

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 2010 to 30 June 2011.

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 2011, foreign owned interests in land totalled 4,564,882 hectares, and represented 2.62% of the state's land area.

There are 134 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 2010 -11 totalled \$4,308.80.

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Registrar of Water Allocations

1. Value of annual acquisitions

2008/09		2009/10		2010/11	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	143,841,791	Korea, Republic of	217,632,306	Malaysia	303,857,973
Switzerland	89,297,860	Singapore	213,651,718	Singapore	160,566,617
South Africa	86,951,582	China	150,251,016	China	148,619,876
Singapore	83,035,432	United Kingdom	112,828,426	Japan	130,752,693
USA	65,389,262	Switzerland	97,103,492	United Kingdom	92,098,499
New Zealand	59,334,554	Netherlands	59,784,696	FRG	62,722,453
Others	605,881,805	Others	360,123,303	Others	339,678,745
Total	1,133,732,286	Total	1,211,374,957	Total	1,238,296,856

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*

2009		2010		2011	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	1,488,434	United Kingdom	2,031,659	United Kingdom	1,991,465
USA	416,088	USA	426,852	USA	424,519
FRG	298,908	FRG	304,169	FRG	318,989
Netherlands	292,466	Netherlands	289,977	Netherlands	291,420
Switzerland	254,274	Switzerland	251,574	Switzerland	266,828
Hong Kong	237,475	Hong Kong	233,713	Hong Kong	203,032
Others	905,913	Others	906,525	Other	1,068,629
Total	3,893,558	Total	4,444,469	Total	4,564,882

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

2009		2010		2011	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	5,874	United Kingdom	5,795	United Kingdom	5,849
New Zealand	2,669	New Zealand	2,599	New Zealand	2,550
Japan	2,429	Japan	2,370	Japan	2,352
USA	2,019	USA	1,995	USA	2,096
Singapore	1,305	Singapore	1,187	Singapore	1,148
FRG	1,093	FRG	1,085	FRG	1,105
Others	8,491	Others	8,669	Others	9,528
Total	23,880	Total	23,700	Total	24,628

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

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

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2010/11 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/10– 30/6/11)					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns Regional Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
Malaysia	293,259,333	PNG	4,476,000	China	97,301,928
Singapore	97,747,460	United Kingdom	3,512,500	Singapore	53,354,999
China	36,513,350	New Zealand	2,036,500	Korea, Republic of	28,888,000
USA	17,701,801	Japan	1,889,000	New Zealand	20,751,664
Taiwan	8,705,200	Czech Republic	680,000	Japan	15,579,152
New Zealand	8,640,750	Greece	530,000	FRG	14,037,542
United Kingdom	6,065,760	Hong Kong	491,470	RF	13,383,000
FRG	5,790,000	Argentina	490,000	United Kingdom	10,678,501
France	4,259,500	Malaysia	394,300	New Caledonia	10,219,186
Others	25,201,542	Others	1,554,600	Others	51,977,591
Total	503,884,696	Total	16,054,370	Total	316,171,563

NOTE: The following two tables depict the status of the Register as at 30 June 2011.

TOTAL LAND AREA OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2011					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	624.205	Hong Kong	1,116.625	Japan	745.990
Mexico	221.540	Belgium	492.860	New Zealand	676.707
USA	163.346	United Kingdom	352.795	USA	665.446
Hong Kong	126.529	Japan	278.426	Mexico	535.089
Korea, Republic of	125.486	China	91.465	FRG	450.162
Singapore	65.735	Italy	90.927	New Caledonia	401.270
Japan	40.376	Ireland	90.405	South Africa	309.441
Canada	40.339	Philippines	88.070	Malaysia	256.066
Netherlands	38.854	Netherlands	59.741	United Kingdom	230.512
Others	166.629	Others	193.295	Others	621.529
Total	1,613.039	Total	2,854.609	Total	4,892.212

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2011					
Brisbane City Council		Cairns City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	467	United Kingdom	257	New Zealand	1,127
China	307	Japan	214	Singapore	611
New Zealand	296	New Zealand	121	Japan	600
Singapore	292	PNG	101	United Kingdom	444
Hong Kong	265	USA	82	New Caledonia	414
USA	203	Hong Kong	44	China	360
Malaysia	132	South Africa	36	South Africa	356
Taiwan	116	Singapore	34	Malaysia	276
South Africa	107	Belgium	24	Korea, Republic of	233
Others	1,003	Others	241	Others	1,782
Total	3,188	Total	1,154	Total	6,203

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PNG	Papua New Guinea	RF	Russian Federation
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VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2010/11 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/10– 30/6/11)					
Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
South Africa	1,038,000	South Africa	1,655,000	Netherlands	8,250,000
Finland	168,350	United Kingdom	1,362,250	China	4,992,498
Fiji	70,000	Canada	885,000	USA	1,760,000
New Zealand	47,000	PNG	365,000	Hong Kong	786,900
United Kingdom	28,000	Philippines	215,000	India	590,000
				New Zealand	480,000
				United Kingdom	470,000
				South Africa	353,000
Total	1,351,350	Total	4,482,250	Total	17,682,398

