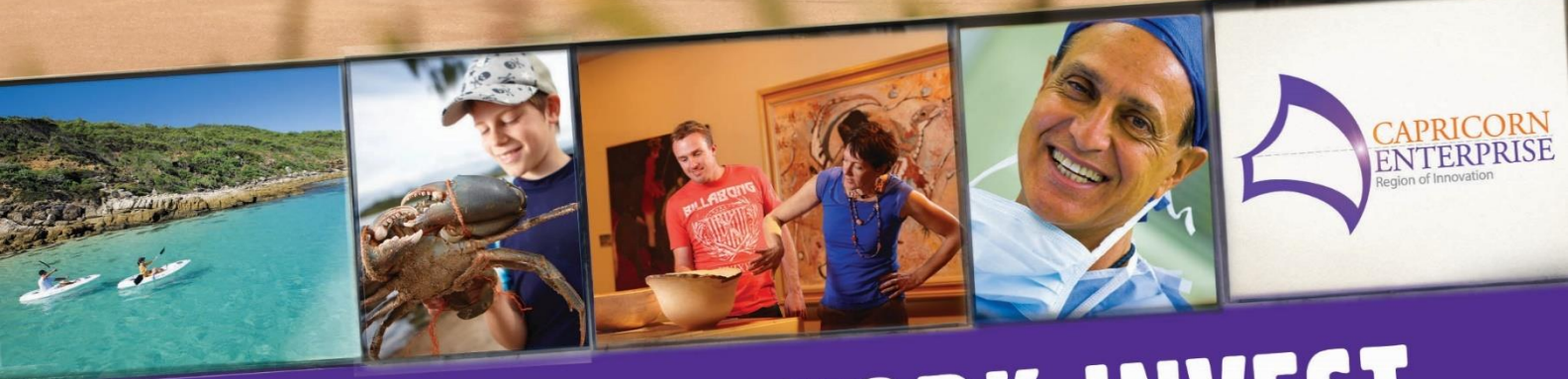


# Economic Profile

Capricorn Coast & Rockhampton Region



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## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this profile is to present an economic overview of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area which includes the Rockhampton Regional Council and Livingstone Shire Council areas. The profile provides information and statistics on various economic and related indicators such as demographics, employment, business and industry, building activity, tourism, education, transport and affordability. This profile has been developed by Capricorn Enterprise.

Demographic information provided in this publication consists of the latest estimated resident population, changes to population and age characteristics, and population projections.

Information on employment is provided by way of employment figures by industry and occupation, labour force statistics and mean taxable income.

The business and industry sections include information on business counts, production and activity in the agriculture and mining sectors, and data on Queensland's commodity exports as it relates to the region.

The building activity section gives a concise summary of the number and value of building approvals in the region.

Information on education provided in this profile includes the number of primary and secondary schools in the region, information on activity at Central Queensland University, vocational education and training, as well as 2011 and 2016 Census figures on the qualifications of the region's population.

Road and air travel statistics are all reported in the transport section.

Finally, details of the region's liveability are provided in the form of retail price information, fuel prices and house prices for both purchase and rental markets.

Note: Results from the ABS 2016 Census of Population and Housing were released on 27 June 2017. Further 2016 Census data has been progressively released with employment data released in October 2017. This profile has been updated following the progressive Census releases.

The Independent Assurance Panel concluded that the 2016 Census data was of comparable quality to the 2011 and 2006 Census data with a person response rate of 94.8%.

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# Overview

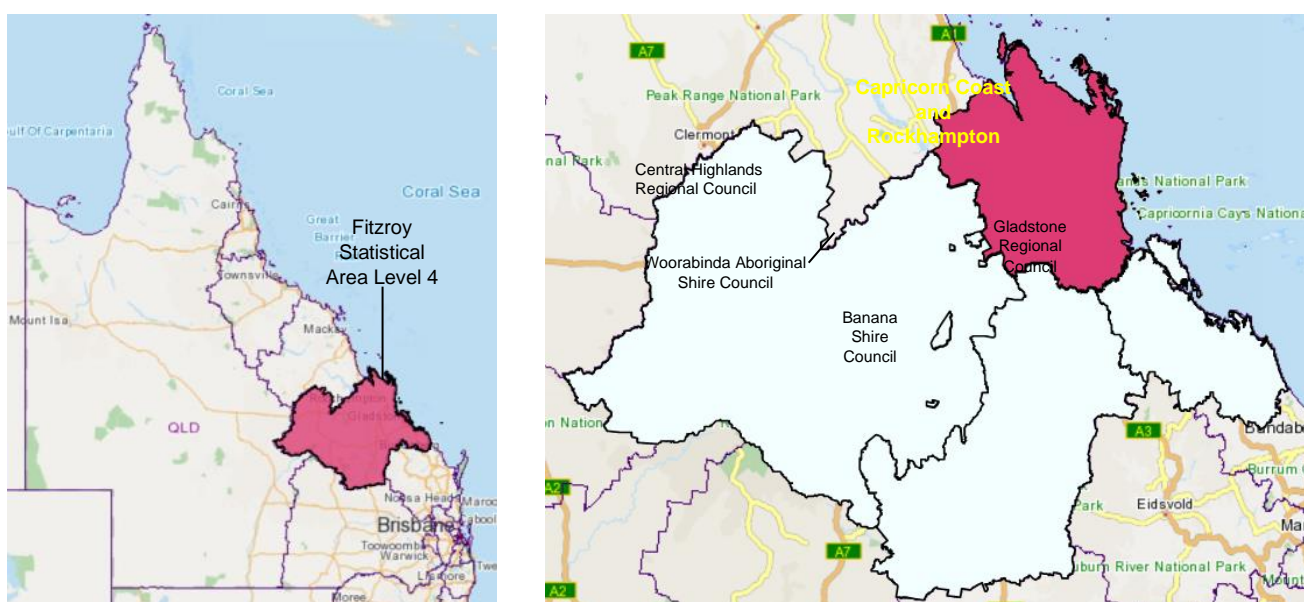
## Key indicators at a glance

- Gross Regional Product - \$6.1b (2017/18)
- Population – 118,705 persons
- Average annual population growth – 0.6%
- Population projection 2041 – 159,893 persons
- September quarter 2018 Labour force – 60,366 persons
- September quarter 2018 unemployment rate 7.1%

## Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton

The Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area comprises the two local government areas of Rockhampton Regional Council and Livingstone Shire Council. It is within the Fitzroy Statistical Area Level 4 (SA4) and covers a total area of 18,356 km<sup>2</sup> and accounts for 1.1% of the state.

**Figure 1 Australia, Fitzroy SA4 and Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, 2011**



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2011.

There are 19 Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) within the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area as listed below. The Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area includes the urban centres of Emu Park, Gracemere, Mount Morgan, Rockhampton and Yeppoon.

[Berserker](#)

[Bouldercombe](#)

[Emu Park](#)

[Frenchville - Mount Archer](#)

[Glenlee - Rockyview](#)

[Gracemere](#)

[Lakes Creek](#)

[Mount Morgan](#)

[Norman Gardens](#)

[Park Avenue](#)

[Parkhurst – Kawana](#)

[Rockhampton – West](#)

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[Rockhampton Region – East](#)

[Rockhampton Region – North](#)

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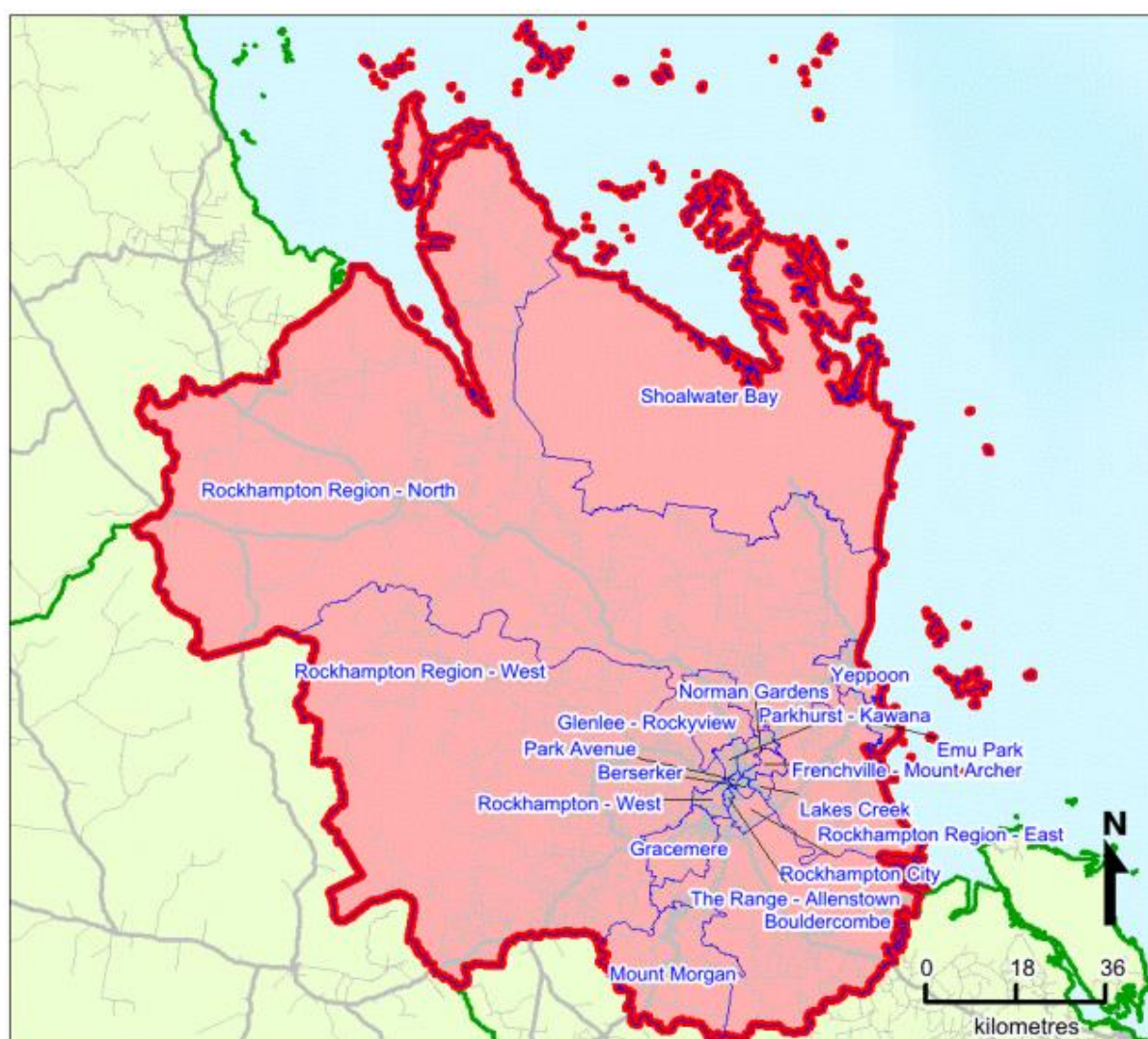
[Shoalwater Bay](#)

[The Range – Allenstown](#)

[Yeppoon](#)

**Note:** maps of SA2 areas can be downloaded from *Queensland Statistical Areas, Level 2 (SA2), 2018*, <http://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/products/maps/qld-sa2-asgs-2016/index.php>

Figure 2 Statistical Area Level 2 in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2011



Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Statistical Geography Standard, 2011.

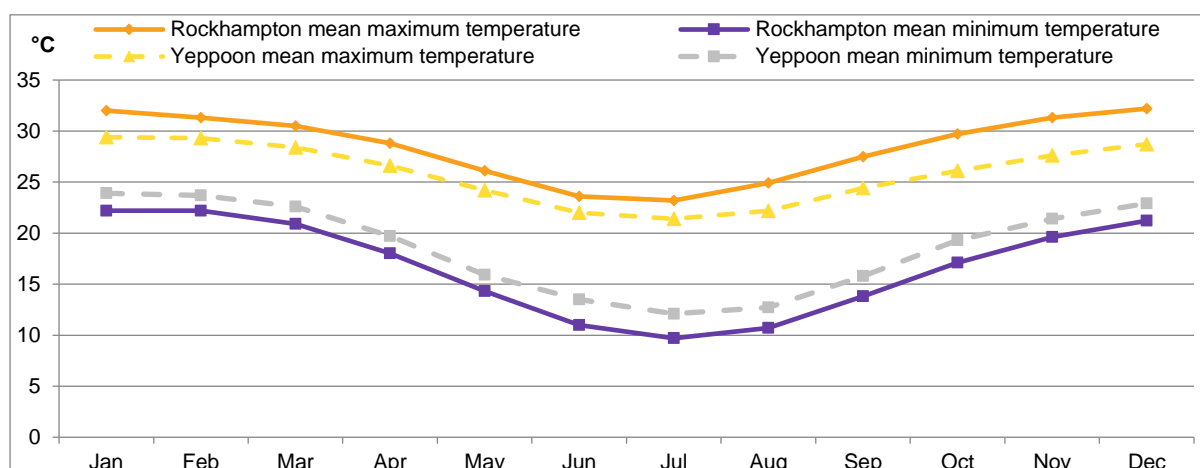
Source: The State of Queensland (Queensland Treasury), 2015

## Climate

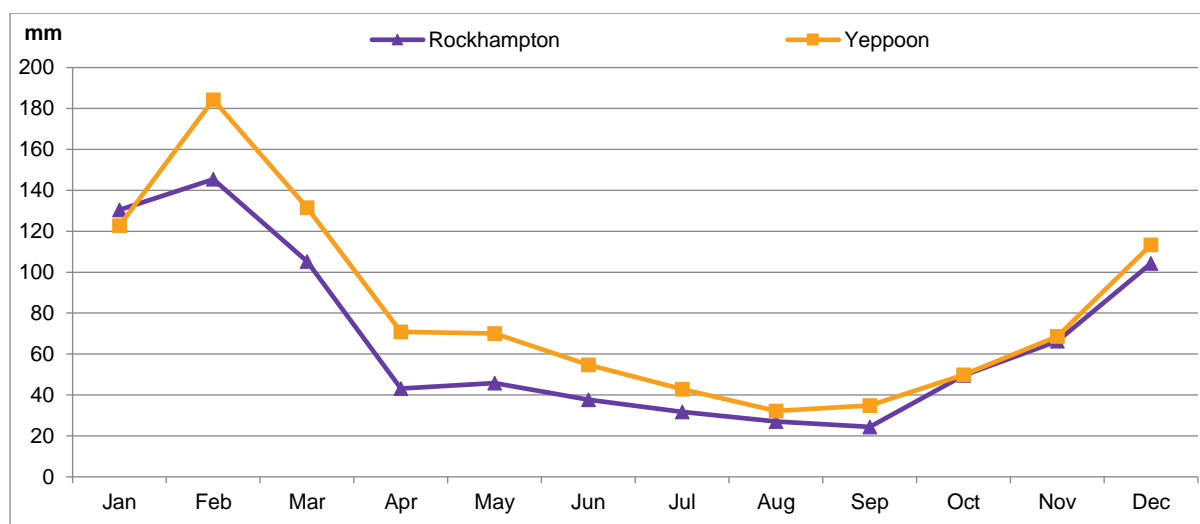
The Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area enjoys a subtropical climate with wet summers and low winter rainfall. The highest mean monthly maximum temperature in Rockhampton is in December, with 32.2°C. Yeppoon's highest mean monthly maximum temperature is in January, with 29.4°C. The lowest mean monthly minimum temperature in Rockhampton is 9.7°C in July and 12.0°C in Yeppoon in July.

Both Yeppoon and Rockhampton have their highest mean monthly rainfall in February (180.6 mm and 145.8 mm respectively). Rockhampton's lowest mean monthly rainfall is in September, with just 24.7 mm, whereas Yeppoon's lowest mean monthly rainfall is in August, with 33.4 mm.

**Figure 3 Mean monthly maximum and minimum temperatures, Rockhampton (a) and Yeppoon (b)**



**Figure 4 Mean monthly rainfall, Rockhampton (a) and Yeppoon (b)**



(a) Based on observations recorded at Rockhampton Airport from 1939 to 2018.

(b) Based on observations recorded at Yeppoon Esplanade from 1993 to 2018 (temperature) and 1994 to 2018 (rainfall).

Source: Bureau of Meteorology, 2019

## DEMOGRAPHY

### Quick stats

- 2018 estimated resident population – 118,705 persons
- 2013 - 2018 average annual increase in population – 0.3%
- Greater proportion of persons aged 0 to 19 years than Queensland
- Greater proportion of persons aged 50 to 64 years and 75 years and over than Queensland
- 2041 population projection – 159,893 persons
- 2016 – 2041 average annual increase in population – 1,650 persons

### Estimated Resident Population

The estimated resident population of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area at 30 June 2018 was 118,705 persons, 2.4% of the total Queensland population. Between 30 June 2013 and 30 June 2018, the population in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area increased by an average of 0.3% per annum, a lower growth rate than Queensland, which increased by an average of 1.5% per annum.



While the population of the region increased between 2013 and 2018, population change varied significantly by Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2). The fastest population growth over the five-year period occurred in Gracemere SA2 (an average of 3.4% per annum), followed by Emu Park SA2 (an average of 2.4% per annum). Although Shoalwater Bay SA2 experienced a faster average annual population growth rate, it should be noted that this was from a very low base.

