

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 2009 to 30 June 2010.

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 2010, foreign owned interests in land totalled 4,444,469 hectares, and represented 2.56% of the state's land area.

There are 135 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 2009 -10 totalled \$5527.00.

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1. Value of annual acquisitions

2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	466,353,667	United Kingdom	143,841,791	Korea Republic of	217,632,306
New Zealand	156,225,807	Switzerland	89,297,860	Singapore	213,651,718
USA	150,216,133	South Africa	86,951,582	China	150,251,016
Korea Republic of	124,039,885	Singapore	83,035,432	United Kingdom	112,828,426
Canada	96,414,638	USA	65,389,262	Switzerland	97,103,492
Cayman Islands	88,000,000	New Zealand	59,334,554	Netherlands	59,784,696
Others	676,059,034	Others	605,881,805	Others	360,123,303
Total	1,757,309,164	Total	1,133,732,236	Total	1,211,374,957

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*

2008		2009		2010	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	492,738	United Kingdom	1,488,434	United Kingdom	2,031,659
USA	212,350	USA	416,088	USA	426,852
Japan	138,594	FRG	298,908	FRG	304,169
FRG	111,724	Netherlands	292,466	Netherlands	289,977
Netherlands	100,844	Switzerland	254,274	Switzerland	251,574
Switzerland	49,206	Hong Kong	237,475	Hong Kong	233,713
Others	248,225	Others	905,913	Others	906,525
Total	1,353,681	Total	3,893,558	Total	4,444,469

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

2008		2009		2010	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	5731	United Kingdom	5874	United Kingdom	5795
New Zealand	2820	New Zealand	2669	New Zealand	2599
Japan	2490	Japan	2429	Japan	2370
USA	2041	USA	2019	USA	1995
Singapore	1183	Singapore	1305	Singapore	1187
FRG	1094	FRG	1093	FRG	1085
Others	7720	Others	8491	Others	8669
Total	23,079	Total	23,880	Total	23,700

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
USA	United States of America
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany

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Annual Value of Acquisitions					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns Regional Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
Singapore	\$120,470,810	PNG	\$17,168,000	Korea, Republic of	\$190,506,147
Switzerland	\$93,774,742	United Kingdom	\$9,052,094	Singapore	\$90,058,608
China	\$38,290,837	China	\$6,822,999	China	\$36,063,176
Korea, Republic of	\$25,107,389	South Africa	\$3,079,725	New Caledonia	\$30,342,650
Sweden	\$14,402,658	New Zealand	\$2,209,689	South Africa	\$29,135,650
PNG	\$9,965,000	Singapore	\$2,172,800	New Zealand	\$21,449,977
New Zealand	\$8,750,583	Japan	\$1,882,400	Japan	\$16,668,000
Hong Kong	\$8,200,000	Hong Kong	\$1,833,000	RF	\$15,741,799
Malaysia	\$7,281,500	USA	\$1,354,000	Malaysia	\$13,480,000
Others	\$31,775,728	Others	\$5,847,690	Others	\$43,113,526
Total	\$358,019,247	Total	\$51,422,397	Total	\$486,559,533

NOTE: The following two tables depict the status of the Register as at 30 June 2010.

TOTAL LAND AREA OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2010					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	625.241	Hong Kong	1116.650	USA	969.725
Mexico	221.540	Belgium	492.860	Japan	747.237
Singapore	216.354	United Kingdom	350.149	New Zealand	677.851
USA	165.815	Japan	280.473	Mexico	535.089
Hong Kong	127.575	China	91.341	New Caledonia	400.888
Korea, Republic of	125.876	Italy	90.909	South Africa	309.318
Canada	40.418	Ireland	90.524	Malaysia	255.336
Netherlands	39.126	Philippines	88.573	Singapore	241.834
Japan	39.116	Netherlands	59.867	United Kingdom	230.923
Others	165.675	Others	193.563	Others	578.461
Total	1766.736	Total	2854.909	Total	4946.662

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2010					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	481	United Kingdom	262	New Zealand	1167
Singapore	317	Japan	235	Singapore	630
New Zealand	282	New Zealand	120	Japan	608
Hong Kong	280	PNG	89	United Kingdom	466
China	248	USA	87	New Caledonia	408
USA	220	Hong Kong	46	South Africa	340
Malaysia	143	South Africa	37	China	262
Netherlands	123	Singapore	36	Malaysia	254
South Africa	105	Belgium	24	RF	223
Others	1023	Others	242	Others	1674
Total	3222	Total	1178	Total	6032

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

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2009/10 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/09– 30/6/10)					
Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	\$1,284,500	United Kingdom	\$1,232,000	China	\$54,389,868
South Africa	\$719,000	Switzerland	\$1,165,000	TWN	\$1,169,000
France	\$479,000	Bangladesh	\$975,000	South Africa	\$910,500
Norway	\$390,000	New Zealand	\$890,000	Fiji	\$700,000
Thailand	\$155,000	Botswana	\$530,000	New Zealand	\$448,750
Singapore	\$90,000	South Africa	\$510,000	Malaysia	\$422,800
		Liberia	\$400,000	Japan	\$365,000
		Malaysia	\$397,000	India	\$331,000
		USA	\$365,000	Korea, Republic of	\$317,000
		Others	\$918,650	Others	\$904,000
Total	\$3,117,500	Total	\$7,382,650	Total	\$59,957,918

