

TABLE 8.01

## MOTHERS BIRTHING IN QUEENSLAND, 2021

## HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICE OF USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER BY TYPE OF FACILITY AND ACCOMMODATION

| Hospital and Health Service of Usual Residence of Mother | Type of facility/accommodation |              |              |              |               |              |                  |                           |            |                     |            |                      |               |              |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------|
|  | Public facility                |              |              |              |               |              | Private facility | Homebirths <sup>(a)</sup> |            | Born Before Arrival |            | Total <sup>(c)</sup> |               |              |
|  | Public                         |              | Private      |              | Total         |              |                  |                           |            |                     |            |                      |               |              |
| No.  | %                              | No.          | %            | No.          | %             | No.          | %                | No.                       | %          | No.                 | %          | No.                  | %             |              |
| Cairns and Hinterland                                    | 2,570                          | 5.6          | 61           | 3.9          | 2,631         | 5.5          | 373              | 2.7                       | 5          | 1.7                 | 29         | 5.8                  | 3,038         | 4.9          |
| Central Queensland                                       | 2,142                          | 4.7          | 158          | 10.1         | 2,300         | 4.8          | 566              | 4.0                       | 4          | 1.3                 | 19         | 3.8                  | 2,889         | 4.6          |
| Central West   | 92                             | 0.2          | 5            | 0.3          | 97            | 0.2          | 26               | 0.2                       | .          | .                   | .          | .                    | 123           | 0.2          |
| Darling Downs  | 2,665                          | 5.8          | 105          | 6.7          | 2,770         | 5.8          | 705              | 5.0                       | 41         | 13.6                | 25         | 5.0                  | 3,541         | 5.7          |
| Gold Coast   | 5,352                          | 11.6         | 65           | 4.2          | 5,417         | 11.4         | 1,824            | 13.0                      | 37         | 12.3                | 52         | 10.5                 | 7,330         | 11.7         |
| Mackay   | 1,688                          | 3.7          | 85           | 5.5          | 1,773         | 3.7          | 478              | 3.4                       | 3          | 1.0                 | 23         | 4.6                  | 2,277         | 3.6          |
| Metro North  | 7,976                          | 17.3         | 301          | 19.3         | 8,277         | 17.4         | 3,564            | 25.4                      | 30         | 10.0                | 84         | 16.9                 | 11,955        | 19.1         |
| Metro South  | 11,094                         | 24.1         | 220          | 14.1         | 11,314        | 23.7         | 3,971            | 28.3                      | 43         | 14.3                | 105        | 21.1                 | 15,435        | 24.7         |
| North West   | 478                            | 1.0          | 32           | 2.1          | 510           | 1.1          | 20               | 0.1                       | .          | .                   | 3          | 0.6                  | 533           | 0.9          |
| South West   | 278                            | 0.6          | 20           | 1.3          | 298           | 0.6          | 80               | 0.6                       | 2          | 1                   | 4          | 0.8                  | 384           | 0.6          |
| Sunshine Coast   | 3,566                          | 7.7          | 181          | 11.6         | 3,747         | 7.9          | 615              | 4.4                       | 64         | 21.3                | 41         | 8.3                  | 4,467         | 7.2          |
| Torres and Cape  | 409                            | 0.9          | 3            | 0.2          | 412           | 0.9          | 16               | 0.1                       | .          | .                   | 8          | 1.6                  | 436           | 0.7          |
| Townsville   | 2,405                          | 5.2          | 27           | 1.7          | 2,432         | 5.1          | 580              | 4.1                       | 5          | 2                   | 25         | 5.0                  | 3,042         | 4.9          |
| West Moreton   | 3,455                          | 7.5          | 61           | 3.9          | 3,516         | 7.4          | 821              | 5.9                       | 55         | 18.3                | 61         | 12.3                 | 4,453         | 7.1          |
| Wide Bay   | 1,762                          | 3.8          | 226          | 14.5         | 1,988         | 4.2          | 53               | 0.4                       | 12         | 4                   | 17         | 3.4                  | 2,070         | 3.3          |
| Interstate/Overseas                                      | 164                            | 0.4          | 10           | 0.6          | 174           | 0.4          | 330              | 2.4                       | .          | .                   | 1          | 0.2                  | 505           | 0.8          |
| <b>Total <sup>(b)</sup></b>                              | <b>46,100</b>                  | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,560</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>47,660</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>14,022</b>    | <b>100.0</b>              | <b>301</b> | <b>100.0</b>        | <b>497</b> | <b>100.0</b>         | <b>62,482</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) Includes freebirths.

