

## Regional Profiles Summary - Flinders (S) Local Government Area (LGA); Compared with Queensland

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### Estimated resident population

As at 30 June 2018, the estimated resident population (ERP) for Flinders (S) LGA was 1,499 persons. The region recorded a population decline of 1.3 per cent between 2017r and 2018p.

**Table 1 Estimated resident population and growth**

As at 30 June	Population	Annual growth rate	
	Flinders (S) LGA	Flinders (S) LGA	Queensland
	persons	— per cent —	
2013	1,754	-2.3	1.8
2014	1,710	-2.5	1.4
2015	1,643	-3.9	1.2
2016	1,582	-3.7	1.4
2017r	1,519	-4.0	1.7
2018p	1,499	-1.3	1.7

Next planned update: April 2020.

Source: ABS 3218.0, *Regional Population Growth, Australia*, various editions

### Population projections

The 2018 edition of population projections indicate that by 2026 the expected population of Flinders (S) LGA will be 1,323 persons. By 2041, it is expected to be 1,149 persons.

**Table 2 Population projections (medium series)**

As at 30 June	Population	Average annual growth rate	
	Flinders (S) LGA	Flinders (S) LGA	Queensland
	persons	— per cent —	
2016	1,569	n.a.	n.a.
2021	1,400	-2.3	1.6
2026	1,323	-1.1	1.7
2031	1,262	-0.9	1.6
2036	1,206	-0.9	1.5
2041	1,149	-1.0	1.4

n.a. = not available

(a) 2016 data are estimated resident population (ERP).

Next planned update: November 2021.

Source: *Queensland Government Population Projections*, 2018 edition (medium series)

### Population by age group

In the Flinders (S) LGA as at 30 June 2018, 18.9 per cent of persons were aged 0 to 14 years, 61.0 per cent were aged 15 to 64 years and 20.1 per cent were aged 65 years and over.

**Table 3 Population by age group**

As at 30 June	Age group				
	0–14	15–24	25–44	45–64	65+
	— per cent —				
2018p					
Flinders (S) LGA	18.9	9.0	24.9	27.1	20.1
Queensland	19.6	13.1	27.3	24.7	15.4
2036 <sup>(a)</sup>					
Flinders (S) LGA	16.1	7.0	18.7	26.7	31.6
Queensland	18.5	12.6	25.5	23.4	20.0

p = preliminary

(a) Medium series.

Next planned update: September 2020.

Source: *Queensland Government Population Projections*, 2015 edition (medium series)

ABS 3235.0, *Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia*

### Unemployment and labour force

The unemployment rate in Flinders (S) LGA in March quarter 2019 was 5.1 per cent.

**Table 4 Unemployment and labour force<sup>(a)</sup>**

Region	March quarter 2019		
	Unemployed	Labour force	Unemployment rate
	— number —		%
Flinders (S) LGA	45	883	5.1
Queensland	161,700	2,652,515	6.1

(a) Based on a 4-quarter smoothed series.

Source: Australian Government Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business, *Small Area Labour Markets Australia*, various editions

### Building approvals

There was 1 new dwelling approval in Flinders (S) LGA over the 12 months ending 31 August 2019, a decrease of 75.0 per cent from the previous year (4 approvals).

**Table 5 New dwelling approvals<sup>(a)</sup>**

Year ending August	New dwelling approvals		
	Houses	Other	Total
	— number —		
2017	2	0	2
2018	4	0	4
2019	1	0	1

(a) Excludes alterations, additions and conversions.

Next planned update: November 2019.

Source: ABS 8731.0, *Building Approvals, Australia*, various editions

S = Shire

Note: Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS), July 2016. In some cases these data have been concorded from other geographical boundaries.