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Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
FRG	31.579	USA	877.789	Philippines	1861.544
Singapore	15.864	United Kingdom	436.942	Japan	221.010
United Kingdom	8.371	Mexico	221.35	Bermuda	126.305
Canada	6.775	Cyprus	53.641	PNG	117.289
New Zealand	5.237	Switzerland	51.911	TWN	38.654
USA	4.511	New Zealand	26.333	United Kingdom	29.349
Hong Kong	3.497	Korea, Republic of	23.859	Malaysia	24.431
South Africa	2.242	Thailand	15.176	USA	24.288
Netherlands	0.806	Netherlands	11.825	China	19.697
Others	5.482	Others	24.671	Others	85.318
Total	84.364	Total	1743.497	Total	2547.885

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2010					
Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	85	United Kingdom	55	New Zealand	75
New Zealand	51	New Zealand	49	Singapore	60
FRG	25	USA	24	United Kingdom	54
USA	19	Netherlands	17	China	34
South Africa	16	Singapore	14	Hong Kong	31
Singapore	15	Mexico	11	USA	30
Hong Kong	12	Switzerland	9	Malaysia	22
China	11	Canada	9	Philippines	18
Malaysia	8	UAE	9	Japan	18
Others	70	Others	77	Others	117
Total	312	Total	274	Total	

Code	Country	Code	Country
USA	United States of America	TWN	Taiwan, Province Of China
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany	PNG	Papua New Guinea
UAE	United Arab Emirates		

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2009/10 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/09 – 30/6/10)					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	\$1,541,000	United Kingdom	\$10,666,000	Japan	\$7,922,896
China	\$577,000	New Zealand	\$9,365,008	South Africa	\$1,729,000
South Africa	\$320,000	South Africa	\$8,145,000	New Zealand	\$1,294,000
FRG	\$140,000	China	\$2,548,000	India	\$508,500
Malaysia	\$117,500	New Caledonia	\$1,921,900	China	\$439,000
		FRG	\$1,675,400	United Kingdom	\$379,500
		Hong Kong	\$1,350,000	FRG	\$353,000
		France	\$1,180,000	Hungary	\$192,000
		Netherlands	\$726,500	Bangladesh	\$155,000
		Others	\$1,562,166		
Total	\$2,695,500	Total	\$39,139,974	Total	\$12,972,896

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TOTAL LAND AREA OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2010					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
Japan	7936.410	United Kingdom	921.840	United Kingdom	404.242
FRG	7167.718	New Zealand	357.496	Japan	384.909
Malta	4287.514	Belgium	351.392	USA	249.933
Malaysia	2461.282	UAE	238.829	France	140.762
United Kingdom	2361.014	USA	235.894	Malaysia	118.873
USA	807.058	Mexico	162.337	FRG	114.649
India	101.824	FRG	138.939	Mexico	94.629
Mexico	75.785	Canada	115.849	Canada	13.527
New Zealand	62.916	South Africa	76.648	New Zealand	9.177
Others	24.206	Others	440.260	Others	26.347
Total	25285.727	Total	3039.484	Total	1557.048

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2010					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
Malaysia	99	United Kingdom	424	New Zealand	66
Malta	94	New Zealand	345	United Kingdom	41
United Kingdom	85	Japan	143	Japan	24
Japan	46	USA	136	USA	24
FRG	44	FRG	52	South Africa	22
USA	44	South Africa	40	Singapore	18
Netherlands	21	Hong Kong	38	FRG	14
Mexico	10	Canada	35	China	10
New Zealand	9	Netherlands	28	Malaysia	9
Others	69	Others	234	Others	74
Total	521	Total	1475	Total	302

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

Value of annual acquisitions during 2009/10 financial year (1/7/09 – 30/6/10)	
Moreton Bay Regional Council	
Country	Value (A\$)
China	\$4,843,900
New Zealand	\$3,396,000
South Africa	\$1,950,500
Fiji	\$985,000
United States	\$560,000
Vanuatu	\$351,000
Japan	\$200,000
Singapore	\$189,500
New Caledonia	\$165,000
Others	\$373,050
Total	\$13,013,950

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Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2010	
Moreton Bay Regional Council	
Country	Area (ha)
Singapore	430.094
Mexico	233.738
United Kingdom	105.633
USA	46.258
Italy	29.849
TWN	24.710
New Zealand	16.180
Belgium	11.968
South Africa	11.619
Others	51.634
Total	961.683

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2010	
Moreton Bay Regional Council	
Country	Number
New Zealand	225
United Kingdom	132
USA	61
China	34
Singapore	28
South Africa	27
FRG	19
Netherlands	13
Philippines	12
Others	120
Total	671

Code	Country
USA	United States of America
TWN	Taiwan, Province of China
FRG	Federal Republic of Germany