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Introduction

This report has been prepared by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare's Dental Statistics and Research Unit, located at the University of Adelaide, in conjunction with the Dental Board Queensland and the Queensland Department of Health.

The data presented in this report were collected in 1995 and the aim of the analysis presented is to provide a base on which estimates of the dentist labourforce, practice patterns and geographic distribution of practising dentists in Queensland can be examined.

The data collections covered all dentists registered with the Dental Board of Queensland. A copy of the annual data collection instrument is included as Appendix A. Maps showing divisional and local government area boundaries within Queensland are included as Appendix B.

The instrument aims to:

- (i) identify dentists' practising status;
- (ii) find out the pattern of hours worked by practising dentists;
- (iii) identify the main area of practice;
- (iv) identify the main type of practice;
- (v) obtain data on specialist practice; and
- (vi) describe the geographic distribution of dentist practices.

Additional immutable data collected on all registered dentists includes year of birth, sex, country of birth and university/country of initial qualification and was provided by the Dental Board of Queensland.

This data collection is part of a national data set agreed by the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council to enable appropriate health planning and administration. The data from Queensland will be presented, along with the same data set from other States and the Northern Territory, in an annual report, to enable a national picture of dental practitioner statistics to be presented.

Note: The symbol '—' appears in tables to mean nil or rounded to zero. Where figures have been rounded (*e.g.* percentages), discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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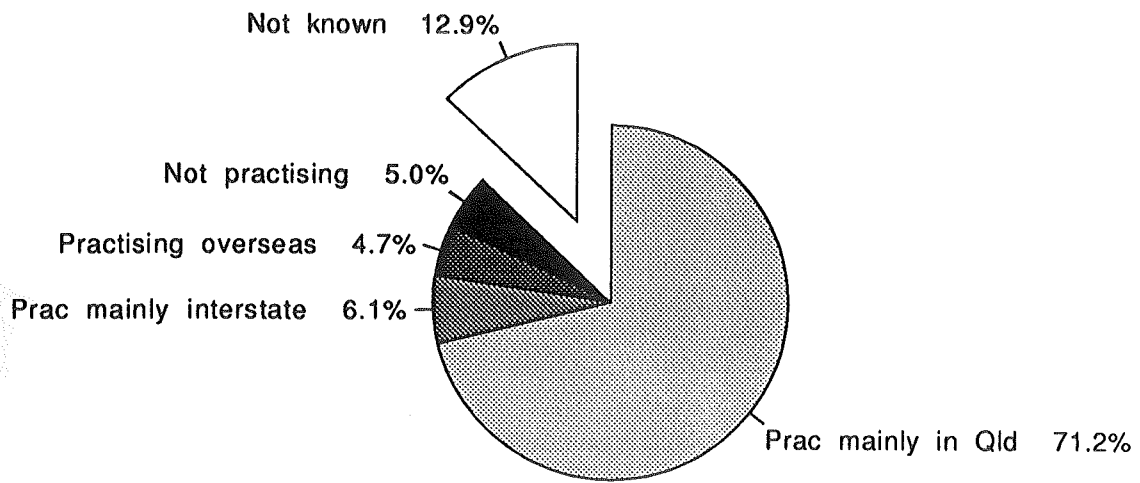
State of the Register

Table 1 presents the practice status of all dentists on the Queensland dental register. In 1995, 71.2% of the dentists registered with the Dental Board of Queensland were practising in Queensland, with low percentages of dentists practising interstate (6.1%) and overseas (4.7%). Of the 85 dentists who reported that they were not practising, 57 reported that they were not working. A higher percentage of female dentists reported that they were not practising (7.6%) compared to male dentists (4.5%). There were 219 on the dental register whose practice status was not known.

Table 1:
Dentists registered in Queensland,
practice status, 1995

<i>Practice status</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>
Practising:						
Mainly in Queensland	1007	71.8	198	68.5	1205	71.2
Mainly interstate	87	6.2	17	5.9	104	6.1
Overseas	68	4.8	11	3.8	79	4.7
<i>Total practising</i>	<i>1162</i>	<i>82.8</i>	<i>226</i>	<i>78.2</i>	<i>1388</i>	<i>82.0</i>
Not practising:						
Not working	41	2.9	16	5.5	57	3.4
Seeking work	7	0.5	—	—	7	0.4
Working outside dentistry	15	1.1	6	2.1	21	1.2
<i>Total not practising</i>	<i>63</i>	<i>4.5</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>7.6</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>5.0</i>
Not known	178	12.7	41	13.8	219	12.9
Total	1403	100.0	289	100.0	1692	100.0

Figure 1:
Dentists registered in Queensland, practice status, 1995



University/country of initial qualification

The place of initial qualification of dentists practising mainly in Queensland can be seen from Table 2 to be predominantly four of the five Australian dental faculties and the United Kingdom and Ireland. Figure 2 provides a graphical presentation of the place of initial qualification for dentists practising in 1995, and not surprisingly shows the University of Queensland as the largest source of practising dentists (959 or 79.6% in 1995). A total of 89.9% of dentists practising mainly in Queensland in 1995 had obtained their initial qualification in Australia.

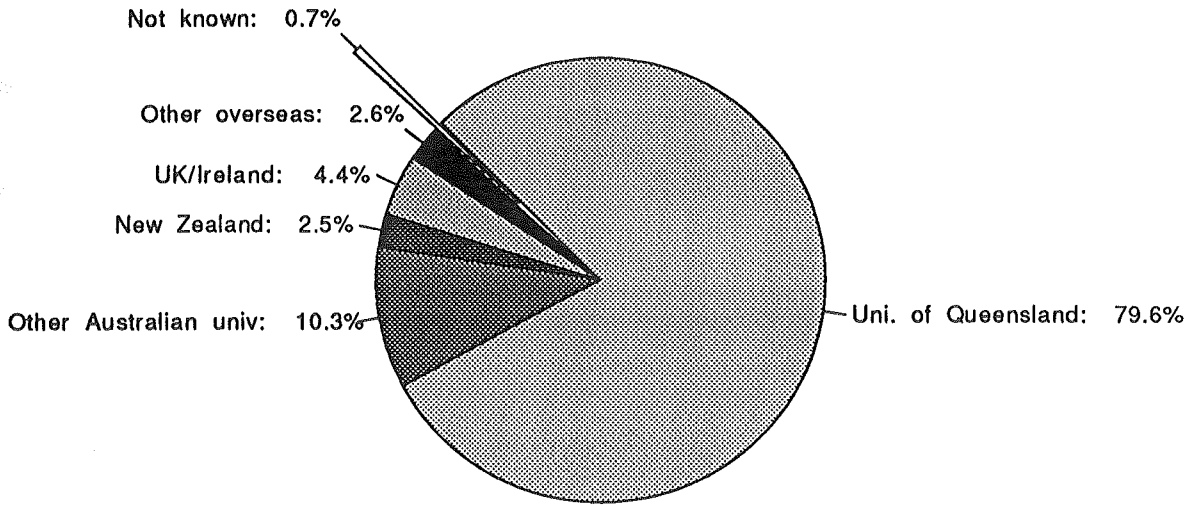
In recent years only overseas dentists from the United Kingdom, Ireland and New Zealand have been granted registration on the basis of their initial qualification. Dentists from all other countries gain registration only after being granted a certificate from the Australian Dental Examining Council (ADEC). It is therefore not surprising that the majority of overseas qualified practising dentists have qualifications from the United Kingdom and Ireland (4.4%) and New Zealand (2.5%).