(b) Includes mothers with not stated Hospital and Health Service of usual residence.

(c) Total includes mothers with unknown facility type/sector.

TABLE 8.02

**MOTHERS BIRTHING IN QUEENSLAND, 2021**  
**AGE OF MOTHER BY TYPE OF FACILITY AND ACCOMMODATION**

| Age of mother (years) | Type of facility/accommodation |              |              |              |               |              |                  |              |                           |              |                     |              |                      |              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
|                       | Public facility                |              |              |              |               |              | Private facility |              |                           |              |                     |              |                      |              |
|                       | Public                         |              | Private      |              | Total         |              | Private facility |              | Homebirths <sup>(a)</sup> |              | Born Before Arrival |              | Total <sup>(b)</sup> |              |
|                       | No.                            | %            | No.          | %            | No.           | %            | No.              | %            | No.                       | %            | No.                 | %            | No.                  | %            |
| Under 15              | 10                             | 0.0          | .            | .            | 10            | 0.0          | .                | .            | .                         | .            | 1                   | 0            | 11                   | 0.0          |
| 15 - 19               | 1,419                          | 3.1          | 16           | 1.0          | 1,435         | 3.0          | 19               | 0.1          | 2                         | 0.7          | 15                  | 3.0          | 1,471                | 2.4          |
| 20 - 24               | 7,553                          | 16.4         | 155          | 9.9          | 7,708         | 16.2         | 364              | 2.6          | 22                        | 7.3          | 89                  | 17.9         | 8,183                | 13.1         |
| 25 - 29               | 14,096                         | 30.6         | 453          | 29.0         | 14,549        | 30.5         | 2,507            | 17.9         | 77                        | 25.6         | 131                 | 26.4         | 17,264               | 27.6         |
| 30 - 34               | 14,217                         | 30.8         | 605          | 38.8         | 14,822        | 31.1         | 6,250            | 44.6         | 113                       | 37.5         | 171                 | 34.4         | 21,357               | 34.2         |
| 35 - 39               | 7,317                          | 15.9         | 272          | 17.4         | 7,589         | 15.9         | 4,026            | 28.7         | 71                        | 23.6         | 75                  | 15.1         | 11,762               | 18.8         |
| 40 - 44               | 1,409                          | 3.1          | 56           | 3.6          | 1,465         | 3.1          | 811              | 5.8          | 15                        | 5.0          | 15                  | 3.0          | 2,306                | 3.7          |
| 45 and over           | 79                             | 0.2          | 3            | 0.2          | 82            | 0.2          | 45               | 0.3          | 1                         | 0.3          | .                   | .            | 128                  | 0.2          |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>46,100</b>                  | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,560</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>47,660</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>14,022</b>    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>301</b>                | <b>100.0</b> | <b>497</b>          | <b>100.0</b> | <b>62,482</b>        | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) Includes freebirths.

(b) Total includes mothers with unknown facility type/sector.