**Table 1 Estimated resident population by SA2 (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2013, 2017 and 2018**

Statistical Area Level 2(b)	Area km <sup>2</sup>	Estimated resident population as at 30 June			Change (c)	
		2013	2017	2018	2013–2018	
		— number —			%	persons
Berserker	10.0	7,493	6,899	6,807	-1.9	-137
Bouldercombe	1,338.7	1,933	1,814	1,800	-1.4	-27
Emu Park	40.8	5,102	5,617	5,749	2.4	129
Frenchville - Mount Archer	30.2	9,662	9,128	9,054	-1.3	-122
Glenlee - Rockyview	208.0	4,736	5,145	5,137	1.6	80
Gracemere	154.1	10,474	12,134	12,393	3.4	384
Lakes Creek	16.8	5,331	4,953	4,888	-1.7	-89
Mount Morgan	490.7	3,150	2,931	2,928	-1.5	-44
Norman Gardens	36.1	9,773	10,571	10,676	1.8	181
Park Avenue	5.0	5,517	5,217	5,065	-1.7	-90
Parkhurst - Kawana	28.4	6,967	7,098	7,171	0.6	41
Rockhampton - West	34.5	6,294	6,000	6,002	-0.9	-58
Rockhampton City	51.2	3,686	3,326	3,253	-2.5	-87
Rockhampton Region - East	680.2	3,331	3,451	3,405	0.4	15
Rockhampton Region - North	7,566.9	4,267	4,319	4,328	0.3	12
Rockhampton Region - West	4,359.0	2,872	2,905	2,884	0.1	2
Shoalwater Bay	3,177.0	13	16	16	4.2	1
The Range - Allenstown	5.5	8,593	8,307	8,146	-1.1	-89
Yeppoon	78.6	17,830	18,738	19,003	1.3	235
<b>Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton</b>	<b>18,311.7</b>	<b>117,024</b>	<b>118,479</b>	<b>118,705</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>336</b>
Queensland	1,734,174.0	4,652,824	4,927,629	5,011,216	1.5	71,678
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton as % of Queensland	..	2.5	2.4	2.4	..	..

2017 figures are revised. 2018 figures are preliminary.

(a) Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Statistical Geography Standard 2011.

(b) A map detailing boundaries for Statistical Area Level 2 can be found in the Introduction of this profile.

(c) Average annual growth rate.

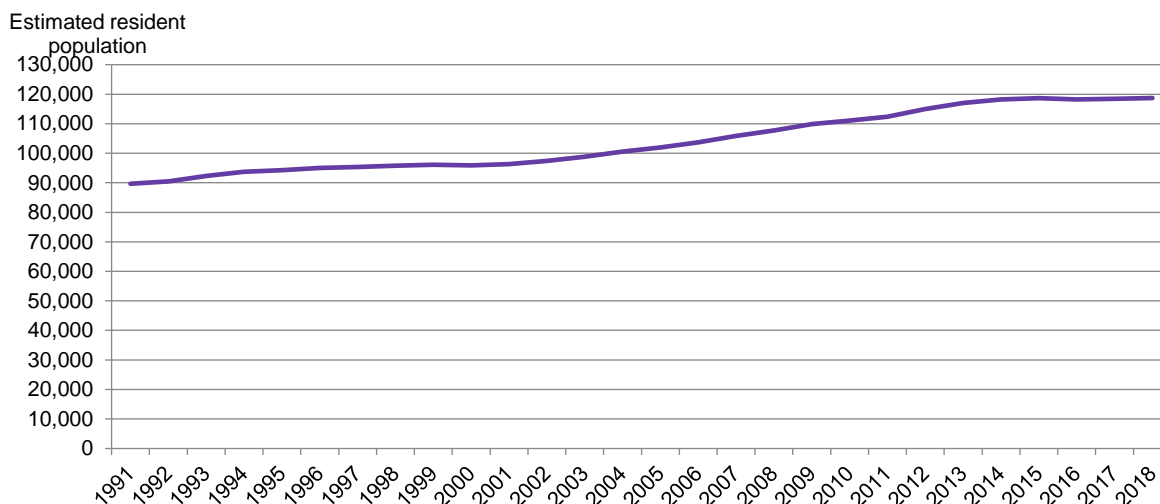
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Regional Population Growth, Australia*, cat. no. 3218.0.

## Population

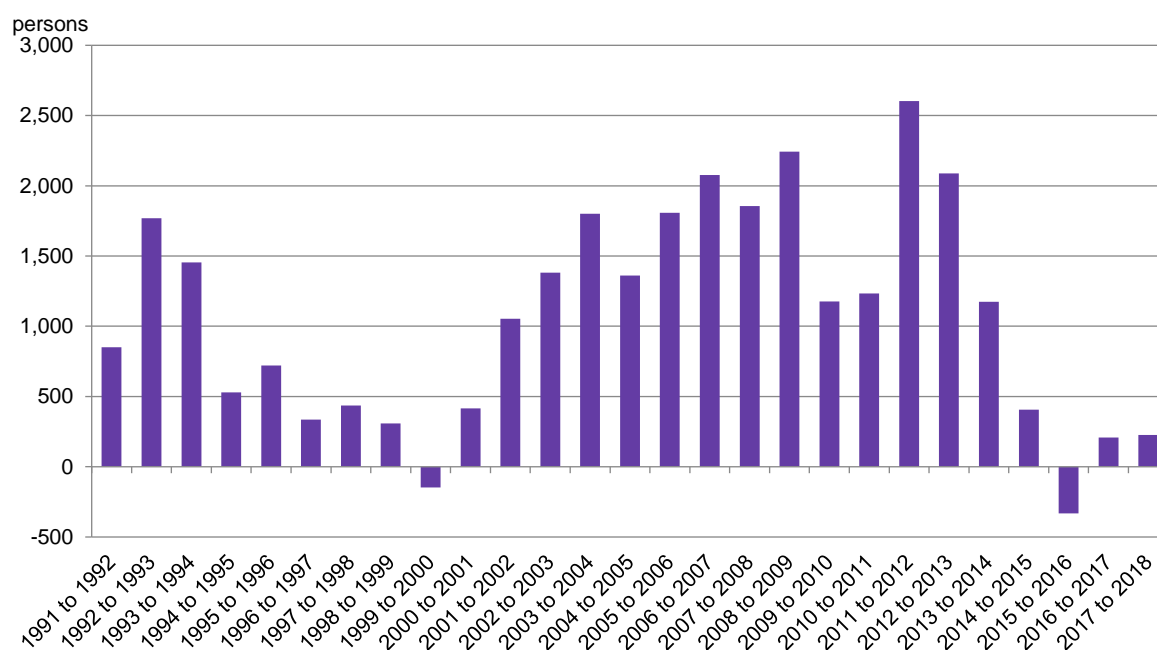
Longer-term historical estimated resident population data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics indicate that the population of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area has increased since 1991. The population increased from 89,668 persons in 1991 to 118,705 persons in 2018. This was an increase of 29,037 persons at an average annual growth rate of 1.2%.

Annual population change for the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area has varied considerably between 1991 and 2018. The largest population change was between 2011 and 2012, with an increase of 2,603 persons. The greatest population decline occurred between 2015 and 2016 with a decrease of 333 persons.

**Figure 5 Estimated resident population (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 1991 to 2018**



**Figure 6 Annual change in the estimated resident population, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 1991 to 2018**



2017 figures are revised. 2018 figures are preliminary.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Regional Population Growth, Australia*, cat. no. 3218.0.

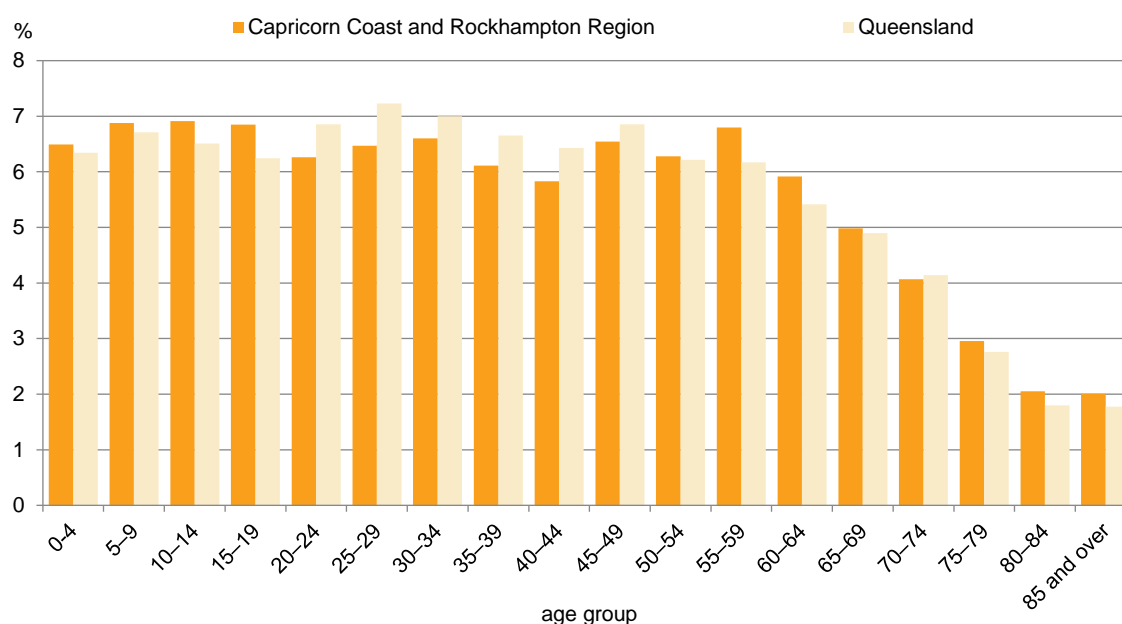
## Age Characteristics

Data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics indicate that the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, as at 30 June 2018, had a greater proportion of persons aged 0 to 19 years, 50 to 69 years and 75 years and over when compared with Queensland. The largest percentage difference between the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland was those persons aged 25 to 29 years (0.8 percentage points lower) and persons aged 55 to 59 years (0.6 percentage points higher).

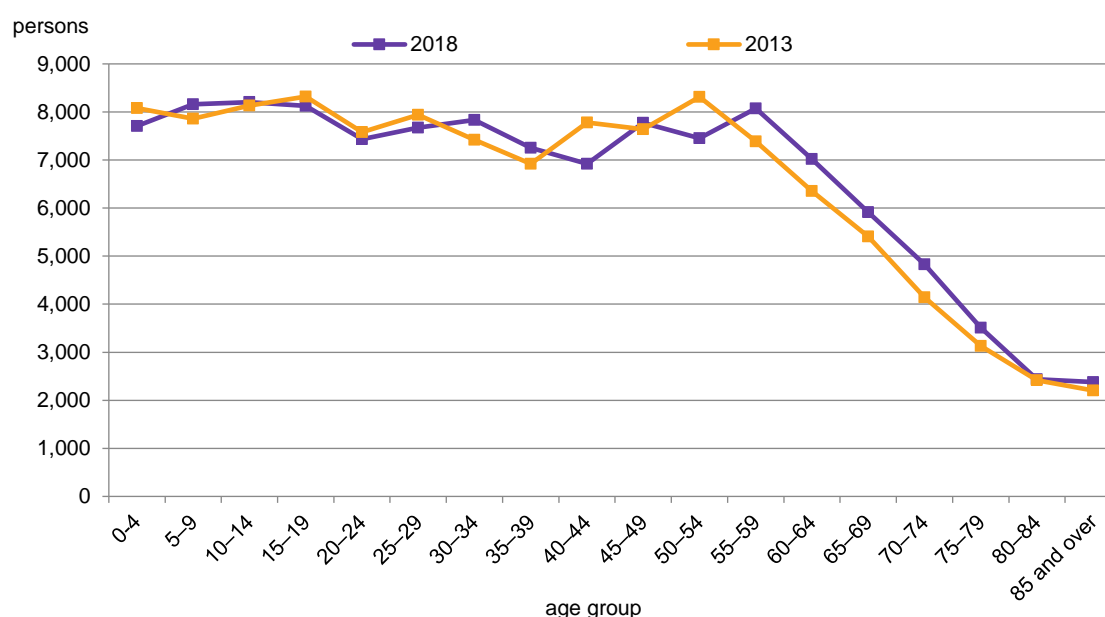
Between 2013 and 2018, the greatest increase in population in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area was persons aged 55 to 59 years (686 persons), followed by persons aged 70 to 74 years (684 persons) and 60 to 64 years (669 persons). The greatest decrease in population in the area was persons aged 50 to 54 years (858 persons), 40 to 44 years and 50 to 54 years (857

persons). As at 30 June 2018, the median age for the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area was 37.8 years compared to 37.3 years in Queensland.

**Figure 7 Estimated resident population by age, as a percentage of the population, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland, 2018(a)**



**Figure 8 Estimated resident population by age, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2013 and 2018 (a)**



(a) 2001 to 2016 figures are final. 2017 figures are revised. 2018 figures are preliminary.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Population Estimates by Age and Sex, Australia and States*, cat. no. 3235.0.

## Population Projections

Population projections published by Queensland Treasury and Trade, 2018 edition, indicate that the population of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area will increase to 159,893 persons by the year 2041. The Region is projected to have a higher rate of growth (1.2%) than the Central Queensland SA4 (0.8%) but slower rate than Queensland (1.6%). It is predicted the region will grow on average by 1,650 persons per year between 2011 and 2041.

**Table 2 Population projections (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, Central Queensland SA4 and Queensland, 2016 to 2041**

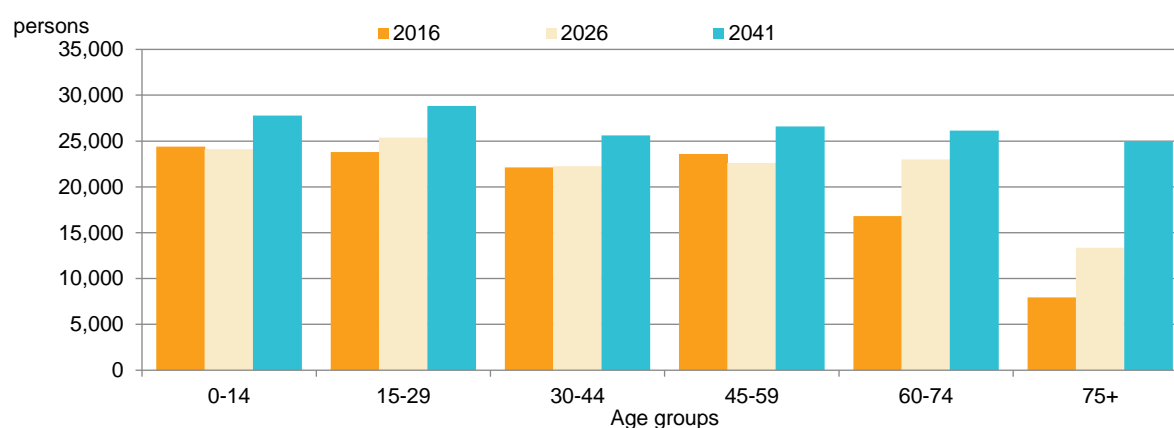
Area	Estimated resident population 2016	- Projected resident population -					Average annual growth	
		2021	2026	2031	2036	2041	2016 to 2041	
		— number —					persons	%
<b>Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton</b>	<b>118,644</b>	<b>123,303</b>	<b>130,700</b>	<b>139,924</b>	<b>149,988</b>	<b>159,893</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>1.2</b>
Central Qld SA4	226,314	230,866	240,952	253,943	266,946	279,470	2,126	0.8
Queensland	4,848,877	5,261,567	5,722,780	6,206,566	6,686,604	7,161,661	92,511	1.6
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton as a % of CQ SA4	52.4	53.4	54.2	55.1	56.2	57.2	..	..
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton as a % of Queensland	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	..	..

SA4 = Statistical area level 4  
(a) Medium series.

Source: Queensland Government Population Projections, 2018 edition (medium series).

All age groups are projected to experience growth; however, the greatest percentage growth is being projected in the 60 to 74 years (55.5%) and over 75 years age groups (214.0%).

**Figure 9 Population projections by age groups, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2016, 2026 and 2041**



Source: Queensland Government population projections, 2018 edition (medium series), Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Queensland Treasury and Trade.

