

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**on administration of the**  
***Foreign Ownership of Land Register Act 1988***

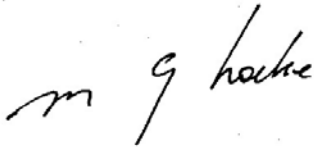
This report is provided in accordance with Section 16(1) of the *Foreign Ownership of Land Register Act 1988* (Qld) (the Act) and covers titles registry operations for the period 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009.

All foreigners, as defined in the Act, are required to notify the Registrar of Titles of any acquisition or disposal of land or an interest in land. Notifications given in compliance with these requirements are maintained in the Foreign Ownership of Land Register. Foreign ownership of land in the state is monitored to the extent of the notifications received.

Registry statistics compiled from notifications of acquisition and disposal reveal that, as at 30 June 2009, foreign owned interests in land totalled 3,893,558 hectares, and represented 2.24% of the state's land area.

There are 137 countries of origin recorded in the register.

Information held in the register is accessible through Department of Environment and Resource Management business centres. Revenue generated from searches conducted and reports provided during 2008-09 totalled \$9920.00.



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### 1. Value of annual acquisitions

2006/07		2007/08		2008/09	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	252,149,486	United Kingdom	466,353,667	United Kingdom	143,841,791
New Zealand	141,961,977	New Zealand	156,225,807	Switzerland	89,297,860
Japan	86,169,731	USA	150,216,133	South Africa	86,951,582
Netherlands	75,499,000	Korea Republic of	124,039,885	Singapore	83,035,432
USA	54,844,730	Canada	96,414,638	USA	65,389,262
Malaysia	51,782,500	Cayman Islands	88,000,000	New Zealand	59,334,554
Others	402,139,195	Others	676,059,034	Others	605,881,805
Total	1,064,546,619	Total	1,757,309,164	Total	1,133,732,236

Table 1 shows the six countries with the highest recorded value of annual acquisitions of land during each of the last three financial years.

### 2. Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June\*

2007		2008		2009	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	491,157	United Kingdom	492,738	United Kingdom	1,488,434
USA	209,878	USA	212,350	USA	416,088
Japan	142,761	Japan	138,594	FRG	298,908
FRG	111,630	FRG	111,724	Netherlands	292,466
Netherlands	100,548	Netherlands	100,844	Switzerland	254,274
Switzerland	46,733	Switzerland	49,206	Hong Kong	237,475
Others	193,393	Others	248,225	Others	905,913
Total	1,296,100	Total	1,353,681	Total	3,893,558

Table 2 shows the six countries with the highest recorded land ownership by area as at 30 June for each of the last three years.

\*Approximate areas only.

### 3. Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June

2007		2008		2009	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	5,470	United Kingdom	5,731	United Kingdom	5,874
New Zealand	2,702	New Zealand	2,820	New Zealand	2,669
Japan	2,507	Japan	2,490	Japan	2,429
USA	2,034	USA	2,041	USA	2,019
Singapore	1,183	Singapore	1,183	Singapore	1,305
FRG	1,072	FRG	1,094	FRG	1,093
Others	7,078	Others	7,720	Others	8,491
Total	22,046	Total	23,079	Total	23,880

Table 3 shows the six countries with the highest recorded ownership of land parcels as at 30 June for each of the last three years.

Code	Country
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany
USA	United States of America

## Foreign Ownership of Land Register – Additional Report (by local government area)

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2008/09 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/08 – 30/6/09)					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns Regional Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	\$28,816,115	United Kingdom	\$11,550,558	Singapore	\$59,775,587
China	\$24,754,100	South Africa	\$11,318,433	RF	\$36,143,800
South Africa	\$23,170,050	PNG	\$9,807,100	Japan	\$28,597,312
Canada	\$14,261,645	Japan	\$4,255,700	China	\$27,363,450
Singapore	\$14,189,460	New Zealand	\$3,270,000	South Africa	\$27,326,265
Belgium	\$10,300,000	Singapore	\$2,237,450	Korea, Republic of	\$25,827,500
Korea, Republic of	\$5,871,500	Hong Kong	\$912,000	United Kingdom	\$18,523,150
New Zealand	\$5,370,975	Switzerland	\$780,000	New Caledonia	\$16,912,500
Malaysia	\$4,143,500	China	\$772,500	New Zealand	\$16,002,773
Others	\$27,858,849	Others	\$3,679,000	Others	\$54,828,612
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$158,736,194</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$48,582,741</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$311,300,949</b>

NOTE: The following two tables depict the status of the Register as at 30 June 2009.

TOTAL LAND AREA OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2009					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	630	Hong Kong	1116	USA	983
USA	341	Belgium	493	Japan	839
Mexico	222	United Kingdom	405	New Zealand	830
Singapore	213	Japan	286	Mexico	535
Hong Kong	127	Italy	91	New Caledonia	400
Korea, Republic of	125	Ireland	91	South Africa	308
Netherlands	41	China	90	Malaysia	261
Japan	39	Philippines	89	Singapore	244
Canada	35	Malaysia	81	United Kingdom	229
Others	169	Others	252	Others	599
<b>Total</b>	<b>1942</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2994</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>5228</b>

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2009					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	497	Japan	265	New Zealand	1224
Singapore	290	United Kingdom	254	Singapore	677
Hong Kong	288	New Zealand	113	Japan	633
New Zealand	278	USA	87	United Kingdom	490
United States	221	PNG	69	New Caledonia	368
China	206	Hong Kong	45	South Africa	299
Malaysia	138	Singapore	38	Malaysia	253
South Africa	109	South Africa	31	USA	228
Taiwan	99	Belgium	24	China	214
Others	935	Others	230	Others	1666
<b>Total</b>	<b>3061</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1156</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>6052</b>