TABLE 8.03

**MOTHERS BIRTHING IN QUEENSLAND, 2021**  
**ONSET OF LABOUR BY TYPE OF FACILITY AND ACCOMMODATION <sup>(a)</sup>**

| Onset of labour             | Type of facility/accommodation |              |              |              |               |              |                  |                           |                     |                      |            |              |               |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|                             | Public facility                |              |              |              |               |              | Private facility | Homebirths <sup>(b)</sup> | Born Before Arrival | Total <sup>(c)</sup> |            |              |               |              |
|                             | Public                         |              | Private      |              | Total         |              |                  |                           |                     |                      | No.        | %            | No.           | %            |
| No.                         | %                              | No.          | %            | No.          | %             | No.          | %                | No.                       | %                   | No.                  | %          | No.          | %             |              |
| Spontaneous - not augmented | 15,119                         | 32.8         | 507          | 32.5         | 15,626        | 32.8         | 1,974            | 14.1                      | 301                 | 100.0                | 495        | 99.6         | 18,396        | 29.4         |
| Spontaneous - augmented     | 6,971                          | 15.1         | 281          | 18.0         | 7,252         | 15.2         | 1,535            | 11.0                      | .                   | .                    | .          | .            | 8,787         | 14.1         |
| Induced                     | 15,313                         | 33.2         | 481          | 30.8         | 15,794        | 33.1         | 4,298            | 30.7                      | .                   | .                    | 2          | 0.4          | 20,094        | 32.2         |
| No labour                   | 8,697                          | 18.9         | 291          | 18.7         | 8,988         | 18.9         | 6,215            | 44.3                      | .                   | .                    | .          | .            | 15,205        | 24.3         |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>46,100</b>                  | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,560</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>47,660</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>14,022</b>    | <b>100.0</b>              | <b>301</b>          | <b>100.0</b>         | <b>497</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>62,482</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) In the case of multiple births, details of the first born baby are used.

(b) Includes freebirths.

(c) Total includes mothers with unknown facility type/sector.

TABLE 8.04

**BABIES BORN IN QUEENSLAND, 2021**  
**METHOD OF BIRTH BY TYPE OF FACILITY AND ACCOMMODATION**

| Method of birth          | Type of facility/accommodation |              |              |              |               |              |                  |              |                           |              |                     |              |                      |              |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
|                          | Public facility                |              |              |              |               |              | Private facility |              | Homebirths <sup>(a)</sup> |              | Born Before Arrival |              | Total <sup>(b)</sup> |              |
|                          | No.                            | %            | No.          | %            | No.           | %            | No.              | %            | No.                       | %            | No.                 | %            | No.                  | %            |
| Vaginal non-instrumental | 26,699                         | 57.0         | 854          | 54.1         | 27,553        | 57.0         | 4,845            | 34.1         | 302                       | 100.0        | 497                 | 100.0        | 33,197               | 52.4         |
| Forceps                  | 1,216                          | 2.6          | 45           | 2.9          | 1,261         | 2.6          | 252              | 1.8          | .                         | .            | .                   | .            | 1,513                | 2.4          |
| Vacuum extraction        | 3,123                          | 6.7          | 145          | 9.2          | 3,268         | 6.8          | 1,146            | 8.1          | .                         | .            | .                   | .            | 4,414                | 7.0          |
| LSCS                     | 15,603                         | 33.3         | 533          | 33.8         | 16,136        | 33.4         | 7,964            | 56.0         | .                         | .            | .                   | .            | 24,100               | 38.0         |
| Classical CS             | 166                            | 0.4          | 1            | 0.1          | 167           | 0.4          | 19               | 0.1          | .                         | .            | .                   | .            | 188                  | 0.3          |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>46,807</b>                  | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,578</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>48,385</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>14,226</b>    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>302</b>                | <b>100.0</b> | <b>497</b>          | <b>100.0</b> | <b>63,412</b>        | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) Includes freebirths.

(b) Total includes babies with unknown facility type/sector.