Table 2:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
university/country of initial qualification by country of birth

<i>Origin of qualification</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>
Univ of Sydney	42	4.2	17	8.6	59	4.9
Univ of Melbourne	24	2.4	8	4.0	32	2.7
Univ of Queensland	815	80.9	144	72.7	959	79.6
Univ of Adelaide	23	2.3	5	2.5	28	2.3
Univ of Western Australia	5	0.5	—	—	5	0.4
<i>Total Australian university qualification</i>	<i>909</i>	<i>90.3</i>	<i>174</i>	<i>87.9</i>	<i>1083</i>	<i>89.9</i>
New Zealand	27	2.7	3	1.5	30	2.5
United Kingdom and Ireland	44	4.4	9	4.5	53	4.4
Asia	5	0.5	5	2.5	10	0.8
Other	16	1.6	5	2.5	21	1.7
<i>Total overseas university qualification</i>	<i>92</i>	<i>9.1</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>11.1</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>9.5</i>
Not known	6	0.6	2	1.0	8	0.7
Total*	1007	100.0	198	100.0	1205	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

Figure 2:
Dentists practising mainly in Queensland, 1995,
university/country of initial qualification



Age and sex distribution of dentists practising mainly in Queensland

As presented in Table 1, there were 1205 dentists (71.2% of dental register) who reported that they practised in Queensland in 1995. In addition, there were 219 registered dentists who did not respond to the data collection.

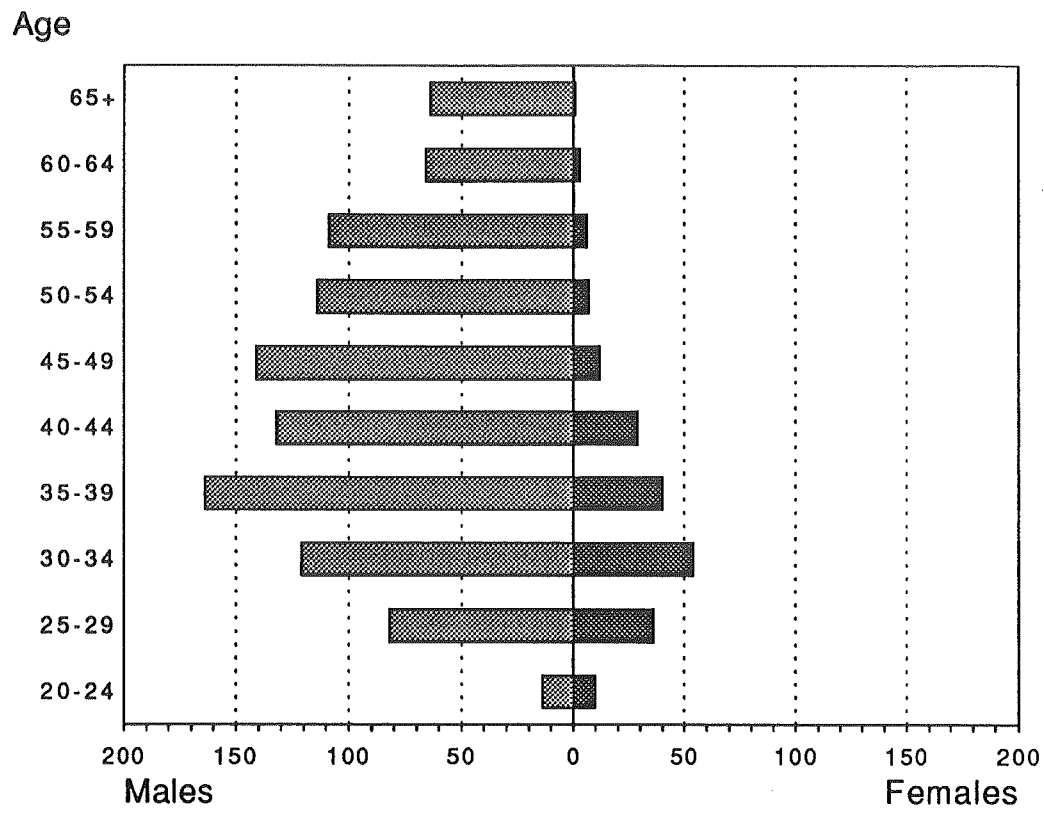
From Table 3, it can be seen that the percentage of female dentists practising mainly in Queensland in 1995 was 16.4% with the highest percentage in the younger age groups (41.7% and 30.5% in the 20-24 and 25-29 year age groups respectively), diminishing to one female dentist practising in the 65+ age group. For all dentists, the most notable feature of the age distribution was the highest number in the 35-39 year age group (namely 204), followed by a gradual reduction as age increased.

Table 3:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
age by sex

Age (years)	Males		Females		Persons		Per cent female
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
20-24	14	1.4	10	5.1	24	2.0	41.7
25-29	82	8.1	36	18.2	118	9.8	30.5
30-34	121	12.0	54	27.3	175	14.5	30.9
35-39	164	16.3	40	20.2	204	16.9	19.6
40-44	132	13.1	29	14.6	161	13.4	18.0
45-49	141	14.0	12	6.1	153	12.7	7.8
50-54	114	11.3	7	3.5	121	10.0	5.8
55-59	109	10.8	6	3.0	115	9.5	5.2
60-64	66	6.6	3	1.5	69	5.7	4.3
65+	64	6.4	1	0.5	65	5.4	1.5
Total*	1007	100.0	198	100.0	1205	100.0	16.4

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

Figure 3:
Dentists practising in Queensland, 1995, age by sex



Main area of work of dentists practising mainly in Queensland

Dentists practising mainly in Queensland worked in a range of practice settings. The distribution according to their main area of work is presented in Table 4 and shows that most dentists (83.7%) practised as general practitioners. A small percentage practised as specialists (8.4%), in restricted practice (1.9%), education and research (1.9%), and in administration (0.9%).

A similar percentage of male dentists and female dentists were in general practice. In specialist practice, male dentists dominated, while in education/research the percentages of male and female practising dentists were reversed.

Table 4:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
main area of practice by sex

<i>Average hours worked per week</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>
General practice	836	83.0	173	87.4	1009	83.7
Specialist practice	95	9.4	6	3.0	101	8.4
Restricted practice	20	2.0	3	1.5	23	1.9
Administration	9	0.9	2	1.0	11	0.9
Education/research	15	1.5	8	4.0	23	1.9
Other	6	0.6	—	—	6	0.5
Not stated	26	2.6	6	3.0	32	2.7
Total*	1007	100.0	198	100.0	1205	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

The reported specialty areas are presented in Table 5. The largest specialty area was orthodontics (47.2%) followed by oral surgery (15.0%). The prosthodontic specialist areas had higher percentages of male specialists (and no female specialists).

Table 5:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
specialist/restricted practice: specialty by sex

<i>Specialty</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>
Orthodontics	57	48.3	3	33.3	60	47.2
Oral surgery	17	14.4	2	22.2	19	15.0
Periodontics	10	8.5	2	22.2	12	9.4
Endodontics	6	5.1	1	11.1	7	5.5
Prosthodontics	3	2.5	—	—	3	2.3
Prosthodontics (removable)	3	2.5	—	—	3	2.3
Prosthodontics (fixed)	10	8.5	—	—	10	7.9
Pædodontics	10	8.5	1	11.1	11	8.7
Other	2	1.7	—	—	2	1.6
Total*	118	100.0	9	100.0	127	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

The age by sex of those in specialist and restricted practice are presented in Table 6. It can be seen that there is a substantial number who are aged 50 years and older (50 or 39.4%) and a relatively even distribution in the age groups 30-34, 35-39, 40-44 and 45-49 years (namely 16, 22, 20 and 17 respectively).

Table 6:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
specialist/restricted practice: age by sex

<i>Age (years)</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>
20-24	—	—	—	—	—	—
25-29	2	1.7	—	—	2	1.6
30-34	14	11.9	2	22.2	16	12.6
35-39	19	16.1	3	33.3	22	17.3
40-44	17	14.4	3	33.3	20	15.7
45-49	17	14.4	—	—	17	13.4
50-54	22	18.6	1	11.1	23	18.1
55-59	15	12.7	—	—	15	11.8
60-64	5	4.2	—	—	5	3.9
65+	7	5.9	—	—	7	5.5
Total	118	100.0	9	100.0	127	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

Level of activity of dentists practising mainly in Queensland

Not all dentists participated equally in dental practice. Table 7 presents the level of activity of dentists practising mainly in Queensland measured by hours worked per week. In 1995, 84.3% of dentists worked 30 hours or more per week.