## EMPLOYMENT

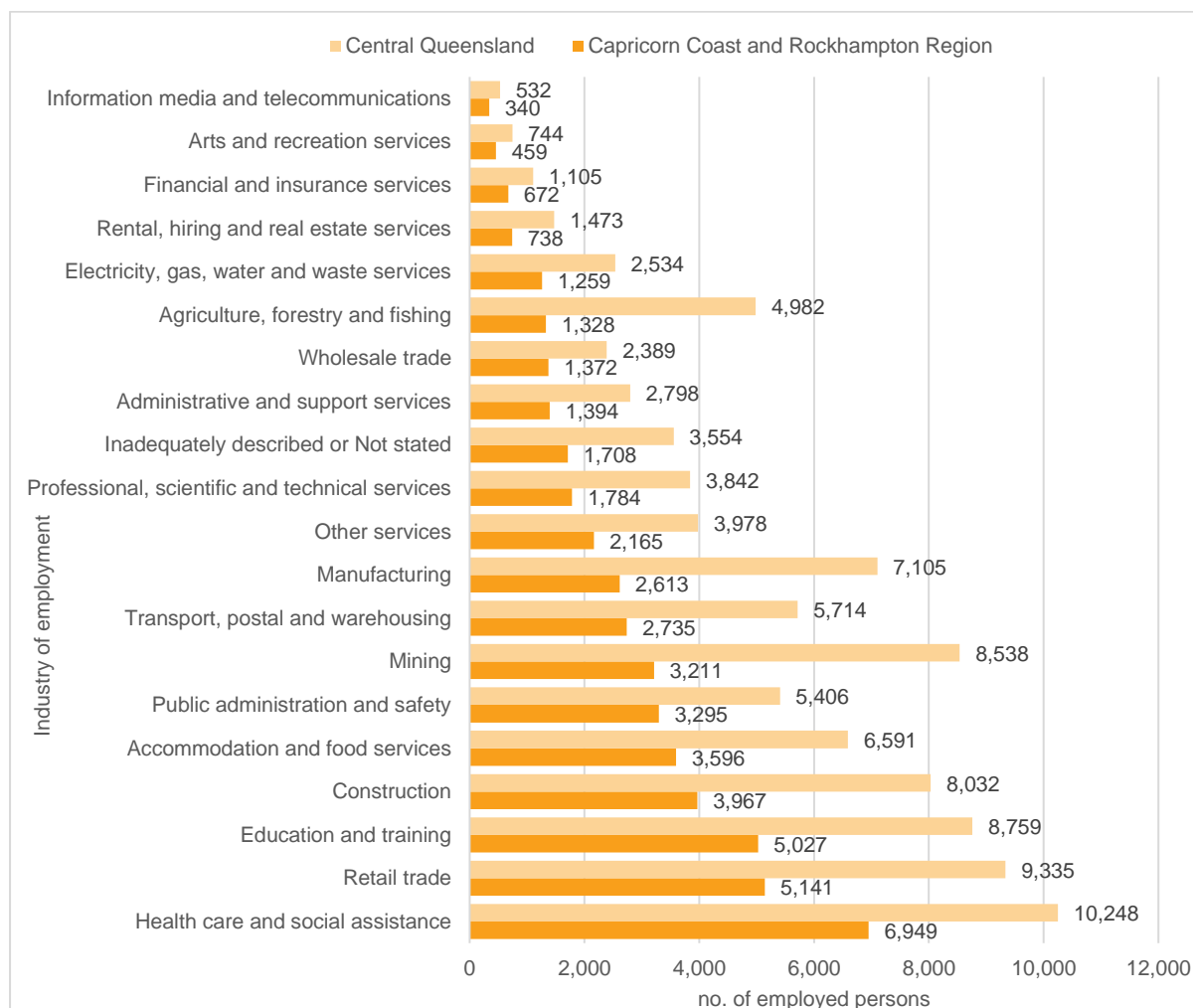
### Quick stats

- 2016 Census largest employing industry - health care and social assistance 14.0%
- 2011-2016 highest percentage growth of employed persons – mining industry
- 2011-2016 highest increase in number of employed persons – health care and social assistance
- 2016 Census largest occupational group – technicians and trade workers
- 2016 Census 2,871 workers in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area resided outside the region.
- March quarter 2019 labour force – 61,955 persons.
- March quarter 2019 unemployment rate – 6.6%.
- March quarter 2019 estimated number of unemployed persons – 4,059 persons.
- 2016 Census 85.5% of employed residents worked within the region
- 2015-16 average total personal income - \$60,048
- 2015-16 median total personal income - \$49,378
- 2015-16 average employee income - \$58,885

## Employment by Industry

At the time of the 2016 Census, health care and social assistance was the largest employing industry in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, accounting for 6,949 (14.0%) of the region's employed workforce. Other significant industries included retail trade (10.3%), education and training (10.1%) and construction (8.0%).

**Table 3 Employed persons (a)(b) by industry, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton and Fitzroy SA4, 2016**



(a) Based on usual residence.

(b) Aged 15 years and over.

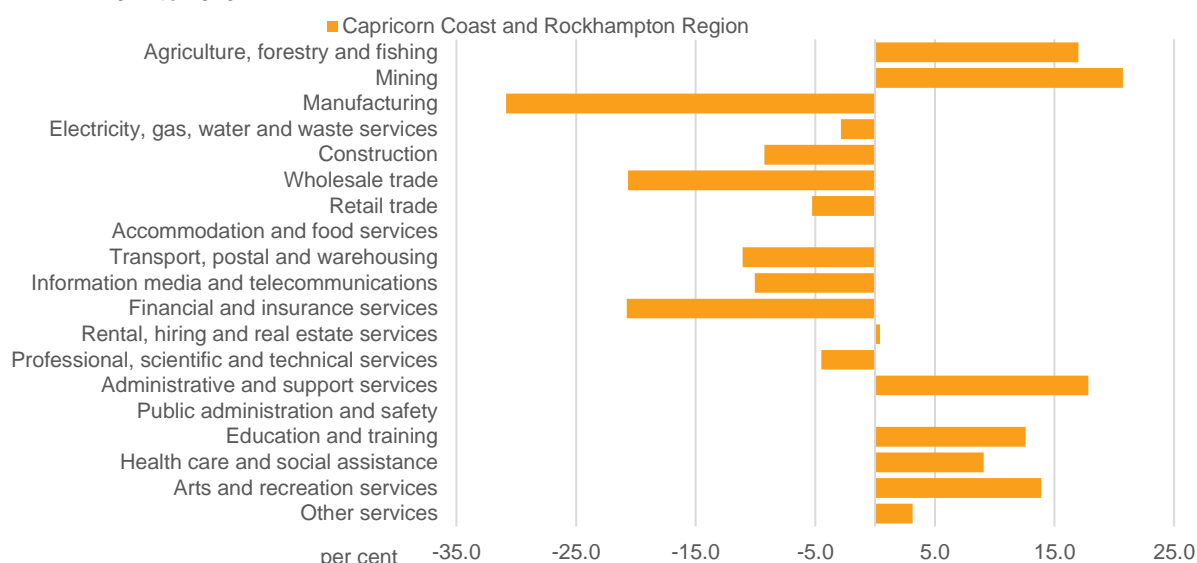
(c) Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 2006

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016, *General Community Profile – G51*.

Mining experienced the highest percentage growth of employed persons by industry between 2011 and 2016 at 20.7%, followed by administrative and support services (17.8%), and agriculture, forestry and fishing (17.0%). Persons employed in financial and insurance service experienced the largest decline (–20.8%). Between 2011 and 2016, health care and social assistance had the greatest increase in the number of persons employed of all industries (579 persons). Manufacturing had the largest decrease in persons employed of all industries (–1,166 persons).



**Figure 10 Percentage change in employed persons (a) (b) by industry (c), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2011 to 2016**



(a) Based on place of usual residence.

(b) Aged 15 years and over.

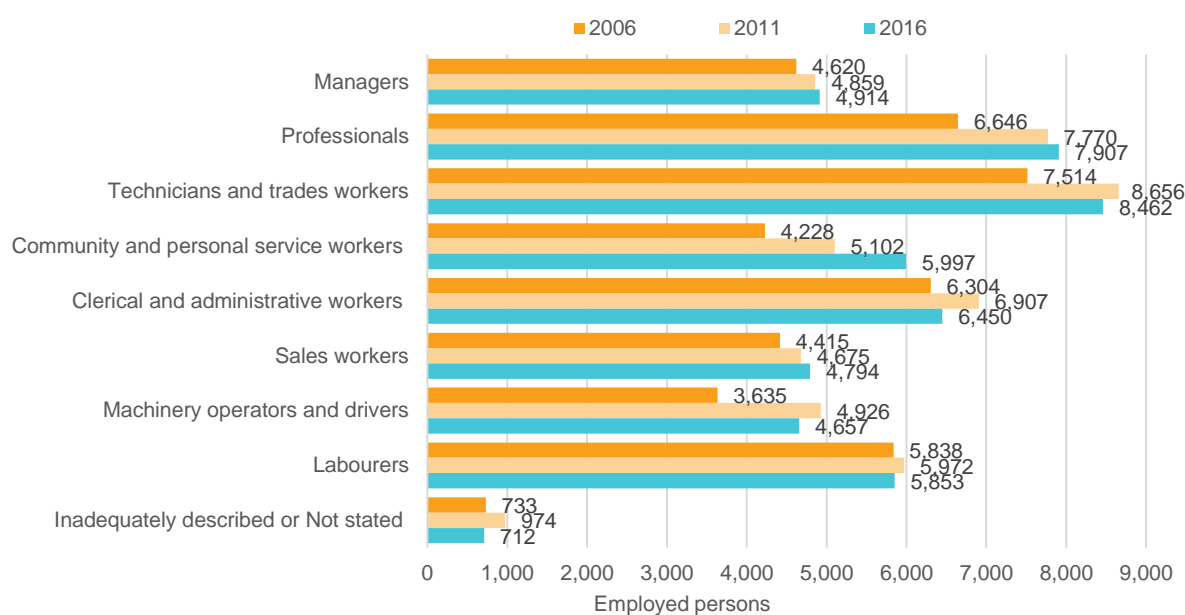
(c) Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification 2006.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016, *Time Series Profile – T34*.

## Occupation

At the time of the 2016 Census, the largest occupational group of residents in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area was technicians and trade workers (8,462 persons), followed by professionals (7,907 persons) and clerical and administrative workers (6,450 persons). All occupations experienced growth between the 2006 and 2016 censuses, while some contracted between 2011 and 2016. The greatest increases were community and personal service workers (41.8%) and machinery operators and drivers (28.1%).

**Figure 11 Employed persons (a) (b) (c) by occupation (d), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2006, 2011 and 2016**



(a) Based on place of usual residence.

(b) Aged 15 years and over.

(c) Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Standard Classification of Occupations.

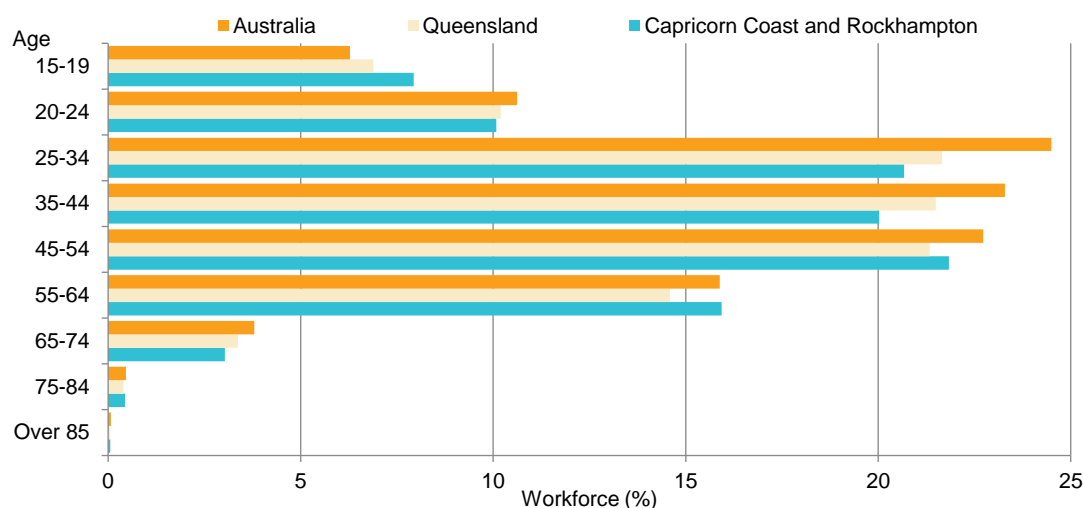
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016, *Time Series Profile – T35*.

## Workforce age

The workforce profile for the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area in 2016 showed a higher proportion of workers in the younger age groups (15-19 years) compared to State and National averages.

The proportion of workers in the 25-44 years age group was significantly lower in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area than for State or National averages.

**Figure 12 Labour force by age group, 2016**

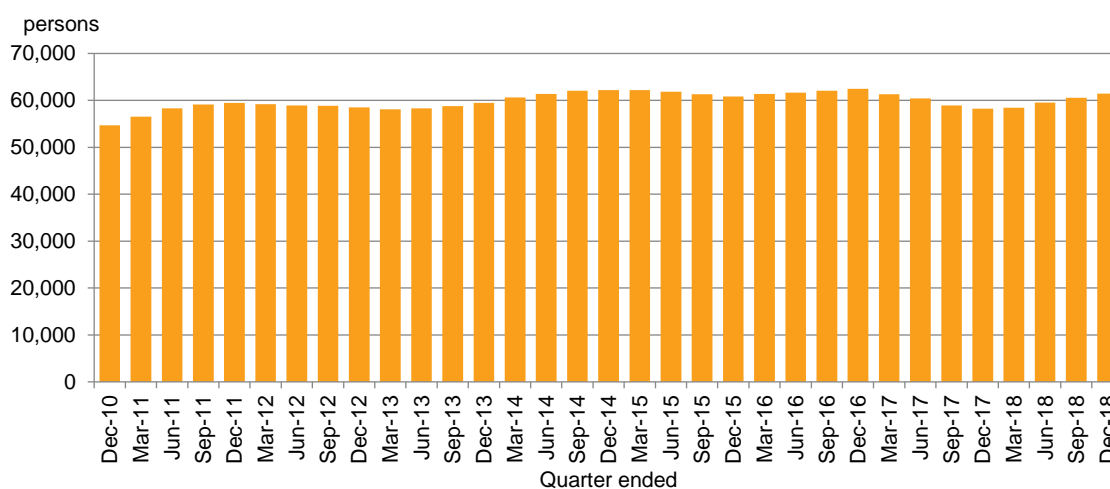


Source: ABS, *Census of Population and Housing, 2016, General Community Profile – G43*.

## Labour force

The total estimated labour force in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area for the March quarter 2019 was 61,955 persons. Between the December quarter 2010 and March quarter 2019, the average annual growth rate of the labour force in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area was 1.6%.

**Figure 13 Labour force (a) (b), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2010 to 2019**



(a) Estimates of unemployment and the unemployment rate at the regional level can display significant variability and should be viewed with caution. Quarter-to-quarter comparisons may not be indicative of actual movements in the labour market. It is therefore recommended that year-on-year comparisons be used.

(b) Based on smoothed (four quarter average) data.

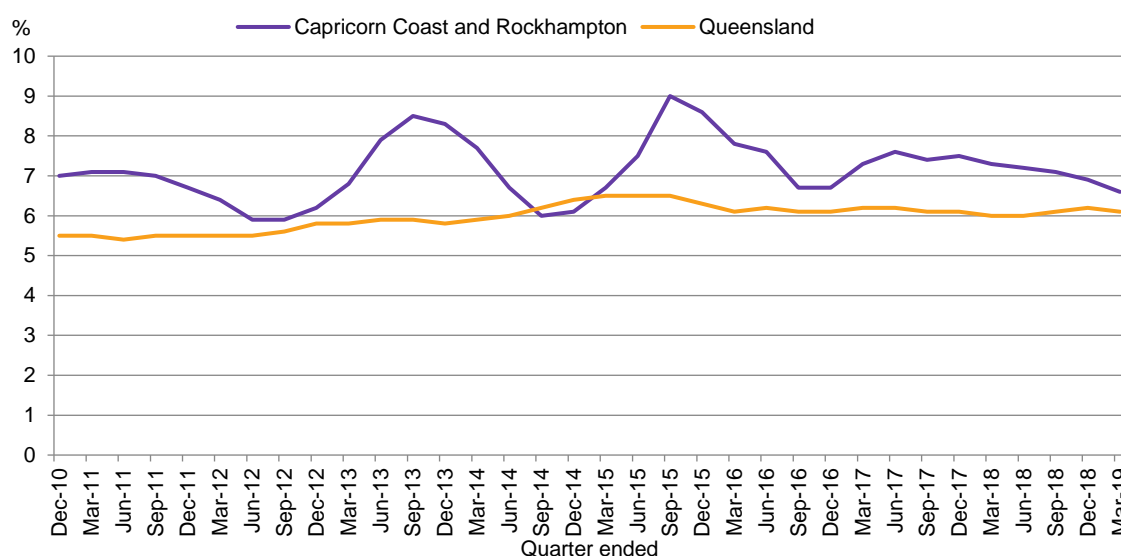
Source: Australian Government Department of Employment, *Small Area Labour Markets Australia* various editions.

## Unemployment

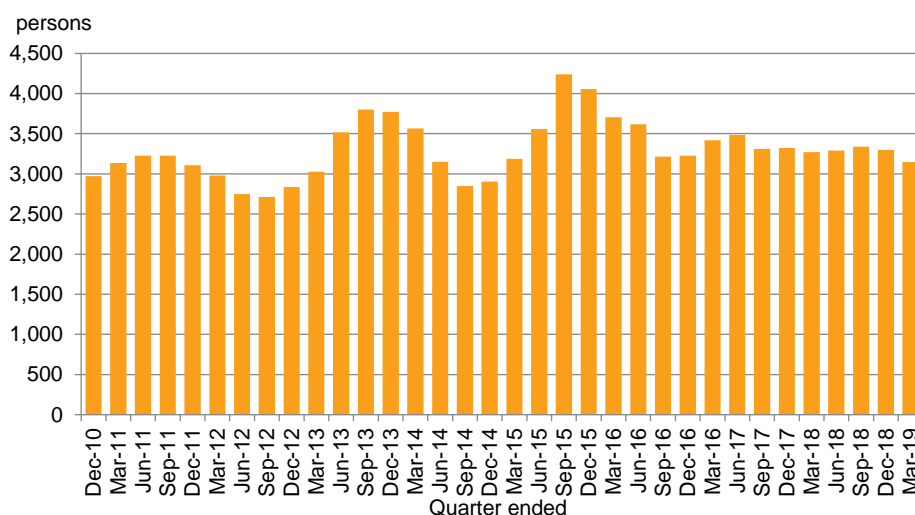
Synthetic estimates from the Australian Department of Employment indicate the unemployment rate in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area in the March quarter 2019 was 6.6%, a 0.7 percentage points decrease from the same quarter in 2018, with the rate has declining steadily between times. The unemployment rate for the region in the March quarter 2019 was 0.5 percentage points higher than the rate for Queensland.

The estimated number of unemployed persons in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area for the March quarter 2019 was 4,059 persons. This was a decrease of 210 unemployed persons since the previous quarter.

**Figure 14 Unemployment rate (a) (b), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland, December quarter 2010 to March quarter 2019 (c)**



**Figure 15 Unemployed persons (a) (b), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, December quarter 2010 to March quarter 2019 (c)**



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(b) Based on smoothed (four quarter average) data.

(c) Smoothed data (data based on four quarter average) is not available prior to December quarter 2010.