TABLE 8.05

**MOTHERS BIRTHING IN QUEENSLAND, 2021 - HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICE OF  
USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER BY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICE OF FACILITY OF BIRTH**

| Hospital and Health Service of<br>Usual Residence of Mother | Hospital and Health Service of place of birth |              |                       |              |              |              |               |              |              |              |              |              |               |              |                            |              |            |              |
|---|---|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
|   | Cairns and<br>Hinterland                      |              | Central<br>Queensland |              | Central West |              | Darling Downs |              | Gold Coast   |              | Mackay       |              | Metro North   |              | Metro South <sup>(b)</sup> |              | North West |              |
|   | No.   | %            | No.                   | %            | No.          | %            | No.           | %            | No.          | %            | No.          | %            | No.           | %            | No.                        | %            | No.        | %            |
| Cairns and Hinterland                                       | 2,968   | 91.4         | 1                     | 0.0          | .            | .            | 1             | 0.0          | 1            | 0.0          | 1            | 0.1          | 3             | 0.0          | 6                          | 0.0          | 1          | 0.21         |
| Central Queensland  | 1   | 0.0          | 2,755                 | 96.0         | .            | .            | 5             | 0.1          | 5            | 0.1          | 11           | 0.5          | 48            | 0.5          | 39                         | 0.2          | .          | .            |
| Central West  | 1   | 0.0          | 13                    | 0.5          | 59           | 96.7         | 8             | 0.2          | .            | .            | 3            | 0.1          | 12            | 0.1          | 12                         | 0.1          | 7          | 1.47         |
| Darling Downs   | .   | .            | 5                     | 0.2          | .            | .            | 3,328         | 88.8         | 7            | 0.1          | .            | .            | 34            | 0.3          | 91                         | 0.5          | .          | .            |
| Gold Coast  | 2   | 0.1          | .                     | .            | .            | .            | 4             | 0.1          | 7,118        | 93.5         | 2            | 0.1          | 25            | 0.2          | 133                        | 0.7          | 1          | 0.21         |
| Mackay  | 3   | 0.1          | 60                    | 2.1          | .            | .            | 3             | 0.1          | 5            | 0.1          | 2,055        | 98.9         | 8             | 0.1          | 6                          | 0.0          | .          | .            |
| Metro North   | .   | .            | .                     | .            | .            | .            | 3             | 0.1          | 9            | 0.1          | .            | .            | 9,650         | 90.5         | 2,188                      | 12.1         | .          | .            |
| Metro South   | 3   | 0.1          | .                     | .            | .            | .            | 5             | 0.1          | 116          | 1.5          | 1            | 0.1          | 573           | 5.4          | 14,642                     | 80.8         | .          | .            |
| North West  | 12  | 0.4          | .                     | .            | .            | .            | 1             | 0.0          | .            | .            | .            | .            | 1             | 0.0          | 5                          | 0.0          | 457        | 95.8         |
| South West  | .   | .            | 1                     | 0.0          | .            | .            | 99            | 2.6          | 1            | 0.0          | .            | .            | 14            | 0.1          | 28                         | 0.2          | .          | .            |
| Sunshine Coast  | .   | .            | .                     | .            | .            | .            | 9             | 0.2          | 2            | 0.0          | 1            | 0.1          | 51            | 0.5          | 34                         | 0.2          | .          | .            |
| Torres and Cape   | 247   | 7.6          | .                     | .            | .            | .            | .             | .            | 2            | 0.0          | 2            | 0.1          | 4             | 0.0          | 6                          | 0.0          | .          | .            |
| Townsville  | 6   | 0.2          | 3                     | 0.1          | 1            | 1.6          | .             | .            | 1            | 0.0          | 2            | 0.1          | 2             | 0.0          | 14                         | 0.1          | .          | .            |
| West Moreton  | 2   | 0.1          | 1                     | 0.0          | .            | .            | 208           | 5.6          | 5            | 0.1          | .            | .            | 158           | 1.5          | 862                        | 4.8          | .          | .            |
| Wide Bay  | .   | .            | 29                    | 1.0          | .            | .            | 6             | 0.2          | 1            | 0.0          | .            | .            | 50            | 0.5          | 17                         | 0.1          | .          | .            |
| Interstate/Overseas   | 2   | 0.1          | 3                     | 0.1          | 1            | 1.6          | 70            | 1.9          | 340          | 4.5          | .            | .            | 26            | 0.2          | 39                         | 0.2          | 11         | 2.3          |
| <b>Total <sup>(c)</sup></b>                                 | <b>3,247</b>                                  | <b>100.0</b> | <b>2,871</b>          | <b>100.0</b> | <b>61</b>    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>3,750</b>  | <b>100.0</b> | <b>7,614</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>2,078</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>10,661</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>18,123</b>              | <b>100.0</b> | <b>477</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

