

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* (the Act) and covers titles registry operations for the period 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013.

The Act provides for the disclosure of foreign ownership of land in Queensland. All foreigners, as defined in the Act, are required to notify the Registrar of Titles of any acquisition or disposal of land or a relevant interest in land. An interest in land is as defined in the Act and can include an interest in freehold land (including a lot within a community titles scheme), State leasehold land and other specific types of interests.

Notifications given in compliance with the requirements of the Act 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.

Titles registry statistics compiled from notifications of acquisition and disposal reveal that, as at 30 June 2013, foreign owned interests in land totalled approximately 5,084,200 hectares, representing less than three per cent of the state's land area.

There were 129 countries of origin recorded in the register as at 30 June 2013.



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Registrar of Titles

1. Value of annual acquisitions

2010/11		2011/12		2012/13	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
Malaysia	303,857,973	China	234,057,054	China	323,098,008
Singapore	160,566,617	United Kingdom	101,114,176	Singapore	317,090,525
China	148,619,876	Japan	83,594,379	USA	269,320,598
Japan	130,752,693	Singapore	74,882,344	Malaysia	205,197,353
United Kingdom	92,098,499	Korea, Republic of	73,619,199	Japan	164,042,059
FRG	62,722,453	India	71,094,950	UAE	122,454,000
Others	339,678,745	Others	439,505,068	Others	498,322,025
Total	1,238,296,856	Total	1,077,867,170	Total	1,899,524,568

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*

2011		2012		2013	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	1,991,465	United Kingdom	2,039,220	United Kingdom	2,055,600
USA	424,519	USA	310,020	USA	405,950
FRG	318,989	Switzerland	301,010	Switzerland	366,320
Netherlands	291,420	Netherlands	289,670	Netherlands	292,730
Switzerland	266,828	FRG	275,040	FRG	274,800
Hong Kong	203,032	Japan	204,200	Japan	214,760
Others	1,068,629	Other	1,386,940	Other	1,474,040
Total	4,564,882	Total	4,806,100	Total	5,084,200

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

2011		2012		2013	
Country	Number	Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	5,849	United Kingdom	5,968	United Kingdom	5,849
New Zealand	2,550	New Zealand	2,747	New Zealand	2,654
Japan	2,352	Japan	2,353	Japan	2,344
USA	2,096	USA	2,231	USA	2,205
Singapore	1,148	Singapore	1,458	China	1,649
FRG	1,105	FRG	1,268	Singapore	1,648
Others	9,528	Others	11,261	Others	11,448
Total	24,628	Total	27,286	Total	27,797

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
UAE	United Arab Emirates

**Foreign Ownership of Land Register
(categories ranked by top 10 local government areas)**

**1. Value of annual acquisitions in 2012/13
ranked by local government area (top 10)**

Local Government	Value (A\$)
Brisbane	741,711,264
Gold Coast	603,289,072
Isaac	56,653,007
Central Highlands	49,102,192
Cairns	40,346,175
Western Downs	34,508,695
Mackay	30,189,476
Toowoomba	29,371,955
Carpentaria	28,572,000
Gladstone	26,157,895

*Approximate areas only

**2. Total area foreign owned - ranked by local
government area (top 10) as at 30/6/13 ***

Local Government	Area (ha)
Bulloo	784,120
Diamantina	535,340
Barcoo	521,690
Tablelands	511,140
Isaac	386,560
Burke	300,040
Longreach	284,920
Central Highlands	211,830
Blackall Tambo	188,360
McKinlay	144,950

**3. Total land parcels owned - ranked by local
government area (top 10) as at 30/6/13**

Local Government	Number
Gold Coast	6,434
Brisbane	3,701
Isaac	3,538
Cassowary Coast	1,826
Central Highlands	1,664
Sunshine Coast	1,387
Cairns	1,184
Moreton Bay	829
Gladstone	700
Bundaberg	649

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Value of annual acquisitions during 2012/13			
Brisbane City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
Malaysia	160,330,616	China	184,981,658
USA	153,202,076	UAE	121,875,000
Singapore	126,891,487	Japan	99,797,500
China	96,203,550	Singapore	54,482,499
Korea, Republic of	36,794,906	USA	32,218,000
United Kingdom	26,462,756	Malaysia	26,820,536
Switzerland	22,922,856	Indonesia	12,116,000
PNG	22,389,500	FRG	10,133,350
New Zealand	12,388,010	New Zealand	9,870,929
Others	84,125,507	Others	50,993,600
Total	741,711,264	Total	603,289,072

*Approximate areas only

Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013*			
Brisbane City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	615	Japan	636
Mexico	209	Mexico	534
USA	161	FRG	450
Hong Kong	126	Malaysia	261
Singapore	73	New Caledonia	248
Canada	50	United Kingdom	227
Japan	44	Hong Kong	205
Netherlands	36	USA	205
China	31	New Zealand	196
Others	196	Others	568
Total	1,541	Total	3,530

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013			
Brisbane City Council		Gold Coast City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number
China	590	New Zealand	1,046
United Kingdom	450	Singapore	650
Singapore	348	China	634
New Zealand	319	Japan	571
Hong Kong	273	United Kingdom	413
USA	197	New Caledonia	400
Malaysia	167	Korea, Republic of	375
TWN	129	South Africa	358
South Africa	106	Malaysia	283
Others	1,122	Others	1,704
Total	3,701	Total	6,434

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

Value of annual acquisitions during 2012/13			
Redland City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	1,195,999	Hong Kong	6,299,650
PNG	703,900	China	5,355,800
China	628,000	FRG	3,813,232
FRG	400,000	Japan	1,304,900
New Zealand	96,500	United Kingdom	1,248,457
South Africa	30,999	New Zealand	1,152,500
France	28,000	Vietnam	548,650
New Caledonia	20,000	South Africa	538,900
		TWN	400,000
		Korea, Republic of	380,000
		Others	1,274,951
Total	3,103,398	Total	22,317,040

