	n.a.	6.41	4.61
Never attended school	2.72	1.85	n.a.	2.54	0.53
14 years and under	18.03	13.36	n.a.	17.07	17.64
15 years	27.02	17.91	n.a.	25.16	25.08
16 years	19.88	20.55	n.a.	20.02	18.34
17 years	11.48	15.67	n.a.	12.34	16.95
18 years	3.70	7.02	n.a.	4.38	5.92
19 years and over	1.71	4.14	n.a.	2.21	3.20
Not stated	9.30	12.05	n.a.	9.87	7.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>33 418</b>	<b>8 609</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>42 027</b>	<b>2 220 009</b>
	%	%	%	%	%
Still at school	6.18	7.56	7.99	6.50	4.47
Never attended school	1.78	1.22	1.21	1.66	0.39
14 years and under	17.32	13.40	12.53	16.43	15.43
15 years	25.66	17.35	22.80	24.08	23.69
16 years	19.72	17.74	17.44	19.28	18.59
17 years	14.61	19.36	19.27	15.64	20.83
18 years	4.87	8.02	6.58	5.50	7.59
19 years and over	1.73	4.03	2.83	2.18	2.36
Not stated	8.12	11.31	9.36	8.73	6.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>44 159</b>	<b>9 920</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>56 482</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>

(a) In 1986 and 1991 Censuses the question asked was 'How old was the person when he or she left school?'. In 1996 this was changed to 'How old was the person when he or she left primary or secondary school?'.  
 (b) New category in 1996. Comprises persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1986, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## 6.3

### LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

Level of qualification	Aboriginal	Torres Strait Islander	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander(b)	Total Indigenous	Total
	1991				
	%	%	%	%	%
Has qualification					
Higher degrees	0.04	0.00	n.a.	0.03	0.67
Postgraduate diploma	0.13	0.10	n.a.	0.12	0.66
Bachelor degree	0.49	0.36	n.a.	0.46	4.63
Undergraduate diploma	0.97	1.14	n.a.	1.01	3.71
Associate diploma	0.41	0.70	n.a.	0.47	1.20
Skilled vocational qualification	3.30	3.40	n.a.	3.32	10.66
Basic vocational qualification	1.33	2.17	n.a.	1.50	2.55
Level of attainment inadequately described	0.48	0.51	n.a.	0.48	0.90
Level of attainment not stated	2.16	2.89	n.a.	2.31	4.01
<i>Total</i>	<i>9.31</i>	<i>11.28</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>9.71</i>	<i>28.98</i>
Not qualified(c)	81.85	78.57	n.a.	81.18	63.84
Not stated	8.84	10.15	n.a.	9.11	7.17
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>n.a.</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>33 418</b>	<b>8 608</b>	<b>n.a.</b>	<b>42 026</b>	<b>2 220 008</b>
1996					
	%	%	%	%	%
Has qualification					
Higher degrees	0.11	0.04	0.17	0.10	0.99
Postgraduate diploma	0.24	0.22	0.33	0.24	1.01
Bachelor degree	1.44	1.21	1.25	1.39	6.60
Undergraduate diploma	0.89	1.05	0.83	0.92	3.09
Associate diploma	1.13	1.43	2.04	1.22	2.27
Skilled vocational qualification	4.45	3.97	5.45	4.41	11.32
Basic vocational qualification	1.71	2.40	2.21	1.85	2.34
Level of attainment inadequately described	0.35	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.82
Level of attainment not stated	2.28	2.92	2.54	2.41	3.06
<i>Total</i>	<i>12.59</i>	<i>13.58</i>	<i>15.15</i>	<i>12.87</i>	<i>31.49</i>
Not qualified(c)	78.45	75.13	74.95	77.72	61.00
Not stated	8.96	11.29	9.90	9.41	7.50
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>44 159</b>	<b>9 920</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>56 482</b>	<b>2 523 832</b>

(a) Post-school educational qualification.

(b) New category in 1996. Comprises both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

(c) Includes persons with a qualification outside the scope of Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## 6.4 FIELD OF ATTAINMENT, PERSONS WITH A QUALIFICATION(a)

Field of attainment	1991		1996	
	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total
	%	%	%	%
Business and administration	14.75	12.43	15.66	14.50
Health	7.52	12.45	8.11	11.67
Education	10.07	9.98	10.38	9.90
Society and culture	10.58	8.75	13.15	10.28
Natural and physical sciences	1.42	4.13	2.61	4.72
Engineering	21.19	27.77	19.44	25.73
Architecture and building	10.29	10.25	10.05	9.62
Agriculture and related fields	1.74	1.91	2.68	2.11
Miscellaneous fields	12.30	8.08	10.24	7.85
Field of study inadequately described	3.85	1.91	1.72	1.05
Field of study not stated	6.30	2.34	5.94	2.57
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 082</b>	<b>643 425</b>	<b>7 272</b>	<b>794 854</b>

(a) Post-school educational qualification.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## 6.5

### WHETHER HAS QUALIFICATION, PERSONS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER(a)

	Major Urban	Other Urban	Bounded Locality	Rural Balance	Total(b)
INDIGENOUS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Has qualification(c)	17.78	11.93	6.07	11.92	12.88
No qualification(d)	73.92	77.76	83.76	79.79	77.68
Not stated(e)	8.30	10.30	10.17	8.28	9.44
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>15 873</i>	<i>26 008</i>	<i>6 815</i>	<i>7 834</i>	<i>56 563</i>
TOTAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
Has qualification(c)	33.69	29.55	25.49	29.79	31.58
No qualification(d)	58.95	62.38	66.18	63.38	60.89
Not stated(e)	7.37	8.06	8.32	6.82	7.52
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 317 552</b>	<b>790 487</b>	<b>78 490</b>	<b>403 488</b>	<b>2 592 218</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes 'Migratory'.

(c) Includes persons who were recorded as having at least one level of qualification, field of qualification or year of qualification.

(d) Includes persons with a qualification outside the scope of the Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications.

(e) Includes persons who did not state whether they had a qualification and did not state a level of qualification, field of qualification or year of qualification.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.



## CHAPTER 7

## RELIGION AND LANGUAGE

This chapter presents a statistical summary of both the religious denominations reported by Indigenous people in Queensland and the languages they spoke at home, and compares these figures with those for the total population.

### RELIGION

Just over 78% of the Queensland Indigenous population reported a religious denomination, compared with 75.3% of the total population. In general, the reporting of religious denomination increased with age in both the Indigenous and total populations.

Christianity was the largest single religious grouping in the Indigenous population with 74,220 persons, or 77.8% reporting it as their religion. In the total population, 73.8% indicated they were Christians.

In the Indigenous population, 77.8% of those people aged 15–24 years reported Christianity as their religious denomination compared to 86.1% of those aged 45 and over. A similar pattern occurred in the total population with 70.2% in the 15–24 age group and 80.3% of those aged over 45 reporting Christianity as their religious denomination.

Anglicans (32.2%) and Western Catholics (20.0%) were the largest Christian denominations, and, in addition to members of the Uniting, Baptist and Presbyterian Churches and the Assemblies of God, accounted for 67.6% of the Indigenous population.

Anglicanism was the most commonly reported religion in both the Aboriginal (28.3%) and Torres Strait Islander (48.0%) populations. It was followed by Western Catholicism with 21.0% and 15.2%, respectively. No religion was reported by 15.8% of the Aboriginal population and 8.1% of Torres Strait Islanders in Queensland.

Similar proportions of the Indigenous (14.2%) and the total populations (15.4%) reported they had no religion.

Only 228 people, or 0.24% of the Indigenous population of Queensland reported practising Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions.

### INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES

English was spoken at home by 85.0% of the Indigenous population and 90.0% of the total population.

Australian Indigenous languages were spoken at home by 7.0% of the Indigenous population while 5.5% spoke other languages at home. In the total population, 6.7% spoke languages other than English at home.

Torres Strait Islander languages (Torres Strait Creole [Broken], Kalaw Lagaw Ya [Kalaw Kawa Ya], Meryam Mir and Torres Strait n.f.d.) were spoken by 3,356 people or 3.5% of the Indigenous population, the vast majority speaking Torres Strait Creole (Broken). Two Aboriginal languages (Wik–Mungkan and Guugu Yimidhirr) were each spoken by more than 500 people.

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In Bounded Localities and Rural Balances, the proportions of the Indigenous population speaking Australian Indigenous languages were 22.5% and 14.4%, respectively. In Major Urban and Other Urban these proportions fell to 2.8% and 3.5%, respectively.

In the total population, Other languages were most widely spoken in Major Urban areas (9.4%) and spoken least in Rural Balances (3.9%). In the Indigenous population the reverse was true, with only 3.3% in Major Urban areas speaking Other languages and 12.7% in Rural Balances.

## 7.1 RELIGION, BY AGE

Religion	Age group (years)				Total
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45 and over	
INDIGENOUS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Aboriginal traditional religions	0.17	0.23	0.38	0.16	0.24
Christianity	73.78	77.84	79.99	86.08	77.82
Other religions	0.19	0.43	0.42	0.61	0.35
No religion(a)	17.36	14.93	12.57	6.79	14.24
Not stated(b)	8.50	6.57	6.64	6.35	7.87
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>38 892</i>	<i>18 398</i>	<i>25 904</i>	<i>12 180</i>	<i>95 374</i>
TOTAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Aboriginal traditional religions	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01
Christianity	69.54	70.25	72.00	80.28	73.84
Other religions	1.33	1.82	1.79	1.02	1.45
No religion(a)	19.02	19.01	17.16	9.38	15.36
Not stated(b)	10.09	8.90	9.03	9.33	96.92
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>723 531</b>	<b>489 256</b>	<b>993 724</b>	<b>1 040 852</b>	<b>3 247 362</b>

(a) Includes 'Agnosticism', 'Atheism', 'Humanism' and 'Rationalism'.

(b) Includes 'Religious belief, n.f.d.' and 'Inadequately described'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 7.2 RELIGION, BY SECTION OF STATE(a)

	<i>Major Urban</i>	<i>Other Urban</i>	<i>Bounded Locality</i>	<i>Rural Balance</i>	<i>Total(b)</i>
INDIGENOUS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Aboriginal traditional religions	0.31	0.14	0.52	0.19	0.24
Christianity	71.67	79.29	86.47	77.80	77.78
Other religions	0.50	0.27	0.23	0.45	0.35
No religion (c)	18.67	13.75	7.55	12.62	14.27
Not stated(d)	8.85	6.55	5.24	8.94	7.36
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>26 566</i>	<i>45 098</i>	<i>10 846</i>	<i>12 968</i>	<i>95 518</i>
TOTAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Aboriginal traditional religions	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.00	0.01
Christianity	73.08	75.58	75.77	72.91	73.91
Other religions	2.20	0.79	0.53	0.72	1.47
No religion(c)	15.68	14.52	14.05	15.68	15.28
Not stated(d)	9.03	9.10	9.60	10.68	9.34
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 652 033</b>	<b>1 023 474</b>	<b>102 724</b>	<b>538 707</b>	<b>3 319 186</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes 'Migratory'.