The most notable feature of these data relating to average hours worked per week is the lower percentage of female practising dentists reporting 40 hours or more. When the less than 10 hours, 10-19 hours per week and 20-29 hours per week categories were combined, there were 7.0% of male dentists compared to 30.8% of female dentists in these 'part-time' groups in 1995. In addition it can be seen that there is a higher percentage of male dentists practising 50 hours or more per week (18.1%) compared to female dentists (8.6%).

It can be seen from the mean hours worked per week that there was a substantial difference between the hours worked by male and female dentists (39.1 *versus* 32.4).

Table 7:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
average hours worked per week by sex

Average hours worked per week	Males		Females		Persons	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Less than 10 hours	18	1.8	7	3.5	25	2.1
10-19 hours	18	1.8	26	13.1	44	3.7
20-29 hours	34	3.4	28	14.1	62	5.1
30-39 hours	231	22.9	57	28.8	288	23.9
40-49 hours	471	46.8	58	29.3	529	43.9
50 hours or more	182	18.1	17	8.6	199	16.5
Not stated	53	5.3	5	2.5	58	4.8
Total*	1007	100.0	198	100.0	1205	100.0
Mean hours	39.1		32.4		38.0	

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

Figure 4 graphically illustrates the different average hours worked per week by sex in 1995. The difference in area between the bar charts demonstrates the ratio of male to female practising dentists.

Figure 4:
Dentists practising mainly in Queensland, 1995
average hours worked per week by sex

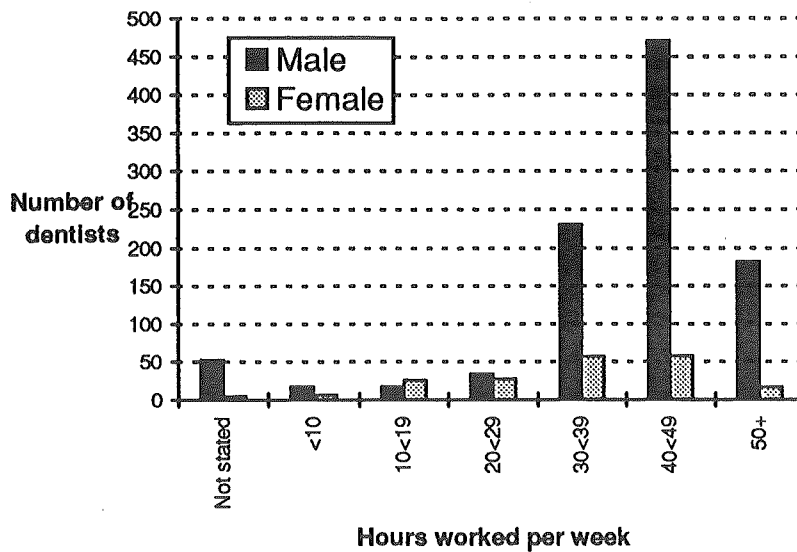


Table 8 presents hours worked per week by age group. When combining the numbers of dentists in 1995 who reported that they worked 30–39, 40–49 and 50+ hours per week to derive a 'full-time' component of the labourforce, the percentage in Queensland showed similar levels for the ten year age groups from 20 to 59 (namely 88.7, 81.5, 88.5 and 88.1 respectively). This percentage working 'full-time' for the 60+ year age group was 70.9%. This last percentage shows a movement to retirement through part-time work by some practising dentists.

For those practising dentists in the 60+ years age group, there would appear to be two distinct sub-groups: those moving to retirement through part-time work (as reflected by the 17.9% for 1995 working less than 30 hours per week) and those in full-time equivalent work (70.9% working 30 hours per week or more).

Table 8:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
average hours worked per week by age

Average hours per week	20-29 years		30-39 years		40-49 years		50-59 years		60 years and over		Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<10	—	—	12	3.2	4	1.3	2	0.9	7	5.2	25	2.1
10-19	5	3.5	24	6.3	5	1.6	5	2.1	5	3.7	44	3.7
20-29	7	4.9	21	5.5	12	3.8	10	4.2	12	9.0	62	5.2
30-39	36	25.4	73	19.3	76	24.2	65	27.5	38	28.4	288	23.9
40-49	67	47.2	160	42.2	151	48.1	100	42.4	51	38.1	529	43.9
50+	23	16.2	76	20.1	51	16.2	43	18.2	6	4.5	199	16.5
Not stated	4	2.8	13	3.4	15	4.8	11	4.7	15	11.2	58	4.8
Total*	142	100.0	379	100.0	314	100.0	236	100.0	134	100.0	1205	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

Main type of practice of dentists practising mainly in Queensland

Dentists practise in Queensland in either a private or public sector type of practice. Within the private sector, the type of practice can be defined according to whether the dentists practises alone (solo) or in some arrangement with other dentists (partnership, associateship, assistant or locum).

Table 9 presents the main types of practice of dentists practising mainly in Queensland. Dentists were predominantly practising in the private sector (76.4%), with the major practice type being solo practice (44.1%), followed by associateship (11.6%), partnership (8.4%) and assistant (10.9%). In the public sector the predominant practice type was Dental Hospital (9.3%).

Quite marked differences existed between male and female dentists practising in Queensland according to their main types of practice. A lower percentage of female dentists worked in the private sector types of practice (64.1%) than male dentists (78.8%). This difference was most dramatic in the area of solo practice. In 1995, 24.2% of female dentists practised in solo practice, while 48.1% of male dentists were in solo practice. For assistant types of practice the trend was reversed, with 24.2% of female dentists compared to 8.2% of male dentists being in assistant types of practice. The younger age distribution of female dentists accounts for some of these differences.

There was a higher percentage of female dentists in the public sector in 1995, 30.8% compared with only 17.0% of male dentists.

As most assistant and locum types of practice (in the private sector) and public sector and tertiary education institution types of practice are salaried rather than self-employed practice, it is evident that a higher percentage of female dentists were in salaried employment (59.6%) than male dentists (28.5%).

Table 9:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
main type of practice by sex

Main type of practice	Males		Females		Persons	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Private sector:						
Solo	484	48.1	48	24.2	532	44.1
Partnership	84	8.3	17	8.6	101	8.4
Associateship	127	12.6	13	6.6	140	11.6
Assistant	83	8.2	48	24.2	131	10.9
Locum	16	1.6	1	0.5	17	1.4
Total private sector	794	78.8	127	64.1	921	76.4
Public sector:						
Dental hospital	81	8.0	31	15.7	112	9.3
Other hospital	32	3.2	8	4.0	40	3.3
School Dental Service	31	3.1	12	6.1	43	3.6
Health centre	14	1.4	4	2.0	18	1.5
Other public (+ defence)	13	1.3	6	3.0	19	1.6
Total public sector	171	17.0	61	30.8	232	19.3
Tertiary education institution	17	1.7	8	4.0	25	2.1
Industry	2	0.2	—	—	2	0.2
Other	4	0.4	—	—	4	0.3
Not stated	19	1.9	2	1.0	21	1.7
Total*	1007	100.0	198	100.0	1205	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

In Table 10 this difference is confirmed with well over half (58.6%) of female dentists reporting that they are in mainly salaried employment compared to a quarter (29.3%) of male dentists. In total it can be seen that almost twice as many practising dentists report that they are mainly self-employed (772 or 64.1%) compared to being mainly salaried (411 or 34.1%).

