

National, State and Territory Population

Latest quarter: September quarter 2020

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Data in this release have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting Australian Government closure of the international border from 20 March 2020.

Population growth

The ABS estimated that Tasmania's population increased by 291 persons, or 0.05 per cent, to 541 071 persons in the September quarter 2020. Nationally, it is estimated that the population declined by 0.02 per cent for the quarter.

As at 30 September 2020, Tasmania's population was 5 284 persons (or 0.99 per cent) higher than the level at 30 September 2019. This result was the third highest growth rate of all jurisdictions for the period. National population growth of 0.87 per cent was recorded through the year to 30 September 2020.

Natural increase

In the September quarter 2020, Tasmania recorded natural population growth of 330 persons. This compares with a natural increase of 466 persons in the preceding quarter. Natural population growth was 1 411 persons in the year to the September quarter 2020, 331 persons more than the previous year.

Migration

Interstate migration recorded a net inflow of 180 persons to Tasmania in the September quarter 2020. This compares with a net inflow of 387 persons in the preceding quarter. Net interstate migration contributed 1 255 persons in the year to the September quarter 2020, 361 persons fewer than the previous year.

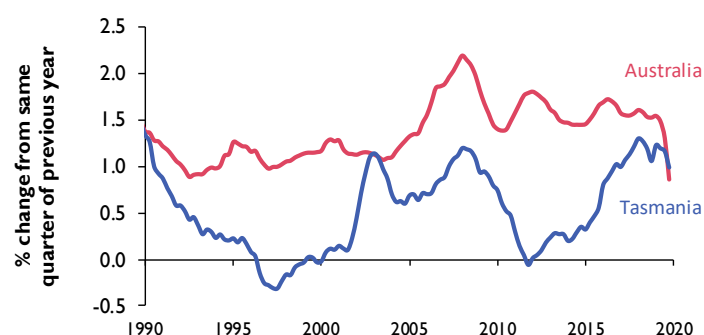
In the September quarter 2020, overseas migration recorded a net outflow from Tasmania of 219 persons. This reflects national border closures from late March 2020. Net overseas migration contributed 2 618 persons in the year to the September quarter 2020, 279 persons less than the previous year.

Table 1: Key data by jurisdiction, September quarter 2020, original data

Original data	30 September 2020 population Persons ('000's)	Quarterly change (%)	Annual change (%)
NSW	8 166.4	-0.01	0.62
Vic	6 680.6	-0.24	0.71
Qld	5 184.8	0.17	1.33
SA	1 770.6	0.01	0.72
WA	2 667.1	0.13	1.24
Tas	541.1	0.05	0.99
NT	246.5	0.15	0.18
ACT	431.2	-0.04	0.80
Aus	25 693.1	-0.02	0.87

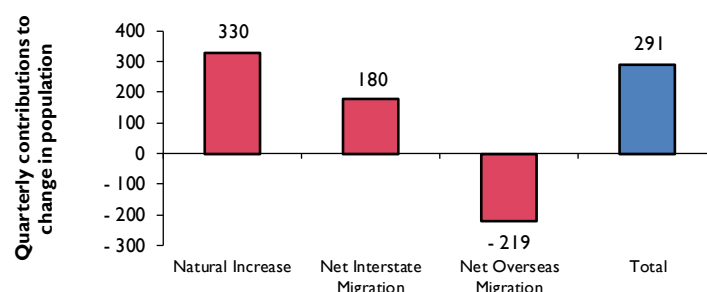
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Chart 1: Annual population growth since 1990, Tasmania and Australia, original data



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Chart 2: Contributions to growth, September quarter 2020, original data

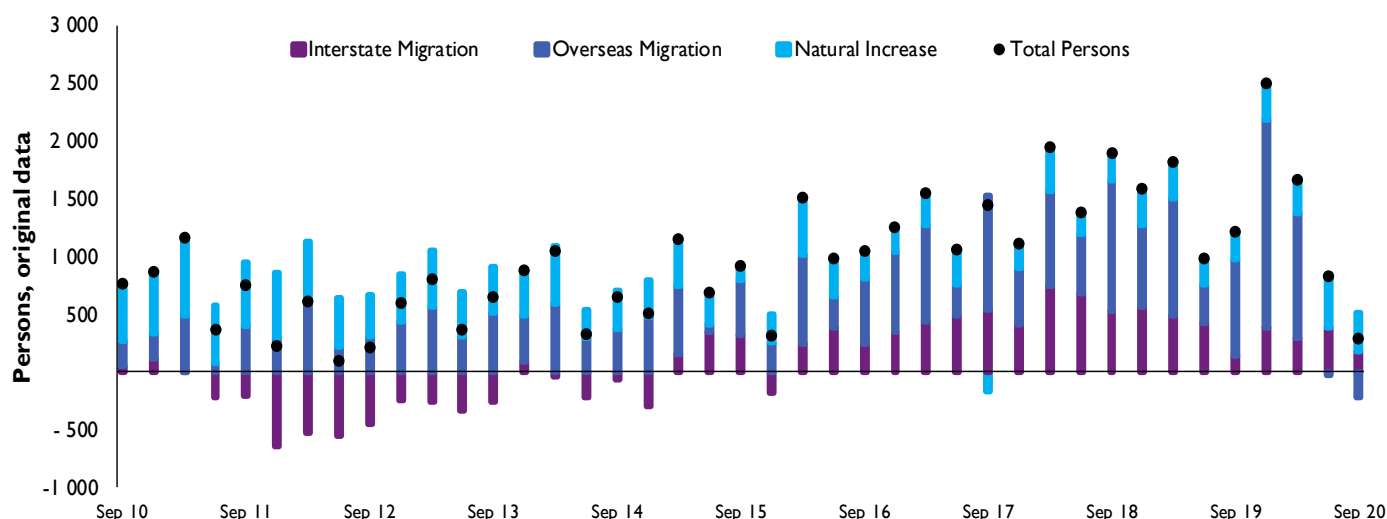


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Chart 3: Contributions to population change, by quarter, original data



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Table 2: Population comparisons, Tasmania and Australia, original data

Original data	Tasmania				Australia			
	Sep 19	Mar 20	Jun 20	Sep 20	Sep 19	Mar 20	Jun 20	Sep 20
Population								
'000 persons	535.8	540.0	540.8	541.1	25 472.5	25 669.1	25 697.3	25 693.1
change from previous quarter	1.2	1.7	0.8	0.3	106.8	109.3	28.2	-4.2
change from previous year	5.6	6.4	6.2	5.3	382.8	376.1	331.6	220.5
% change								
quarterly	0.23	0.31	0.15	0.05	0.42	0.43	0.11	-0.02
annual	1.05	1.19	1.16	0.99	1.53	1.49	1.31	0.87
year-average	1.20	1.16	1.16	1.14	1.56	1.52	1.47	1.30
Natural Increase								
Persons	233	296	466	330	32 258	35 409	35 169	30 565
Net Interstate Migration								
Persons	138	298	387	180	NA	NA	NA	NA
Arrivals	2 961	3 032	3 160	2 635	NA	NA	NA	NA
Departures	2 823	2 734	2 773	2 455	NA	NA	NA	NA
Net Overseas Migration								
Persons	841	1 074	- 30	- 219	74 525	73 915	-7 011	-34 804

NA: NOT APPLICABLE

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