(c) Includes 'Agnosticism', 'Atheism', 'Humanism' and 'Rationalism'.

(d) Includes 'Religious belief, n.f.d.' and 'Inadequately described'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 7.3

### MOST COMMON RELIGIONS

INDIGENOUS	
	%
Anglican	32.19
Western Catholic(a)	19.97
No Religion n.f.d.(b)	14.54
Not stated	6.99
Uniting Church	6.07
Assemblies of God	3.57
Baptist	3.29
Presbyterian	2.49
Lutheran	1.98
Seventh-day Adventist	1.54
Jehovah's Witnesses	1.41
Pentecostal n.f.d.	1.01
Christian n.f.d.	0.88
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	0.79
Salvation Army	0.73
Christian Outreach Centres	0.64
Full Gospel Church	0.54
Churches of Christ (Conference)	0.51
Pentecostal n.e.c.	0.44
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons)	0.39
	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>93 064</b>

TOTAL	
	%
Western Catholic(a)	25.85
Anglican	23.98
No Religion n.f.d.(b)	15.62
Uniting Church	9.63
Not stated	9.22
Presbyterian	4.77
Lutheran	2.27
Baptist	1.95
Christian n.f.d.	1.23
Jehovah's Witnesses	0.73
Assemblies of God	0.69
Greek Orthodox	0.64
Pentecostal n.f.d.	0.64
Buddhism	0.57
Salvation Army	0.51
Churches of Christ (Conference)	0.42
Seventh-day Adventist	0.41
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons)	0.34
Islam	0.29
Religious belief n.f.d.	0.23
	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 174 416</b>

(a) Generally known as 'Roman Catholic'.

(b) Includes 'Agnosticism', 'Atheism', 'Humanism' and 'Rationalism'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 7.4 LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME, BY AGE

Language spoken	Age group (years)				Total
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45 and over	
ABORIGINAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	2.97	4.29	4.89	6.99	4.26
English	93.32	92.25	91.41	87.68	91.88
Other languages(a)	1.62	1.34	1.61	2.08	1.62
Not stated	2.09	2.12	2.09	3.26	2.24
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>30 083</i>	<i>14 232</i>	<i>20 626</i>	<i>9 301</i>	<i>74 242</i>
TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	15.54	19.46	21.83	29.15	19.97
English	55.86	55.77	54.00	45.30	53.79
Other languages(a)	25.20	21.63	20.95	20.24	22.65
Not stated	3.40	3.14	3.22	5.31	3.59
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>6 437</i>	<i>3 278</i>	<i>4 196</i>	<i>2 446</i>	<i>16 357</i>
BOTH ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	4.38	3.27	5.27	3.93	4.34
English	84.44	87.61	85.95	83.14	85.26
Other languages(a)	8.64	6.87	7.02	8.55	7.94
Not stated	2.53	2.25	1.76	4.39	2.47
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>2 372</i>	<i>888</i>	<i>1 082</i>	<i>433</i>	<i>4 775</i>
TOTAL INDIGENOUS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	5.13	6.95	7.65	11.33	6.96
English	86.58	85.53	85.12	79.01	85.01
Other languages(a)	5.95	5.22	4.97	5.95	5.54
Not stated	2.33	2.31	2.26	3.71	2.48
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>38 892</i>	<i>18 398</i>	<i>25 904</i>	<i>12 180</i>	<i>95 374</i>
TOTAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	0.28	0.27	0.21	0.14	0.21
English	92.04	89.92	90.23	88.60	90.06
Other languages(a)	5.38	6.97	6.98	7.13	6.67
Not stated	2.30	2.84	2.58	4.14	3.05
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>723 531</b>	<b>489 256</b>	<b>993 724</b>	<b>1 040 852</b>	<b>3 247 362</b>

(a) Includes 'Inadequately described' and 'Non-verbal so described'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 7.5 LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME, BY SECTION OF STATE(a)

<i>Language spoken at home</i>	<i>Major Urban</i>	<i>Other Urban</i>	<i>Bounded Locality</i>	<i>Rural Balance</i>	<i>Total(b)</i>
INDIGENOUS					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	2.84	3.50	22.49	14.38	6.95
English	91.73	90.77	63.49	69.23	85.01
Other languages(c)	3.32	3.42	11.17	12.77	5.54
Not stated	2.11	2.31	2.85	3.62	2.50
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<i>Total</i>	<i>26 566</i>	<i>45 098</i>	<i>10 846</i>	<i>12 968</i>	<i>95 518</i>
TOTAL					
	%	%	%	%	%
Australian Indigenous languages	0.05	0.16	2.39	0.36	0.21
English	87.47	92.69	90.29	92.84	90.04
Other languages(c)	9.43	3.94	4.21	3.94	6.68
Not stated	3.04	3.20	3.11	2.86	3.06
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>	<i>100.00</i>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 652 031</b>	<b>1 023 474</b>	<b>102 722</b>	<b>538 708</b>	<b>3 319 186</b>

(a) Place of enumeration.

(b) Includes 'Migratory'.

(c) Includes 'Inadequately described' and 'Non-verbal so described'.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

## 7.6

### MOST COMMON LANGUAGES

INDIGENOUS	
	%
English	85.67
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles n.f.d.	3.42
Not stated	2.50
Torres Strait Creole (Broken)	1.68
Kalaw Lagaw Ya (Kalaw Kawa Ya)	0.94
Wik-Mungkan	0.87
Inadequately described	0.83
Australian Indigenous languages n.f.d.	0.74
Guugu Yimidhirr	0.74
Torres Strait n.f.d.	0.62
Tok Pisin	0.45
Meryam Mir	0.31
Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal n.e.c.	0.27
Gugu Yalanji	0.26
Italian	0.20
Australian Creoles n.f.d.	0.16
Kriol	0.11
Northern Aboriginal n.e.c.	0.09
Samoan	0.08
Greek	0.07
	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>94 642</b>

TOTAL	
	%
English	91.87
Not stated	3.11
Italian	0.78
German	0.52
Cantonese	0.50
Vietnamese	0.37
Mandarin	0.36
Greek	0.36
Spanish	0.27
Tagalog (Filipino)	0.26
Netherlandic	0.24
Inadequately described	0.23
Japanese	0.20
French	0.19
Polish	0.16
Hindi	0.13
Samoan	0.12
Croatian	0.12
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles n.f.d.	0.11
Arabic (including Lebanese)	0.11
	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>3 183 403</b>

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.

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### LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH

	Age group (years)				Total
	0-14	15-24	25-44	45 and over	
<i>Proficiency in English</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>	<i>no.</i>
Speaks English only	33 673	15 735	22 050	9 623	81 081
Speaks an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander language and speaks English					
Very well	687	646	1 138	555	3 026
Well	638	502	665	517	2 322
Not well	438	88	125	268	919
Not at all	155	3	7	13	178
Not stated proficiency(a)	79	39	46	27	191
Total	1 997	1 278	1 981	1 380	6 636
Speaks other language(b)	2 314	960	1 288	725	5 287
Not stated language(c)	908	425	585	452	2 370
<b>Total</b>	<b>38 892</b>	<b>18 398</b>	<b>25 904</b>	<b>12 180</b>	<b>95 374</b>

(a) Comprises cases where language spoken at home was stated but proficiency in English was not stated.

(b) Includes 'Inadequately described'.

(c) Comprises cases where language spoken at home was not stated.

Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1996 Census.



## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### DEFINITION OF INDIGENOUS

**1** The term Indigenous is used in this publication to refer to Australian Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders. According to the most widely adopted definition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, the Commonwealth working definition:

An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent who identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and is accepted as such by the community in which he or she lives. (DAA 1981, p. 1)

ABS standard question

**2** All ABS Indigenous population figures are based on results from the ABS standard question. The 1995 standard, first used in the 1996 Census, is as follows:

<b>Is the person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin ?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> For persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin mark both 'Yes' boxes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Aboriginal
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Torres Strait Islander

**3** For more information on these issues, refer to *Population Distribution, Indigenous Australians, 1996* (Cat. no. 4705.0), and *Occasional Paper: Population Issues, Indigenous Australians, 1996* (Cat. no. 4708.0) (forthcoming).

### SCOPE AND COVERAGE

**4** The 1996 Census of Population and Housing was held on 6 August 1996.

**5** The Census aims to count every person who spent census night in Australia. This includes Australian residents in Antarctica and people in the Territories of Jervis Bay, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Christmas Island. The other Australian External Territories, Norfolk Island and minor islands such as Heard and McDonald Islands, are outside the scope of the Australian Census. The only group of people who spend Census night in Australia but are excluded from the census are foreign diplomats and their families.

**6** The Census includes people on vessels in or between Australian ports, on board long-distance trains, buses or aircraft and on oil or gas rigs off the Australian coast. People entering Australia before midnight on census night are counted while people leaving an Australian port for an overseas destination before midnight on census night are not. Visitors to Australia are included, regardless of how long they have been in the country or how long they plan to stay. However, for people who intend to be in Australia less than six months only basic demographic data are available. The Census includes people camping out and the homeless.

## SCOPE AND COVERAGE

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**7** All private dwellings, except diplomatic dwellings, are included in the Census, whether occupied or unoccupied. Caravans in caravan parks, manufactured homes in manufactured home estates and self-care units in accommodation for the retired or aged are counted only if occupied. Occupied non-private dwellings, (such as hospitals, prisons, hotels) are also included.

## POPULATION CONCEPTS

Place of enumeration  
counts

**8** Place of enumeration counts are based on where people stated they were located on census night, regardless of where they usually lived. They are the most readily obtained population figures from a census. No adjustments are made for temporary visitors, or for residents who are temporarily absent, or for incomplete or imperfect counting. Place of enumeration counts are only available for the day of the Census.

**9** Place of enumeration counts are the only population figures available for geographic areas based on Collection Districts (CD), the smallest geographic bounded area used in the Census. CDs usually contain about 200 dwellings in urban areas or a community group or group of outstations in remote areas.

Place of usual  
residence counts

**10** Place of usual residence counts are derived from place of enumeration counts after adjustments for temporary visitors based on answers to the census question about the '...address at which the person has lived or intends to live for a total of six or more months in 1996'. Adjustments have also been made for residents who are temporarily absent (but counted elsewhere in Australia) but not for incomplete or imperfect counting. Usual residence counts are only available for the day of the Census and cannot be derived for all geographic areas. In particular, they are not available for CDs.

## DATA LIMITATIONS

**11** Census data are subject to a number of inaccuracies resulting from errors by respondents or mistakes in collection or processing. Whilst many of these are corrected by careful processing procedures, some still remain. The effect of the remaining errors is generally slight, although it may be more important for small groups in the population. The main kinds of error to keep in mind are as follows.

Partial non-response

**12** In some cases where an answer is not provided to a question, an answer is imputed (often from other information on the form). In other cases a 'not stated' code is allocated.