Source: Australian Government Department of Employment, *Small Area Labour Markets Australia* various editions.

## Journey to Work

At the time of the 2016 Census, 45,459 people worked in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. Of these persons, 93.4% resided in the region, while 6.6% (2,987 persons) resided elsewhere. Four hundred and forty persons resided in Gold Coast City Council and worked in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, while 145 persons resided in other states and territories and worked in the region.

**Table 4 Employed persons (a)(b) by place of usual residence (c), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton 2016**

Place of usual residence	Persons	%
<b>Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton</b>	<b>42,472</b>	<b>93.4</b>
Gold Coast (C)	440	1.0
Brisbane (C)	377	0.8
Sunshine Coast (R)	368	0.8
Ipswich (C)	184	0.4
Moreton Bay (R)	168	0.4
Gladstone (R)	148	0.3
Mackay (R)	136	0.3
Central Highlands (R)	131	0.3
Logan (C)	113	0.2
Banana (S)	73	0.2
Cairns (R)	63	0.1
Toowoomba (C)	73	0.2
Elsewhere in Queensland	523	1.2
Elsewhere in Australia	145	0.3
<i>Total persons residing outside the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area</i>	<i>2,987</i>	<i>6.6</i>
No usual address	45	0.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,459</b>	<b>100.0</b>

At the time of the 2016 Census, 49,746 employed persons resided in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. Of these persons, 85.4% worked within the region, while 10.5% (5,215 persons) worked elsewhere. This included 1,598 persons who worked in the Central Highlands Regional Council area, 1,024 persons who worked in the Isaac Regional Council area and 311 usual residents of the region who worked in other states and territories.

**Table 5 Employed persons (a), usual residents of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton by location of workplace (b) (c), 2016**

Place of work	Persons	%
<b>Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton</b>	<b>42,480</b>	<b>85.4</b>
Central Highlands (R)	1,598	3.2
Isaac (R)	1,024	2.1
Banana (S)	383	0.8
Gladstone (R)	264	0.5
Gold Coast (C)	294	0.6
Brisbane (C)	535	1.1
Mackay (R)	112	0.2
Sunshine Coast (R)	114	0.2
Western Downs (R)	26	0.1
Townsville (C)	50	0.1
Elsewhere in Queensland	482	1.0
Elsewhere in Australia	311	0.6
<i>Total persons with place of work outside the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton</i>	<i>5,215</i>	<i>10.5</i>
Undefined or not stated or no fixed address	2,051	4.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>49,746</b>	<b>100.0</b>

C = City R = Regional Council

(a) Aged 15 years and over.

(b) Place of work is coded from the workplace address question on the Census form and relates to where the person worked in the week prior to census night.

(c) Place of work is based on local government areas as per Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Statistical Geographic Standard.

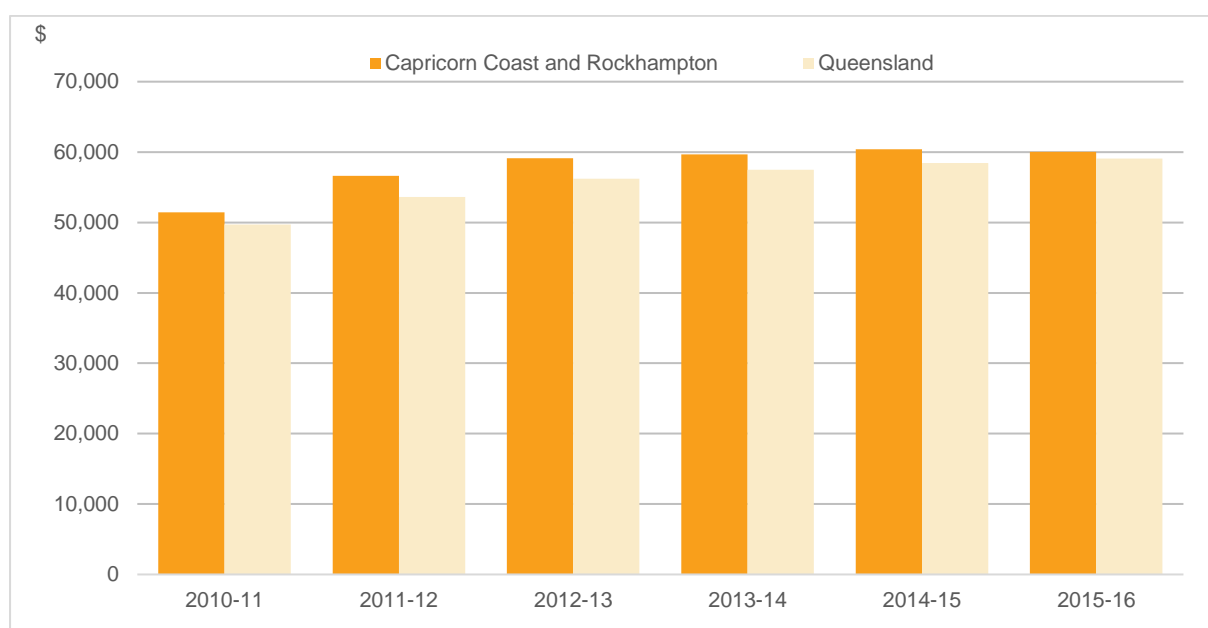
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016

## Estimates of Personal Income

Estimates of personal income show that the mean total personal income (excluding Government pensions and allowances) in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton region for the 2015-16 financial year was \$60,048. The mean employee income in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area for the 2015-16 financial year was \$58,885. This was \$1,949 more than the mean employee income for Queensland (\$56,936).

Between the financial years 2010-11 and 2015-16, the mean total personal income (excluding Government pensions and allowances) in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area increased by \$8,619 (16.8%). This was less than Queensland for the same period (\$9,363 or 18.8%).

**Figure 16 Mean income from wages and salaries (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland, 2011-16**



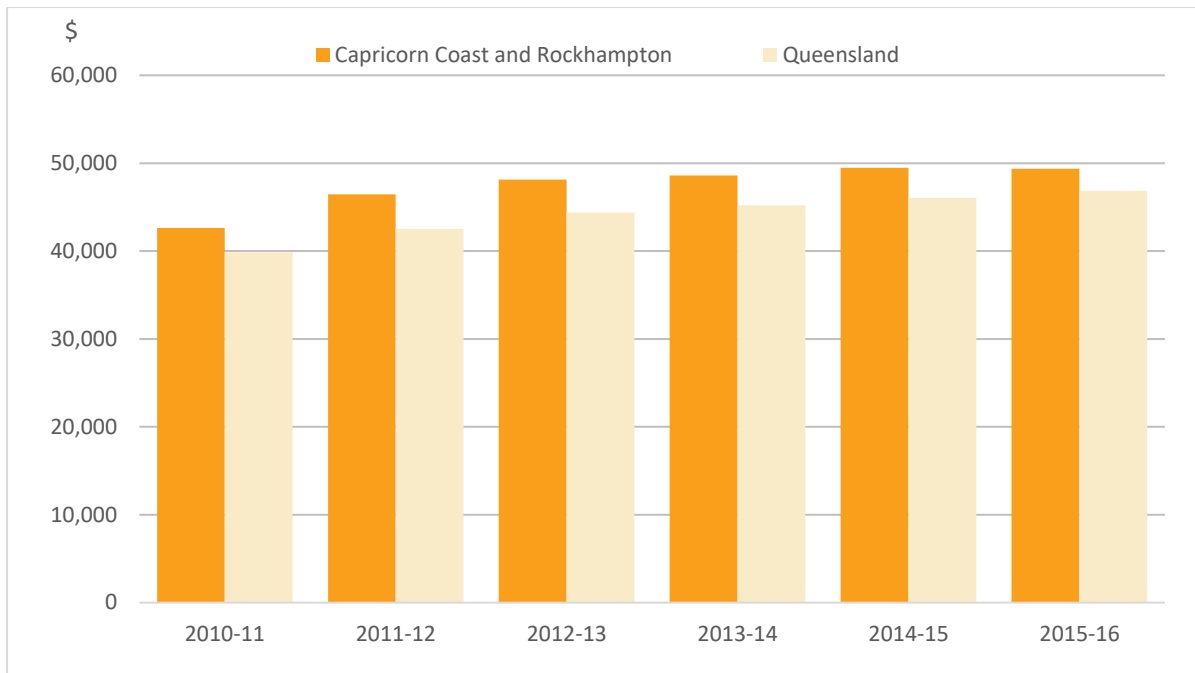
(a) Wage and salary income, as reported on the income tax return, includes gross income as well as allowances, commissions, bonuses, tips, gratuities, consultation fees, honoraria, termination pays, lumps sums and other payments for services.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Estimates of Personal Income for Small Areas, 2011-16*, cat. no. 6524.0.55.002.

The mean measures the total income divided by the number of income earners. Because income is not equally distributed, as there are generally more low income earners with fewer high income earners, using medians can be a more accurate reflection of income data.

The median total personal income (excluding Government pensions and allowances) in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area for the 2015-16 financial year was \$49,378. This was \$2,509 more than the median total income for Queensland (\$46,869). Between the financial years 2010-11 and 2015-16, the median total personal income (excluding Government pensions and allowances) in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area increased by \$6,743 (15.8%). This was less than Queensland for the same period (\$6,993 or 17.5%).





(a) Wage and salary income, as reported on the income tax return, includes gross income as well as allowances, commissions, bonuses, tips, gratuities, consultation fees, honoraria, termination pays, lumps sums and other payments for services.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Estimates of Personal Income for Small Areas, 2011-16*, cat. no. 6524.0.55.002.

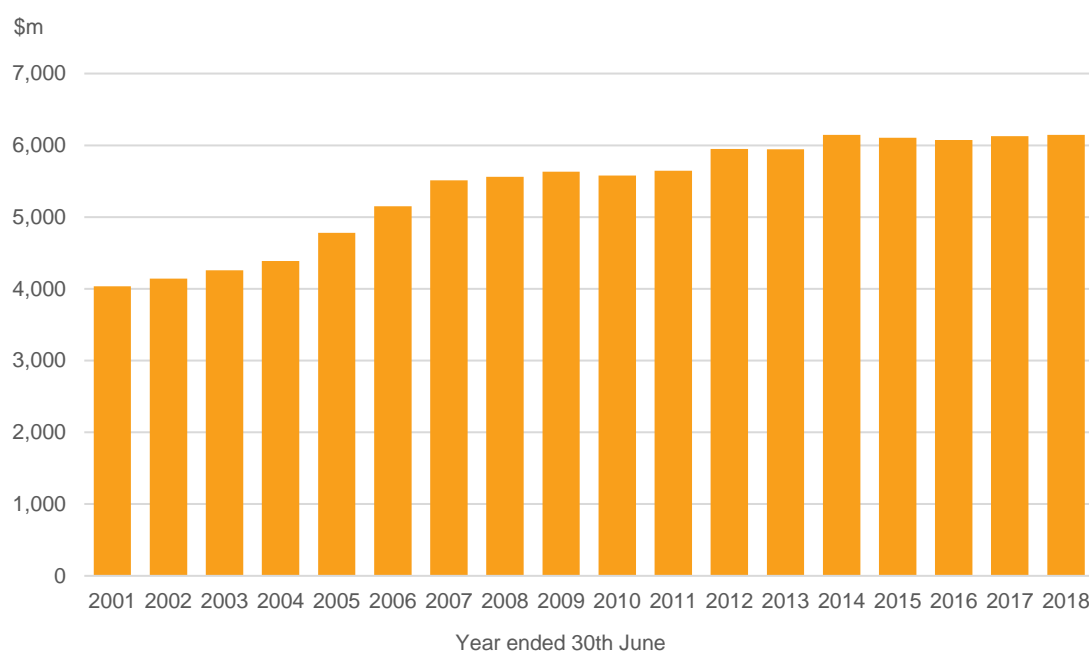
## INDUSTRY

### Quick stats

- 2017-18 gross regional product, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region - \$6.1b
- Resources contribution to the economy \$1.6b gross regional product
- Mining was the prominent industry in the Fitzroy Statistical Division, at 34.0% of nominal gross value added (GVA) in 2010–11, up 7.6 percentage points from 2000–01.
- Total gross value of agricultural product in 2016 - \$162.4
- Cattle and calves slaughtering continued to be the most valuable agricultural product
- 81.2% of agricultural production – livestock slaughtering
- \$24,211.5m– overseas commodity exports from Gladstone Port, 2017-18
- Coal, coke and briquettes – second main commodity exported in dollar value terms, 2017-18
- China– major country of destination for exports, 2017-18
- 44.8m tonnes – overseas exports of coal, coke and briquettes, 2017-18

### Gross Regional Product

The gross regional product (GRP) in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region was estimated to be \$6,143 million in 2017/18, an increase of 0.3% from the previous year.



Data is based on 2016-17 constant prices for all years.  
Source: National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR) 2018.

In 2017-18, the Queensland Resources sector provided \$190m in wages paid directly to 1,973 full time employees and \$461m for goods and services purchased locally in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region. Flow-on benefits of local spending and employment supported a further 7,009 full time employees and \$845m in additional value add.

**Table 6 Resources industry contribution, \$M, Local Government Areas of Fitzroy Region, 2017-18**

	Banana (S)	Central Highlands (R)	Gladstone (R)	Livingstone (R)	Rockhampton (R)	Fitzroy
<b>Direct Contributions</b>						
Wages (\$M)	71	436	373	133	157	1,200
Goods and Services purchased locally (\$M)	197	636	1,100	110	351	2,400
<b>Flow-on Benefits</b>						
Additional value add (\$M)	290	1,000	1,600	270	575	3,800
<b>Gross Regional Product (\$M)</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>2,100</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>7,300</b>
<b>Royalties (\$M) shared across Queensland</b>						4,300

Source: Queensland Resources Council, *What are Resources Worth* (various locations), 2018

Over the ten years to 2017-18, the GRP of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region recorded an average annual growth of 1.0%. Between 2000-01 to 2007-08, the average annual growth rate was 5.4%.

Other local government areas in Queensland have also experienced a slowing of the GRP average annual growth rate.

**Table 7 Headline GRP, Local Government Areas, 2000-01 to 2017-18**

	2000-01	2007-08	2010-11	2017-18	Ave annual growth 2001-2018	Ave annual growth 2008-2018
Bundaberg	2.673	3.83	3.864	4.104	3.1	0.7
Cairns	4.883	7.809	7.638	8.831	4.8	1.3
Gladstone	2.355	3.832	4.068	4.773	6.0	2.5
Livingstone	0.797	1.083	1.126	1.319	3.9	2.2
Rockhampton	3.236	4.479	4.52	4.826	2.9	0.8

Data are based on a 2016-17 price base for all years. NEIR-ID data are inflation adjusted each year to allow direct comparison, and annual data releases adjust previous years' figures to a new base year.

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The industry composition of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region's economy based on estimates of value added shows health care and social assistance is the prominent industry in the region, accounting for 11.1% of value added in 2017–18, up 3.2 percentage points from 2007–08. Mining, at 9.2%, and electricity, gas and water supply, at 9.2%, were the next largest contributors to region's economy. The largest change in composition, other than health care and social assistance, was observed in mining, up 6.1 percentage points from 2007–08. Manufacturing recorded the largest fall in its share of value added, down 2.1 percentage points, followed by education and training, down 1.7 percentage points.

**Table 8 Composition of value added (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region, 2007–08 and 2017–18**

Industry	Composition		Change in composition
	2007–08	2017-18	
	— % —	percentage points	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	3.2	3.5	0.4
Mining	3.1	9.2	6.1
Manufacturing	9.0	6.9	-2.1
Electricity, gas and water supply	10.7	9.2	-1.6
Construction	9.1	7.7	-1.4
Wholesale trade	4.9	4.8	-0.1
Retail trade	6.2	6.0	-0.2
Accommodation and food services	3.7	2.5	-1.2
Transport, postal and warehousing	7.6	6.9	-0.7
Information media and telecommunications	1.4	1.0	-0.4
Financial and insurance services	5.9	5.2	-0.7
Rental, hiring and real estate services	2.3	2.3	-0.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	3.2	3.5	0.2
Administrative and support services	2.9	2.5	-0.4
Public administration and safety	6.5	7.6	1.1
Education and training	8.6	6.9	-1.7
Health care and social assistance	7.9	11.1	3.2
Arts and recreational services	0.9	0.6	-0.2
Other services	2.8	2.6	-0.1
Gross value added	100.0	100.0	..

.. = not applicable

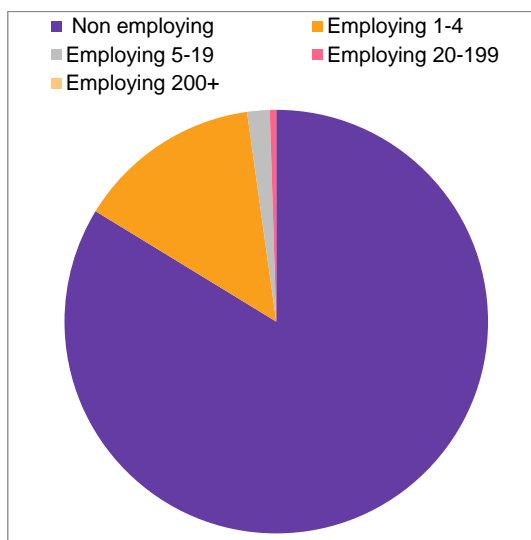
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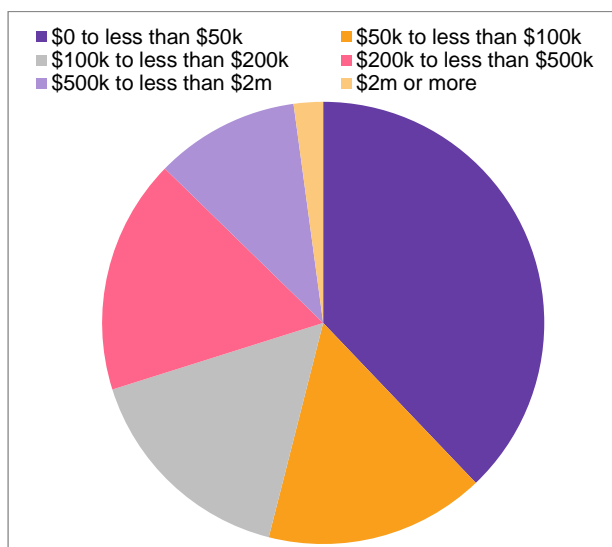
## Agricultural Production

Agriculture, forestry and fishing accounted for 15.2% of all businesses registered in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area in 2016-17. Over four-fifths (83.9%) of these businesses were non-employing and more than one-third (37.6%) had a turnover of less than \$50,000 per annum.