*Approximate areas only

Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013*			
Redland City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
FRG	31	Philippines	1,572
Singapore	16	Japan	166
United Kingdom	7	Bermuda	66
Canada	6	Taiwan	33
New Zealand	4	United Kingdom	27
USA	3	Malaysia	24
Hong Kong	3	China	24
South Africa	2	USA	21
China	1	New Zealand	17
Others	9	Others	71
Total	82	Total	2,021

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013			
Redland City Council		Logan City Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	80	Singapore	74
New Zealand	51	New Zealand	71
South Africa	21	China	66
FRG	18	United Kingdom	55
Singapore	15	Hong Kong	32
USA	14	USA	22
China	13	Japan	20
Hong Kong	12	Malaysia	20
Canada	8	Philippines	18
Others	72	Others	138
Total	304	Total	516

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

Value of annual acquisitions during 2012/13			
Moreton Bay Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
China	5,199,600	New Zealand	7,979,783
United Kingdom	3,315,083	United Kingdom	5,454,650
Brazil	727,500	FRG	2,861,000
South Africa	556,400	South Africa	1,871,000
Portugal	550,000	USA	1,374,609
Vietnam	543,500	Korea, Republic of	850,000
Japan	437,150	Slovakia	389,000
India	315,000	TWN	380,000
Mauritius	186,250	PNG	333,000
Other	440,875	Others	1,153,251
Total	12,271,358	Total	22,646,293

*Approximate areas only

Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013*			
Moreton Bay Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
United Kingdom	575	United Kingdom	1,044
USA	497	USA	422
Singapore	430	Belgium	349
Denmark	422	New Zealand	349
Mexico	233	UAE	238
Italy	29	Denmark	191
TWN	24	Mexico	150
FRG	21	FRG	132
New Zealand	14	Canada	116
Others	75	Others	477
Total	2,320	Total	3,468

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013			
Moreton Bay Regional Council		Sunshine Coast Regional Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number
New Zealand	195	United Kingdom	343
Canada	155	New Zealand	311
United Kingdom	131	Japan	166
China	67	USA	136
USA	61	FRG	54
South Africa	31	South Africa	53
Singapore	27	Canada	41
Denmark	15	Hong Kong	29
FRG	15	Netherlands	27
Others	132	Others	227
Total	829	Total	1,387

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

Value of annual acquisitions during 2012/13			
Ipswich City Council		Toowoomba Regional Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
China	6,049,900	United States	17,119,384
USA	5,665,000	United Kingdom	5,456,000
United Kingdom	3,648,975	FRG	2,685,793
New Zealand	1,900,500	Malaysia	1,478,000
South Africa	212,000	China	1,345,000
Fiji	137,500	Japan	620,277
Singapore	105,000	India	472,500
Vietnam	86,000	TWN	195,000
Japan	48,919		
Total	17,853,794	Total	29,371,954

*Approximate areas only

Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013*			
Ipswich City Council		Toowoomba Regional Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
Japan	384	Japan	7,939
USA	254	FRG	7,168
France	140	Malta	4,287
Malaysia	119	USA	4,241
Mexico	94	United Kingdom	2,641
FRG	67	Malaysia	2,463
Canada	13	China	370
New Zealand	9	India	101
United Kingdom	7	Mexico	75
Others	33	Others	131
Total	1,120	Total	29,416

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013			
Ipswich City Council		Toowoomba Regional Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number
New Zealand	76	Malaysia	101
Malaysia	52	Malta	94
China	43	United Kingdom	84
United Kingdom	34	Japan	68
Japan	25	USA	64
USA	25	FRG	44
South Africa	25	Netherlands	21
Singapore	17	New Zealand	12
FRG	14	Mexico	11
Others	75	Others	77
Total	386	Total	576

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

Value of annual acquisitions during 2012/13			
Townsville City Council		Cairns Regional Council	
Country	Value (A\$)	Country	Value (A\$)
United Kingdom	1,210,500	United Kingdom	15,272,885
Canada	576,000	PNG	9,512,040
Bangladesh	450,000	China	8,617,500
Ireland	407,500	New Zealand	1,894,000
Singapore	340,000	Israel	1,270,000
RF	320,000	Japan	904,000
New Zealand	293,500	Singapore	890,000
China	150,000	RF	500,000
		India	380,000
		Others	1,105,750
Total	3,747,500	Total	40,346,175

*Approximate areas only

Total land area owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013*			
Townsville City Council		Cairns Regional Council	
Country	Area (ha)	Country	Area (ha)
USA	877	Hong Kong	1,119
United Kingdom	447	United Kingdom	306
Mexico	213	Japan	273
Cyprus	52	Thailand	253
New Zealand	26	Belgium	208
Korea, Republic of	23	China	108
Thailand	15	Netherlands	59
Netherlands	11	Philippines	48
Japan	4	New Zealand	37
Others	15	Others	118
Total	1,683	Total	2,529

Total land parcels owned (by nationality) as at 30 June 2013			
Townsville City Council		Cairns Regional Council	
Country	Number	Country	Number
United Kingdom	52	United Kingdom	243
New Zealand	49	Japan	172
USA	18	PNG	150
Cyprus	15	New Zealand	115
Canada	14	USA	75
South Africa	14	Hong Kong	50
Netherlands	10	Singapore	42
Ireland	9	South Africa	36
Mexico	8	Canada	29
Others	73	Others	272
Total	262	Total	1,184

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