Why migrate from Korea to Queensland, Australia?

If you’re looking for business, career or study opportunities as well as a great lifestyle - make Queensland your home. Queensland offers many business, career and study opportunities in diverse industries, a stable economy and excellent working conditions. Queensland has large, metropolitan cities along the coast to rural towns and everything in between.

Lifestyle

Located on the east coast of Australia, Queensland is one of the most attractive places to live, work and study with a lifestyle that ranks among the best in the world. Queensland is Australia’s second-largest state by land area, covering more than 22% of the continent. Queensland’s growing population of 4.7 million includes over 12,552 Koreans.

Asia is never far away from Queensland, sharing a similar time-zone and regular flights to Korea from Queensland’s three international airports. Over 51,000 people from Korea visited Queensland in 2013-2014 making Korea Brisbane’s eighth largest international visitor market.

Queensland has a subtropical and tropical climate with over 300 days of sunshine a year. Queensland’s summer temperatures range from 17-30°C (62-86°F) and in winter it ranges from 10-22°C (50° to 78°F).

In Queensland you can choose from an array of lifestyle activities including a rich cultural and arts sector, nightlife, entertainment, shopping, dining precincts and world class food and dining with many diverse cuisines. The state is home to five of Australia’s existing natural World Heritage areas including the Great Barrier Reef. Queensland offers a wide variety of sporting pursuits and hosts many international sporting events. Brisbane recently hosted the 2015 Asian Cup matches featuring Australian and Korea.

World class education combined with the relaxed lifestyle, opportunities for outdoor adventure and urban living make Queensland a popular destination for students who want to experience an Australian education. Queensland universities rank among the highest in the world, with the University of Queensland ranking at number 33 in the world’s top 50 universities. Over 6,803 students from Korea studied in Queensland in 2013-14.
Queensland offers a public and private education schooling system with more than 1,200 public schools, 290 catholic schools and 180 independent schools in Queensland. Education through the public system is provided free of charge and within the private sector prices average around A$2,000 (KRW 206,264) per year. Private secondary school education fees vary greatly depending on the school. The Australian Scholarships Group found that Queensland is one of the most affordable states in Australia for private education.

High quality health services are available throughout Queensland with 55 free public hospitals and over 20 private hospitals. Australian residents have access to emergency ambulance services, subsidised prescription medicine and a wide variety of practitioners, encompassing specialists in all areas, are located across the state.

House prices in Queensland compare favourably to those in other locations in Australia, with a median price of AUD 422,000 (KRW 44,491,346). Permanent residents can purchase property in Australia.

Business and Employment

Queensland offers many business and career opportunities in diverse industries, a stable economy and excellent working conditions. We welcome highly skilled business people and professionals who want to make this state their home and contribute to our economy and culture. Growth in employment is expected in health care and social assistance, professional, scientific and technical services, construction and mining.

The Queensland economy has grown rapidly over a long period and has generally outperformed the Australian economy and the OECD average. Our economy is forecast to grow by nearly 6% in 2015-16 which is expected to be the fastest growing state economy in that year.

In addition to the state’s traditional strengths of tourism, agriculture and mining, Queensland has world class education, health, ICT and advanced manufacturing sectors. Queensland and Korea share strong trade and business links. Korea is now Queensland’s third largest trading partner and the Korean-Australia Free Trade agreement (KAFTA) will make significant changes in the areas of agriculture, services, resources and manufacturing trade. Korean companies have a growing presence in the resource and steel sectors as well as infrastructure, agribusiness and tourism. These companies include Daelim, CJ Corporation, KOGAS, Hyundai Steel, SK Networks, Samsung Construction and Technology and Korea Zinc (Sun Metals).

With a competitive tax environment, and an innovative and facilitative approach to working with business to create jobs and grow the economy, Queensland is the place to live, work and invest.

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1 Australian Bureau of Statistics Q1 2014 report