**Figure 17 Counts of businesses by employee size in agriculture, forestry and fishing industry, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2016-17**



**Figure 18 Counts of businesses by turnover in agriculture, forestry and fishing industry, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2016-17**



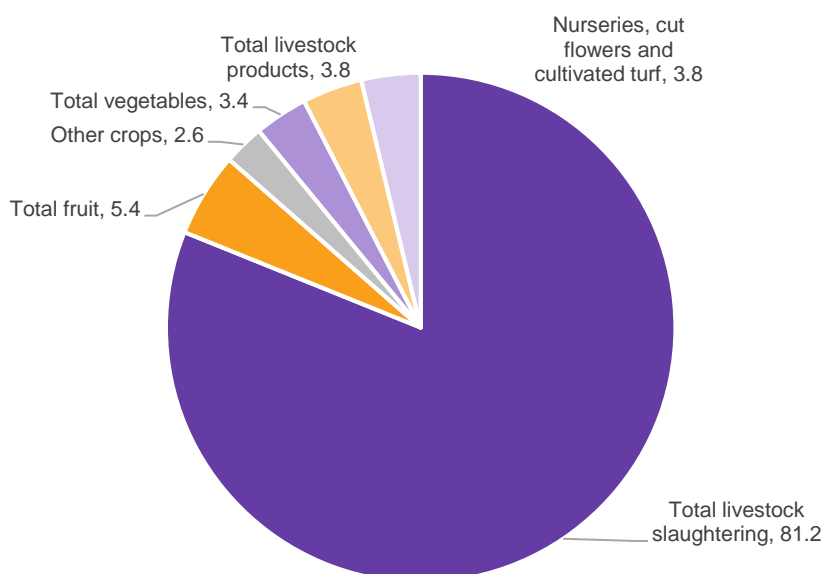
(a) It is not currently possible to account for those businesses which operate out of several locations, other than at their main location. This is particularly relevant for larger businesses, which commonly establish outlets in numerous states and regions across Australia. The reason for this is that data pertaining to individual business locations are not currently available from the Australian Bureau of Statistics Business Register. Users should therefore be aware of this limitation when using counts of businesses included in this table.

(b) Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 2006 edition (ABS cat. no.1292.0).

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, Jun 2012 to Jun 2016* cat. no. 8165.0.

In 2015-16, livestock slaughtering made up 81.2% of the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area's total value of agricultural production. Fruit crops were the second highest agricultural commodity (5.4%), followed by vegetables (3.4%).

**Figure 19 Percentage of agricultural commodity value (a) (b), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2015-16 (c)**



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced, Australia, 2015-16*, cat. no. 7503.0.

The total gross value of agricultural production in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area was \$162.4 million, or 11.8% of the Central Queensland SA4 total. The most valuable agricultural product in the region for 2015-16 was cattle and calves slaughtered (\$129.3 million). Cattle and calves slaughtered accounted for 12.4% of the Central Queensland SA4 gross agricultural production.

**Table 9 Value (a) of agricultural production (b) for the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2015-16 (c)**

Agricultural commodity	Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton 2015-2016	Region as a proportion of Fitzroy SA4 2015-16	Region as a proportion of Queensland 2015-16
	\$ m	— % —	
Pasture, cereal and other crops cut for hay	2.0	14.0	1.4
Cereals for grain	1.2	1.6	0.1
Cotton	na	na	na
Broadacre crops - other crops	0.9	1.2	0.1
Nurseries, cut flowers and cultivated turf	6.1	77.2	2.2
<i>Total crops</i>	<i>24.5</i>	<i>8.0</i>	<i>0.4</i>
<i>Total vegetables</i>	<i>5.5</i>	<i>50.0</i>	<i>0.5</i>
Mangoes	1.7	56.7	2.0
Lychees	na	na	na
Orchard fruit - other	0.9	40.9	0.4
Pineapples	6.1	100.0	12.1
<i>Total fruit</i>	<i>8.7</i>	<i>19.8</i>	<i>0.8</i>
Cattle and calves slaughtered	129.3	12.4	2.2
Pigs slaughtered	0.4	3.6	0.1
Poultry slaughtered	2.0	66.7	0.3
Other livestock slaughtered	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Total livestock slaughtering</i>	<i>131.8</i>	<i>12.5</i>	<i>1.9</i>
Eggs produced for human consumption	3.1	72.1	1.5
Milk	3.0	40.5	1.3
Other livestock products	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Total livestock products</i>	<i>6.2</i>	<i>52.1</i>	<i>1.2</i>
<b>Total agriculture</b>	<b>162.4</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>1.2</b>

na = not available

(a) Values represented in this collection are gross value (i.e. the value placed on recorded production at wholesale prices, realised in the market place).

(b) The estimates in this collection are based on information obtained from a sample drawn from the total agricultural business population in scope of the collection, and are subject to sampling variability. Caution should therefore be exercised when interpreting the figures in this collection.

(c) Quantity data for most crops have been collected from the 2011 Agricultural Census, remaining commodity data are obtained from other ABS collections with some information from non ABS sources.

Note: The scope for the 2015-16 Agricultural Census was for all agricultural business with an Estimated Value of Agricultural Operations (EVAO) of \$40,000 or greater compared to the previous Collection which had a scope of EVAO of \$5,000 or greater.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Value of Agricultural Commodities Produced, Australia, 2015-16*, cat. no. 7503.0.

## Mineral Production

In 2007–08, coal had the highest value of production within the mining industry for the Fitzroy Statistical Division, followed by crude petroleum and gold. The total value of mining production for the Fitzroy Statistical Division accounted for 25.8% of the Queensland total.



**Table 10 Quantity and value of minerals produced, Fitzroy Statistical Division (a), 2007–08**

Commodity	Unit of measure	Quantity produced			Value of production (b)
		Fitzroy Statistical Division	Queensland	Fitzroy Statistical Division as a percentage of Queensland (%)	Fitzroy Statistical Division (\$m)
Coal, black	tonnes	77,114,986	182,515,146	42.3	n.a.
Crude petroleum (c)	kilolitres	1,972,459,223	5,458,397,143	36.1	n.a.
Gold	kilos	5,667	25,939	21.8	n.a.
Limestone	tonnes	3,001,617	3,378,446	88.8	n.a.
Magnesium rich materials	tonnes	124,681	151,874	82.1	n.a.
Salt	tonnes	58,409	58,409	100.0	n.a.
Clays	tonnes	316,671	1,401,456	22.6	n.a.
Dimension stone	tonnes	5,876	55,140	10.7	n.a.
Gems and ornamental stones	..	..	..	..	0.5
Silica	tonnes	150,775	2,463,399	6.1	n.a.
Zeolite	tonnes	1,157	1,157	100.0	n.a.
<b>Fitzroy Statistical Division</b>					<b>6,913.9</b>
Queensland					26,768.6
Fitzroy Statistical Division as a percentage of Queensland					25.8

n.a. = not available due to confidentiality reasons

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(a) Based on Australian Standard Geographical Classification 2008.

(b) Minerals ranked in order from highest value of production to lowest value of production.

(c) In the Fitzroy Statistical Division, this comprises coal methane gas.

Source: Queensland Mines and Energy - Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation (unpublished data).

## Exports from Queensland Ports

Merchandise goods exported from Queensland ports totalled \$76,610.2 million in 2017-18, an increase of 11.2% from the previous financial year. Exports from the Gladstone Port in the Central Queensland region totalled \$24,211.5 million in 2017-18, an increase of 12.5% from the previous year. Gladstone Port exports were 31.6% of the total value of Queensland's merchandise export.

**Table 11 Commodities exported by Queensland ports, 2017-18p**

Queensland ports	Value of exports	Proportion of Queensland exports
	\$m	%
Abbot Point	4,382.6	5.7
Brisbane	16,170.0	21.1
Bundaberg	10.3	0.0
Cairns	321.7	0.4
Gladstone	24,211.5	31.6
Hay Point	24,886.7	32.5
Innisfail	17.1	0.0
Karumba	3.9	0.0
Mackay	237.4	0.3
Thursday Island	3.3	0.0
Townsville	5,458.5	7.1
Weipa	778.4	1.0
Other (a)	128.6	0.2
<b>Queensland</b>	<b>76,610.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Includes data for a number of smaller Queensland ports which could not be separately assigned to a region.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *International merchandise exports, Australia*, cat. no. 5368.0, unpublished data.

In dollar value terms in 2017-18, combined confidential items was the main type of commodity exported from the Gladstone Port (66.0%), followed by coal, coke and briquettes (28.0%). The specialisation ratio reflects the importance of a commodity exported from the region compared with Queensland as a whole. The major commodity with the highest specialisation ratio for Gladstone Port was combined confidential items (2.4), followed by inorganic chemicals (2.7) and cork and wood (1.1).

**Table 12 Principal commodity exports from Gladstone Port and total Queensland ports, 2017-18p(a)**

Commodity	Gladstone Port		Queensland		Specialisation ratio (a)
	Value of exports	Proportion of total	Value of exports	Proportion of total	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	
Combined confidential items	15,981.9	66.0	21,083.1	27.5	2.4
Coal, coke and briquettes	6,790.3	28.0	33,016.1	43.1	0.7
Non-ferrous metals	991.3	4.1	3,889.2	5.1	0.8
Inorganic chemicals	154.3	0.6	184.2	0.2	2.7
Vegetables and fruit	145.8	0.6	1,368.6	1.8	0.3
Cork and wood	76.4	0.3	210.6	0.3	1.1
Animal oils and fats	22.7	0.1	214.4	0.3	0.3
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	14.9	0.1	3,538.5	4.6	0.0
Live animals (excl fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates of SITC Division 03)	9.3	0.0	238.7	0.3	0.1
Cereals and cereal preparations	7.7	0.0	298.5	0.4	0.1
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>24,211.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>76,610.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>..</b>

.. = not applicable

(a) The ratio of the percentage for the region to the percentage for Queensland. (b) Includes other commodities.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *International merchandise exports, Australia*, cat. no. 5368.0, unpublished data.

In 2017-18, China was the major country of destination for commodity exports from Gladstone Port, accounting for 36.3% of the value of commodities exported, followed by Japan (23.5%) and Republic of Korea and India (each 12.7%). The major countries of destination with the highest specialisation ratio for Gladstone Port were Russian Federation (3.0), Canada (1.9) and Malaysia (1.8).

**Table 13 Major countries of destination for exports from Gladstone Port and Queensland, 2017-18p**

Country	Gladstone Port		Queensland		Specialisation ratio (a)
	Value of exports	Proportion of total	Value of exports	Proportion of total	
	\$m	%	\$m	%	
China	8,778.4	36.3	22,743.0	29.7	1.2
Japan	5,679.4	23.5	12,098.1	15.8	1.5
Republic of Korea	3,068.3	12.7	7,986.0	10.4	1.2
India	3,068.3	12.7	9,838.6	12.8	1.0
Malaysia	629.1	2.6	1,133.5	1.5	1.8
Taiwan	425.6	1.8	3,006.9	3.9	0.4
Russian Federation	379.0	1.6	398.9	0.5	3.0
Canada	364.6	1.5	602.8	0.8	1.9
Brazil	238.9	1.0	1,221.4	1.6	0.6
Netherlands	214.8	0.9	1,807.4	2.4	0.4
Others	1,194.6	4.9	15,773.6	20.6	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,211.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>76,610.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>..</b>

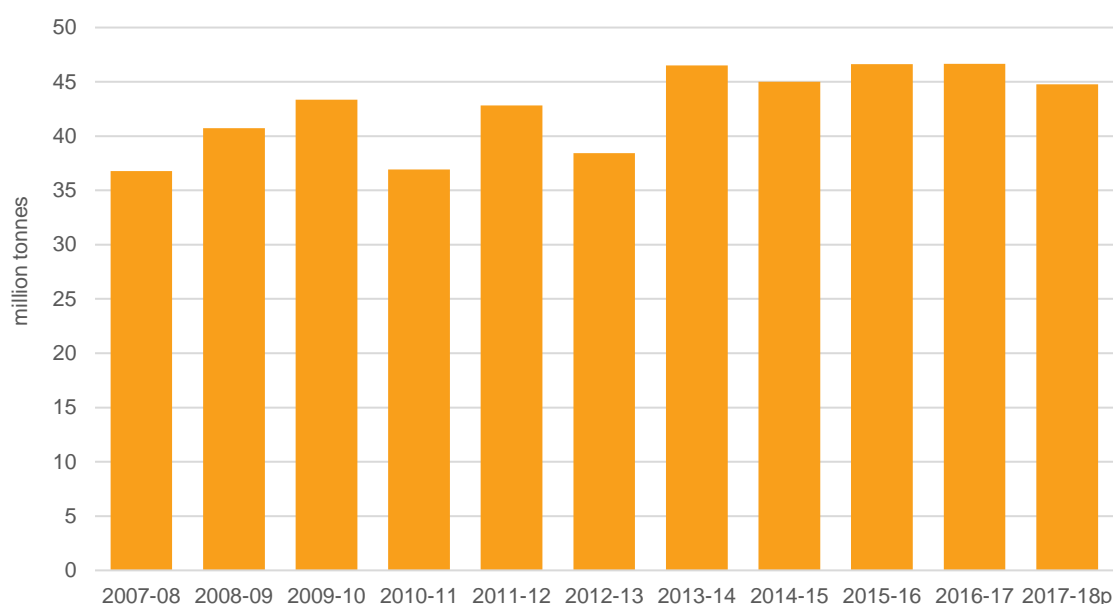
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(a) The ratio of the percentage for the region to the percentage for Queensland.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *International merchandise exports, Australia*, cat. no. 5368.0, unpublished data.

In the 2017-18 financial year, overseas exports of coal, coke and briquettes from Gladstone Port totalled 44.8 million tonnes. This was 1.9 million tonnes or 4.0% less than the 2016-17 financial year.

**Figure 20 Coal, coke and briquette exports from Gladstone Port, 2007-08 to 2017-18**



Australian Bureau of Statistics, *International merchandise exports, Australia*, cat. no. 5368.0, unpublished data.

In 2017-18, Queensland commodities exported overseas from Gladstone Port increased 12.5% (or \$2,682.6 million) from 2016-17. The commodities exported from Gladstone Port in 2017-18 with the most significant increases in total value were combined confidential items (up \$2,375.3 million) and non-ferrous metals (up \$148.6 million). The commodities exported with decreases in total value were cereals and cereal preparations (down \$23.9 million or 75.6%) and vegetables and fruit (down \$11.7 million or 7.4%).

**Table 14 Principal commodity exports from Gladstone Port, 2016-17 and 2017-18p**

Commodity	2017-18p	2016-17	Change
		— \$m —	%
Combined confidential items	15,981.9	13,606.6	17.5
Coal, coke and briquettes	6,790.3	6,660.6	1.9
Non-ferrous metals	991.3	842.7	17.6
Inorganic chemicals	154.3	60.5	155.0
Vegetables and fruit	145.8	157.5	-7.4
Cork and wood	76.4	73.5	3.9
Animal oils and fats	22.7	22.4	1.3
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	14.9	19.0	-21.6
Live animals (excl. fish, crustaceans, molluscs and aquatic invertebrates of SITC Div. 03)	9.3	n.a.	n.a.
Cereals and cereal preparations	7.7	31.6	-75.6
Others	16.9	54.5	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,211.5</b>	<b>21,528.9</b>	<b>12.5</b>

Australian Bureau of Statistics, *International merchandise exports, Australia*, cat. no. 5368.0, unpublished data.

# BUSINESS

## Quick stats

- 24,142 relevant entities with an active Australian Business Number
- 8,034 businesses registered in 2017-18
- 18.8% of registered businesses were in construction
- 24.3% of businesses reported turnover \$0 < \$50,000

In October 2018, the total number of relevant entities with an active Australian Business Number (ABN) listed with the Australian Tax Office (ATO) in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area was 24,142. There were 3,331 other entities with active ABNs including ATO Regulated Self-Managed Super Funds, Trusts, Strata-title and Other Unincorporated Entities.

The greatest percentage of businesses listed with the ATO within the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area in February 2018 was individual/sole trader (56.9%), followed by Australian private company (16.0%) and family partnership (14.0%). Other than government statutory entities, co-operatives made up the smallest percentage of business entities (0.0%).

**Table 15 Breakdown of entity types for active ABNs in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton (a), October 2018**

Type	Total number	Percent
Australian Private Company	3,858	16.0
Australian Public Company	65	0.3
Co-operative	5	0.0
Discretionary Trading Trust	1,442	6.0
Family Partnership	3,379	14.0
Individual/Sole Trader	13,731	56.9
Limited Partnership	16	0.1
Local Government Entity	2	0.0
Other Incorporated Entity	729	3.0
Other Partnership	855	3.5
State Government Entity	59	0.2
State Government Statutory Authority	1	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,142</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton includes the postcode range 4698-4706, 4710, 4711 and 4714.