Table 10:
Dentists practising* mainly in Queensland, 1995,
employment status by sex

<i>Employment status</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%</i>
Mainly self-employed	695	69.0	77	38.9	772	64.1
Mainly salaried	295	29.3	116	58.6	411	34.1
Not stated	17	1.7	5	2.5	22	1.8
Total*	1007	100.0	198	100.0	1205	100.0

* excludes 219 not stated practice status

Geographic distribution of dentists practising mainly in Queensland

The geographic distribution of dentists practising mainly in Queensland by regions is presented in Table 11. The regions are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) statistical divisions (outside Brisbane) and subdivisions (in Brisbane) which represent groupings of statistical local areas, and are described in detail in the ABS publication *Age and Sex Distribution of the Estimated Resident Population, Queensland, 1995* (catalogue number 3224.3). A map outlining these is included as Appendix B.

The number of dentists has been converted to rates per 100,000 population. These have incorporated an adjustment to take account of the non-respondents and those who did not state their main practice location.

Over the whole State there was a rate of 40.1 dentists per 100,000 population in 1995. There are clear differences in the population to dentist ratio between regions both within the Metropolitan and Country regions. There is a notable bias toward Brisbane City where 40.5% of dentists practising at their main dental practices were located.

Table 11:
Dentists practising mainly in Queensland, 1995,**
geographic regions of main practice location by sex

Geographic regions	Males		Females		Persons		Population*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	(30 June 1995)	Rate†
Brisbane								
Brisbane City	412	40.9	76	38.4	488	40.5	801,958	68.5
Gold Coast City (Pt A)	7	0.7	3	1.5	10	0.8	39,533	28.5
Beaudesert Shire (Pt A)	1	0.1	—	—	1	0.1	21,876	5.1
Caboolture Shire (Pt A)	16	1.6	5	2.5	21	1.7	91,992	25.7
Ipswich City (Pt A)	20	2.0	5	2.5	25	2.1	118,700	23.7
Logan City	26	2.6	7	3.5	33	2.7	162,500	22.9
Pine Rivers Shire	21	2.1	5	2.5	26	2.2	103,175	28.4
Redcliffe City	18	1.8	2	1.0	20	1.7	49,732	45.3
Redland Shire	17	1.7	7	3.5	24	2.0	99,603	27.1
<i>Total Brisbane</i>	<i>538</i>	<i>53.4</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>55.6</i>	<i>648</i>	<i>53.8</i>	<i>1,489,069</i>	<i>49.0</i>
Non-Metropolitan								
Moreton	169	16.8	29	14.6	198	16.4	584,220	38.2
Wide Bay-Burnett	40	4.0	6	3.0	46	3.8	222,521	23.3
Darling Downs	47	4.7	12	6.1	59	4.9	205,400	32.3
South-West	5	0.5	2	1.0	7	0.6	28,369	27.8
Fitzroy	36	3.6	10	5.1	46	3.8	181,925	25.3
Central-West	3	0.3	1	0.5	4	0.3	12,945	34.8
Mackay	26	2.6	3	1.5	29	2.4	118,733	27.5
Northern	48	4.8	4	2.0	52	4.3	195,314	30.0
Far North***	58	5.8	14	7.1	72	6.0	201,179	40.3
North-West	4	0.4	2	1.0	6	0.5	37,698	17.9
<i>Total Non-Metropolitan</i>	<i>436</i>	<i>43.3</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>41.9</i>	<i>519</i>	<i>43.1</i>	<i>1,788,304</i>	<i>32.7</i>
Not stated	33	3.3	5	2.5	38	3.2		
Total State**	1,007	100.0	198	100.0	1,205	100.0	3,277,373	40.1

* Source - Age and Sex Distribution of the Estimated Resident Population, Queensland, 1995 (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Catalogue Number 3224.3)

** Excludes 219 not stated practice status

*** Includes off-shore

† Dentists per 100,000 population (by main practice) adjusted to take account of non-response and not stated practice location

Some dentists practise at more than one location. By incorporating the estimated hours worked at all practice locations and dividing the total hours in each geographic region by 37.5 hours (the equivalent of a full-time week on the basis of 5 days per week, 7.5 hours per day), full-time equivalent (FTE) dentist figures are derived and presented in Table 12.

Overall the level of 1,262.3 FTE dentists is slightly above the total number of 1,205 practising dentists, thus reflecting that on average dentists are working only fractionally longer than 37.5 hours per week. It can be seen (by comparing the figures in Tables 11 and 12) that the small difference is slightly larger in the non-metropolitan regions. It can therefore be concluded that with dentists practising at more than one location there is little increase in the supply of services to the non-metropolitan regions from dentists whose main practice location is in Brisbane.

Table 12:
Dentists practising in Queensland, 1995,**
geographic regions of full-time equivalent dentists

<i>Geographic regions</i>	<i>FTE Dentists</i>	<i>Population* (30 June 1995)</i>	<i>Rate†</i>
Brisbane			
Brisbane City	498.7	801,958	70.0
Gold Coast City (Pt A)	10.7	39,533	30.5
Beaudesert Shire (Pt A)	1.1	21,876	5.7
Caboolture Shire (Pt A)	21.7	91,992	26.6
Ipswich City (Pt A)	28.3	118,700	26.8
Logan City	35.4	162,500	24.5
Pine Rivers Shire	27.1	103,175	29.6
Redcliffe City	18.4	49,732	41.7
Redland Shire	28.4	99,603	32.1
<i>Total Brisbane</i>	<i>669.7</i>	<i>1,489,069</i>	<i>50.6</i>
Non-Metropolitan			
Moreton	210.2	584,220	40.5
Wide Bay-Burnett	49.9	222,521	25.2
Darling Downs	63.3	205,400	34.7
South-West	6.2	28,369	24.6
Fitzroy	50.8	181,925	31.4
Central-West	4.6	12,945	40.0
Mackay	34.5	118,733	32.7
Northern	56.3	195,314	32.5
Far North***	71.1	201,179	39.8
North-West	7.1	37,698	21.2
<i>Total Non-Metropolitan</i>	<i>553.8</i>	<i>1,788,304</i>	<i>34.9</i>
Not stated			
Total State**	1,262.3	3,277,373	42.0

* Source - Age and Sex Distribution of the Estimated Resident Population, Queensland, 1995 (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Catalogue Number 3224.3)

** Excludes 219 not stated practice status; includes imputation by sex for not stated hours worked

*** Includes off-shore

† FTE dentists per 100,000 population adjusted to take account of non-response and not stated practice location

An examination of the rate per 100,000 population for general practice dentists in Table 13 shows there were 34.5 general practice dentists per 100,000 population.

Table 13:
Dentists practising mainly in Queensland, 1994 and 1995,
rate: dentists per 100,000 population, main area of practice

<i>Area of main practice</i>	<i>Rate†: dentists per 100,000 population*</i>	
	<i>1994</i>	<i>1995</i>
General practice	33.8	34.5
Total practising dentists	39.7	40.1
FTE dentists	n.a.	42.0

* Source - Age and Sex Distribution of the Estimated Resident Population, Queensland, 1995 (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Catalogue Number 3224.3)

† Rate adjusted to take account of non-response and not stated practice location

Languages used professionally in client encounters

Table 14 presents the languages used professionally in client encounters by dentists practising mainly in Queensland. The majority of practising dentists (88.3%) report that they use English only in client encounters. Greek (2.2%) and Italian (2.4%) were the most frequently reported languages used, followed by Cantonese (1.3%). Female dentists reported using languages other than English in client encounters at a higher rate than their male counterparts, with higher levels of Asian languages, German and Other European. Two (0.2%) dentists reported using Aboriginal languages professionally in client encounters.

Table 14:
Dentists practising** mainly in Queensland, 1995,
languages used professionally in client encounters by sex

<i>Languages used</i>	<i>Males</i>		<i>Females</i>		<i>Persons</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>%*</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%*</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>%*</i>
English only	899	89.3	165	83.3	1064	88.3
Greek	22	2.2	5	2.5	27	2.2
Italian	27	2.7	2	1.0	29	2.4
French	12	1.2	1	0.5	13	1.1
German	7	0.7	3	1.5	10	0.8
Other European	13	1.3	10	5.1	23	1.9
Cantonese	11	1.1	5	2.5	16	1.3
Mandarin	4	0.4	5	2.5	9	0.7
Indonesian Malay	7	0.7	1	0.5	8	0.7
Vietnamese	4	0.4	2	1.0	6	0.5
Other Asian	16	1.6	7	3.5	23	1.9
Aboriginal languages	2	0.2	—	—	2	0.2
Other	2	0.2	—	—	2	0.2
Total**	1,007	100.0	198	100.0	1,205	100.0

* Percentages add to more than 100.0% as more than one language used professionally in client encounters.

