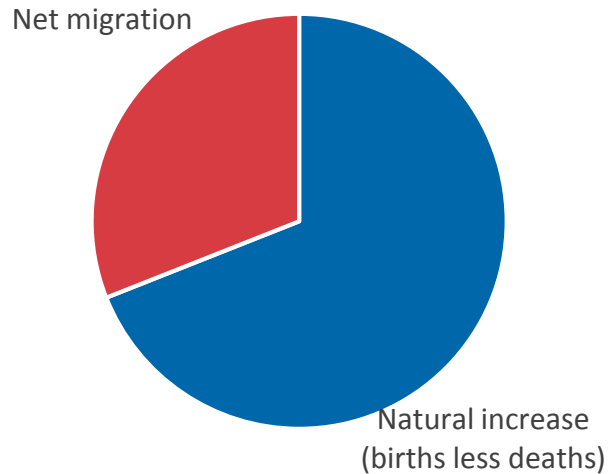
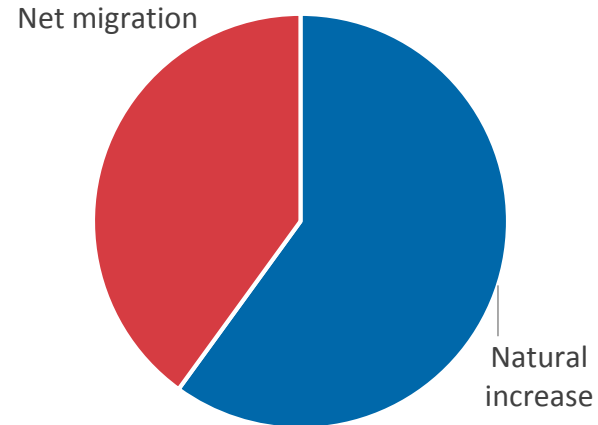