Code	Country	Code	Country
USA	United States of America	RF	Russian Federation
PNG	Papua New Guinea		

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2008/09 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/08– 30/6/09)					
Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
South Africa	\$2,434,000	New Zealand	\$4,376,000	New Zealand	\$2,928,097
United Kingdom	\$2,423,500	United Kingdom	\$1,537,500	Singapore	\$2,909,900
FRG	\$1,990,000	Canada	\$750,000	United Kingdom	\$2,385,300
New Zealand	\$542,500	India	\$690,000	China	\$1,830,250
Canada	\$224,000	South Africa	\$578,000	New Caledonia	\$490,000
		FRG	\$470,000	Taiwan	\$380,000
		Switzerland	\$465,000	India	\$358,725
		USA	\$389,000	Malaysia	\$333,000
		Mauritius	\$355,000	Romania	\$187,500
		Others	\$875,250	Others	\$277,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,614,000</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,485,750</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,080,272</b>

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Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
FRG	32	USA	878	Philippines	1,862
Singapore	16	United Kingdom	439	Japan	221
United Kingdom	8	Mexico	223	Bermuda	126
Canada	7	Cyprus	54	PNG	117
New Zealand	5	Switzerland	52	Taiwan	36
USA	5	Korea, Republic of	24	United Kingdom	30
Hong Kong	4	Netherlands	13	Malaysia	24
South Africa	2	FRG	9	USA	24
Iceland	1	New Zealand	6	Switzerland	18
Others	6	Others	16	Others	91
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1714</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2549</b>

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2009					
Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	86	Netherlands	119	New Zealand	81
New Zealand	54	Singapore	109	Singapore	63
FRG	25	UAE	104	United Kingdom	57
USA	19	United Kingdom	59	Hong Kong	32
South Africa	16	New Zealand	48	USA	29
Singapore	15	USA	23	China	25
Hong Kong	13	Mexico	11	Malaysia	20
China	11	South Africa	9	Philippines	19
Malaysia	8	FRG	8	Japan	18
Others	71	Others	71	Others	109
<b>Total</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>453</b>

Code	Country	Code	Country
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany	USA	United States of America
PNG	Papua New Guinea	UAE	United Arab Emirates

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2007/09 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/08 – 30/6/09)					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	\$2,162,500	United Kingdom	\$21,922,580	South Africa	\$4,076,000
India	\$1,000,950	New Zealand	\$18,884,908	FRG	\$2,860,000
New Zealand	\$355,000	South Africa	\$6,757,833	United Kingdom	\$1,774,000
		Singapore	\$2,855,535	USA	\$1,751,500
		New Caledonia	\$2,755,000	Singapore	\$850,000
		Hong Kong	\$2,407,679	New Zealand	\$435,000
		Netherlands	\$1,373,429	Indonesia	\$375,000
		Canada	\$1,361,333	China	\$267,500
		Ireland	\$1,012,075	Sri Lanka	\$211,500
		Others	\$4,225,390	Others	\$640,250
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,518,450</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$63,555,762</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,240,750</b>

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Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
Japan	7,936	United Kingdom	1,049	United Kingdom	404
FRG	7168	New Zealand	352	Japan	376
Malta	4,288	Belgium	351	USA	316
United Kingdom	2,584	UAE	239	France	141
Malaysia	2,461	USA	236	Malaysia	119
USA	807	Mexico	169	FRG	115
India	102	FRG	141	Mexico	95
Mexico	76	Canada	117	Canada	14
New Zealand	63	South Africa	78	New Zealand	9
Others	25	Others	439	Others	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>25510</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>3171</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1613</b>

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2009					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
Malaysia	98	United Kingdom	442	New Zealand	61
Malta	94	New Zealand	355	United Kingdom	41
United Kingdom	88	Japan	149	USA	25
Japan	47	USA	137	Japan	23
USA	44	FRG	52	Singapore	18
FRG	43	Hong Kong	42	South Africa	18
Netherlands	21	South Africa	39	FRG	13
Mexico	10	Canada	35	China	10
Ireland	9	Netherlands	27	Malaysia	9
Others	69	Others	235	Others	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1513</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>293</b>

Code	Country	Code	Country
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany	UAE	United Arab Emirates
USA	United States of America		

<b>Value of annual acquisitions during 2008/09 financial year (1/7/08 – 30/6/09)</b>	
<b>Moreton Bay Regional Council</b>	
<b>Country</b>	<b>Value (A\$)</b>
United Kingdom	\$6,517,900
South Africa	\$3,532,500
New Zealand	\$1,883,000
China	\$1,578,500
New Caledonia	\$517,500
Philippines	\$500,000
Ireland	\$465,000
Canada	\$419,250
Malaysia	\$362,500
Others	\$728,666
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,504,816</b>

**NOTE:** The following two tables depict the status of the Register as at 30 June 2009.

<b>Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2009</b>	
<b>Moreton Bay Regional Council</b>	
<b>Country</b>	<b>Area (ha)</b>
Singapore	430
Mexico	234
United Kingdom	109
USA	49
Italy	30
Taiwan	25
New Zealand	17
Belgium	12
South Africa	11
Others	51
<b>Total</b>	<b>968</b>

<b>Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2009</b>	
<b>Moreton Bay Regional Council</b>	
<b>Country</b>	<b>Number</b>
New Zealand	239
United Kingdom	143
USA	63
Singapore	31
South Africa	21
China	20
FRG	18
Netherlands	14
Philippines	13
Others	118
<b>Total</b>	<b>680</b>

<b>Code</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Country</b>
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany	USA	United States of America