

# Estimated Resident Population — June Quarter 2018

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### ACT's Population continues to grow strongly in 2017-18

#### ACT

The estimated resident population rose by 1,671 persons (0.4 per cent) to 420,902 persons as at 30 June 2018.

Through the year<sup>1</sup> to 30 June 2018, the estimated resident population increased by 2.2 per cent (8,877 persons). This was higher than the 2018-19 ACT Budget forecast of 1¾ per cent.

#### National

The estimated resident population rose by 92,160 persons (0.4 per cent) to 24,992,369 persons as at 30 June 2018.

Through the year to 30 June 2018, the estimated resident population increased by 1.6 per cent (390,509 persons).

#### Estimated Resident Population as at 30 June 2018, ACT and Australia

	Persons	Change (%)	
		Quarterly	tty <sup>1</sup>
Australian Capital Territory	420,902	0.4	2.2
Australia	24,992,369	0.4	1.6

Source: ABS Cat No. 3101.0

#### Quarterly Change in Estimated Resident Population by Component as at 30 June 2018, ACT and Australia

	<i>Natural Increase*</i>	<i>Net Overseas Migration</i>	<i>Net Interstate Migration</i>	<i>Total Change</i>
	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons
Australian Capital Territory	835	667	169	1,671
Australia	45,963	46,197	-	92,160

Source: ABS Cat No. 3101.0

\* Natural increase is number of births less number of deaths.

#### Through the Year Change in Estimated Resident Population by Component as at 30 June 2018, ACT and Australia

	<i>Natural Increase*</i>	<i>Net Overseas Migration</i>	<i>Net Interstate Migration</i>	<i>Total Change</i>
	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons
Australian Capital Territory	3,582	4,737	558	8,877
Australia	153,775	236,734	-	390,509

Source: ABS Cat No. 3101.0

\* Natural increase is number of births less number of deaths.

<sup>1</sup> Through the year (tty) is the percentage change from the same period in the previous year.

## Commentary

In the three months to 30 June 2018, *natural increase* (births less deaths) recorded a net gain of 835 persons, the largest contributor to overall population growth.

*Net overseas migration* continues to contribute positively, recording a net gain of 667 persons in the three months to 30 June 2018. Over the three months to 30 June 2018, *Net interstate migration* recorded a net gain of 169 persons.

The ACT (up 0.4 per cent) recorded the third strongest growth in estimated resident population of all jurisdictions in the three months to 30 June 2018, behind Queensland (up 0.5 per cent) and Victoria (up 0.4 per cent). South Australia up (0.2 per cent) recorded the lowest population growth in the June quarter 2018.

Through the year to 30 June 2018, the ACT's population increased by 8,877 persons (2.15 per cent), making the June quarter 2018 the eighth consecutive quarter of population growth of 2.0 per cent or greater in through the year terms.

*Net overseas migration* in the year to the June quarter 2018 (up 4,737 persons) was the highest figure ever recorded in the ACT. Natural increase (up 3,582 persons) and *net interstate migration* (up 558 persons) also contributed positively to population growth.

The ACT (up 2.15 per cent) recorded the second strongest growth in estimated resident population of all jurisdictions through the year to 30 June 2018, behind Victoria (up 2.19 per cent). The Northern Territory was the only jurisdiction to record a decline in population through the year to the June quarter 2018.

### Estimated Resident Population as at 30 June 2018

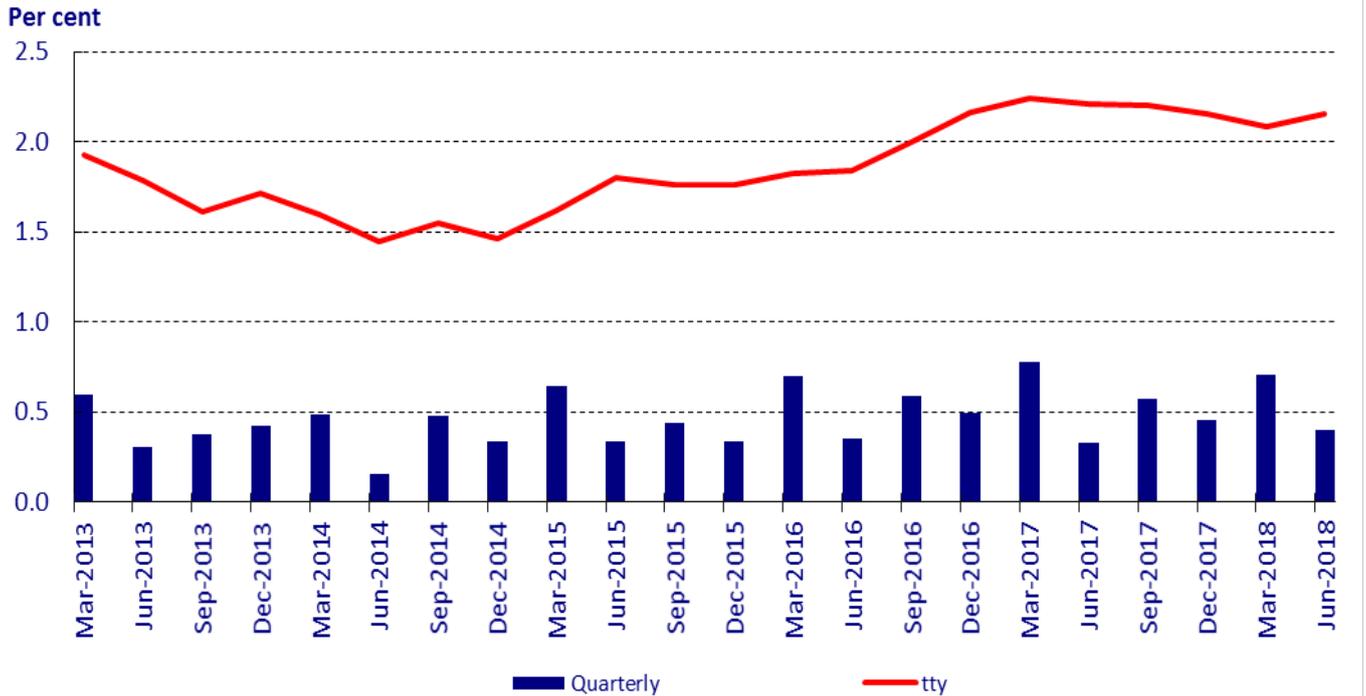
#### State / Territory Comparison — Original data