** excludes 219 not stated practice status

APPENDIX A
Annual questionnaire

DENTAL LABOURFORCE ANNUAL SURVEY QUEENSLAND 1995

PLEASE TICK THE BOXES AND/OR WRITE RESPONSES, WHERE APPROPRIATE, IN THE SPACES PROVIDED

1. Do you appear on the latest register or roll of dentists in another Australian State or Territory? Yes 1 No 2

If Yes, please specify the States of registration by ticking all appropriate boxes.

NSW 1 VIC 2 SA 4 WA 5 TAS 6 NT 7 ACT 8

2. Are you an Australian citizen? Yes 1 No 2
If No, do you have permanent resident status in Australia? Yes 1 No 2

3. Have you ever practised dentistry in Queensland? Yes 1 No 2
If Yes, what year did you first commence practising in Queensland?

4. Which of the following best describes your current work status?
Tick one box, then go to the question indicated.

Working in Dentistry includes the practice of dentistry, or work that is principally concerned with the discipline of dentistry, eg. dental research, administration, or the teaching of dentistry. Also included are those normally working in dentistry but currently on leave (including maternity and other extended leave).

Working in Dentistry

- Only in Qld 1 ⇨ Go to Question 6
Mainly in Qld but also working in other State(s)/Territories 2 ⇨ Go to Question 6, but answer all further questions only in respect of your work in Qld
Mainly in other State(s)/Territories but also in Qld 3 ⇨

- Only in State(s)/Territories other than Qld 4 ⇨ Go to Question 14
Working overseas 5 ⇨ Go to Question 14

Not Working in Dentistry

- Not in paid work & not looking for paid work 6 ⇨ Go to Question 14
Not in paid work but looking for paid work 7 ⇨ Go to Question 5
In paid work but not in dentistry 8 ⇨ Go to Question 5

5. Are you looking for paid work in dentistry in Queensland? Yes 1 No 2

If Yes: Either full or part-time 1 Full-time 2 Part-time 3

Full-time: 35 hours or more per week
Part-time: less than 35 hours per week

GO TO QUESTION 14

6. Are you at present? Please tick one box only
Mainly self-employed 1 Mainly salaried 2

7. Please provide the suburb location, postcode and hours usually worked per week in your Queensland job(s)/location(s). For hours usually worked per week exclude time spent on travel between work locations (except travel to home visits or other call outs) and exclude unpaid professional and/or voluntary activities. Indicate the main, 2nd or 3rd job in order of the hours worked. Please estimate as best as you can.

	MAIN LOCATION	2nd LOCATION (If applicable)	3rd LOCATION (If applicable)
Suburb			
Postcode			
Direct patient care hours per week			
Total hours usually worked per week			

8. Please indicate the main type of practice in which you work. If you have more than one job or location in the area of dentistry, indicate the main type of practice for each job or location.

(Tick one box in each column only)

TYPE OF PRACTICE	Main Location	2nd Location	3rd Location	
Private Practice Solo	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	NOTE: If you conduct private practice in a public health location (eg rent rooms in a health centre), please indicate the type of private practice that most closely represents your working arrangements.
Solo principal with assistant(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
Associateship	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
Assistant	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
Locum	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	
Public Practice Dental hospital	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	
Other hospital	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	
School dental service	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	
Health centre	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	
Defence forces	<input type="checkbox"/> 11	<input type="checkbox"/> 11	<input type="checkbox"/> 11	
Other public	<input type="checkbox"/> 12	<input type="checkbox"/> 12	<input type="checkbox"/> 12	
Tertiary education institution	<input type="checkbox"/> 13	<input type="checkbox"/> 13	<input type="checkbox"/> 13	
Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> 14	<input type="checkbox"/> 14	<input type="checkbox"/> 14	
Other (Please specify) <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 15	<input type="checkbox"/> 15	<input type="checkbox"/> 15	

9. Please indicate the main area of dentistry in which you work. If you have more than one job or practice location in the area of dentistry, indicate Main, 2nd or 3rd job in order of hours worked.

(Tick one box in each column only)

	Main Location	2nd Location	3rd Location	
General practice	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	NOTE: "Registered specialist practice" is the practice of a dentist who is recognised by the Dental Board of Queensland as a specialist practitioner in one special branch of dentistry. "Registered practice" is the practice of a dentist who (though not registered as a specialist practitioner) has limited his/her practice entirely to one special branch of dentistry recognised by the Dental Board of Queensland.
Registered specialist practice	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
Registered practice	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
Teaching/Education	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
Research	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	
Other - dentistry related (Please specify) <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	

10. If you are in Registered specialist practice or Registered practice, what is your speciality?

Orthodontics <input type="checkbox"/> 1	Endodontics <input type="checkbox"/> 5	Paedodontics <input type="checkbox"/> 9
Oral surgery <input type="checkbox"/> 2	Prosthodontics <input type="checkbox"/> 6	Conservative dentistry <input type="checkbox"/> 10
Oral pathology <input type="checkbox"/> 3	Prosthodontics (removable) <input type="checkbox"/> 7	
Periodontics <input type="checkbox"/> 4	Prosthodontics (fixed) <input type="checkbox"/> 8	

11. What languages do you currently use professionally in client encounters? Office Use

English only 1 Other (in addition to English) (please specify)

12. Are you presently undertaking formal specialty training? Yes 1 No 2

(If Yes, please specify)

13. Do you employ a dental hygienist? Yes 1 No 2

If Yes, please state the average number of hours per week for which the hygienist is employed. hrs

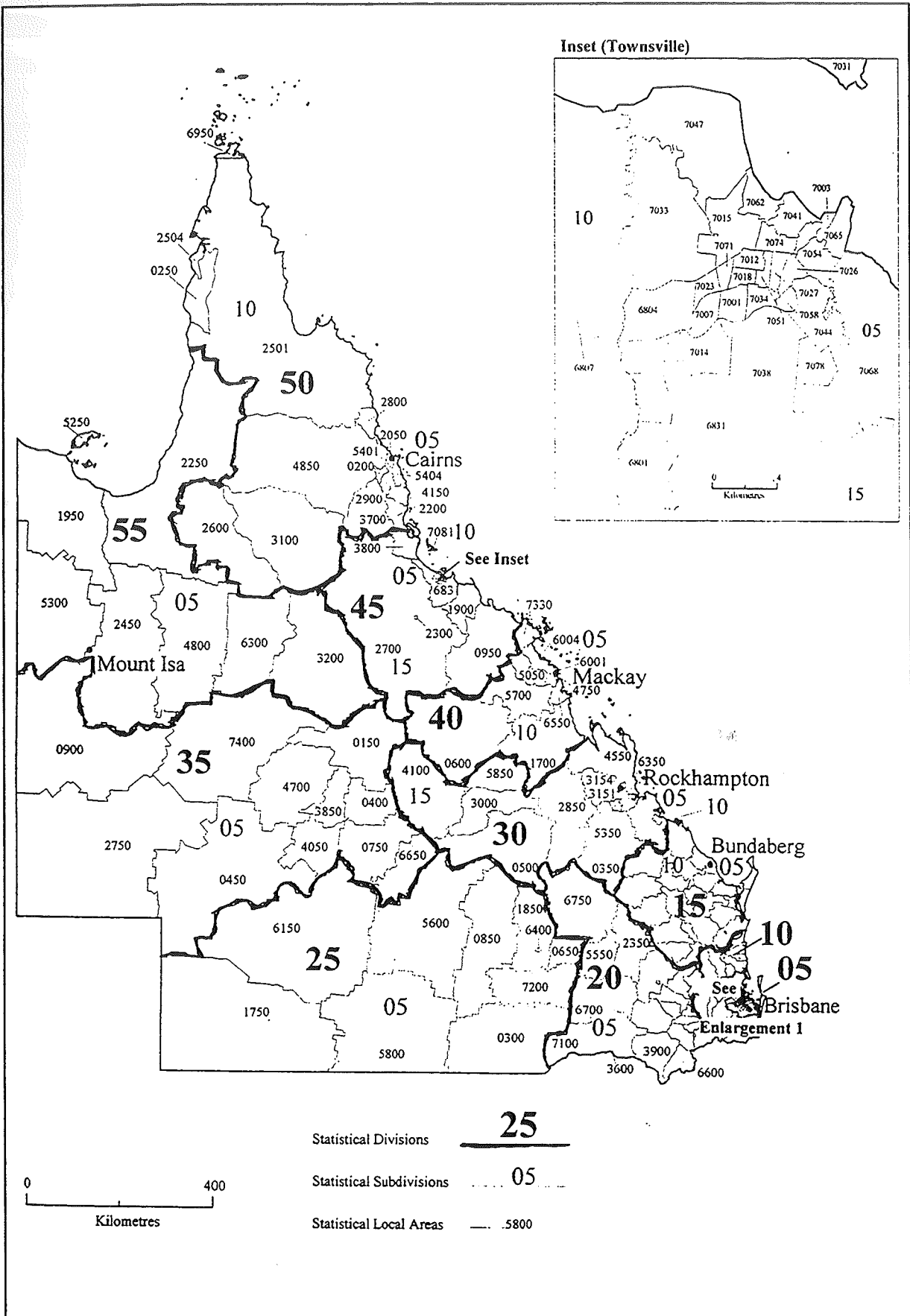
14. PLEASE CHECK THE FOLLOWING DETAILS AND AMEND OR COMPLETE WHERE NECESSARY.