| Hospital and Health Service of<br>Usual Residence of Mother | Hospital and Health Service of place of birth |              |                |              |                 |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |                           |              |                      |              |
|---|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
|   | South West                                    |              | Sunshine Coast |              | Torres and Cape |              | Townsville   |              | West Moreton |              | Wide Bay     |              | Homebirths <sup>(a)</sup> |              | Total <sup>(d)</sup> |              |
|   | No.   | %            | No.            | %            | No.             | %            | No.          | %            | No.          | %            | No.          | %            | No.                       | %            | No.                  | %            |
| Cairns and Hinterland                                       | .   | .            | .              | .            | .               | .            | 51           | 1.6          | .            | .            | .            | .            | 5                         | 1.7          | 3,038                | 4.9          |
| Central Queensland  | 1   | 0.4          | 9              | 0.2          | .               | .            | 3            | 0.1          | .            | .            | 8            | 0.4          | 4                         | 1.3          | 2,889                | 4.6          |
| Central West  | 2   | 0.8          | 1              | 0.0          | .               | .            | 5            | 0.2          | .            | .            | .            | .            | .                         | .            | 123                  | 0.2          |
| Darling Downs   | 15  | 6.0          | 14             | 0.3          | .               | .            | .            | .            | 4            | 0.1          | .            | .            | 41                        | 13.6         | 3,541                | 5.7          |
| Gold Coast  | .   | .            | 4              | 0.1          | .               | .            | .            | .            | 1            | 0.0          | 1            | 0.1          | 37                        | 12.3         | 7,330                | 11.7         |
| Mackay  | .   | .            | 7              | 0.2          | .               | .            | 126          | 3.8          | .            | .            | 1            | 0.1          | 3                         | 1.0          | 2,277                | 3.6          |
| Metro North   | .   | .            | 69             | 1.5          | .               | .            | .            | .            | 5            | 0.2          | .            | .            | 30                        | 10.0         | 11,955               | 19.1         |
| Metro South   | .   | .            | 3              | 0.1          | .               | .            | .            | .            | 47           | 1.5          | .            | .            | 43                        | 14.3         | 15,435               | 24.7         |
| North West  | .   | .            | 1              | 0.0          | .               | .            | 56           | 1.7          | .            | .            | .            | .            | .                         | .            | 533                  | 0.9          |
| South West  | 232   | 92.4         | 4              | 0.1          | .               | .            | .            | .            | 3            | 0.1          | .            | .            | 2                         | 0.7          | 384                  | 0.6          |
| Sunshine Coast  | .   | .            | 4,300          | 95.8         | .               | .            | .            | .            | 1            | 0.0          | 2            | 0.1          | 64                        | 21.3         | 4,467                | 7.2          |
| Torres and Cape   | .   | .            | 3              | 0.1          | 146             | 100.0        | 26           | 0.8          | .            | .            | .            | .            | .                         | .            | 436                  | 0.7          |
| Townsville  | .   | .            | .              | .            | .               | .            | 3,007        | 91.8         | 1            | 0.0          | .            | .            | 5                         | 1.7          | 3,042                | 4.9          |
| West Moreton  | .   | .            | 1              | 0.0          | .               | .            | .            | .            | 3,161        | 98.1         | .            | .            | 55                        | 18.3         | 4,453                | 7.1          |
| Wide Bay  | 1   | 0.4          | 62             | 1.4          | .               | .            | 1            | 0.0          | .            | .            | 1,891        | 99.4         | 12                        | 4.0          | 2,070                | 3.3          |
| Interstate/Overseas   | 1   | 0.5          | 9              | 0.2          | 6               | 4.1          | 3            | 0.1          | 2            | 0.1          | .            | .            | .                         | .            | 505                  | 0.8          |
| <b>Total <sup>(c)</sup></b>                                 | <b>251</b>                                    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>4,488</b>   | <b>100.0</b> | <b>146</b>      | <b>100.0</b> | <b>3,277</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>3,224</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,903</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>301</b>                | <b>100.0</b> | <b>62,482</b>        | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) Includes freebirths.