Source: Australian Tax Office, 'ABN Lookup Tool', 2018

In 2017-18, there were 8,027 businesses registered in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. The largest industry was construction (18.8%), followed by agriculture, forestry and fishing (15.0%) and rental, hiring and real estate services (9.6%).

Non-employing businesses made up 60.4% of all registered businesses, followed by businesses employing between one and four people (27.1%) in 2017-18.

**Table 16 Counts of registered businesses (a) by industry and employment size, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2017-18**

Industry	Employment size					Total business numbers	
	Non- employing	1-4	5-19	20- 199	200+		
	- business numbers -					number	%
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	996	190	16	9	0	1,205	15.0
Mining	20	26	6	3	0	63	0.8
Manufacturing	130	58	49	11	0	251	3.1
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	25	12	6	0	0	38	0.5
Construction	761	544	182	21	0	1,506	18.8
Wholesale trade	78	42	28	6	0	159	2.0
Retail trade	165	140	108	29	0	447	5.6
Accommodation and food services	108	126	108	43	0	382	4.8
Transport, postal and warehousing	424	107	30	12	0	556	6.9
Information media and telecommunications	21	6	3	0	0	23	0.3
Financial and insurance services	451	75	21	3	0	542	6.8
Rental, hiring and real estate services	648	104	28	8	0	769	9.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	260	193	66	88	3	545	6.8
Administrative and Support Services	138	71	36	9	0	257	3.2
Public Administration and Safety	6	6	3	0	0	22	0.3
Education and Training	53	23	27	3	0	109	1.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	227	149	55	12	0	442	5.5
Arts and Recreation Services	40	33	15	3	0	94	1.2
Other Services	251	262	73	9	0	568	7.1
Not Classified	43	6	0	0	0	49	0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>2,173</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8,027</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Per cent	60.4	27.1	10.7	2.4	0.0	100	..

.. = not applicable

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(b) Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 2006 edition (ABS cat. no.1292.0).

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, Jun 2014 to Jun 2018*, cat. no. 8165.0.

Between the 2016-17 and 2017-18 financial years, there were changes in the number of businesses registered in Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. Overall, the region experienced a net loss of 95 business registrations, with decreases in rental, hiring and real estate services (35 businesses), transport, postal and warehousing (32 businesses) and agriculture, forestry and fishing (32 businesses).

Industries which experienced a gain in total number of businesses included wholesale trade (19 businesses), education and training (15 businesses) and retail trade (11 businesses).



**Table 17 Change in counts of registered businesses (a) by industry and employment size, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2016-17 to 2017-18**

Industry	Employment size					Total change
	Non - employing	1-4	5-19	20- 199	200+	
	- Business numbers -					number
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	-27	20	-3	3	0	-32
Mining	2	-7	0	0	0	4
Manufacturing	3	-4	-1	0	0	7
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	4	-2	0	0	0	1
Construction	-41	0	4	-1	0	-31
Wholesale Trade	16	-6	-6	-3	0	19
Retail Trade	4	28	-13	-1	0	11
Accommodation and Food Services	-9	22	-5	2	0	8
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	44	-5	3	-3	0	-32
Information Media and Telecommunications	-9	0	0	0	0	-16
Financial and Insurance Services	6	-12	-2	0	0	5
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	-30	10	-9	2	0	-35
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	-19	16	1	-2	0	-1
Administrative and Support Services	-12	9	-5	0	0	-6
Public Administration and Safety	-3	0	0	0	0	-5
Education and Training	-2	-2	3	0	0	15
Health Care and Social Assistance	9	9	-8	0	0	4
Arts and Recreation Services	2	18	0	0	0	7
Other Services	-9	12	2	0	0	-11
Not Classified	-8	0	0	0	0	-7
<b>Total</b>	<b>-79</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-95</b>

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(b) Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 2006 edition (ABS cat. no.1292.0).

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, various editions*, cat. no. 8165.0.

Of the 8,027 businesses with turnover registered in 2017-18 in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, 24.3% reported a turnover of between \$0 and less than \$50,000, while 33.9% had between \$50,000 and less than \$200,000. A further 35.9% reported a turnover between \$200,000 and less than \$2 million. Turnover of \$2 million or more was reported by 5.8% of businesses.

**Table 18 Counts of registered businesses (a) by industry and turnover range, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2017-18**

Industry	Turnover range – number of businesses						Total
	\$0 to less than \$50k	\$50k to less than \$100	\$100k to less than \$200k	\$200k to less than 500k	\$500k to less than \$2m	\$2m or more	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	459	216	211	184	129	28	1,205
Mining	12	3	9	16	9	9	63
Manufacturing	55	38	43	37	48	26	251
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	15	9	6	6	3	3	38
Construction	240	210	336	357	250	78	1,506
Wholesale trade	25	15	24	28	53	21	159
Retail trade	56	40	72	72	111	81	447
Accommodation and food services	31	30	59	123	114	35	382
Transport, postal and warehousing	210	93	110	81	56	25	556
Information media and telecommunications	16	0	3	0	6	0	23
Financial and insurance services	233	104	77	64	35	18	542
Rental, hiring and real estate services	206	170	158	132	83	32	769
Professional, scientific and technical services	143	63	93	106	75	34	545
Administrative and Support Services	62	42	62	47	31	21	257
Public Administration and Safety	0	6	3	0	6	3	22
Education and Training	20	16	15	34	15	3	109
Health Care and Social Assistance	58	30	84	143	118	20	442
Arts and Recreation Services	19	9	13	20	17	0	94
Other Services	78	72	154	172	91	26	568
Not Classified	12	18	3	3	3	0	49
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,950</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>1,625</b>	<b>1,253</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>8,027</b>
Per cent	24.3	14.8	19.1	20.2	15.6	5.8	100.0

(a) It is not currently possible to account for those businesses which operate out of several locations, other than at their main location. This is particularly relevant for larger businesses, which commonly establish outlets in numerous states and regions across Australia. The reason for this is that data pertaining to individual business locations are not currently available from the Australian Bureau of Statistics Business Register. Users should therefore be aware of this limitation when using counts of businesses included in this table.

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Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, Jun 2014 to Jun 2018*, cat. no. 8165.0.

Between the 2013-14 and 2017-18 financial years there was an increase of 3.4% in businesses with no employees and a 2.9% increase in the number of businesses with between 1 and 4 employees. Between the 2013-14 financial year and 2017-18, the number of registered businesses that recorded turnover has fluctuated. There was an 18.5% increase in the number of businesses with a turnover of between \$100K and \$500K during this period.

**Table 19 Business counts, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2013-14 to 2017-18**

Workforce size	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Non employing	4,687	58.9	4,765	59.1	4,824	59.7	4,895	61.0	4,845	60.4
1-4 employees	2,111	26.5	2,141	26.6	2,125	26.3	2,082	25.9	2,173	27.1
5-19 employees	955	12.0	937	11.6	933	11.5	914	11.4	860	10.7
20-199 employees	246	3.1	204	2.5	195	2.4	178	2.2	189	2.4
200+ employees	3	0.0	6	0.1	3	0.0	6	0.1	3	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,957</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8,056</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8,083</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8,024</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>8,027</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Turnover Range	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
\$0 to \$50k	2,095	26.3	2,041	25.3	1,904	23.6	2,020	25.2	1,950	24.3
\$50k < \$100k	1,202	15.1	1,160	14.4	1,222	15.1	1,227	15.3	1,184	14.8
\$100k < \$200	1,379	17.3	1,454	18.0	1,489	18.4	1,482	18.5	1,535	19.1
\$200k < \$500k	1,516	19.1	1,545	19.2	1,626	20.1	1,568	19.5	1,625	20.2
\$500k < \$2m	1,261	15.8	1,310	16.3	1,334	16.5	1,280	16.0	1,253	15.6
>\$2m	541	6.8	460	5.7	495	6.1	445	5.5	463	5.8
Total	7,957	100.0	8,056	100.0	8,083	100.0	8,024	100.0	8,027	100.0

Source: ABS, *Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits*, various editions, cat. no. 8165.0.

## HOUSING

### Quick stats

- Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region median house price, year to March 2019 – \$310,000
- Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region median unit and townhouse price, year to March 2019 - \$280,000
- Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region median vacant urban land price, year to March 2019 - \$167,900
- Median weekly rent June quarter 2019
  - \$230, 2 bedroom flats or units
  - \$290, 3 bedroom houses
  - \$350, 4 bedroom houses
- 268 residential dwelling approvals, year ending 30 June 2019
- Residential dwelling approvals: \$105.0 million year ending 30 June 2019
- Non-residential building approvals: \$95.9 million year ending 30 June 2019
- 448 lots approved in the year ending 31 March 2019

### Median house, unit/townhouse and urban vacant land prices

The median house price in the 12 months to the end of March 2019 was \$310,000 in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region. While the Rockhampton (R) median price was less than that of Mackay and Cairns Regional Councils, and Townsville and Brisbane Cities, the Livingstone (S) median price was frequently higher.

The median unit and townhouse price in the 12 months to the end of March 2019 was \$280,000 in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region. These median prices were higher than selected other council areas except for Brisbane City. The median unit/townhouse price decreased 5.0% in Rockhampton (R) and increased 9.3% in Livingstone (S) between the 12 months to the end of March 2019 and the previous 12-month period.

The median vacant urban land price in the 12 months to the end of March 2019 was \$167,900 in Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region. The median price increased by 0.6% in the region and 3.1% in Rockhampton (R) and while it decreased by 1.1% in Livingstone (S).

**Table 20 Median house prices, Median unit/townhouse prices and Median vacant urban land prices, Rockhampton Regional Council area and other selected local government areas, 12 months to March 2019**

Local government area	Median house prices		Median unit/townhouse prices		Median vacant urban land prices	
	12 months to end of Mar 2019	Change over 1 year	12 months to end of Mar 2019	Change over 1 year	12 months to end of Mar 2019	Change over 1 year
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region	310,000	0.0	280,000	-1.8	167,900	0.6
Rockhampton (R)	254,000	-4.2	285,000	-5.0	164,900	3.1
Livingstone (S)	395,000	-1.0	265,000	9.3	173,000	-1.1
Bundaberg (R)	294,000	-0.3	249,500	-4.0	147,000	-0.3
Gladstone (R)	290,000	-2.7	165,000	-8.3	130,000	-6.5
Central Highlands (R)	225,000	45.2	170,000	-8.2	72,500	11.5
Mackay (R)	345,000	1.5	238,000	17.5	169,000	2.4
Townsville (C)	325,000	-3.0	250,000	-10.7	160,000	0.0
Cairns (R)	415,000	0.0	229,000	0.0	226,000	5.1
Brisbane (C)	670,000	1.5	441,000	-2.0	410,000	1.2

R = Regional Council C = City S = Shire n.a. = not available

Source: Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Office of the Valuer-General, Property Sales

## Median Weekly Rent

During the June quarter 2019, the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area recorded a median weekly rental price of \$230 for two-bedroom flats/units, \$290 for three-bedroom houses and \$350 for four-bedroom houses.

**Table 21 Median weekly rent for two-bedroom flats/units, select local government areas, June quarter 2018 to June quarter 2019**

Local government area	Jun qtr 2018	Sep qtr 2018	Dec qtr 2018	Mar qtr 2019	Jun qtr 2019
	— \$ —				
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton	220	220	220	220	230
Bundaberg (R)	240	240	240	240	240
Central Highlands (R)	180	190	200	200	200
Gladstone (R)	150	150	150	160	170
Mackay (R)	220	230	240	250	250
Townsville (C)	240	240	245	250	255
Cairns (R)	300	300	310	310	310
Brisbane (C)	410	415	420	420	420

**Table 22 Median weekly rent for three-bedroom houses, select local government areas, June quarter 2018 to June quarter 2019**

Local government area	Jun qtr 2018	Sep qtr 2018	Dec qtr 2018	Mar qtr 2019	Jun qtr 2019
— \$ —					
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton	280	280	280	280	290
Bundaberg (R)	290	290	295	295	300
Central Highlands (R)	220	230	240	250	250
Gladstone (R)	199	200	210	220	220
Mackay (R)	310	320	330	340	350
Townsville (C)	295	300	300	300	305
Cairns (R)	380	380	380	385	390
Brisbane (C)	425	430	430	430	435

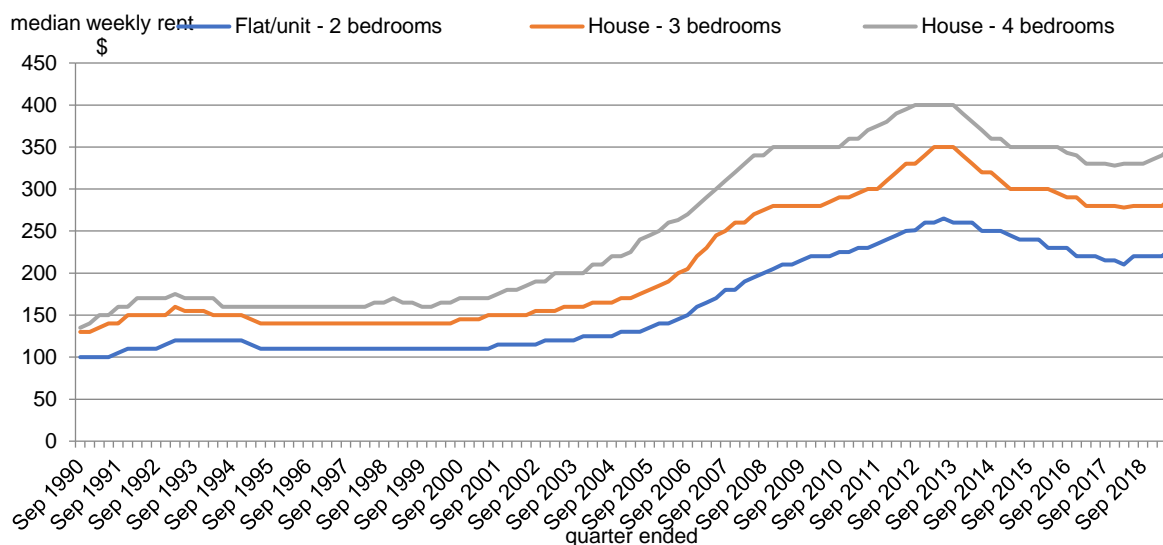
**Table 23 Median weekly rent for four-bedroom houses, select local government areas, June quarter 2018 to June quarter 2019**

Local government area	Jun qtr 2018	Sep qtr 2018	Dec qtr 2018	Mar qtr 2019	Jun qtr 2019
— \$ —					
Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton	330	330	335	340	350
Bundaberg (R)	350	350	350	350	350
Central Highlands (R)	325	330	350	350	350
Gladstone (R)	250	260	260	265	270
Mackay (R)	370	380	390	395	400
Townsville (C)	350	350	355	360	370
Cairns (R)	445	450	450	450	450
Brisbane (C)	530	530	530	530	540

R = Regional Council C = City Source: Residential Tenancies Authority, 2019.

Median weekly rents in June quarter 2019 in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region for three-bedroom houses increased for two-bedroom flats and units, three-bedroom houses and four-bedroom houses by 4.5%, 3.6% and 6.1% respectively.

**Figure 21 Median weekly rent, four-bedroom houses, three-bedroom houses and two-bedroom flats and units, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, September quarter 1990 to June quarter 2019**



Source: Residential Tenancies Authority, 2019.

## Building Approvals

In the 12 months ending 30 June 2019, there were 268 new residential dwelling approvals in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. Yeppoon SA2 accounted for 34.5% of all new residential dwelling units in the region, followed by Parkhurst - Kawana SA2 and Norman Gardens SA2 with 18.7% and 11.0% respectively. Total residential building value in the year ending June 2019 for the region was \$105.0 million and accounted for 0.9% of residential building value in Queensland. Total building value for the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area decreased by 14.2% between the year ended June 2018 and the year ended June 2019.

**Table 24 Building approvals by SA2, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, year ended 30 June 2019**

Statistical area level 2 (a)(b)	New residential dwelling units	New residential building value (c)	Total residential building value (d)	Non-residential building value (d)	Total building value (d)
	number		- \$m -		
Berserker	1	0.2	0.9	4.3	5.2
Bouldercombe	2	0.8	1.0	0.1	1.1
Emu Park	22	7.1	8.9	0.7	9.5
Frenchville - Mount Archer	3	0.8	2.1	0.0	2.1
Glenlee - Rockyview	9	2.9	3.4	1.4	4.9
Gracemere	10	2.4	3.8	3.9	7.7
Lakes Creek	0	0.0	0.8	7.3	8.2
Mount Morgan	4	0.8	0.9	0.1	0.9
Norman Gardens	33	7.5	8.4	3.4	11.8
Park Avenue	0	0.0	1.2	2.4	3.7
Parkhurst - Kawana	36	12.8	13.7	12.3	25.9
Rockhampton - West	0	0.0	1.2	1.6	2.8
Rockhampton City	1	0.2	0.7	7.5	8.1
Rockhampton Region - East	8	2.6	3.5	0.9	4.4
Rockhampton Region - North	10	2.4	3.8	0.4	4.2
Rockhampton Region - West	5	0.9	1.3	0.3	1.6
Shoalwater Bay	0	0.0	0.0	35.6	35.6
The Range - Allenstown	28	8.3	10.7	3.2	13.9
Yeppoon	96	32.7	38.8	10.5	49.2
<b>Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>82.4</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>200.9</b>
Queensland	33,163	10,039.4	11,724.0	7,986.5	19,710.5
Capricorn Region as % of Queensland	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.0

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(a) Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian Statistical Geography Standard 2011.

(b) A map detailing boundaries for statistical area level 2 localities can be found in the Introduction section of this profile.

(c) Excludes alterations, additions and conversions.

(d) Includes alterations, additions and conversions.