Natural increase accounts for most of Sydney's population growth

Since 2000



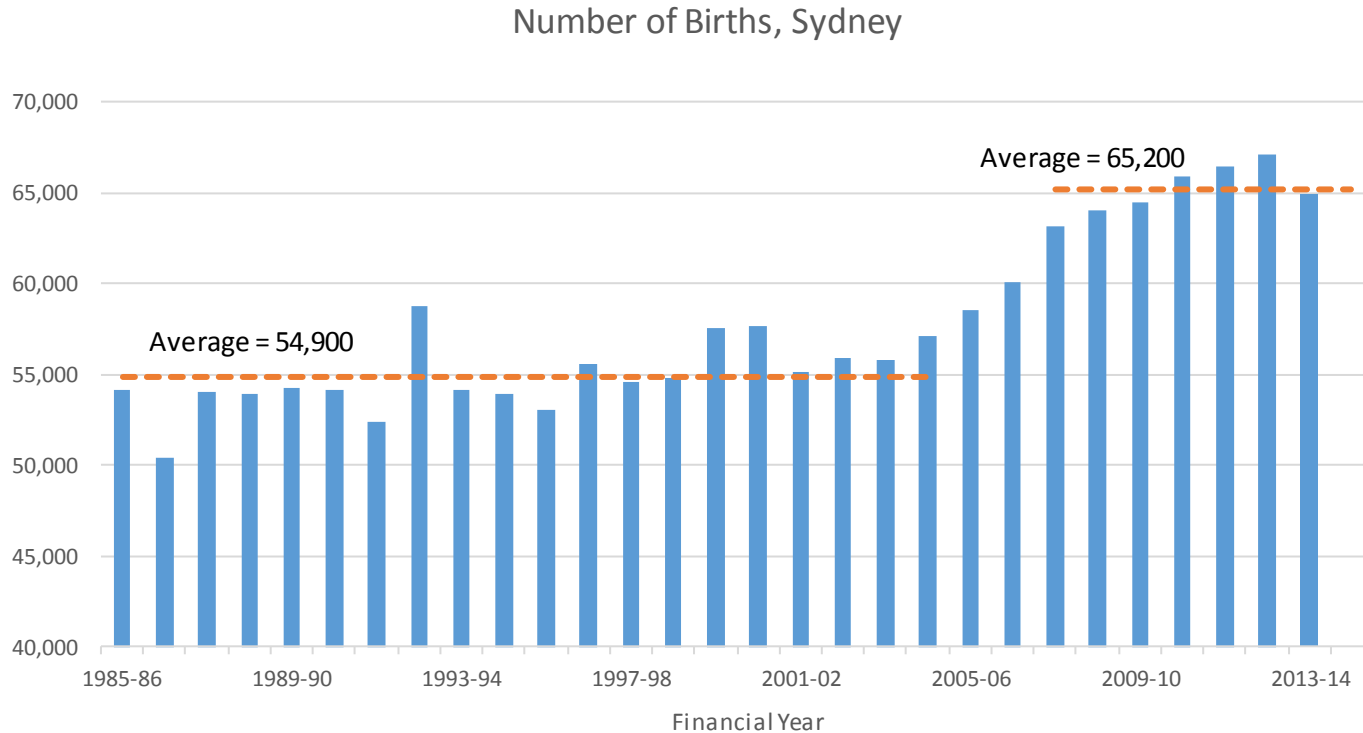
Next 20 years



Source: Department of Planning & Environment and Australian Bureau of Statistics

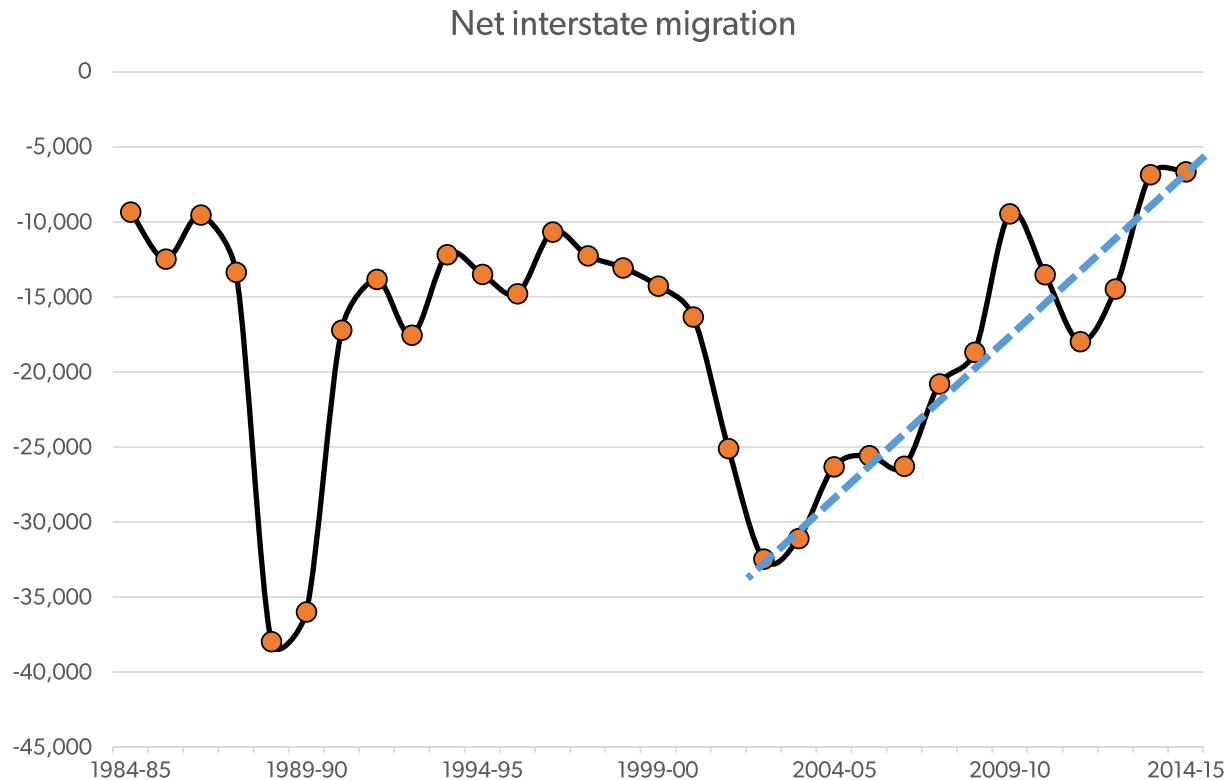
- *Natural increase (births minus deaths) accounts for about 2/3 of Sydney's population growth.*
- *Net migration includes arrivals from interstate, as well as from overseas*

Births have increased, adding to Sydney's population



- *Until the mid-2000s, the number of births in Sydney was steady at around 55,000/year. Recently, it has averaged around 65,000/year. This is expected to continue.*
- *More births, means more people, which requires more houses.*

The number of people leaving NSW for other states is declining



- *The number of people leaving Sydney has been falling since the early 2000s.*
- *People are continuing to move to Sydney from interstate, attracted by Sydney's climate, strong economy and jobs.*