(b) Includes Children's Health Queensland and Mater hospitals South Brisbane.

(c) Includes mothers with unknown or not stated Hospital and Health Service of usual residence.

(d) Includes mothers with unknown or not stated Hospital and Health Service of place of birth.

TABLE 8.06

**LIVEBIRTHS TRANSFERRED, QUEENSLAND, 2021**  
**LEVEL OF NURSERY AT FACILITY OF BIRTH BY LEVEL OF NURSERY AT FACILITY OF TRANSFER**

| Level of nursery at facility of transfer         | Level of nursery at facility of birth |              |  |              |  |              |                      |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|--|--------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Level 1 (Basic Nursery)               |              | Level 2 (Nursery and Special Care Nursery) |              | Level 3 (Nursery, Special Care Nursery and NICU) |              | Other <sup>(a)</sup> |              | Total        |              |
|  | No.                                   | %            | No.  | %            | No.  | %            | No.                  | %            | No.          | %            |
| Level 1 (Basic Nursery)                          | 13                                    | 4.4          | 82   | 16.1         | 15   | 2.4          | 4                    | 4.9          | 114          | 7.5          |
| Level 2 (Nursery and Special Care Nursery)       | 124                                   | 41.8         | 37   | 7.3          | 356  | 56.0         | 62                   | 75.6         | 579          | 38.0         |
| Level 3 (Nursery, Special Care Nursery and NICU) | 154                                   | 51.9         | 352  | 69.2         | 46   | 7.2          | 16                   | 19.5         | 568          | 37.3         |
| Other <sup>(b)</sup>                             | 6                                     | 2.0          | 38   | 7.5          | 219  | 34.4         | .                    | .            | 263          | 17.3         |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>297</b>                            | <b>100.0</b> | <b>509</b>                                 | <b>100.0</b> | <b>636</b>                                       | <b>100.0</b> | <b>82</b>            | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,524</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

Note: Excludes Born Before Arrival (BBA) and homebirths/freebirths.

(a) Includes babies born at home or at a facility without approved maternity services.

(b) Includes babies transferred to facilities without approved maternity services, interstate facilities and not stated facilities.

TABLE 8.07

**MOTHERS TRANSFERRED ANTENATALLY, QUEENSLAND, 2021**  
**LEVEL OF NURSERY AT FACILITY OF BIRTH BY LEVEL OF NURSERY AT FACILITY OF TRANSFER**

| Level of nursery at facility of transfer         | Level of nursery at facility of birth |              |  |              |  |              |                      |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|--|--------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Level 1 (Basic Nursery)               |              | Level 2 (Nursery and Special Care Nursery) |              | Level 3 (Nursery, Special Care Nursery and NICU) |              | Other <sup>(a)</sup> |              | Total        |              |
|  | No.                                   | %            | No.  | %            | No.  | %            | No.                  | %            | No.          | %            |
| Level 1 (Basic Nursery)                          | 74                                    | 84.1         | 821  | 62.4         | 344  | 32.5         | .                    | .            | 1,239        | 50.3         |
| Level 2 (Nursery and Special Care Nursery)       | 5                                     | 5.7          | 122  | 9.3          | 423  | 40.0         | 1                    | 100.0        | 551          | 22.4         |
| Level 3 (Nursery, Special Care Nursery and NICU) | .                                     | .            | 93   | 7.1          | 35   | 3.3          | .                    | .            | 128          | 5.2          |
| Other <sup>(b)</sup>                             | 9                                     | 10.2         | 280  | 21.3         | 256  | 24.2         | .                    | .            | 545          | 22.1         |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>88</b>                             | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,316</b>                               | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1,058</b>                                     | <b>100.0</b> | <b>1</b>             | <b>100.0</b> | <b>2,463</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

Note: Excludes Born Before Arrival (BBA) and homebirths/freebirths.