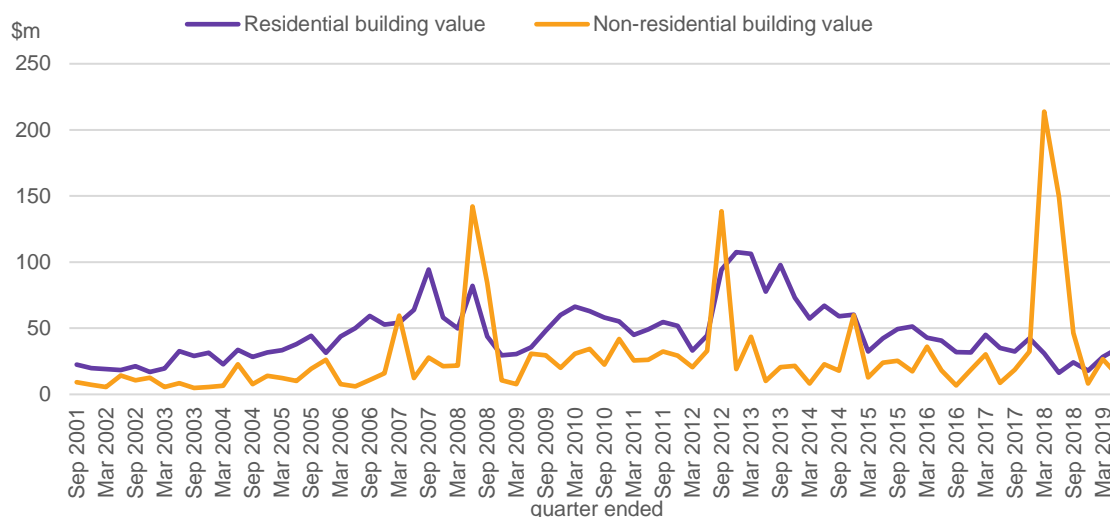
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Building Approvals, Australia*, cat. no. 8731.0.

The value of residential building approvals in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area during the quarter ended 30 June 2019 (\$34.6 million) was more than the March quarter 2019 (\$28.3 million). The value of non-residential buildings approved in the June quarter 2019 was \$14.6 million, less than the previous quarter figure of \$26.6 million.



At the SA2 level, residential building value fluctuates from quarter to quarter. In the June quarter 2019, Yeppoon SA2 recorded a residential building value of \$15.5 million, followed by The Range - Allenstown SA2 (\$6.4 million).

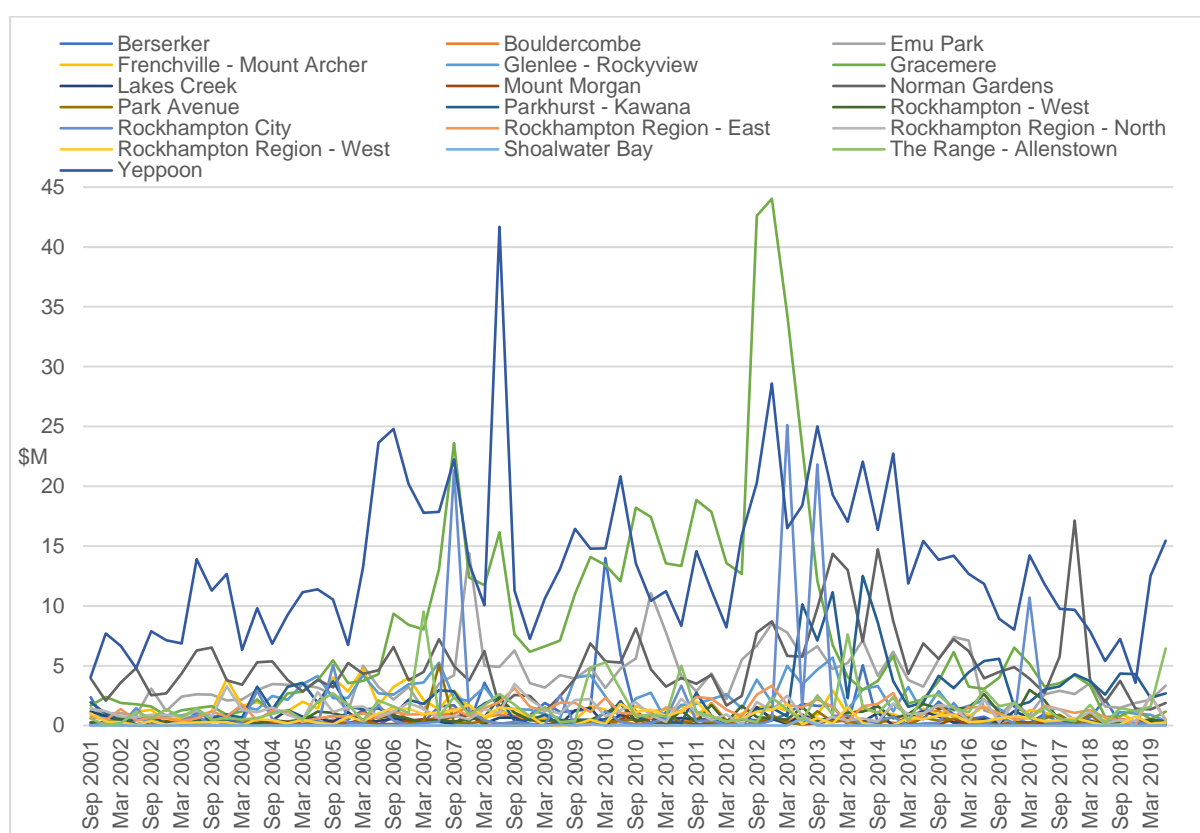
**Figure 22 Value of residential and non-residential building approvals (a) (b), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, September quarter 2001 to June quarter 2019**



(a) Includes alterations, additions and conversions.

(b) Quarterly figures are based on June 2019 release of ABS cat. no. 8731.0. The entire time period is fully revised at each quarterly release. Therefore, figures may be different from those presented in the past.

**Figure 23 Value of residential building approvals (a) (b), SA2s in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, September quarter 2001 to June quarter 2019**



(a) Includes alterations, additions and conversions.

(b) Quarterly figures are based on June 2019 release of ABS cat. no. 8731.0. The entire time period is fully revised at each quarterly release. Therefore, figures may be different from those presented in the past.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Building Approvals, Australia*, cat. no. 8731.0.

## Land Activity

In the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, 448 residential lots were approved in year ending March 2019. This was more than the number of lots than for the same period to March 2018 (170 lots).

**Table 25 Land development, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2016 to 2019**

Year ending March 31	Lot approvals (a)(b)	Lot production (a)(c)	Lot registration (d)(e)(f)(g)	Median land sales \$	Volume of sales	Total dwelling approvals
2016	574	462	na	166,000	438	na
2017	136	191	178	165,000	432	507
2018	170	143	261	166,900	410	430
2019	448	103	174	167,900	266	255

(a) Includes urban and rural residential.

(b) Lot approvals are the number of residential allotments, in a subdivision plan, which have been approved by a local government.

(c) Lot approvals data is not available for the former shire of Mount Morgan prior to March quarter 2007.

(d) Lot production relates to the number of residential allotments which have been completed with regard to infrastructure requirements and have been sealed by the local government authority.

(e) Includes 60 m<sup>2</sup> to 50,000 m<sup>2</sup> lots.

(f) Lot registrations are the final stage in the development of allotments where the lots have been registered with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

(g) Includes 140 m<sup>2</sup> to 2,500 m<sup>2</sup> lots.

Source: Queensland Treasury and Trade, *Residential Land Development Activity Profile*, Livingstone Shire Council and Rockhampton Regional Council, March Quarter 2019 and Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Office of the Valuer-General, Property Sales.

## EDUCATION

### Quick stats

- 1,335 apprentices and trainees, September quarter 2018
- 182 school-based apprentices and trainees, September quarter 2018
- 6,601 students enrolled at Rockhampton campuses CQUniversity, 2018.
- 54.1% of persons 15 years and over held a non-school educational qualification, 2016 Census
- Engineering and related technologies was the most common field of qualification
- 41 primary schools, 11 secondary schools and 5 combined schools.
- 56.1% of 20,803 school students in the region attended government schools

### Apprentices and Trainees

During the September quarter 2018, a total of 1,335 apprentices and trainees were in training in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. The largest employer industry was construction (269 persons), followed by other services (182 persons) and manufacturing (161 persons). The industry with the largest increase in apprentice and trainee numbers between the September quarter 2017 and September quarter 2018 was professional, scientific and technical services (8 persons) followed by wholesale trade (6 persons). Construction experienced the largest decline in apprentice and trainee numbers between the two periods (34 persons), followed by accommodation (24 persons).

In the September quarter 2018, 182 school-based apprentices and trainees were in training in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. The largest group of school-based apprentices and trainees was in accommodation (32 persons), followed by manufacturing (23 persons) and other services (23 persons).

**Table 26 Apprentices and trainees in training (a) by employer industry, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton (b), September quarter 2013 - 2018**

Employer Industry	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	16	7	12	13	12	10
Mining	163	178	134	69	119	119
Manufacturing	409	330	304	234	183	161
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	70	67	60	50	63	66
Construction	362	370	402	332	303	269
Wholesale trade	151	64	33	35	27	32
Retail trade	116	92	68	88	78	59
Accommodation	147	119	111	128	123	99
Transport, postal and warehousing	159	99	72	66	49	54
Information media and telecommunications	13	8	9	5	7	8
Financial and insurance services	31	12	4	4	8	7
Rental, hiring and real estate services	12	8	10	5	2	0
Professional, scientific and technical services	61	51	29	28	21	29
Administrative and support services	172	103	101	119	137	125
Public administration and safety	57	85	60	63	50	47
Education and training	19	11	9	11	8	6
Health care and social assistance	101	80	78	49	57	48
Arts and recreation services	15	13	10	8	11	17
Other services	213	195	182	191	201	182
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,287</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>1688</b>	<b>1,498</b>	<b>1,458</b>	<b>1,335</b>

Source: National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER), VOCSTATS, 2019

**Table 27 School-based apprentices and trainees in training by employer industry, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, September quarter 2013-2018**

Employer Industry	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	3	3	3	4	5	7
Mining	3	3	2	1	3	1
Manufacturing	23	25	33	30	27	23
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	6	6	1	0	0	2
Construction	27	28	30	30	22	20
Wholesale trade	0	0	1	2	2	3
Retail trade	12	18	14	12	14	10
Accommodation	35	34	27	51	40	34
Transport, postal and warehousing	13	15	10	11	6	10
Information media and telecommunications	1	2	2	0	2	2
Financial and insurance services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rental, hiring and real estate services	2	2	0	0	0	0
Professional, scientific and technical services	4	3	4	5	4	5
Administrative and support services	24	29	22	30	20	21
Public administration and safety	2	1	1	0	2	2
Education and training	3	2	1	1	1	0
Health care and social assistance	4	11	14	6	9	10
Arts and recreation services	7	9	4	2	2	10
Other services	31	35	30	25	20	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>182</b>

Source: National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER), VOCSTATS, 2019

## Vocational education and training students

In 2017, 4,582 students completed vocational education and training qualifications in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region. Engineering and related technologies had the largest number of vocational education and training students in the area (1,367 students), followed by society and culture (858 students) and management and commerce (826 students). Of the 4,582 completions, 1,263 were achieved by students attending high schools in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region.

**Table 28 Qualification completed for program field of education, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region, 2014-2017**

	2014	2015	2016	2017p
Natural and physical sciences	17	23	22	15
Information technology	98	120	161	107
Engineering and related technologies	1,158	1,620	1,341	1,367
Architecture and building	190	258	252	228
Agriculture, environmental and related studies	153	167	125	79
Health	144	145	176	174
Education	294	187	200	263
Management and commerce	926	744	764	826
Society and culture	1,209	1,077	993	858
Creative arts	44	42	17	16
Food, hospitality and personal services	487	447	439	385
Mixed field programmes	495	304	211	254
<b>Total completions</b>	<b>5,210</b>	<b>5,134</b>	<b>4,697</b>	<b>4,582</b>

P = preliminary

Source: National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER), VOCSTATS, 2018

## CQUniversity

The main campus of CQUniversity is situated in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. In 2018, there were 6,601 students enrolled at Rockhampton campuses.

**Table 29 CQUniversity student numbers by campus, 2014 to 2018**

Campus	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Australian campuses	No. of students				
Brisbane	3,279	3,333	3,362	3,483	3,731
Bundaberg	1,575	1,712	1,870	1,883	1,981
Cairns	543	642	900	1,106	1,423
Emerald	721	930	822	787	660
Gladstone	1,950	2,215	2,308	2,339	2,224
Mackay	4,470	4,952	5,036	4,692	4,645
Melbourne	1,908	2,180	2,336	3,156	4,051
Noosa	1,105	969	926	869	978
Rockhampton	6,333	7,780	7,909	6,693	6,601
Sydney	2,583	2,790	3,001	3,407	3,586
Townsville	528	624	811	986	1,315
Distance education	2,160	2,224	2,293	2,291	2,343
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>27,118</b>	<b>30,033</b>	<b>31,195</b>	<b>31,427</b>	<b>33,238</b>

(a) Total includes students on other campuses

Source: CQUniversity Annual Report

The equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL) determines the total study load of equivalent full-time students, recognising that many students do not study full time. The EFTSL at the Rockhampton Campuses of CQUniversity was 3,087.3 in 2018.

**Table 30 Student load (EFTSL) by education sector and year, Rockhampton Campuses**

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Higher education	2,148.1	2,140.5	2,170.4	2,075.1	2,050.0
VET	949.3	1,475.9	1,334.5	1,125.7	1,037.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,097.4</b>	<b>3,616.4</b>	<b>3,504.9</b>	<b>3,200.8</b>	<b>3,087.3</b>

Source: CQUniversity Annual Report

## Educational Qualifications

Of persons aged 15 years and over in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area at the time of the 2016 Census, 54.1% (50,102 persons) held a non-school educational qualification, compared with 59.1% (2,241,124 persons) in Queensland. In the region, the proportion of persons with a non-school qualification was less than that of Queensland for Bachelor degree or higher and advanced diploma and diploma. The proportion of Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area residents with a certificate was higher than in Queensland.

**Table 31 Non-school educational qualifications (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland, 2016**

Educational qualification	Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton	Queensland	Region as a % of Queensland
	— persons —		%
Bachelor degree or higher	11,094	693,410	1.6
Advanced diploma and diploma	5,821	330,619	1.8
Certificate	21,580	807,105	2.7
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>50,102</b>	<b>2,241,124</b>	<b>2.2</b>
Persons 15 years and over	92,567	3,790,497	2.4
Proportion with qualifications	54.1	59.1	..

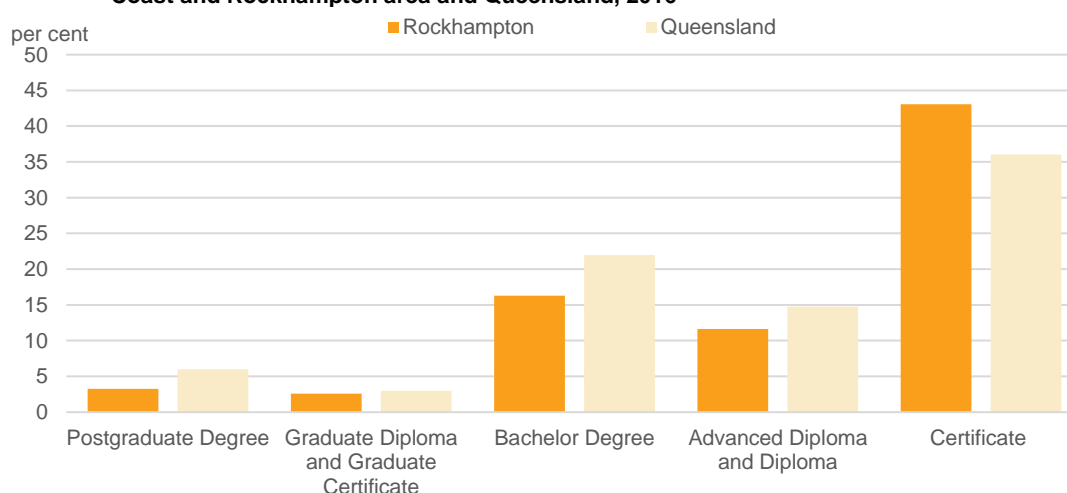
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(a) Persons aged 15 years and over and based on place of usual residence.

(b) Includes inadequately described and not stated responses.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016, *General Community Profile – G46 and G04*.

**Figure 24 Proportion of persons aged 15 years and over with a non-school qualification by type, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland, 2016**



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016, *General Community Profile – G46*.

In the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area at the time of the 2016 Census, the most common field of qualification was in engineering and related technologies (19.5%). This was the second most popular field of study for Queensland (15.7%). Management and commerce was the second most popular field of study for the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area (13.2%), followed by health (9.8%).

**Table 32 Field of educational qualification (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area and Queensland, 2016**

Field of qualification	Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton			Queensland		
	number	%	rank	number	%	rank
Engineering and related technologies	9,763	19.5	1	352,200	15.7	2
Management and commerce	6,593	13.2	2	392,830	17.5	1
Health	4,901	9.8	3	220,075	9.8	4
Education	4,499	9.0	4	240,326	10.7	3
Society and culture	4,048	8.1	5	168,108	7.5	5
Architecture and building	3,051	6.1	6	139,929	6.2	6
Food, hospitality and personal services	2,765	5.5	7	123,168	5.5	7
Agriculture, environmental and related studies	1,084	2.2	8	43,207	1.9	11
Natural and physical sciences	756	1.5	9	51,948	2.3	6
Creative arts	714	1.4	10	67,061	3.0	8
Information technology	661	1.3	11	49,383	2.2	10
Mixed field programs	148	0.3	12	6,284	0.3	12
Field of study not stated or inadequately described	11,125	22.2	..	386,603	17.3	..
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>50,102</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>2,241,124</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>..</b>

.. = not applicable

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over and based on place of usual residence.