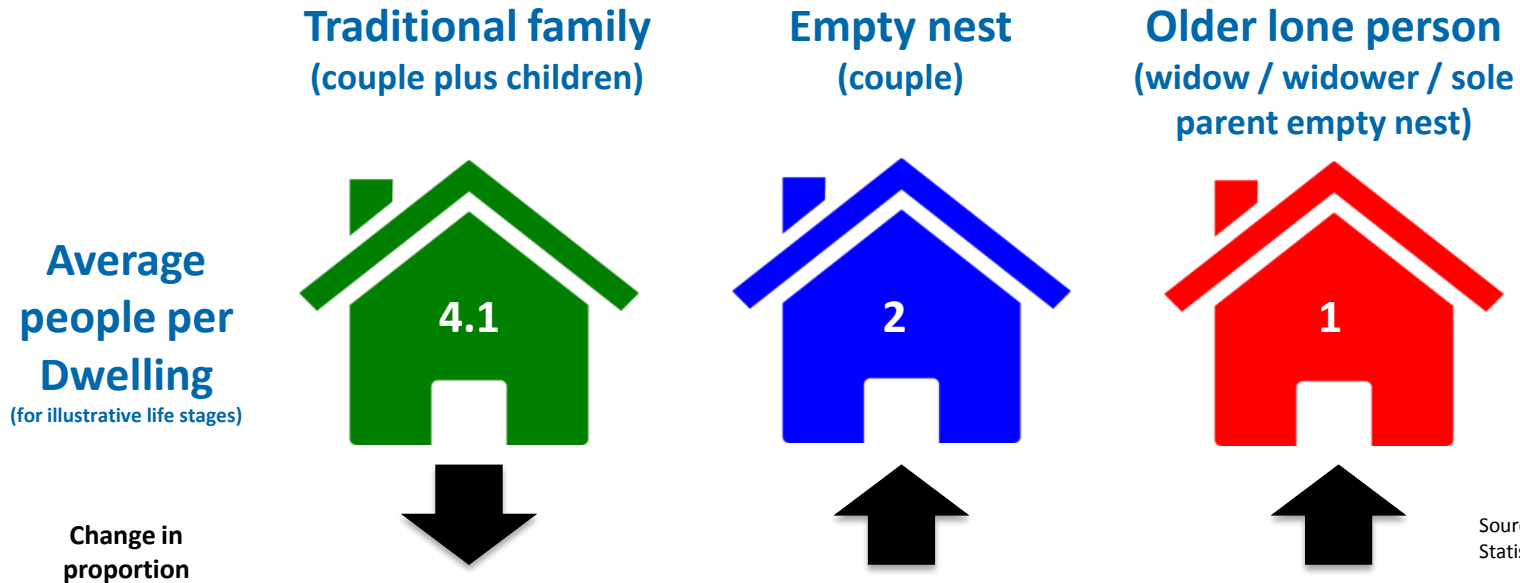
Composition of overseas migration to NSW



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

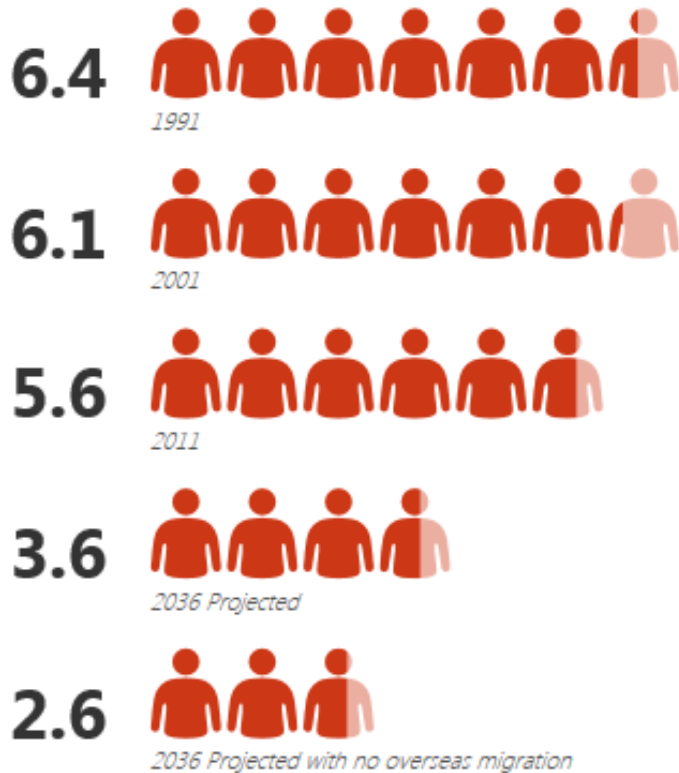
- *Almost 1 in 5 overseas migrants are returning Australian citizens.*
 - *Australian citizens are counted as migrants if they have been away for 12-months or more.*
- *About half of overseas arrivals are overseas students, temporary business migrants or backpackers. These groups require housing while in Australia, but then leave.*
 - *Education is NSW's second biggest export after coal.*
 - *Our rural industries are reliant on backpackers.*
- *Refugees and other humanitarian visa holders make up less than 3% of overseas arrivals into NSW.*

An ageing population means more houses will be needed, even if population stays the same



- As the population ages, there will be more 'empty nesters' and older people living alone.
- This effect alone will mean that Sydney will need 140,000 extra houses over the next 20 years, even if population stayed the same.
- There has been a long-run decline in average household size due to more singles choosing to live alone and more one-parent families.

NSW needs migration to sustain the workforce



- In 1991 there were 6.4 people of working age to every one person aged 65+;
- Even **with** overseas migration this will decrease to 3.6 by 2036.
- **Without** overseas migration, this will fall to just 2.6 people of working age per person aged 65+.