Processing error

**13** While such errors can occur in any processing system, quality management is used continuously to improve the quality of processed data, and to identify and correct data of unacceptable quality.

Random adjustment

**14** Table cells containing small values are randomly adjusted or suppressed to avoid releasing information about particular individuals, families, or households. The effects of these adjustments are statistically insignificant.

Respondent error	<b>15</b> Because processing procedures cannot detect or repair all errors made by people in completing the forms, some remain in final data.
Undercount	<b>16</b> Although the Census aims to count each person, there are some people who are missed and others are counted more than once. The Indigenous net undercount in 1996 was 7.1% for Australia.
YAM ISLAND, TORRES STRAIT	<p><b>17</b> Due to Census forms being mislaid in transit, the population of Yam Island in the Torres Strait (CD3010108) was imputed at the Census Data Processing Centre based on information from the Census field workers. One hundred and fifty people were imputed for Yam Island. However, by error, these records were imputed as Aboriginal rather than Torres Strait Islander.</p> <p><b>18</b> This has the effect of artificially doubling the Aboriginal population of the Torres Strait ATSI Region. The 1996 Census shows a count of 304 Aboriginal people and 5,760 Torres Strait Islanders (including people of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin). Accounting for the Yam Island error these figures would be 154 Aboriginal people and 5,910 Torres Strait Islanders. These adjustments have not been made to any statistics.</p>
OVERSEAS VISITORS	<b>19</b> For the 1996 Census, information for overseas visitors (who intend to be in Australia for less than six months) was restricted to age, sex and marital status. In this publication overseas visitors have been excluded.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EMPLOYMENT PROJECTS SCHEME	<p><b>20</b> The Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) scheme was developed in 1976 as a response to remote Aboriginal communities' requests for local employment to be created, with a particular focus on community development opportunities. The CDEP enables members of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities to exchange unemployment benefits for opportunities to undertake work and training in activities which are managed by a local Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community organisation. In 1985 CDEP was expanded to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities living in Urban areas. CDEP is funded and supported through the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission which provides grants to participating community organisations to employ community members.</p> <p><b>21</b> CDEP participants are classified as employed in the labour force. The 1996 Census includes for the first time a separate category for CDEP participants as part of the industry sector classification.</p>
CALCULATION OF PROPORTIONS AND TREATMENT OF 'NOT STATED'S	<b>22</b> When calculating the proportion of the population with a particular characteristic, 'Not stated' responses are included in the denominator. Users may wish to recalculate percentages, excluding 'Not stated's', whenever this is deemed preferable.

## CALCULATION OF MEDIANS

**23** A median is a measure of central tendency. It is a mid-value which divides a population distribution into two, with half the observations falling below it and half above it. Unlike averages (means), medians are not usually skewed by extreme observations.

**24** The categories 'Not stated', and 'Not applicable' are not included in the calculation of medians.

## STATISTICAL LOCAL AREA TABLES

**25** While usual residence data are available for Statistical Local Areas (SLAs) from all censuses, in order to compare SLA boundaries from the 1986 and 1991 censuses with the 1996 Census SLA boundaries, it is necessary to aggregate 1986 and 1991 CD boundaries.

## APPENDIX 1

### CENSUS COUNTS, BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS

SLA	1986		1991		1996		1996	
	Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of usual residence(a)	
	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
30099 Undefined Brisbane(b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	102
30150 Aramac (S)	21	1 097	9	832	23	777	24	834
30200 Atherton (S)	375	8 518	367	9 518	512	10 119	507	9 826
30250 Aurukun (S)	716	937	697	784	691	781	725	813
30300 Balonne (S)	510	5 056	492	5 112	579	4 832	576	4 699
30350 Banana (S)	323	16 888	350	14 257	413	13 547	424	13 499
30400 Barcaldine (S)	101	1 779	94	1 813	118	1 841	125	1 733
30450 Barcoo (S)	29	566	38	556	30	487	37	454
30500 Bauhinia (S)	28	2 654	53	2 565	37	2 521	36	2 183
30551 Greenbank—Pt A	10	553	3	518	4	554	4	559
30554 Beaudesert (S) Bal in BSD	45	9 969	95	16 035	214	22 391	211	22 556
30557 Beaudesert (S)—Pt B	255	15 659	239	19 796	348	23 419	335	23 034
30600 Belyando (S)	140	11 362	180	11 082	222	10 723	223	10 455
30650 Bendemere (S)	11	1 099	20	1 068	36	955	38	1 006
30700 Biggenden (S)	28	1 553	28	1 574	47	1 568	44	1 598
30750 Blackall (S)	40	2 070	21	2 045	39	1 828	48	1 808
30800 Boonah (S)	32	5 991	50	6 541	71	6 857	71	6 722
30850 Booringa (S)	151	2 239	141	2 084	113	1 849	121	1 874
30900 Boulia (S)	150	583	132	575	144	550	150	517
30950 Bowen (S)	375	14 364	514	14 161	695	14 179	661	12 778
31001 Acacia Ridge	177	7 059	192	7 525	242	6 465	235	6 457
31004 Albion	19	2 175	16	2 301	23	2 236	22	2 240
31007 Alderley	11	4 526	32	4 447	62	4 520	54	4 545
31012 Algester	9	6 204	14	7 464	46	7 193	47	7 221
31015 Annerley	83	8 081	90	8 394	120	8 390	107	8 440
31018 Anstead	3	797	4	863	0	950	0	967
31023 Archerfield	7	732	8	652	19	613	22	614
31026 Ascot	20	4 194	19	4 391	49	4 560	52	4 528
31031 Ashgrove	44	9 949	62	10 768	65	10 864	64	10 899
31034 Aspley	12	9 863	25	10 450	44	10 940	36	10 902
31037 Bald Hills	54	4 760	59	5 157	97	5 766	95	5 811
31042 Balmoral	20	3 025	3	3 081	43	3 236	36	3 238
31045 Banyo	38	4 913	56	5 027	61	4 686	64	4 792
31048 Bardon	25	7 110	28	7 812	28	7 980	23	8 009
31053 Bellbowrie	0	2 273	0	2 897	10	3 798	16	3 845
31057 Belmont—Mackenzie	3	1 958	15	2 393	34	3 160	34	3 195
31062 Berrinba—Karawatha	0	442	4	506	0	294	3	290
31064 Boondall	31	5 485	41	6 375	81	7 199	90	7 146
31067 Bowen Hills	19	806	18	975	11	990	11	805
31072 Bracken Ridge	88	10 659	96	11 675	181	12 801	178	12 927
31075 Bridgeman Downs	0	1 118	0	1 258	6	3 525	6	3 557
31078 Brighton	54	9 128	90	8 949	171	8 651	169	8 722
31083 Brookfield (incl. Mt C'tha)	0	1 558	3	1 726	3	2 621	0	2 667
31086 Bulimba	70	3 620	65	3 633	58	3 641	63	3 657
31091 Burbank	3	1 088	0	1 220	11	1 157	11	1 160
31094 Calamvale	3	938	11	2 753	18	6 069	19	6 072
31097 Camp Hill	67	9 104	69	8 903	90	8 997	89	9 089
31102 Cannon Hill	20	3 809	27	3 867	46	3 883	44	3 899

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CENSUS COUNTS, BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued

SLA	1986		1991		1996		1996		
	Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of usual residence(a)		
	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
31105	Capalaba West	0	349	0	365	0	374	0	371
31108	Carindale	4	5 398	24	8 152	31	10 063	30	10 114
31113	Carina	75	7 385	84	7 841	122	8 319	118	8 369
31116	Carina Heights	70	4 815	79	4 932	106	5 571	96	5 490
31121	Carseldine	0	3 653	0	4 671	16	5 695	16	5 734
31124	Chandler	0	941	0	1 010	3	937	3	950
31127	Chapel Hill	8	7 058	5	8 857	7	9 807	8	9 864
31132	Chelmer	4	2 573	4	2 603	13	2 522	13	2 544
31135	Chermside	77	6 433	75	6 372	138	6 250	131	5 841
31138	Chermside West	4	6 305	29	5 918	17	5 530	19	5 569
31143	City—Inner (Brisbane)	0	899	4	1 054	7	1 710	0	330
31146	City—Remainder (Brisbane)	32	1 682	11	2 114	21	2 175	17	1 326
31151	Clayfield	46	8 602	35	8 931	74	8 952	71	8 939
31154	Coopers Plains	41	4 156	68	4 039	53	3 904	48	3 874
31157	Coorparoo	79	11 747	65	12 138	130	12 687	132	12 780
31162	Corinda	4	4 045	6	4 090	20	3 957	20	4 014
31167	Darra—Sumner	26	3 588	25	4 065	49	3 703	48	3 735
31173	Deagon	39	3 400	37	3 271	67	3 239	64	3 273
31176	Doolandella—Forest Lake	0	354	0	336	60	6 444	61	6 420
31184	Durack	87	3 570	126	5 281	153	5 625	147	5 639
31187	Dutton Park	74	2 014	47	1 728	49	1 449	48	1 450
31195	East Brisbane	66	4 508	64	4 810	78	4 547	82	4 575
31198	Eight Mile Plains	60	5 359	61	6 839	80	9 246	82	9 176
31203	Ellen Grove	11	659	5	657	6	2 482	6	2 511
31206	Enoggera	50	6 207	63	6 101	87	6 153	83	6 315
31211	Everton Park	24	7 612	34	7 758	65	7 618	65	7 690
31214	Fairfield	21	2 134	14	2 142	26	2 170	24	2 156
31217	Ferry Grove	8	3 473	14	3 483	47	5 045	51	5 075
31222	Fig Tree Pocket	0	2 253	0	2 536	0	2 558	0	2 575
31228	Fortitude Valley—Inner	0	126	0	143	5	141	3	124
31233	Fortitude Valley—Remainder	31	1 221	48	1 202	41	1 477	38	1 367
31236	Geebung	31	4 529	32	4 341	71	4 159	72	4 211
31241	Graceville	8	3 513	13	3 566	12	3 587	14	3 626
31244	Grange	10	3 335	15	3 270	30	3 301	30	3 340
31247	Greenslopes	35	7 261	51	7 325	105	7 415	104	7 046
31252	Gumdale	5	1 083	0	908	0	926	0	940
31255	Hamilton	42	3 995	16	4 215	13	4 105	14	3 874
31258	Hawthorne	12	3 493	21	3 561	37	3 677	37	3 713
31265	Hemmant—Lytton	24	1 653	14	1 579	26	1 651	27	1 662
31271	Hendra	11	3 590	15	3 402	23	3 426	26	3 447
31274	Herston	26	2 866	35	3 073	45	2 853	21	1 596
31277	Highgate Hill	125	4 718	73	5 051	81	5 086	80	5 110
31282	Holland Park	77	7 183	86	7 414	90	7 117	93	7 202
31285	Holland Park West	15	5 190	29	5 353	36	5 278	34	5 285
31288	Inala	1 016	15 710	841	13 893	993	13 259	1 010	13 301
31293	Indooroopilly	14	8 337	32	9 657	39	9 709	34	9 757
31296	Jamboree Heights	4	3 517	17	3 563	20	3 329	20	3 317
31301	Jindalee	6	5 919	5	5 820	21	5 255	22	5 285
31304	Kangaroo Point	110	4 083	78	4 272	77	4 869	70	4 417
31312	Kedron	74	11 093	80	11 033	263	10 976	217	11 025