State/Territory	Number	% Change	
		Quarterly	tty
New South Wales	7,987,264	0.38	1.52
Victoria	6,459,765	0.44	2.19
Queensland	5,012,176	0.45	1.72
South Australia	1,736,389	0.16	0.72
Western Australia	2,595,877	0.18	0.84
Tasmania	528,097	0.25	1.09
Northern Territory	247,281	0.28	-0.10
Australian Capital Territory	420,902	0.40	2.15
Australia <sup>a</sup>	24,992,369	0.37	1.59

Source: ABS Cat. No. 3101.0

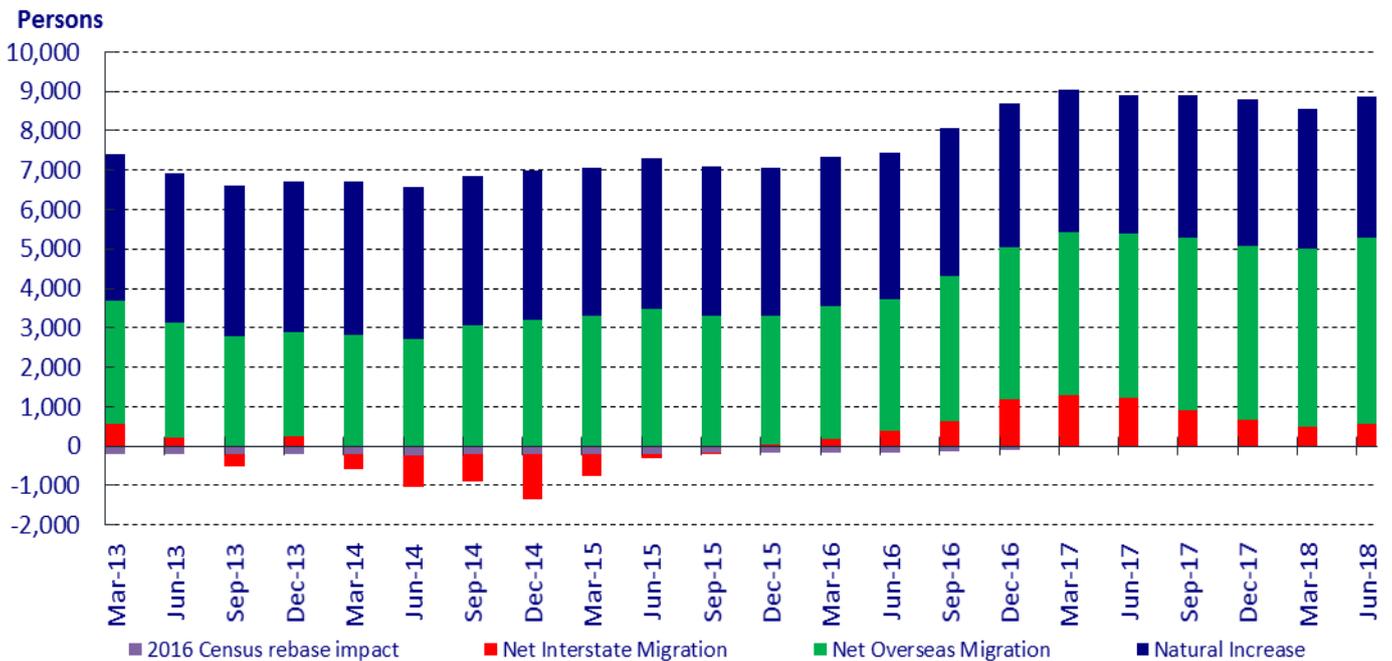
(a) Includes other Territories comprising Jervis Bay, Christmas Island, and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

## Growth in Estimated Resident Population, ACT



Source: ABS Cat No. 3101.0

## Through the Year Population Change by Component, ACT



Source: ABS Cat No. 3101.0

### Definition

The quarterly estimated resident population (ERP) is based on the results of the 2016 Census of Population and Housing, with estimates made for each of the components of change. The quarterly ERP for Australia is compiled by adding to the estimated population at the beginning of each period the component of natural increase (births minus deaths) and the component of net overseas migration (arrivals minus departures). For the States and Territories, account is also taken of estimated interstate movements involving a change of usual residence.