



How does the population grow?

Population growth (or decline) occurs when people are born or die, arrive or depart

There are two ways Australia's population can grow:



Internal changes in the population
Called **NATURAL INCREASE**
Natural increase is births minus deaths



People entering and departing Australia
Called **NET OVERSEAS MIGRATION** or **NOM**
NOM is arrivals to Australia minus departures

Australia's population growth = Natural Increase (birth – deaths) + Net Overseas Migration (immigration – emigration)

Below the national level, there is a third way that population can grow (or shrink):



Movements within Australia
Called **NET INTERNAL MIGRATION** or **NIM**
NIM is arrivals from other areas of Australia minus departures

State/Territory population growth = Natural Increase (birth – deaths) + NOM (immigration – emigration) + NIM (arrivals from elsewhere in Australia - departures)