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CENSUS COUNTS, BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued

SLA	1986		1991		1996		1996		
	Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of Usual Residence(a)		
	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
31315	Kelvin Grove	107	3 644	61	3 702	43	3 879	41	3 872
31318	Kenmore	0	8 288	13	8 321	18	7 912	21	8 029
31323	Kenmore Hills	0	1 285	0	1 905	3	2 220	0	2 247
31326	Keperra	61	6 249	99	6 907	175	7 284	184	7 362
31331	Kuraby	16	972	4	1 002	16	1 663	15	1 672
31337	Lota	10	2 555	43	2 651	40	2 541	43	2 559
31345	Lutwyche	18	2 463	36	2 357	38	2 492	39	2 485
31353	McDowall	8	3 285	14	4 165	26	5 121	26	5 106
31356	MacGregor (QLD)	4	5 540	4	5 575	17	5 357	18	5 403
31364	Manly	34	3 310	42	3 320	43	3 406	42	3 452
31367	Manly West	45	7 512	74	8 033	113	8 372	117	8 464
31372	Mansfield	38	7 976	31	8 105	67	8 136	68	8 187
31375	Middle Park	0	1 658	0	2 798	13	4 324	14	4 340
31378	Milton	31	1 665	26	1 484	30	1 559	30	1 540
31383	Mitchelton	36	5 862	58	5 848	105	5 852	107	5 910
31386	Moggill	4	716	3	736	3	702	3	716
31391	Moorooka	38	8 414	35	8 514	79	8 342	77	8 381
31394	Moreton Island	3	396	3	262	4	424	0	169
31397	Morningside	67	6 643	104	6 585	128	6 884	126	6 901
31402	Mount Gravatt	20	3 085	24	3 141	41	3 017	41	3 108
31405	Mount Gravatt East	88	8 695	93	8 638	113	8 961	114	9 013
31408	Mount Ommaney	0	1 001	0	1 730	3	1 968	0	1 925
31413	Murarie	16	2 532	41	2 517	53	2 347	54	2 343
31416	Nathan	3	1 178	23	1 666	9	1 553	8	1 518
31421	New Farm	191	8 902	118	9 122	123	8 904	111	8 790
31424	Newmarket	63	3 525	46	3 363	46	3 658	44	3 670
31427	Newstead	11	999	14	946	24	1 311	23	1 294
31432	Norman Park	41	6 055	57	6 114	85	5 949	90	6 018
31435	Northgate	33	3 512	54	3 485	66	3 605	64	3 620
31438	Nudgee	30	1 749	26	1 891	39	1 858	39	1 897
31443	Nudgee Beach	0	350	0	255	4	313	4	318
31446	Nundah	69	7 265	74	7 315	97	7 700	92	7 738
31451	Oxley (QLD)	18	6 016	30	5 981	45	5 637	48	5 621
31454	Paddington	99	6 552	73	6 708	66	6 807	64	6 897
31456	Pallara-Heathwood-Larapinta	4	723	0	58	15	708	12	731
31463	Parkinson-Drewvale	0	172	0	152	8	2 405	8	2 413
31465	Pinjarra Hills	0	435	0	453	0	434	3	452
31467	Pinkenba-Eagle Farm	10	414	8	406	11	473	8	423
31473	Pullenvale	0	1 343	3	1 514	8	1 646	3	1 659
31476	Ransome	0	282	3	414	0	429	0	439
31481	Red Hill (QLD)	63	4 550	23	4 631	33	4 725	33	4 731
31484	Richlands	7	395	63	2 443	30	856	31	847
31487	Riverhills	5	2 221	8	3 023	17	3 289	17	3 326
31492	Robertson	3	3 032	4	3 815	9	4 040	8	4 005
31495	Rochedale	7	1 102	8	1 290	6	1 246	7	1 289
31498	Rocklea	20	1 607	19	1 586	20	1 439	21	1 461
31503	Runcorn	38	5 245	68	7 420	88	9 119	90	9 144
31506	St Lucia	9	7 022	31	9 142	24	9 573	25	9 547
31511	Salisbury	34	5 421	35	5 105	70	5 132	70	5 192
31514	Sandgate	50	6 536	78	6 594	95	6 258	96	6 301

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CENSUS COUNTS, BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued

SLA	1986		1991		1996		1996		
	Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of usual residence(a)		
	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
31517	Seventeen Mile Rocks	8	1 745	15	2 736	29	4 328	29	4 360
31522	Sherwood	26	4 050	20	4 181	23	4 357	24	4 374
31525	South Brisbane	92	2 976	128	3 206	70	3 453	58	2 097
31528	Spring Hill	36	3 361	29	4 174	50	4 393	34	2 655
31533	Stafford	53	6 158	59	5 932	111	5 519	107	5 587
31536	Stafford Heights	39	7 609	77	7 550	138	7 245	134	7 341
31541	Stretton	0	203	0	1 248	5	2 048	5	2 077
31547	Sunnybank	71	7 816	60	7 746	62	7 361	66	7 297
31552	Sunnybank Hills	40	10 699	54	12 879	122	14 015	121	14 088
31556	Taigum-Fitzgibbon	5	1 443	13	1 508	27	3 536	25	3 528
31558	Taringa	12	4 968	22	5 764	12	6 149	13	6 191
31563	Tarragindi	43	9 383	60	9 309	68	8 994	66	9 153
31566	The Gap (incl. Enoggera Res.)	25	13 589	20	14 173	77	14 832	79	15 016
31571	Tingalpa	40	3 974	53	4 751	131	7 231	140	7 263
31574	Toowong	44	11 130	59	12 454	66	12 858	61	12 264
31582	Upper Brookfield	0	432	0	471	4	504	4	509
31585	Upper Kedron	0	177	0	234	0	338	0	340
31588	Upper Mount Gravatt	42	7 832	30	7 717	86	7 193	90	7 261
31593	Virginia	13	1 935	19	1 899	41	1 797	44	1 829
31596	Wacol	159	4 632	216	4 648	161	5 150	148	5 035
31601	Wakerley	4	612	8	678	9	715	7	682
31604	Wavell Heights	29	8 255	46	8 037	83	8 207	90	8 313
31607	West End (Brisbane)	85	5 967	120	5 965	88	5 662	84	5 639
31612	Westlake	0	1 980	0	2 672	10	3 318	9	3 362
31615	Willawong	3	280	8	245	3	238	5	240
31618	Wilston	15	3 157	38	3 209	36	3 189	40	3 223
31623	Windsor	96	6 002	126	5 969	121	5 773	103	5 752
31626	Wishart	10	5 976	15	7 004	47	8 373	52	8 468
31631	Woolloongabba	105	5 092	130	4 914	99	4 577	88	3 789
31634	Woolloowin	45	5 309	35	5 345	70	5 360	73	5 375
31637	Wynnum	118	10 432	121	10 236	192	10 549	183	10 689
31642	Wynnum West	55	7 674	99	8 784	172	8 991	177	9 015
31645	Yeerongpilly	15	1 999	15	2 046	19	2 114	19	2 126
31648	Yeronga	27	4 388	22	4 519	47	4 607	51	4 636
31653	Zillmere	166	7 197	145	7 363	263	7 614	268	7 701
31700	Broadsound (S)	89	8 419	129	8 472	132	7 467	138	7 315
31750	Bulloo (S)	35	675	37	799	37	796	35	502
31810	Bundaberg (C)	637	36 473	784	39 398	1 105	42 554	1 111	42 172
31850	Bungil (S)	22	2 127	24	2 046	32	1 971	30	1 946
31900	Burdekin (S)	446	18 807	469	18 586	639	18 870	629	18 426
31950	Burke (S)	946	1 433	1 058	1 519	782	1 413	823	1 137
31981	Burnett (S)—Pt A	31	5 563	64	9 759	112	10 579	109	10 220
31984	Burnett (S)—Pt B	26	7 217	39	7 188	131	10 458	130	10 197
32002	Bribie Island	28	7 129	62	9 952	142	12 871	137	12 501
32005	Burpengary-Narangba	20	5 661	49	8 910	175	14 061	177	14 194

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32008	Caboolture (S)—Central	77	6 371	149	11 608	357	15 260	355	15 130
32013	Caboolture (S)—East	37	5 149	38	7 459	92	10 921	99	11 001
32016	Deception Bay	76	8 865	160	12 042	342	15 850	337	15 861
32018	Morayfield	40	6 669	75	10 643	346	15 442	344	15 584
32023	Caboolture (S) Bal in BSD	16	4 944	45	5 863	71	9 662	71	9 819
32031	Caboolture (S)—Pt B	36	2 706	37	3 575	59	4 390	58	4 435
32062	Cairns (C)—Barron	575	10 414	495	12 372	774	16 497	750	15 393
32065	Cairns (C)—Central Suburbs	1 612	17 557	2 007	21 302	2 812	22 335	2 713	20 905
32066	Cairns (C)—City	795	11 069	574	14 381	631	10 727	582	7 793
32068	Cairns (C)—Mt Whitfield	245	10 517	268	11 237	427	11 244	402	10 983
32072	Cairns (C)— Northern Suburbs	67	7 077	168	11 778	297	14 295	294	11 867
32074	Cairns (C)—Trinity	741	12 306	937	16 427	1 720	25 743	1 706	24 771
32076	Cairns (C)—Western Suburbs	366	9 265	359	10 201	411	11 024	413	10 741
32078	Cairns (C)—Pt B	1 760	5 733	2 116	6 446	2 223	6 892	2 261	6 624
32101	Calliope (S)—Pt A	82	7 079	110	8 353	172	10 991	181	10 431
32104	Calliope (S)—Pt B	42	2 641	17	2 500	65	2 808	62	2 729
32132	Caloundra (C)—Caloundra N.	15	9 190	53	10 645	130	14 996	118	14 700
32133	Caloundra (C)—Caloundra S.	34	8 759	79	11 742	185	13 777	178	11 884
32135	Caloundra (C)—Kawana	35	8 581	69	14 965	166	16 271	162	16 353
32136	Caloundra (C)—Hinterland	19	3 224	7	5 102	48	6 163	50	6 286
32138	Caloundra (C)—Rail Corridor	22	6 732	51	10 980	174	14 618	178	14 516
32150	Cambooya (S)	14	2 477	15	2 860	41	4 061	37	4 092
32200	Cardwell (S)	490	8 666	605	9 882	645	10 130	616	8 848
32250	Carpentaria (S)	1 750	3 287	2 016	3 807	2 069	4 255	2 101	3 443
32300	Charters Towers (C)	467	7 208	509	9 016	644	8 842	643	8 785
32350	Chinchilla (S)	63	5 534	85	5 406	127	5 590	132	5 671
32400	Clifton (S)	7	2 354	9	2 301	28	2 303	28	2 345
32450	Cloncurry (S)	771	3 194	698	3 382	831	3 878	827	3 143
32501	Cook (S) (excl. Weipa)	1 779	4 776	2 416	6 275	2 387	6 715	2 451	5 560
32504	Cook (S)—Weipa only	265	2 406	225	2 510	162	2 196	163	2 200
32532	Cooloolo (S) (excl. Gympie)	84	11 443	116	13 680	228	16 637	220	15 811
32535	Cooloolo (S)—Gympie only	88	13 327	94	14 183	206	15 099	212	15 356
32550	Crow's Nest (S)	15	5 308	28	6 644	40	8 616	46	8 588
32600	Croydon (S)	90	324	59	361	94	312	95	282
32650	Dalby (T)	133	9 316	219	9 385	359	9 481	365	9 559
32700	Dalrymple (S)	79	4 343	72	3 594	79	3 643	79	3 358
32750	Diamantina (S)	82	302	77	332	112	415	111	316
32800	Douglas (S)	848	7 750	833	12 440	1 014	12 980	1 014	9 316
32850	Duarlinga (S)	1 053	10 499	1 192	10 255	1 306	9 277	1 306	9 005
32900	Eacham (S)	95	5 135	107	5 609	159	6 074	156	6 058
32950	Eidsvold (S)	268	1 212	193	1 028	208	968	205	938
33000	Emerald (S)	153	9 462	162	11 130	261	13 227	243	12 200
33050	Esk (S)	65	10 146	94	12 175	174	13 302	165	13 443
33100	Etheridge (S)	10	1 210	22	1 377	29	1 273	27	921