- | | |
|--|---------------------|
| 1. REGISTRATION NUMBER | 2. DATE OF BIRTH |
| 3. SEX | 4. COUNTRY OF BIRTH |
| 5. YEAR FIRST REGISTERED AS A DENTIST IN AUSTRALIA | |
| 6. QUALIFICATIONS GAINED RELATED TO DENTISTRY | |

QUALIFICATION
INSTITUTION/COUNTRY
YEAR OBTAINED

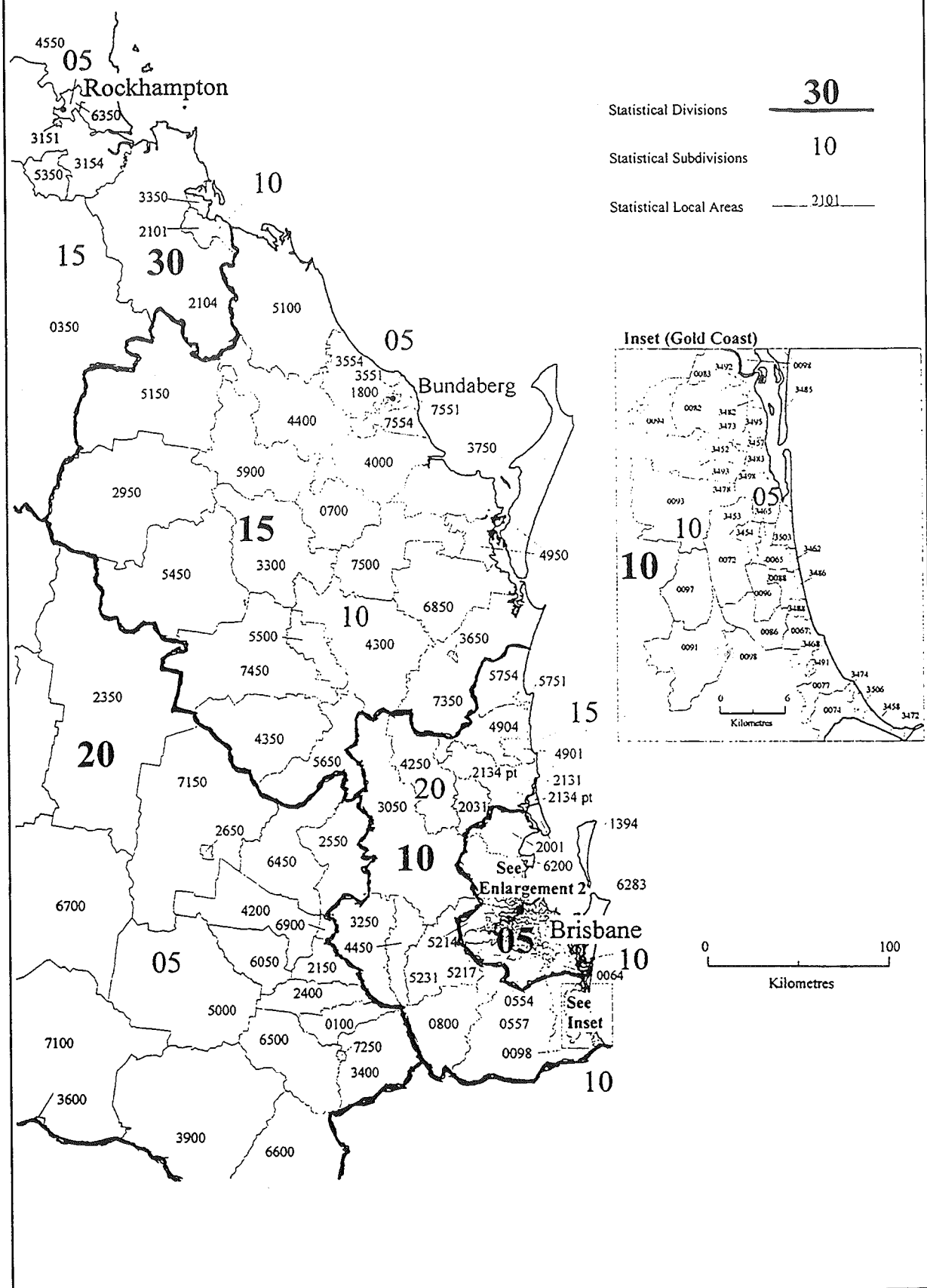
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONTRIBUTION

APPENDIX B
Map of Queensland divisional boundaries*

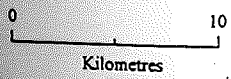
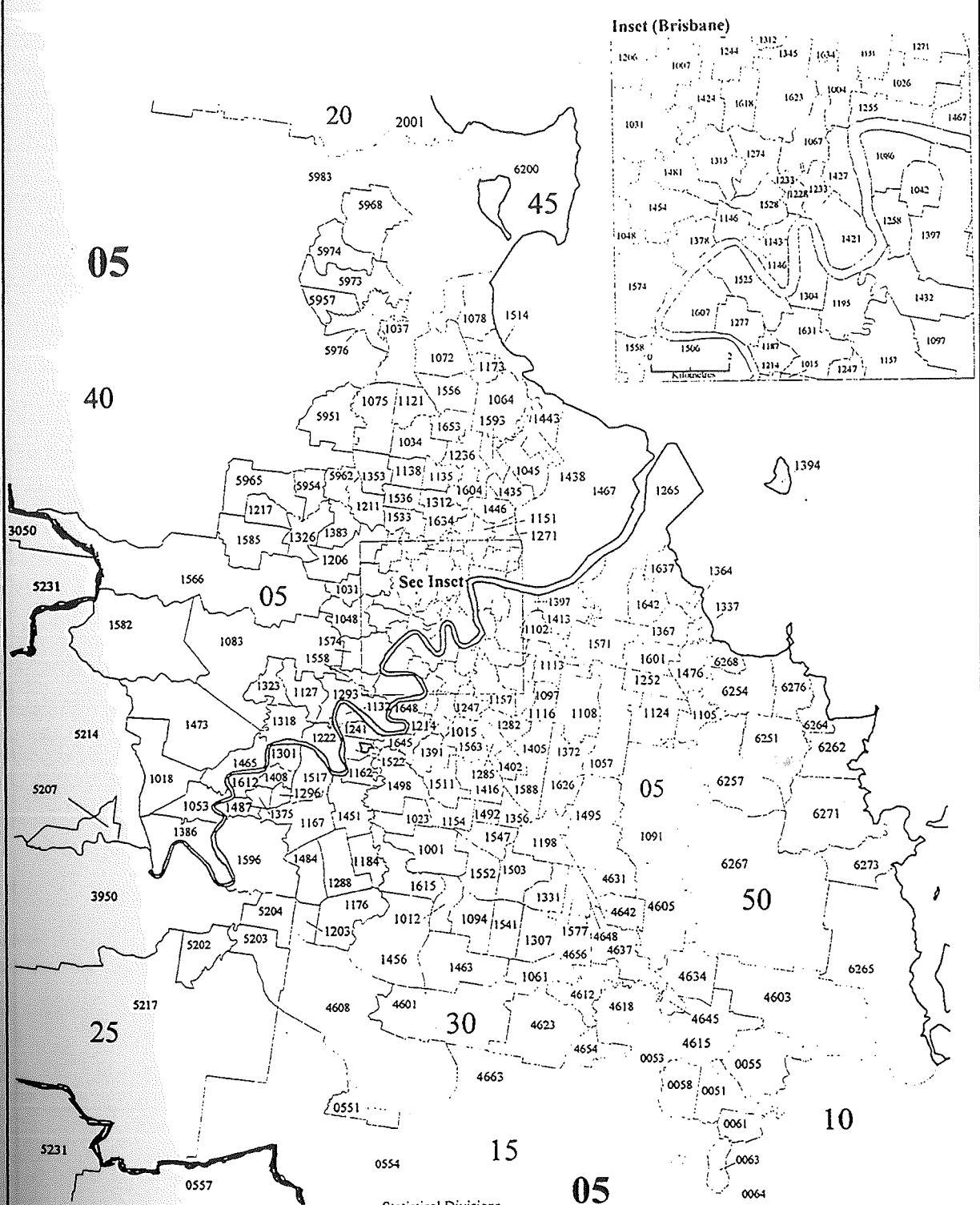


*Source - Australian Bureau of Statistics, ASGC edition 2.1, 1 January 1992.

Queensland - Enlargement 1



Queensland - Enlargement 2



Statistical Divisions	05
Statistical Subdivisions	15
Statistical Local Areas	0554

SD	SD Name
05	Brisbane
10	Morston
15	Wide Bay-Burnett
20	Darling Downs
25	South West
30	Fitzroy
35	Central West
40	Mackay
45	Northern
50	Far North
55	North West

SSD	SSD Name
0503	Brisbane City
0510	Albert Shire Part A
0515	Beaudesert Shire Part A
0520	Caboolture Shire Part A
0525	Ipswich-Morston Shire Part A
0530	Logan City
0540	Pine Rivers Shire
0545	Rodcliffe City
0550	Rodland Shire
1005	Gold Coast City
1010	Albert Shire Part B
1015	Sunshine Coast
1020	Maree SD Bal
1505	Bundaberg
1510	Wide Bay-Burnett SD Bal
2005	Darling Downs
2505	South West
3005	Rockhampton
3010	Gladstone
3015	Fitzroy SD Bal
3505	Central West
4005	Mackay
4010	Mackay SD Bal
4505	Townsville City
4510	Thuringowa City Part A
4515	Northern SD Bal
5005	Cairns
5010	Far North SD Bal
5505	North West

SLA	SLA Name
0051	Boonleigh
0053	Bothania-Waterford
0055	Engleby
0058	Edens Landing-Holmview
0061	Mt Warren Park
0063	Windaroo-Banookburn
0064	Albert (S) Bal in BSD
0065	Broadbeach Waters
0067	Burleigh Waters
0072	Cairns-Merrimac
0074	Currumbin Waters
0077	Elanora
0082	Helensvale
0083	Hope Island
0086	Kerrydale-Stephens
0088	Mermaid Waters
0091	Mudgerahba
0093	Nerang
0094	Oxenford
0096	Robina-Clear Island Water
0097	Woronangary-Tallai
0098	Albert (S) Pt B Bal
0100	Albora (S)
0150	Aramac (S)
0200	Atherton (S)
0250	Aurukun (S)
0300	Balonne (S)
0350	Banana (S)
0400	Barcaldine (S)
0450	Barcoo (S)
0500	Baibania (S)
0551	Greenbank - Pt A
0554	Beaudesert (S) Bal in BSD
0557	Beaudesert (S) Pt B
0600	Belyando (S)
0650	Bendmere (S)
0700	Biggenden (S)
0750	Blackall (S)
0800	Boonah (S)
0850	Booronga (S)
0900	Bostha (S)
0950	Bowen (S)
1001	Acacia Ridge
1004	Alton
1007	Alderley
1012	Alphington
1015	Annerley
1018	Ansley (incl. Moggill SF)
1023	Archerfield
1026	Asot
1031	Ashgrove
1034	Astley
1037	Bald Hills
1042	Balrornal
1045	Banyo
1048	Baroona
1053	Bellbowrie
1057	Balmuccia-Mackenzie
1061	Berrina

SLA	SLA Name
1064	Boondall
1067	Bowen Hills
1072	Brocken Ridge
1075	Bridgeman Downs
1078	Brighton
1083	Brookfield (incl. Mt Ciba Pk)
1086	Bulimba
1091	Burbank
1094	Calamvale
1097	Camp Hill
1102	Cannon Hill
1105	Capelaba West
1108	Canindale
1113	Carina
1116	Carina Heights
1121	Carlsbad
1124	Chandler
1127	Chapel Hill
1132	Chelmer
1135	Chermside
1138	Chermside West
1143	City - Inner
1146	City - Remainder
1151	Clayfield
1154	Coopers Plains
1157	Coorparoo
1162	Corinda
1167	Daru-Sumner
1173	Deagon
1176	Doolandella
1184	Durack
1187	Dutton Park
1195	East Brisbane
1198	Eight Mile Plains
1203	Ellen Grove
1206	Enoggera (incl. Mtry Camp)
1211	Everton Park
1214	Fairfield
1217	Ferry Grove
1222	Fig Tree Pocket
1228	Fortitude Valley - Inner
1233	Fortitude Valley - Remainder
1236	Geelong
1241	Grazeville
1244	Grange
1247	Greenslopes
1252	Gumdale
1255	Hamilton
1258	Hawthorne
1265	Hemmant-Lytton
1271	Herston
1274	Herston
1277	Highgate Hill
1282	Holland Park
1285	Holland Park West
1288	Inala
1293	Indooroopilly
1296	Jamboree Heights
1301	Jindalee
1304	Kangaroo Point
1307	Karawatha
1312	Kedron
1315	Kevin Grove
1318	Kenmore
1323	Kenmore Hills
1326	Keppera
1331	Kuraby
1337	Lota
1345	Lutwyche
1353	McDowall
1356	MacGregor
1364	Manly
1367	Manly West
1372	Mansfield
1375	Middle Park
1378	Milton
1383	Mitchelton
1386	Moggill
1391	Moorebank
1394	Morston Island
1397	Morningside
1402	Mount Gravatt
1405	Mount Gravatt East
1408	Mount Ommaney
1413	Murrumbidgee
1416	Nathan
1421	New Farm
1424	Newmarket
1427	Newstead
1432	Norman Park
1435	Northgate
1438	Nudgee
1443	Nudgee Beach
1446	Nundah
1451	Oxley
1454	Paddington
1456	Pallares-Heathwood-Larapin
1463	Parkinson-Drewvale
1465	Pinarra Hills
1467	Pinkneys-Eagle Farm
1473	Pullenvale
1476	Ransome
1481	Red Hill
1484	Richlands
1487	Riverhills
1492	Robertson
1495	Rochedale
1498	Rocklea
1503	Runcorn

