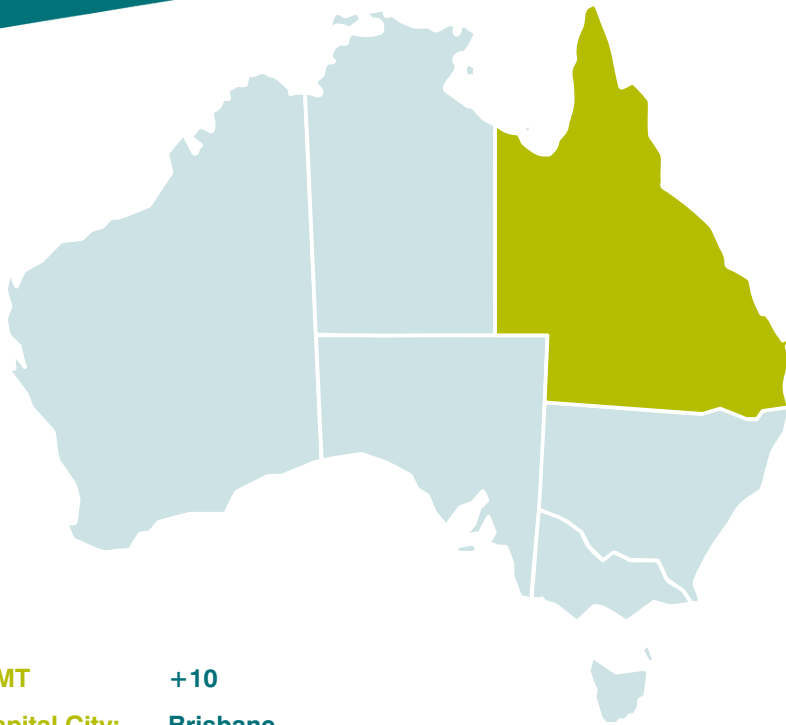




Queensland



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Capital City: Brisbane

Population: 5,528,300

Land Size: 1,723,030 km²

Iconic Places: Great Barrier Reef, Daintree Rainforest, Springbrook National Park

Climate and Time zone in Queensland



Queensland operates on Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST). Unlike some other Australian states, Queensland does not observe daylight saving time, which means the clocks remained unchanged throughout the year.



Queensland offers a pleasant, sub-tropical climate. Summers (December to February) are warm and humid, with temperatures ranging from 21°C to 31°C, often accompanied by afternoon storms. Winters (June to August) are mild, with temperatures between 9°C and 19°C, and most days are sunny, making it perfect for outdoor activities year-round. The northern area of the state offers a tropical climate which is characterised with hot, humid summers and mild, dry winters. The wet season which occurs between November and May, brings heavy rainfalls.

Dates to remember

New Year's Day: Celebrates the first day of the Gregorian calendar.

Australia Day: the day of arrival of the first British fleet in Australia, and is marked on January 26.

Easter: There are four public holidays days each year held to celebrate Easter: Good Friday, Easter Saturday, Easter Sunday and Easter Monday.

Anzac Day: A national day of commemoration that honors the sacrifice of Australian and New Zealand soldiers in all wars, and is celebrated on April 25.

Royal Queensland Show (Brisbane only): It's a major agricultural show with exhibitions, rides, and entertainment.

King's Birthday: Celebrates the birthday of the monarch, with various events and ceremonies.

Christmas: celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ which often includes family gathering, gift-giving and meals. Public holidays usually include Christmas Day (25th of December) and Boxing Day (26th of December).

Leisure and Lifestyle in Queensland

As the second largest state in Australia, Queensland offers a rich and diverse range of lifestyles and leisure activities, from its quiet regional areas to its vibrant coastal regions.

Regional Areas

- **Outdoor Activities:** regional Queensland is renowned for its stunning landscapes, including rolling hills, lush forests, and expansive farmlands. Many towns like the ones located in Sunshine Coast Hinterland are perfect for nature lovers, offering numerous walking trails, national parks, and picturesque views. These areas are ideal for those seeking a slower-paced, nature-focused lifestyle.
- **Community and Culture:** regional towns in Queensland, pride themselves on their strong community bonds and vibrant local cultures. These towns often host local markets, arts festivals, and community events that bring residents together. The sense of community is significant, making these areas great for families and those who value community-oriented lifestyle.
- **Affordable Living:** regional areas in Queensland can offer more affordable living options. This affordability makes regional Queensland an attractive option for those looking to escape the high costs of city life.

Coastal Areas

- **Beach Lifestyle and Water Activities:** Queensland's coastal areas are famous for their beautiful beaches and water activities. Towns like Noosa, Gold Coast, and Sunshine Coast offer pristine beaches, perfect for swimming, surfing, and sunbathing. The coastal lifestyle is relaxed and centred around outdoor activities, making it ideal for those who love the ocean and outdoors.
- **Urban areas:** coastal metropolitan areas offer a wide range of dining, shopping, and entertainment options. The Gold Coast, for example, is known for its nightlife, theme parks, and shopping districts. These areas provide a dynamic lifestyle with plenty of opportunities for socialising and entertainment.



Find out more:

[Aquatics and recreation Queensland](#) – Queensland's peak industry body for the aquatic and recreation industry. The organisation hosts events that promote collaboration and the sharing of experiences among industry professionals.

[Queensland Government – Sport and Recreation Venues](#) - The Queensland Government provides a range of sport and recreation venues suitable for hosting various events and activities.

[Queensland Recreation Centres](#) - Queensland Recreation Centres offer affordable services, including school camps and holiday programs. These centres provide activities for all ages in an engaging environment.

Did you know?

Queensland receives an average of 261 days of sunshine each year.