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33151	Fitzroy (S)—Pt A	46	2 314	95	3 403	211	4 491	220	4 544
33154	Fitzroy (S)—Pt B	54	4 092	54	4 644	68	4 976	67	5 020
33200	Flinders (S)	176	2 804	158	2 491	165	2 223	183	2 163
33250	Gatton (S)	83	11 734	74	13 810	160	14 667	157	14 606
33300	Gayndah (S)	85	2 887	159	2 856	135	2 909	140	2 800
33350	Gladstone (C)	511	22 792	636	24 202	839	26 338	841	25 708
33461	Beenleigh	82	6 568	101	7 633	113	7 407	112	7 531
33463	Bethania—Waterford	27	3 192	33	4 537	68	4 640	63	4 721
33466	Eagleby	128	6 110	167	7 780	310	8 447	306	8 444
33471	Edens Landing—Holmview	3	880	12	1 940	47	3 932	51	3 935
33476	Mt Warren Park	13	2 671	31	4 255	60	5 264	61	5 257
33494	Windaroo—Bannockburn	3	495	0	1 428	21	2 123	21	2 128
33496	Gold Coast (C) Bal in BSD	12	3 819	21	5 318	77	8 391	84	8 446
33497	Arundel	0	231	7	2 598	34	3 921	32	3 926
33501	Ashmore	30	8 764	19	9 985	82	10 172	82	10 104
33504	Benowa	10	3 592	11	5 201	19	5 849	19	5 701
33507	Biggera Waters	13	3 458	21	4 433	52	4 934	47	4 476
33512	Bilinga	7	1 622	10	1 709	12	1 634	13	1 138
33513	Broadbeach	7	4 166	15	5 015	18	4 543	18	2 960
33515	Broadbeach Waters	17	7 393	13	7 866	25	7 350	26	7 109
33517	Bundall	5	3 617	3	3 687	5	3 821	6	3 862
33521	Burleigh Heads	15	6 590	12	7 997	29	7 981	30	6 337
33523	Burleigh Waters	11	5 734	18	7 820	39	9 482	37	9 387
33525	Carrara—Merrimac	12	4 029	44	7 839	101	11 526	99	11 501
33527	Coolangatta	43	5 444	90	6 318	61	6 145	54	3 634
33531	Coombah	7	2 528	11	4 097	45	7 011	44	6 930
33532	Coomera—Cedar Creek	17	3 370	36	5 127	55	6 174	54	6 065
33533	Currumbin	14	2 139	17	2 395	27	2 663	28	2 340
33535	Currumbin Waters	80	4 076	79	7 134	113	8 613	113	8 667
33537	Elanora	16	2 784	25	6 816	61	9 285	62	9 206
33541	Ernest—Molendinar	5	1 434	10	2 477	40	3 031	40	3 007
33542	Guanaba—Currumbin Valley	45	6 492	72	9 962	83	13 990	85	13 951
33543	Helensvale	7	3 119	6	6 505	59	9 933	59	9 930
33545	Hollywell	10	2 503	3	2 650	10	2 598	10	2 546
33547	Hope Island	5	807	10	1 800	14	2 543	13	2 365
33548	Kerrydale—Stephens	31	1 057	24	3 515	59	7 680	60	7 595
33553	Labrador	42	9 343	97	11 925	190	13 771	182	13 394
33555	Main Beach—Broadwater	7	2 945	3	3 838	13	4 175	8	3 185
33557	Mermaid Beach	14	5 150	16	5 422	22	5 767	19	4 869
33561	Mermaid Waters	15	9 004	17	9 779	32	9 629	29	9 290
33563	Miami	27	5 507	55	5 933	54	6 212	47	5 220
33565	Mudgeeraba	17	4 147	23	5 492	50	8 022	56	8 138
33567	Nerang	59	9 899	99	14 279	221	18 987	221	19 015

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33571	Oxenford	4	1 140	3	2 816	62	6 535	53	6 448
33573	Palm Beach	110	12 552	123	13 719	163	13 471	151	12 013
33575	Paradise Point	6	3 388	11	4 061	31	3 893	32	3 921
33577	Parkwood	n.a.	n.a.	3	1 739	22	7 279	22	7 219
33581	Robina—Clear Island Waters	0	3 118	13	8 030	25	13 061	24	13 067
33583	Runaway Bay	3	3 664	15	6 466	25	7 583	27	7 686
33585	Southport	168	18 930	130	19 652	274	21 729	263	20 783
33587	Surfers Paradise	45	19 069	48	22 480	74	18 912	51	12 574
33591	Tugun	23	3 670	26	4 061	46	4 442	42	3 708
33593	Worongary—Tallai	3	2 863	14	6 026	58	8 117	52	8 164
33600	Goondiwindi (T)	21	4 103	62	4 331	90	4 347	95	4 234
33700	Herberton (S)	442	4 210	440	4 560	565	5 113	564	5 110
33750	Hervey Bay (C)	220	20 660	374	30 867	735	41 806	708	37 680
33800	Hinchinbrook (S)	1 965	15 322	2 419	15 592	2 493	15 523	2 521	15 064
33850	Ilfracombe (S)	0	327	0	342	3	333	3	322
33900	Inglewood (S)	45	2 999	62	2 952	124	2 764	126	2 749
33962	Ipswich (C)—Central	911	61 455	1 040	62 891	1 821	65 907	1 823	66 135
33965	Ipswich (C)—East	731	28 645	681	31 332	1 380	36 930	1 372	37 037
33968	Ipswich (C)—North	23	6 732	40	9 932	87	11 354	82	11 503
33973	Ipswich (C)—South—West	22	3 857	54	4 442	67	4 715	68	4 762
33976	Ipswich (C)—West	53	5 270	180	8 023	104	7 624	93	7 684
34000	Isis (S)	70	4 082	30	4 825	82	5 846	82	5 609
34050	Isisford (S)	20	465	0	440	3	304	0	293
34100	Jericho (S)	32	1 105	29	1 117	28	965	29	1 010
34150	Johnstone (S)	1 126	17 457	1 105	19 184	1 542	20 474	1 524	19 143
34200	Jondaryan (S)	120	9 457	266	10 308	297	11 022	292	11 163
34250	Kilcoy (S)	23	2 577	17	2 951	55	3 119	58	3 111
34300	Kilkivan (S)	31	2 718	30	2 853	42	3 165	39	3 141
34350	Kingaroy (S)	40	9 902	88	10 395	108	11 093	117	11 099
34400	Kolan (S)	46	2 649	48	3 018	84	4 187	86	4 218
34450	Laidley (S)	55	6 812	56	8 463	200	12 062	199	12 120
34550	Livingstone (S)	288	15 886	294	19 334	475	24 348	457	22 520
34601	Browns Plains	64	11 065	129	17 982	346	23 836	355	24 021
34603	Carbrook—Cornubia	6	1 462	12	2 009	14	2 865	14	2 840
34605	Daisy Hill—Priestdale	20	3 560	14	4 385	21	4 289	21	4 296
34608	Greenbank—Pt B	16	3 050	39	5 510	123	7 701	124	7 718
34612	Kingston (QLD)	271	13 060	374	13 828	560	13 112	565	13 134
34615	Loganholme	19	6 188	41	8 064	85	10 933	96	11 013
34618	Loganlea	64	4 262	54	5 389	178	6 565	165	6 349
34623	Marsden	125	9 967	171	13 740	448	16 457	442	16 571
34631	Rochedale South	68	14 968	61	16 520	119	15 578	122	15 662
34634	Shailer Park	39	6 438	28	8 657	50	10 219	52	10 286
34637	Slacks Creek	151	11 133	183	12 095	226	11 597	224	11 663
34642	Springwood	12	5 972	20	6 574	28	6 325	32	6 340