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Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
FRG	31.529	USA	877.708	Philippines	1,861.544
Singapore	15.923	United Kingdom	442.430	Japan	221.010
United Kingdom	8.173	Mexico	221.147	Bermuda	126.305
Canada	6.775	Cyprus	53.641	PNG	117.229
New Zealand	4.781	New Zealand	26.359	Taiwan	38.654
USA	3.933	Korea, Republic of	23.859	United Kingdom	27.701
Hong Kong	3.508	Thailand	15.176	Malaysia	24.384
South Africa	2.414	Netherlands	11.803	USA	22.543
Netherlands	0.806	FRG	8.533	China	21.160
Others	5.395	Others	16.088	Others	88.157
Total	83.237	Total	1,696.744	Total	2,548.687

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2011					
Redland City Council		Townsville City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	83	United Kingdom	54	New Zealand	74
New Zealand	46	New Zealand	51	Singapore	59
South Africa	19	USA	23	United Kingdom	50
FRG	18	Netherlands	12	China	45
USA	17	South Africa	11	Hong Kong	32
Singapore	16	Canada	10	USA	26
Hong Kong	12	Mexico	9	Malaysia	21
China	11	Singapore	9	Philippines	18
Netherlands	7	FRG	7	Japan	18
Others	70	Others	68	Others	115
Total	299	Total	254	Total	

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

VALUE OF ANNUAL ACQUISITIONS DURING 2010/11 FINANCIAL YEAR (1/7/10 – 30/6/11)					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
South Africa	369,000	Japan	96,000,000	FRG	12,956,776
Greece	184,250	United Kingdom	10,303,060	New Zealand	2,017,000
Indonesia	142,500	South Africa	8,630,750	China	718,900
New Zealand	124,000	USA	7,165,000	Japan	644,500
		New Zealand	6,936,150	United Kingdom	500,000
		Canada	2,013,490	India	405,000
		Ireland	450,000	Vietnam	193,350
		France	449,000	South Africa	190,000
		Switzerland	310,000	Indonesia	175,000
		Others	1,111,500	Others	404,950
Total	819,750	Total	133,369,450	Total	18,205,476

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TOTAL LAND AREA OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2011					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
Japan	7,936.410	United Kingdom	1,057.458	United Kingdom	404.155
FRG	7,167.718	USA	418.140	Japan	385.046
Malta	4,287.514	New Zealand	351.644	USA	247.028
Malaysia	2,461.282	Belgium	351.392	FRG	176.042
United Kingdom	2,400.017	UAE	238.829	France	140.762
USA	818.957	Denmark	191.001	Malaysia	119.245
India	101.824	Mexico	162.337	Mexico	94.629
Mexico	75.785	FRG	134.062	Canada	13.527
New Zealand	63.011	Canada	116.464	New Zealand	9.366
Others	58.476	Others	505.418	Others	25.816
Total	25,370.994	Total	3,526.745	Total	1,615.616

TOTAL LAND PARCELS OWNED (BY NATIONALITY) AS AT 30 JUNE 2011					
Toowoomba Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council		Ipswich City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
Malaysia	99	United Kingdom	406	New Zealand	69
Malta	94	New Zealand	329	Malaysia	51
United Kingdom	86	Japan	152	United Kingdom	40
Japan	46	USA	141	Japan	38
USA	45	FRG	52	USA	23
FRG	44	South Africa	51	South Africa	23
Netherlands	21	Canada	39	FRG	19
New Zealand	11	Hong Kong	35	Singapore	17
Mexico	10	Netherlands	27	China	13
Others	71	Others	240	Others	74
Total	527	Total	1472	Total	367

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

Value of annual acquisitions during 2010/11 financial year (1/7/10 – 30/6/11)	
Moreton Bay Regional Council	
Country	Value (A\$)
FRG	14,645,475
USA	5,632,275
China	1,954,200
New Zealand	1,358,330
South Africa	988,000
United Kingdom	940,000
Egypt	690,000
Sri Lanka	550,000
Colombia	415,000
Others	1,043,900
Total	28,226,180

NOTE: The following two tables depict the status of the Register as at 30 June 2011.

Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2011	
Moreton Bay Regional Council	
Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	581.450
USA	506.779
Singapore	430.122
Denmark	422.908
Mexico	233.738
Italy	29.849
Taiwan	24.710
FRG	21.825
New Zealand	16.047
Others	69.350
Total	2,336.778

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2011	
Moreton Bay Regional Council	
Country	Number
New Zealand	218
Canada	173
United Kingdom	137
USA	63
China	39
Singapore	28
South Africa	28
FRG	20
Denmark	15
Others	130
Total	851

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