
Chapter 8

Migration flows to the states

- Based on the 2006 Census, over three quarters of Australia's population lived in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland.
 - The highest proportion of overseas-born was in Western Australia, followed by New South Wales and Victoria.
 - People from the United Kingdom (UK) form the largest migrant group in every state and territory, ranging from a low of 17.1 per cent of overseas-born persons in New South Wales to 44.7 per cent in Tasmania.
 - In 2006-07 Western Australia followed by Queensland and Northern Territory had the highest population growth rates.
 - In the same year New South Wales received the highest number, at just under a third, of permanent additions, followed by Victoria and Queensland. 77.2 per cent of all migrants went to these three states.
 - The share of family permanent additions in all arrivals to a state or territory was the highest for the Australian Capital Territory (36.2 per cent of total arrivals to that territory) in 2006-07. The proportion of Skill Stream permanent additions was highest in South Australia (68.9 per cent) while Queensland had the highest proportion of New Zealand citizens (36.5 per cent of all settlers to Queensland).
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