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34645 Tanah Merah	8	744	4	838	9	895	10	872
34651 Underwood	17	2 671	22	2 737	33	2 661	34	2 667
34654 Waterford West	44	3 065	45	3 618	87	4 849	87	4 837
34656 Woodridge	590	18 381	678	18 927	835	17 989	848	18 145
34663 Logan (C) Bal	6	1 346	16	1 865	15	1 878	16	1 907
34700 Longreach (S)	72	3 871	93	4 369	119	4 387	112	3 740
34762 Mackay (C)—Pt A	1 480	49 586	1 659	54 042	2 437	60 410	2 476	59 184
34765 Mackay (C)—Pt B	74	8 697	108	9 624	186	11 084	186	10 103
34800 McKinlay (S)	36	1 446	56	1 306	54	1 423	42	1 117
34850 Mareeba (S)	1 372	15 563	1 489	17 049	1 807	18 044	1 741	17 634
34902 Maroochy (S)—Buderim	26	8 632	52	14 208	137	24 043	138	24 135
34905 Maroochy (S)—Coastal North	22	6 187	79	10 002	203	15 661	200	14 039
34907 Maroochy (S)—Maroochydhore	92	11 562	98	14 074	198	16 341	195	14 092
34911 Maroochy (S)—Mooloolaba	33	7 557	37	10 405	77	10 760	78	9 188
34914 Maroochy (S)—Nambour	91	9 579	116	10 355	195	11 349	197	11 113
34917 Maroochy (S) Bal in S C'st SSD	20	6 402	62	9 484	118	12 043	113	11 862
34918 Maroochy (S) Bal	39	11 710	60	15 914	167	19 857	156	19 708
34950 Maryborough (C)	242	22 430	260	22 977	463	24 681	462	24 111
35000 Millmerran (S)	18	3 115	35	3 014	46	2 796	47	2 855
35050 Mirani (S)	48	4 854	44	4 625	78	5 050	66	4 893
35100 Miriam Vale (S)	24	2 017	50	3 139	75	4 295	70	3 869
35150 Monto (S)	22	3 266	23	3 058	36	2 915	37	2 836
35250 Mornington (S)	766	874	572	702	945	1 111	953	1 095
35300 Mount Isa (C)	2 496	23 927	2 714	24 735	3 025	22 739	2 947	21 637
35350 Mount Morgan (S)	264	3 108	320	3 093	291	2 854	293	2 873
35450 Mundubbera (S)	49	2 355	85	2 340	116	2 498	112	2 370
35500 Murgon (S)	1 061	4 560	1 127	4 470	1 329	4 468	1 328	4 493
35550 Murilla (S)	62	3 212	31	2 919	57	2 776	56	2 708
35600 Murweh (S)	286	5 287	347	5 291	338	4 955	347	4 895
35650 Nanango (S)	31	5 326	70	6 735	127	7 774	131	7 856
35700 Nebo (S)	31	2 352	29	2 634	50	2 462	44	2 191
35752 Noosa (S)—Noosa-Noosaville	12	5 583	29	7 988	47	10 388	42	6 855
35755 Noosa (S)—Sunshine-Peregian	14	3 812	12	6 152	40	8 678	41	7 863
35756 Noosa (S)—Tewantin	4	4 324	12	6 000	57	8 767	62	8 451
35758 Noosa (S) Bal	49	6 609	54	9 238	123	11 820	116	11 800
35800 Paroo (S)	485	2 733	505	2 733	529	2 422	549	2 235
35850 Peak Downs (S)	40	3 209	28	3 959	56	3 166	54	3 025
35900 Perry (S)	3	310	10	374	5	351	5	363
35951 Albany Creek	10	5 921	24	8 537	52	11 922	53	11 979
35954 Arana Hills	14	4 922	35	5 529	52	6 320	55	6 348
35957 Bray Park	20	6 611	36	7 244	115	8 131	113	8 175
35962 Everton Hills	27	5 442	11	5 342	27	5 187	28	5 240
35965 Ferny Hills	18	7 949	26	8 175	62	7 608	54	7 702
35968 Kallangur	86	11 145	128	12 672	185	14 374	180	14 493
35973 Lawnton	43	4 369	35	5 263	82	5 297	80	5 350

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35974	Petrie	26	4 756	25	6 584	78	7 240	84	7 309
35976	Strathpine	37	10 108	47	10 618	144	9 987	136	10 082
35983	Pine Rivers (S) Bal	40	12 560	46	17 928	158	26 585	161	26 842
36050	Pittsworth (S)	25	3 880	49	4 035	40	4 255	44	4 338
36150	Quilpie (S)	94	1 490	78	1 406	114	1 395	107	1 248
36201	Clontarf	36	8 356	56	8 437	110	8 009	117	8 842
36204	Margate—Woody Point	80	10 556	92	10 638	184	10 178	172	9 968
36206	Redcliffe—Scarborough	142	17 573	176	16 917	298	17 691	293	17 575
36208	Rothwell—Kippa—Ring	47	8 448	138	11 807	207	11 904	205	11 986
36251	Alexandra Hills	44	10 313	74	14 544	148	17 212	145	17 295
36254	Birkdale	47	6 956	57	8 751	91	11 042	93	11 185
36257	Capalaba	84	9 849	101	14 147	206	16 106	206	16 211
36262	Cleveland	31	6 581	66	9 268	91	10 853	93	11 001
36264	Ormiston	4	2 328	4	2 716	31	3 573	32	3 605
36265	Redland Bay	3	3 628	29	4 503	56	5 530	55	5 578
36267	Sheldon—Mt Cotton	0	2 292	9	2 618	20	3 187	19	3 222
36268	Thorneside	22	2 278	31	2 842	64	3 357	64	3 392
36271	Thornlands	10	3 742	21	5 953	70	7 069	72	7 113
36273	Victoria Point	15	3 652	30	6 042	69	9 728	73	9 800
36276	Wellington Point	21	3 741	21	5 056	52	6 521	51	6 571
36283	Redland (S) Bal	238	3 140	242	4 250	407	5 316	405	5 160
36300	Richmond (S)	70	1 198	71	1 108	96	1 174	82	1 091
36350	Rockhampton (C)	1 644	56 742	1 872	59 394	2 868	59 274	2 849	58 125
36400	Roma (T)	218	6 462	251	5 753	413	6 430	405	6 361
36450	Rosalie (S)	39	6 615	96	7 295	155	8 000	151	8 067
36550	Sarina (S)	250	7 537	271	8 081	334	9 369	347	9 106
36600	Stanthorpe (S)	39	9 143	52	9 556	107	9 579	103	9 791
36650	Tambo (S)	13	704	24	616	31	563	29	541
36700	Tara (S)	55	3 656	66	3 624	97	3 501	98	3 522
36750	Taroom (S)	11	3 297	16	3 066	18	2 729	19	2 719
36801	Kelso	186	4 684	216	4 787	488	7 541	487	7 561
36804	Kirwan	217	11 143	335	12 652	634	15 174	602	15 212
36807	Thuringowa (C)—Pt A Bal	238	7 780	429	11 845	903	14 984	900	14 858
36831	Thuringowa (C)—Pt B	80	3 161	111	5 481	143	6 498	134	6 336
36850	Tiaro (S)	20	2 518	48	3 294	69	4 236	70	4 204
36901	Toowoomba (C)—Central	292	14 890	305	15 610	393	14 201	398	14 310
36903	Toowoomba (C)—North-East	116	9 968	130	11 046	143	10 607	133	10 467
36905	Toowoomba (C)—North-West	339	17 647	408	18 871	742	18 579	708	18 758
36906	Toowoomba (C)—South-East	47	12 611	74	15 333	230	19 104	226	19 262
36908	Toowoomba (C)—West	226	18 274	297	20 183	700	20 812	707	21 165
36950	Torres (S)	5 352	6 821	6 340	8 233	6 850	8 531	6 971	8 455
37001	Aitkenvale	116	6 279	156	5 537	198	5 030	204	4 979
37003	City (Townsville)	98	1 649	83	2 097	53	1 671	110	2 395
37007	Cranbrook	247	6 794	241	6 682	289	6 417	292	6 386
37012	Currajong	93	2 910	88	3 262	127	2 914	108	2 636

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CENSUS COUNTS, BY STATISTICAL LOCAL AREAS—continued

SLA	1986		1991		1996		1996	
	Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of enumeration		Place of usual residence(a)	
	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total	Indigenous	Total
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
37014 Douglas	38	1 573	31	1 973	21	2 057	18	1 996
37015 Garbutt	265	2 827	342	2 927	410	2 506	384	2 446
37018 Gulliver	156	3 493	147	3 322	157	3 006	154	2 997
37023 Heatley	194	4 629	192	4 840	283	4 566	285	4 541
37026 Hermit Park	163	3 909	129	3 722	181	3 439	186	3 404
37027 Hyde Park–Mysterton	88	2 548	67	2 528	86	2 359	79	2 277
37031 Magnetic Island	8	1 977	35	2 669	36	2 604	34	1 956
37033 Mt Louisa–Mt St John –Bohle	108	2 992	131	3 004	200	3 696	200	3 668
37034 Mundingburra	55	3 529	87	4 179	110	3 995	111	3 961
37038 Murray	21	3 426	28	4 769	47	6 949	47	6 947
37041 North Ward–Castle Hill	226	5 803	155	6 567	203	5 982	171	5 066
37044 Oonoonba–Idalia–Cluden	83	1 738	106	1 678	140	1 774	127	1 656
37047 Pallarenda–Shelley Beach	8	975	15	1 110	9	1 006	9	1 001
37051 Pimlico	69	2 387	84	2 421	75	2 431	69	2 319
37054 Railway Estate	162	2 863	148	2 792	177	2 761	171	2 695
37058 Rosslea	34	1 120	40	1 834	63	1 847	59	1 508
37062 Rowes Bay–Belgian Gardens	82	2 826	65	2 353	82	2 615	65	2 307
37065 South Townsville	141	2 086	123	2 350	121	1 923	113	1 741
37068 Stuart–Roseneath	190	1 659	88	1 055	21	1 187	21	797
37071 Vincent	102	2 921	148	3 111	281	2 935	254	2 897
37074 West End (Townsville)	261	4 167	242	3 809	215	3 509	213	3 380
37078 Wulguru	114	3 883	110	4 601	154	4 789	155	4 690
37084 Townsville (C)—Pt B	29	2 775	22	2 409	39	3 084	34	3 053
37100 Waggamba (S)	41	2 757	34	2 898	39	2 707	37	2 663
37150 Wambo (S)	36	5 497	58	5 184	76	5 190	75	5 233
37200 Warroo (S)	46	1 322	42	1 181	37	996	36	962
37262 Warwick (S)—Central	85	9 435	183	10 393	321	10 896	311	10 890
37263 Warwick (S)—East	31	3 688	29	3 966	70	3 990	76	3 979
37265 Warwick (S)—North	18	2 041	10	2 132	28	2 231	27	2 265
37266 Warwick (S)—West	19	1 963	19	2 241	40	2 740	40	2 657
37330 Whitsunday (S)	109	11 581	116	15 227	191	16 791	182	13 440
37400 Winton (S)	99	1 986	105	1 877	102	1 729	104	1 604
37450 Wondai (S)	92	3 785	65	3 819	116	3 967	114	3 975
37500 Woocoo (S)	16	2 700	13	3 429	31	2 867	30	2 841
38809 Unincorp. Islands	0	74	0	0	0	0	0	0
39499 No usual address, Qld(b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	442	12 546
39779 QLD Off-Shore Areas & Migratory	45	2 829	16	1 593	40	2 249	9	567
39899 Undefined balance of Qld(b)	..	..	..	..	..	..	77	2 026
<b>Total</b>	<b>61 265</b>	<b>2 587 316</b>	<b>70 118</b>	<b>2 977 799</b>	<b>95 519</b>	<b>3 319 187</b>	<b>95 372</b>	<b>3 247 361</b>