(a) Includes mothers birthing at home or at a facility without approved maternity services.

(b) Includes not stated facilities, facilities without approved maternity services and Interstate facilities.

TABLE 8.08

**MOTHERS BIRTHING IN QUEENSLAND, 2021 - HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICE  
OF USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER BY AGE OF MOTHER AT BIRTH**

| Hospital and Health Service of<br>Usual Residence of Mother | Maternal Age |              |               |              |               |              |               |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
|   | Less than 20 |              | 20-34         |              | 35 and over   |              | Total         |              |
|   | No.          | %            | No.           | %            | No.           | %            | No.           | %            |
| Cairns and Hinterland                                       | 110          | 7.4          | 2,291         | 4.9          | 637           | 4.5          | 3,038         | 4.9          |
| Central Queensland  | 116          | 7.8          | 2,360         | 5.0          | 413           | 2.9          | 2,889         | 4.6          |
| Central West  | 7            | 0.5          | 97            | 0.2          | 19            | 0.1          | 123           | 0.2          |
| Darling Downs   | 148          | 10.0         | 2,836         | 6.1          | 557           | 3.9          | 3,541         | 5.7          |
| Gold Coast  | 84           | 5.7          | 5,401         | 11.5         | 1,845         | 13.0         | 7,330         | 11.7         |
| Mackay  | 52           | 3.5          | 1,807         | 3.9          | 418           | 2.9          | 2,277         | 3.6          |
| Metro North   | 155          | 10.5         | 8,564         | 18.3         | 3,236         | 22.8         | 11,955        | 19.1         |
| Metro South   | 286          | 19.3         | 11,195        | 23.9         | 3,954         | 27.9         | 15,435        | 24.7         |
| North West  | 36           | 2.4          | 416           | 0.9          | 81            | 0.6          | 533           | 0.9          |
| South West  | 13           | 0.9          | 317           | 0.7          | 54            | 0.4          | 384           | 0.6          |
| Sunshine Coast  | 71           | 4.8          | 3,302         | 7.1          | 1,094         | 7.7          | 4,467         | 7.2          |
| Torres and Cape   | 43           | 2.9          | 333           | 0.7          | 60            | 0.4          | 436           | 0.7          |
| Townsville  | 105          | 7.1          | 2,432         | 5.2          | 505           | 3.6          | 3,042         | 4.9          |
| West Moreton  | 161          | 10.9         | 3,486         | 7.5          | 806           | 5.7          | 4,453         | 7.1          |
| Wide Bay  | 90           | 6.1          | 1,630         | 3.5          | 350           | 2.5          | 2,070         | 3.3          |
| Interstate/Overseas   | 4            | 0.3          | 336           | 0.7          | 165           | 1.2          | 505           | 0.8          |
| <b>Total <sup>(a)</sup></b>                                 | <b>1,482</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>46,804</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>14,196</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>62,482</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) Includes mothers with not stated Hospital and Health Service of usual residence.