SLA	SLA Name
1506	St Lucia
1511	Salisbury
1514	Sandgate
1517	Seventeen Mile Rocks
1522	Sherwood
1525	South Brisbane
1528	Spring Hill
1533	Stafford
1536	Stafford Heights
1541	Stretton
1547	Sunnybank
1552	Sunnybank Hills
1556	Taigum-Fitzgibbon
1558	Taringa
1563	Tarragindi
1566	The Gap (incl. Enoggera SF)
1571	Tingalpa
1574	Toowong
1577	Underwood - Pt A
1582	Upper Brookfield
1585	Upper Kedron
1588	Upper Mount Gravatt
1593	Virginia
1596	Wacol
1601	Wakerley
1604	Wavell Heights
1607	West End
1612	Westlake
1615	Wilshung
1618	Wilton
1623	Windsor
1626	Wishart
1631	Woolongabba
1634	Wooloowin
1637	Wynnum
1642	Wynnum West
1645	Yeerongpilly
1648	Yeronga
1653	Zillmere
1700	Broodsworth (S)
1750	Bullon (S)
1800	Hundaberg (C)
1850	Hungli (S)
1900	Innickin (S)
1950	Ingle (S)
2001	Caboolture (S) Pt A
2031	Caboolture (S) Pt B
2050	Cairns (C)
2101	Calliope (S) Pt A
2104	Calliope (S) Pt B
2131	Cakandra (C) Pt A
2134	Cakandra (C) Pt B
2150	Cariboua (S)
2200	Cardwell (S)
2250	Carpentaria (S)
2300	Charters Towers (C)
2350	Chimchilla (S)
2400	Clifton (S)
2450	Cloncurry (S)
2501	Cook (S) (excl. Weipa)
2504	Cook (S) Weipa only
2550	Cross's Nest (S)
2600	Crossin (S)
2650	Dalby (T)
2700	Dalrymple (S)
2750	Diamantina (S)
2800	Douglas (S)
2850	Duaringa (S)
2900	Eaucha (S)
2950	Eidsvold (S)
3000	Emerald (S)
3050	Est (S)
3100	Eiberidge (S)
3151	Fitzroy (S) Pt A
3154	Fitzroy (S) Pt B
3200	Findon (S)
3250	Gatton (S)
3300	Gaydah (S)
3350	Gladstone (C)
3400	Glenallan (S)
3452	Arundel
3453	Ashmore
3454	Benowa
3457	Diggera Waters
3458	Bilinga
3462	Broadbeach
3465	Dundall
3468	Burleigh Heads
3472	Cookangatta
3473	Cowanbah
3474	Currumbin
3478	Ernest-Mulendinar
3482	Hollywell
3483	Labrador
3485	Main Beach-Broadwater
3486	Mermaid Beach
3488	Miami
3491	Palm Beach
3492	Paradise Point
3493	Parkwood
3495	Runaway Bay
3498	Southport
3503	Surfers Paradise
3506	Tugun
3551	Gooburrum (S) Pt A
3554	Gooburrum (S) Pt B
3600	Goodwindi (T)
3650	Gympie (C)
3700	Herberton (S)

SLA	SLA Name	SLA	SLA Name
3750	Hervey Bay (C)	6900	Toowoomba (C)
3800	Hinchinbrook (S)	6950	Torres (S)
3850	Hillgrove (S)	7001	Aitkenvale
3900	Inglewood (S)	7003	City
3950	Ipswich (C)	7007	Crunbrook
4000	Isis (S)	7012	Currajong
4050	Isisford (S)	7014	Douglas
4100	Jericho (S)	7015	Garbutt
4150	Johnstone (S)	7018	Gulliver
4200	Jondaryan (S)	7023	Heasley
4250	Kilcoy (S)	7026	Hermil Park
4300	Kilkivan (S)	7027	Hyde Park-Mysterton
4350	Kingaroy (S)	7031	Magnetic Island
4400	Kolan (S)	7033	Mt Louisa-Mt St John-Dohle
4450	Laidley (S)	7034	Mundingburra
4550	Livingstone (S)	7038	Murray
4601	Browns Plains	7041	North Ward-Castle Hill
4603	Carbrook-Cornubia	7044	Oonoonba-Idalia-Cluden
4605	Daisy Hill-Priestdale	7047	Pallarenda-Shelley Beach
4608	Greenbank - Pt B	7051	Pinalco
4612	Kingston	7054	Railway Estate
4615	Loganholme	7058	Rosslea
4618	Logansia	7062	Roxes Bay-Belgian Gardens
4623	Marsden	7065	South Townsville
4631	Rochdale South	7068	Stuart-Rosemeath
4634	Shailer Park	7071	Vincent
4637	Slacks Creek	7074	West End
4642	Springwood	7078	Wulguru
4645	Tanah Merah	7081	Townsville (C) Bal
4648	Underwood - Pt B	7100	Waggamba (S)
4654	Waterford West	7150	Wambo (S)
4656	Woodridge	7200	Warroo (S)
4663	Logan (C) Bal	7250	Warwick (C)
4700	Longreach (S)	7330	Whitsunday (S)
4750	Mackay (C)	7350	Widgee (S)
4800	McKinlay (S)	7400	Winton (S)
4850	Mareeba (S)	7450	Wondai (S)
4901	Marrowby (S)- Pt A	7500	Woocoo (S)
4904	Maryooby (S)- Pt B	7551	Woongarra (S)- Pt A
4950	Maryborough (C)	7554	Woongarra (S)- Pt B
5000	Millmerran (S)	8800	Unincorp. Islands (not shown)
5050	Mirani (S)		
5100	Miriam Vale (S)		
5150	Monto (S)		
5202	Belbird Park		
5203	Canira		
5204	Carole Park		
5207	Karalee		
5214	Moreton (S) Bal in BSD - Nth		
5217	Moreton (S) Bal in BSD - Sth		
5231	Murteen (S)- Pt B		
5250	Murrumbidgee (S)		
5300	Mount Isa (C)		
5350	Mount Morgan (S)		
5401	Mulgrave (S)- Pt A		
5404	Mulgrave (S)- Pt B		
5450	Mundubbera (S)		
5500	Murgoo (S)		
5550	Murrilla (S)		
5600	Murweh (S)		
5650	Nanango (S)		
5700	Neba (S)		
5751	Noosa (S)- Pt A		
5754	Noosa (S)- Pt B		
5800	Panvo (S)		
5850	Peak Downs (S)		
5900	Perry (S)		
5951	Albany Creek		
5954	Arma Hills		
5957	Bray Park		
5962	Everton Hills		
5965	Ferny Hills		
5968	Kallangur		
5973	Lawnnton		
5974	Petrie		
5976	Strathpine		
5983	Pine Rivers (S) Bal		
6001	Pioneer (S)- Pt A		
6004	Pioneer (S)- Pt B		
6050	Pittsworth (S)		
6150	Quilpie (S)		
6200	Redcliffe (C)		
6251	Alexandra Hills		
6254	Birkdale		
6257	Capalaba		
6262	Cleveland		
6264	Ormsiston		
6265	Redland Bay		
6267	Sheldon-Mt Cotton		
6268	Thorneside		
6271	Thornlands		
6273	Victoria Point		
6276	Wellington Point		
6283	Redland (S) Bal		
6300	Richmond (S)		
6350	Rockhampton (C)		
6400	Roma (T)		
6450	Rosalie (S)		
6500	Rosenthal (S)		
6550	Sarna (S)		
6600	Stanthorpe (S)		
6650	Tambo (S)		
6700	Tara (S)		
6750	Taroom (S)		
6801	Kelso		
6804	Kirwan		
6807	Thuringowa (C)- Pt A Bal		
6831	Thuringowa (C)- Pt B		
6850	Tiaro (S)		