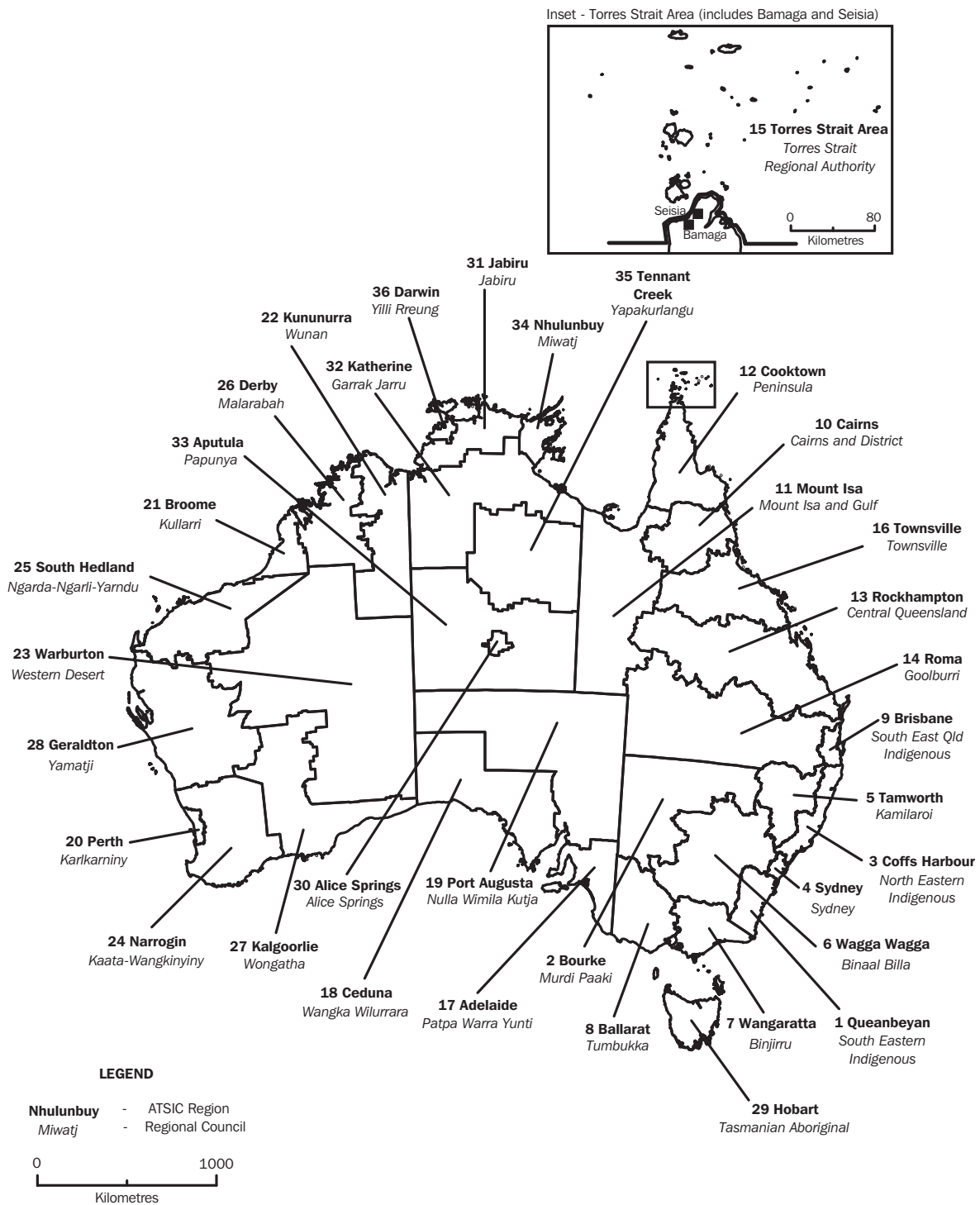
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Source: ABS, unpublished data, 1986, 1991 and 1996 Censuses.

## APPENDIX 2

### ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMISSION REGIONS



## SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, INDIGENOUS PERSONS AND HOUSEHOLDS—BY ATSIIC REGIONS

ATSIIC Region number	ERP,	1996	Participation	Unemployment	Employment	CDEP	Persons	
	30 June	Census						rate(c)
	1996(a)	count(b)			ratio(e)	employment(f)	weekly	
	no.	no.	%	%	%	%	individual	
							income(g)	
							\$	
<b>Queensland</b>								
9	Brisbane	30 325	27 635	57.93	25.13	43.37	0.10	234
10	Cairns	16 144	14 712	50.85	21.53	39.90	15.94	195
11	Mount Isa	7 306	6 658	51.46	19.75	41.30	21.41	192
12	Cooktown	6 184	5 635	63.71	3.26	61.63	73.51	170
13	Rockhampton	12 436	11 332	53.70	33.42	35.75	0.67	193
14	Roma	9 661	8 804	52.61	27.45	38.17	10.28	194
15	Torres Strait Area	6 654	6 064	58.38	9.48	52.84	39.94	195
16	Townsville	16 107	14 678	53.06	23.76	40.45	14.45	194
<b>Rest of Australia</b>								
1	Queanbeyan(h)	9 855	9 123	57.40	25.04	43.02	0.62	218
2	Bourke	7 951	7 344	48.62	27.81	35.10	8.77	187
3	Coffs Harbour	27 127	25 058	52.56	32.32	35.58	1.56	192
4	Sydney	37 117	34 286	59.15	20.39	47.09	0.37	252
5	Tamworth	11 595	10 711	48.92	33.19	32.68	8.35	185
6	Wagga Wagga	19 535	18 047	50.36	30.38	35.06	2.61	191
7	Wangaratta	10 938	10 395	59.45	19.82	47.67	0.67	246
8	Ballarat	11 660	11 079	56.99	22.96	43.91	0.32	217
17	Adelaide	13 686	12 689	53.12	26.72	38.93	3.24	203
18	Ceduna	2 014	1 867	58.40	15.04	49.61	36.96	174
19	Port Augusta(i)	6 351	5 888	54.53	22.49	42.27	41.08	174
20	Perth(j)	19 765	17 998	48.28	27.54	34.98	0.37	206
21	Broome	3 760	3 423	56.47	10.00	50.82	48.77	175
22	Kununurra	4 887	4 088	59.97	7.61	55.41	53.99	179
23	Warburton	2 952	2 688	43.70	3.63	42.11	73.99	148
24	Narrogin	6 814	6 204	47.59	20.56	37.81	6.72	196
25	South Hedland	4 721	4 298	50.12	23.39	38.40	16.50	185
26	Derby	4 347	3 958	61.00	6.37	57.11	68.51	175
27	Kalgoorlie	3 462	3 152	44.86	21.71	35.12	7.86	191
28	Geraldton	5 497	5 006	46.26	24.58	34.89	11.37	192
29	Hobart	15 322	13 873	60.96	20.24	48.63	0.00	216
30	Alice Springs	4 986	4 449	44.03	16.04	36.97	10.50	182
31	Jabiru	8 685	7 746	42.41	19.59	34.10	61.39	168
32	Katherine	7 986	7 122	50.98	16.41	42.62	57.25	169
33	Aputula	8 427	7 518	31.38	21.00	24.79	57.25	154
34	Nhulunbuy	7 848	7 001	37.71	5.63	35.59	65.33	161
35	Tennant Creek	3 866	3 449	40.12	17.12	33.25	49.78	163
36	Darwin	10 078	8 992	48.36	23.19	37.14	2.77	214
	Australia	386 049	352 970	52.74	22.74	40.75	14.89	190
<b>Total population</b>								
	Australia	18 310 714	17 752 829	61.91	9.18	56.22	0.16	292

(a) Final ERP *Australian Demographic Statistics, September Quarter 1997* (Cat. no. 3101.0) and *Experimental Estimates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population, 30 June 1991 to 30 June 1996* (Cat. no. 3230.0).

(b) Census count based on place of enumeration.

(c) The participation rate is the number of persons in the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The participation rate is calculated excluding persons who did not state their labour force status.

(d) The number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force.

(e) The number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The employment/population ratio is calculated excluding persons who did not state their labour force status.

(f) CDEP scheme employed expressed as a percentage of the total employed. CDEP data were collected for the first time in 1996 and should be treated with caution as their reliability is variable.

(g) Excluding persons who did not state their income.

(h) Includes Jervis Bay Territory.

(i) Data for this ATSIIC Region is of poor quality and should be treated with caution. Contact NCATSIIS (ABS Darwin).

(j) Includes Christmas and Cocos (Keeling) Islands.



SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, INDIGENOUS PERSONS AND HOUSEHOLDS—BY ATSI REGION

ATSI Region number	Persons				Households					
	Full-time school students, 15 year olds(a)	Full-time school students, 17 year olds(b)	Speaks Australian Indigenous language(c)	Speaks English not well or not at all(d)	Households(e)	Average number of persons per household(f)	Rented households(g)	Median weekly household income(h)	Average number of vehicles per household(i)	
	%	%	%	%	no.	no.	%	\$	no.	
<b>Queensland</b>										
9 Brisbane	66.04	32.72	1.58	14.94	8 628	3.3	61.07	563	1.1	
10 Cairns	69.30	33.63	6.34	11.82	3 592	3.9	73.89	574	0.8	
11 Mount Isa	47.20	18.10	3.12	10.68	1 489	4.4	73.20	633	0.8	
12 Cooktown	34.62	8.55	38.74	16.64	1 015	5.3	83.35	570	0.5	
13 Rockhampton	69.29	29.44	1.10	11.21	3 178	3.6	68.57	526	1.0	
14 Roma	60.66	24.57	0.94	13.56	2 483	3.6	69.23	493	1.0	
15 Torres Strait Area	62.35	31.73	33.44	29.05	1 167	4.7	63.84	622	0.4	
16 Townsville	67.60	31.88	4.38	12.49	3 692	3.9	73.70	575	0.9	
<b>Rest of Australia</b>										
1 Queanbeyan(j)	69.43	38.96	1.64	14.57	2 846	3.2	63.70	540	1.1	
2 Bourke	53.03	18.90	0.63	6.36	1 872	3.8	66.13	477	0.7	
3 Coffs Harbour	73.79	35.89	0.96	8.63	7 793	3.3	61.53	484	1.0	
4 Sydney	67.38	36.29	0.98	19.84	10 930	3.1	59.45	601	1.0	
5 Tamworth	70.85	31.51	0.56	15.15	3 092	3.5	69.21	474	0.9	
6 Wagga Wagga	65.37	37.98	0.43	11.70	5 387	3.4	65.05	468	1.0	
7 Wangaratta	76.96	37.77	1.21	21.04	3 611	3.1	50.96	554	1.3	
8 Ballarat	61.67	37.82	1.16	18.06	3 524	3.1	54.77	506	1.1	
17 Adelaide	71.43	29.13	6.05	13.51	3 923	3.1	65.03	482	1.1	
18 Ceduna	46.15	15.15	11.89	27.39	442	4.1	76.02	498	1.0	
19 Port Augusta(k)	37.04	15.12	18.22	26.11	1 121	4.0	77.61	450	0.9	
20 Perth(l)	62.74	19.65	2.77	16.41	4 931	3.5	63.35	548	1.1	
21 Broome	71.25	14.06	18.52	8.40	771	4.2	70.43	529	0.8	
22 Kununurra	59.42	4.11	40.70	16.80	710	5.3	74.08	573	0.5	
23 Warburton	24.49	5.45	78.79	28.84	410	6.1	83.41	560	0.7	
24 Narrogin	60.67	10.48	1.40	15.64	1 661	3.8	68.51	523	1.2	
25 South Hedland	58.21	12.33	26.45	8.82	1 009	4.1	73.54	648	0.9	
26 Derby	49.21	11.82	46.24	26.81	736	5.1	82.07	553	0.6	
27 Kalgoorlie	59.38	20.00	16.40	13.10	703	4.1	66.57	644	1.1	
28 Geraldton	66.93	16.67	4.33	6.35	1 181	3.9	73.33	518	1.0	
29 Hobart	84.35	15.53	0.17	19.51	5 032	3.2	42.37	539	1.5	
30 Alice Springs	58.51	20.00	38.75	16.45	964	3.8	74.27	616	0.8	
31 Jabiru	52.29	19.42	85.42	29.55	1 121	6.7	77.61	617	0.3	
32 Katherine	44.85	8.78	52.23	24.16	1 123	5.9	69.10	568	0.6	
33 Aputula	29.25	5.97	88.55	47.78	1 125	6.6	58.13	529	0.5	
34 Nhulunbuy	44.37	17.14	89.13	29.58	841	8.3	66.35	730	0.4	
35 Tennant Creek	42.03	15.25	58.97	24.67	581	5.7	59.55	539	0.6	
36 Darwin	76.77	42.54	13.69	12.88	2 247	3.6	62.57	681	1.1	
Australia	64.38	27.21	13.26	24.82	94 931	3.7	63.78	540	1.0	
<b>Total population</b>										
Australia	86.12	58.40	0.27	19.65	6 015 815	2.7	27.05	630	1.4	