**TABLE 8.09 BABIES BORN IN QUEENSLAND, 2021  
BY FACILITY OF BIRTH, TYPE & NAME**

| Facility of birth<br>type and name    | Total         |              |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
|                                       | No.           | %            |
| <b>Public Facilities</b>              |               |              |
| Atherton                              | 144           | 0.2          |
| Ayr                                   | 91            | 0.1          |
| Bamaga                                | 2             | 0.0          |
| Beaudesert                            | 335           | 0.5          |
| Biloela                               | 43            | 0.1          |
| Blackwater                            | 1             | 0.0          |
| Bowen                                 | 7             | 0.0          |
| Bundaberg Base                        | 1,025         | 1.6          |
| Caboolture                            | 2,028         | 3.2          |
| Cairns                                | 2,268         | 3.6          |
| Cairns Hospital Birthing Centre       | 119           | 0.2          |
| Capricorn Coast (Yeppoon)             | 1             | 0.0          |
| Charleville                           | 50            | 0.1          |
| Charters Towers                       | 2             | 0.0          |
| Cherbourg                             | 1             | 0.0          |
| Chinchilla                            | 4             | 0.0          |
| Clermont                              | 1             | 0.0          |
| Cooktown                              | 41            | 0.1          |
| Dalby                                 | 271           | 0.4          |
| Doomadgee                             | 1             | 0.0          |
| Dysart                                | 1             | 0.0          |
| Emerald                               | 292           | 0.5          |
| Gayndah                               | 1             | 0.0          |
| Gladstone                             | 557           | 0.9          |
| Gold Coast University                 | 4,862         | 7.7          |
| Gold Coast University Birthing Centre | 710           | 1.1          |
| Goondiwindi                           | 92            | 0.2          |
| Gympie                                | 311           | 0.5          |
| Hervey Bay                            | 872           | 1.4          |
| Ingham                                | 53            | 0.1          |
| Innisfail                             | 185           | 0.3          |
| Ipswich                               | 2,710         | 4.3          |
| Joyce Palmer HS                       | 4             | 0.0          |
| Kingaroy                              | 286           | 0.5          |
| Logan                                 | 3,780         | 6.0          |
| Longreach                             | 62            | 0.1          |
| Mackay Base                           | 1,283         | 2.0          |
| Mackay Base Hospital Birthing Centre  | 93            | 0.2          |
| Mareeba                               | 158           | 0.3          |
| Mater Mothers' Hospital               | 6,154         | 9.7          |
| Monto                                 | 1             | 0.0          |
| Morambah                              | 3             | 0.0          |
| Mossman                               | 4             | 0.0          |
| Mount Isa                             | 478           | 0.8          |
| Mount Morgan                          | 1             | 0.0          |
| Nambour                               | 1             | 0.0          |
| Proserpine                            | 252           | 0.4          |
| Queen Elizabeth II                    | 1             | 0.0          |
| RBWH Birthing Centre                  | 275           | 0.4          |
| Redcliffe                             | 1,606         | 2.5          |
| Redland                               | 1,939         | 3.1          |
| Rockhampton                           | 1,436         | 2.3          |
| Roma                                  | 158           | 0.3          |
| Royal Brisbane & Women's              | 4,768         | 7.5          |
| St George                             | 39            | 0.1          |
| Stanthorpe                            | 92            | 0.2          |
| Sunshine Coast Uni Birthing Centre    | 102           | 0.2          |
| Sunshine Coast University             | 3,429         | 5.4          |
| Tara                                  | 1             | 0.0          |
| Thursday Island                       | 96            | 0.2          |
| Toowoomba                             | 2,020         | 3.2          |
| Toowoomba Hospital Birth Centre       | 62            | 0.1          |
| Townsville Hospital Birth Centre      | 153           | 0.2          |
| Townsville University                 | 2,405         | 3.8          |
| Tully                                 | 2             | 0.0          |
| Warwick                               | 157           | 0.3          |
| Weipa                                 | 1             | 0.0          |
| Yarrabah Emergency Service            | 2             | 0.0          |
| <b>Public Facilities Total</b>        | <b>48,385</b> | <b>76.3</b>  |
| Private Facilities                    | 14,226        | 22.4         |
| Homebirths/Freebirths                 | 302           | 0.5          |
| Born Before Arrival (BBA)             | 497           | 0.8          |
| <b>Total<sup>(a)</sup></b>            | <b>63,412</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

(a) Total includes babies with unknown facility type/sector.