- (a) Number of full-time 15 year old school (infants/primary or secondary) students expressed as a percentage of all 15 year olds.
- (b) Number of full-time 17 year old school (infants/primary or secondary) students expressed as a percentage of all 17 year olds.
- (c) Number of Australian Indigenous language speakers expressed as a percentage of all persons.
- (d) Percentage of all persons who speak a language other than English at home. Includes persons who did not state a language but did answer the English proficiency question. Excludes persons who did not answer both the language and English proficiency questions.
- (e) See Glossary for definition of Indigenous household.
- (f) Includes up to three persons temporarily absent from the households. Excludes visitors to the household.
- (g) Includes being occupied rent free.
- (h) Excluding households where at least one, but not all, members aged 15 years and over did not state an income and/or at least one member of the household was temporarily absent.
- (i) Up to four vehicles could be recorded.
- (j) Includes Jervis Bay Territory.
- (k) Data for this ATSI Region is of poor quality and should be treated with caution. Contact NCATSIS (ABS Darwin).
- (l) Includes Christmas and Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

## GLOSSARY

General descriptions of terms and concepts used in this publication are provided below. Detailed definitions of classifications and concepts are available in *Census Dictionary, 1996* (Cat. no. 2901.0).

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin** The question used in the 1996 Census was ‘Is the person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?’ Respondents could report Aboriginal origin, Torres Strait Islander origin, both origins or neither. Prior to the 1996 Census only one or the other Indigenous origin could be recorded.

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Region** Is a legally prescribed area for the purpose of administration by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC) and for the election of members to that Commission. The ATSIC Region boundaries and the census statistics produced for these areas are Collection District derived. In general, ATSIC regions and Collection District boundaries match.

For the 1996 Census there were 36 ATSIC Regions which covered all of Australia. Generally ATSIC Regions do not cross State or Territory borders, however, there were a number of exceptions. The ATSIC Region of Queanbeyan incorporated part of New South Wales, all of Australian Capital Territory and the Territory of Jervis Bay. The Territories of Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands were included in the ATSIC Region of Perth.

**Bounded locality** See definition under Section of State.

**Couple family** This is a family based on two persons who are in a registered or de facto marriage and who are usually resident in the same household. The family may include any number of dependants, non-dependants and/or other related individuals. As it is not necessary for a parent-child relationship to be formed, a couple family can consist of a couple without children.

**Dependent child** A dependent child is an individual who is either a child aged less than 15 years or a dependent student. To be regarded as a child the individual can have no partner or child of his/her own usually resident in the same household. A dependent child must be attached to a nominal parent with whom he/she usually resides. This parent must be over 15 years of age.

**Dwelling** A dwelling is a building or structure in which people live. This can be a building, such as a house; part of a building, such as a flat; or it can be a caravan or tent, humpy or park bench. Houses under construction, derelict houses, vacant tents, or converted garages are not counted in the Census.

There are private and non-private dwellings.

A *private dwelling* is normally a house, flat, part of a house, or even a room; but can also be a house attached to, or rooms above, shops or offices; an occupied caravan or unit in a caravan park or craft in a marina; an occupied dwelling in a manufactured home estate; an occupied self-care unit in accommodation for the retired or aged; a houseboat; or tent if it is standing on its own block of land. An occupied caravan situated on a residential allotment is also classed as a private dwelling. Private dwellings can be either occupied or unoccupied.

*Non-private* dwellings are those dwellings not included above, which provide a communal or transitory type of accommodation. These dwellings include hotels, motels, guest houses, prisons, religious and charitable institutions, defence establishments, hospitals and other communal dwellings. Only occupied non-private dwellings are included in the Census.

**Employed** Employed people are those aged 15 years or more who, during the week prior to census night, worked for payment or profit; who had a job from which they were on leave or otherwise temporarily absent; were on strike or stood down temporarily; or worked as unpaid helpers in a family business.

**Family** A family is defined by the ABS as two or more persons, one of whom is at least 15 years of age, who are related by blood, marriage (registered or de facto), adoption, step or fostering, and who are usually resident in the same household. Non-related persons living in the same household are not counted as family members (unless under 15 years of age).

**Family income** Family income is the sum of the personal incomes of each resident family member aged 15 years or more. Family income is not applicable to non-family households such as group households or lone-person households; or to people in non-private dwellings.

**Full-time/part-time employment** This variable is based on the number of hours worked in all jobs held by employed people during the week before the census night. It excludes any time off but includes any overtime or extra time worked.

*Part-time workers:* employed people who worked up to 34 hours; and

*Full-time workers:* employed people who worked 35 hours or more.

**Household** A household is defined as a group of two or more related or unrelated people who usually reside in the same dwelling, who regard themselves as a household, and who make common provision for food or other essentials for living; or a person living in a dwelling who makes provision for his/her own food and other essentials for living, without combining with any other person.

In this publication, households are classified to three main types:

*Family household:* a household consisting of two or more persons, one of whom is at least 15 years of age, who are related by blood, marriage (registered or de facto), adoption, step or fostering, and who are usually resident in the same household.

A household can contain one or more families. Thus the number of families living in occupied private dwellings may be more than the number of family households.

*Lone-person household:* a person who makes provision for his/her own food and other essentials in living, without combining with any other person to form part of a multi-person household. He/she may live in a dwelling on his/her own or share a dwelling with another individual or family.

*Group household:* a household consisting of two or more unrelated people where all persons are aged 15 years or over. There are no reported couple relationships, parent-child relationships or other blood relationships in these households.

**Household income** Household income is the sum of the personal incomes of each resident aged 15 years or more present in the household. Persons who were temporarily absent on census night, or had nil or negative income, or did not state their income, do not contribute to household income. Although visitors' incomes are excluded in the calculation of household income, household income is still calculated for households that comprise only visitors, in order to collect data on household incomes in holiday resorts.

**Improvised dwellings** Includes shelter, sheds, tents occupied on a permanent or semi-permanent basis and not located in caravan parks.

**Income** People aged 15 years or more were asked to state their usual gross weekly income, which is the income before tax, superannuation, health insurance, or other deductions are made. Gross income includes family allowance, family allowance supplement, pensions, unemployment benefits, student allowances, maintenance (child support), superannuation, wages, overtime, dividends, rents received, interest received, business or farm income (less operation expenses) and worker's compensation received.

**Indigenous family** An Indigenous family is one where either the reference person or spouse is of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin.

<b>Indigenous household</b>	An Indigenous household is a family household where any family in the household is defined as an Indigenous family or a lone-person household where the lone person is of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin.
<b>Industry (of employment)</b>	This variable describes the industries in which employed people (aged 15 years and over) work, and is coded to the <i>Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 1993</i> (Cat. no. 1292.0).
<b>Labour force</b>	The labour force is made up of employed and unemployed people aged 15 years and over.
<b>Labour force status</b>	Labour force status identifies whether a person aged 15 years or over is employed, unemployed or not in the labour force.  <i>Employed:</i> includes those people who, during the week prior to census night, worked for payment or profit; who had a job from which they were on leave or otherwise temporarily absent; were on strike or stood down temporarily; or worked as unpaid helpers in a family business.  <i>Unemployed:</i> includes people who, during the week prior to census night, did not have a job but were actively looking for work (either full-time or part-time) and were available to start work.  <i>Not in the labour force:</i> includes people aged 15 years or more who were not employed or unemployed as defined above. This category includes people who were retired, pensioners and people engaged in home duties.
<b>Major Urban</b>	See definition under Section of State.
<b>Migratory</b>	See definition under Section of State.
<b>Occupation</b>	This variable describes the main job held by employed people (aged 15 years and over) during the week prior to census night, and is coded using the <i>ASCO—Australian Standard Classification of Occupations, Second Edition, 1997</i> (Cat. no. 1220.0).
<b>One-parent family</b>	A one-parent family consists of a lone parent with at least one child (regardless of age) who is usually resident in the household. The family may also include any number of other related individuals.
<b>Other Urban</b>	See definition under Section of State.
<b>Participation rate</b>	Number of persons in the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The participation rate is calculated excluding persons who did not state their labour force status.

<b>Post-school qualifications</b>	In all censuses since 1966, people aged 15 years and over have been asked to describe their post-school qualifications. In 1996, these responses were coded according to the <i>ABS Classification of Qualifications (ABSCO), 1993</i> (Cat. no. 1262.0).
<b>Reference person</b>	The reference person is the person who is used as the basis for determining the familial and non-familial relationships within a household. It is usually the person who has identified himself/herself as person one on the Household Form.
<b>Rural Balance</b>	See definition under Section of State.
<b>Section of State</b>	The Section of State classification uses population counts from the Census to define Collection Districts as either urban or rural. Within States and Territories, each Section of State represents an aggregation of non-contiguous geographical areas of a particular urban/rural type. The five categories are:  <i>Major Urban:</i> urban areas with populations of 100,000 or more;  <i>Other Urban:</i> urban areas with populations of 1,000 to 99,999;  <i>Bounded Locality:</i> rural areas with populations of 200 to 999;  <i>Rural Balance:</i> the remainder of the State or Territory; and  <i>Migratory:</i> areas composed of off-shore, shipping and migratory Collection Districts.
<b>Student</b>	A student is an individual who attends a secondary or tertiary educational institution on a full/part-time basis.
<b>Unemployment rate</b>	The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed people expressed as a percentage of the labour force.

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