(b) Includes inadequately described and not stated responses. Variations may occur in totals due to rounding.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016, *General Community Profile – G47*.

## Primary and Secondary Schools

There are a variety of primary and secondary school options in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area. In 2019, the region's schools comprised 41 primary schools, 11 secondary schools and 5 schools that combine both primary and secondary schooling.

**Table 33 Primary and secondary schools by type, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2018**

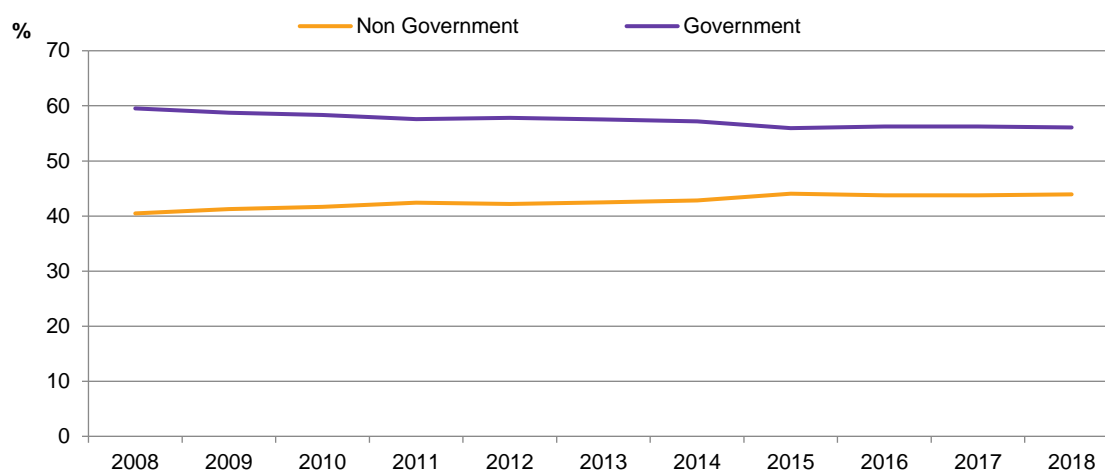
Type of school	Number
Primary state schools	33
Primary non-state schools	8
Secondary state schools	5
Secondary non-state schools	6
Combined primary and secondary non-state schools	5
Special schools	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>

Source: Department of Education and Training, Education Directory.

Of the 20,803 students enrolled at schools in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area in 2018, 56.1% (11,662 students) were in government schools and 43.9% (9,141 students) were in non-government schools.

Between 2008 and 2015, the proportion of students attending government schools in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area had declined from 59.5% of total students to 56.0%. Proportions of students enrolled in government schools since this time have varied. Conversely, students attending non-government schools had increased from 40.5% of total students to 44.0% by 2015, while also be variable between 2016 and 2018.

**Figure 25 Percentage of students attending government and non-government schools, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2008 to 2018**



Source: Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority 2019

## TRANSPORT

### Quick stats

- Highest average daily traffic movements 11,558 vehicles - Yeppoon Rd, 2018.
- Highest average daily number of heavy vehicles 1,671 vehicles – Bruce Highway north of Scrubby Creek, 2018
- Highest number of light vehicles, 10,314 vehicles and highest percentage of light vehicle traffic, 90.7% - Yeppoon Road at Iron Pot Creek
- Average monthly unleaded petrol prices were generally higher than Brisbane
- During 2017-18, a total of 563,531 passengers passed through Rockhampton Airport

### Roads

Five major roads provide access to and from Rockhampton. In 2018, the Yeppoon Road at Iron Pot Creek had the highest average daily traffic movements (11,558 vehicles), while the Emu Park Road had the lowest average daily traffic movements (4,739 vehicles).

**Table 34 Average annual daily traffic count (a), Bruce Highway, Capricorn Highway, Yeppoon Road and Emu Park Road, 2012-18**

Location	Average annual daily traffic (no. of vehicles)						
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Bruce Highway (b)	8,844	9,034	10,063	8,606	9,723	10,113	9,210
Bruce Highway (c)	8,236	7,861	7,342	7,495	7,426	7,426	7,426
Capricorn Highway (d)	5,428	4,940	5,039	5,321	4,868	4,938	4,938
Emu Park Road (e)	5,361	5,567	5,242	5,468	4,774	4,739	4,739
Yeppoon Road (f)	10,953	11,005	10,913	11,077	11,249	11,373	11,558

(a) All directions.

(b) Bruce Highway, south of Rockhampton, 1 km north of Scrubby Creek (road section 10E).

(c) Bruce Highway, north of Rockhampton, 150 m north of Terra Nova Drive (road section 10F).

(d) Capricorn Highway, 3 km west of Gracemere (road section 16A).

(e) Emu Park Road, Hartington St, Nerimbera (road section 194).

(f) Yeppoon Road, Iron Pot Creek (road section 196).

Source: Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads, 2019 traffic census data.



Of the five locations selected, the Bruce Highway north of Scrubby Creek had the highest number of heavy vehicles (1,671). The Yeppoon Road at Iron Pot Creek had the highest number of light vehicles (10,314) and the highest percentage of light vehicle traffic (90.7%).

**Figure 26 Average annual daily traffic count, all directions, light and heavy vehicles, Bruce Highway, Capricorn Highway, Yeppoon Road and Emu Park Road, 2018**



Note: heavy vehicles comprise trucks and buses, articulated vehicles and road trains.

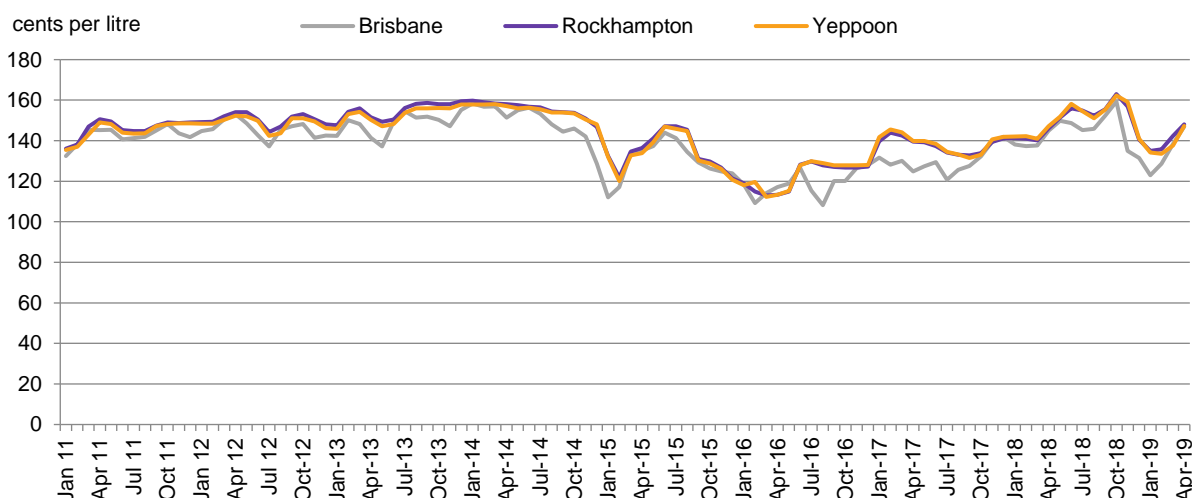
- (a) Bruce Highway, 1 km north of Scrubby Creek (road section 10E).
- (b) Bruce Highway, 150 m north of Terra Nova Drive (road section 10F).
- (c) Capricorn Highway, 3 km west of Gracemere (road section 16A).
- (d) Emu Park Road, Hartington St, Nerimbera (road section 194).
- (e) Yeppoon Road, Iron Pot Creek (road section 196).

Source: Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads, 2019

## Fuel Prices

In the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region, between January 2011 and April 2019, most average monthly unleaded petrol prices were higher than Brisbane Metro. Rockhampton and Yeppoon average monthly unleaded petrol prices have decreased from a high of 163.0 and 162.3 cents per litre respectively in October 2018 to a low of 134.9 and 134.2 cents per litre in January 2019.

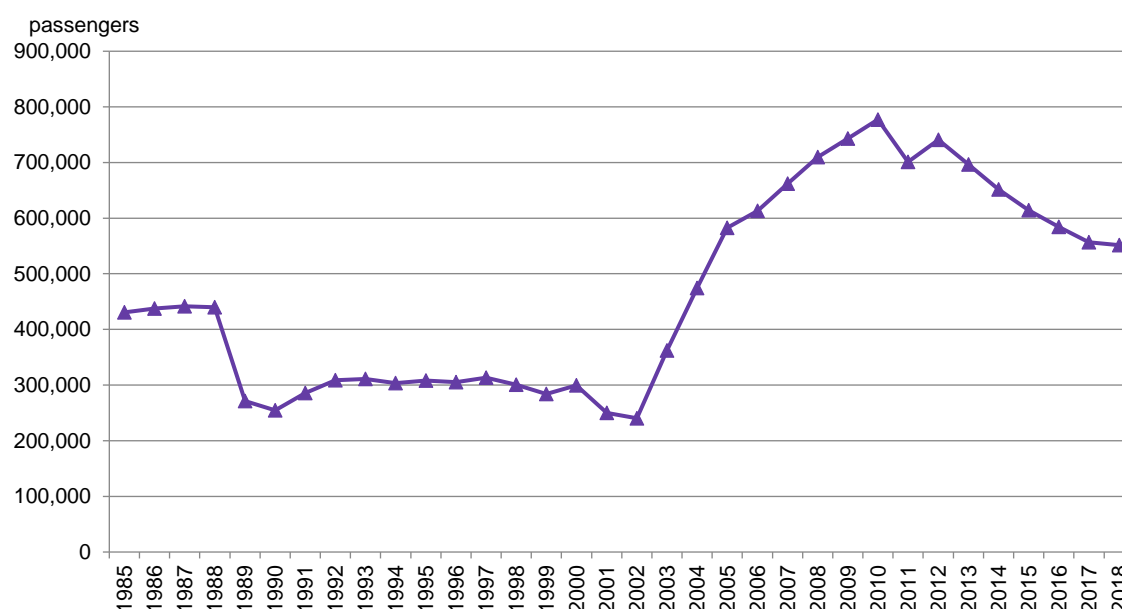
**Figure 27 Average monthly fuel prices, unleaded petrol, Rockhampton, Yeppoon and Brisbane Metro, January 2011 to January 2019**



Source: FuelTrac Pty Ltd, Australian Automobile Association and Royal Automobile Club of Queensland (Australia).

## Air Travel

Rockhampton Airport is the major air transport facility servicing the region. Expanded facilities at the airport cater for both domestic and international airlines. During the 2018, a total of 551,596 passengers passed through Rockhampton Airport. This was a decrease of 0.9% from the 556,514 passengers in 2017. The average annual rate of change in passenger movements between 2008 and 2018 was a decrease of 2.2%, or an average of 15,830 passengers per year.



Note: Regional airlines data cannot be separately identified from 2013 and onwards.

Source: Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics, Airport Traffic Data 1985-2018

## LIVEABILITY

### Quick stats

- Prices in Fitzroy region for different household goods and services were both higher and lower than Brisbane

### Retail Prices

A survey of retail prices in Queensland in 2015 compared the prices of a range of household goods and services between Brisbane and 27 regional centres. Priced items were grouped into ten categories representing different household expenses. Together these constitute the all groups index. Regional centres have an index relative to Brisbane, which was given an index of 100. Rockhampton had an All Items index of 96.6, or 3.4% less expensive than Brisbane over all items.

The housing index included median weekly rents for dwellings, electricity and other household fuels. Housing accounts for 22.2% of the average Queensland household expenditure. Housing was 21.3% less expensive in Rockhampton and 21.4% and 34.5% less expensive in Emerald and Gladstone respectively than Brisbane.

The food and non-alcoholic beverages index included bread and cereal products, dairy and related products, fruit and vegetables, dining-out meals and takeaway, meat and seafood and non-alcoholic beverages. This category accounts for 16.3% of the average Queensland household expenditure. For food and non-alcoholic beverages, only Rockhampton in the Fitzroy SA4 recorded lower prices than Brisbane (18.1%). Gladstone was the dearest centre surveyed in the region, with prices for these goods 12.7% higher than Brisbane.

The transportation index included unleaded and diesel fuel, mechanic charges, taxi fares, vehicle registration, roadside assistance membership, CTP insurance and driver licences and sundries such as car batteries, motor oil, tyres and spark plugs. In the average Queensland household, transportation accounts for more than one tenth (11.4%) of expenditure. In Rockhampton, the transportation index was 2.4% higher than Brisbane while it was 0.6% and 1.2% lower in Gladstone and Emerald respectively.

The insurance and financial services index included household contents insurance, comprehensive motor vehicle insurance, financial services and deposit and loan facilities. Rockhampton was significantly higher than Brisbane and all other centres with an index of 138.0 or 38.0% above the Brisbane region.

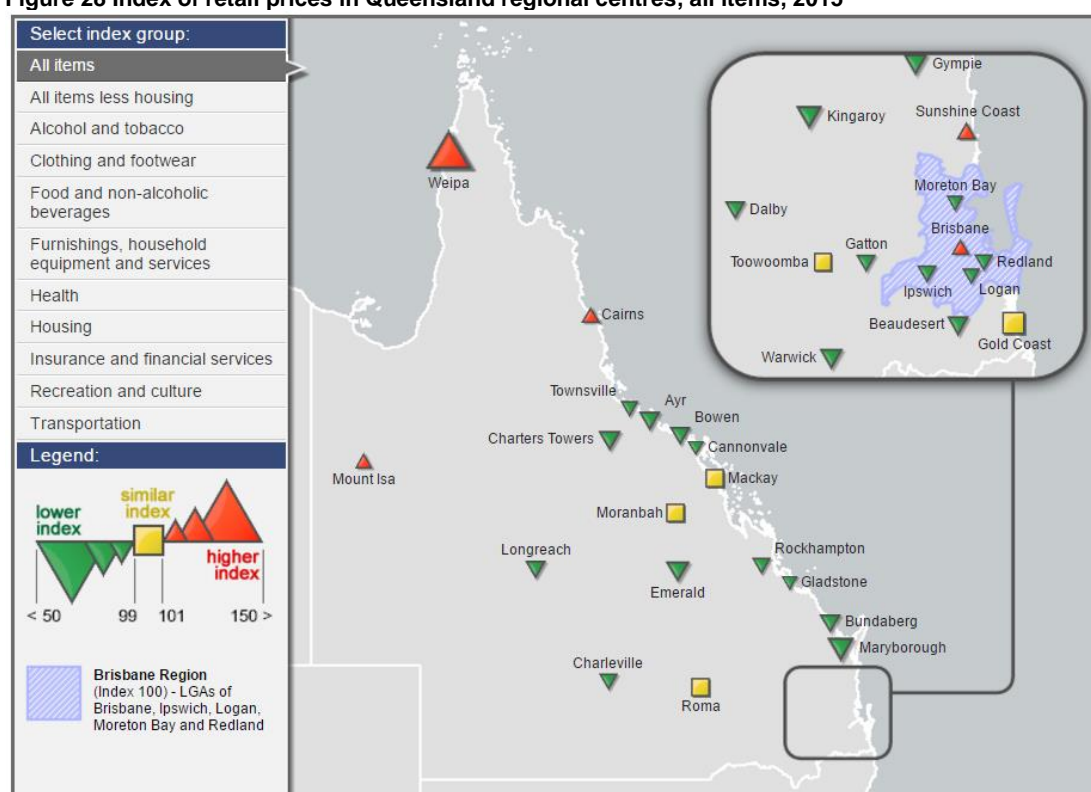
**Table 35 Index of regional prices (a), Brisbane and select centres, 2015**

Centre	Item groups					
	All items	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	Housing	Insurance and financial services	Health	Transportation
Bundaberg	94.3	102.4	73.9	87.6	99.8	99.8
Emerald	91.3	103.0	65.5	108.6	100.1	98.8
Gladstone	98.9	112.7	78.6	90.1	100.1	99.4
Mackay	99.4	107.9	77.1	95.2	100.0	105.7
Rockhampton	96.6	81.9	78.7	138.0	100.0	102.4
Brisbane	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Base: Brisbane = 100.0.

Source: Queensland Treasury and Trade, *Prices across Queensland: how they compare*, 2016.

**Figure 28 Index of retail prices in Queensland regional centres, all items, 2015**



Source: The State of Queensland (Queensland Treasury and Trade) 2014, *Index of retail prices in Queensland regional centres, 2015*, interactive map, URL: <http://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/products/reports/index-retail-prices-qld-reg-centres/index-retail-prices-qld-reg-centres-2015-map.php> accessed 20 February 2017.

## SOCIAL AMENITIES

### Boat Registrations

In November 2018, there were 10,018 recreational boats registered in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area, an increase of 1.4% from 2017. The majority of boats registered had a length between three and four metres (29.8%) while the largest percentage growth was in boats between 4.5 and 5 metres. Overall, there were decreases in numbers of the smallest and largest boats registered while the numbers of boats greater than 3.0 metres and less than 7.9 metres registered increased.

**Table 36 Boat registrations, Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, 2013, 2017 and 2018**

Boat length	2013	2017	2018
<3m	237	93	90
3-3.9m	3,256	2,965	2,988
4-4.4m	2,249	2,489	2,513
4.5-4.9m	1,060	1,504	1,555
5-5.9m	1,236	1,397	1,429
6-7.9m	733	968	983
8-9.9m	197	206	203
10-11.9m	144	139	133
>12m	114	129	125
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,226</b>	<b>9,882</b>	<b>10,018</b>

Source: Department of Transport and Main Roads, 2018

### Sporting Clubs

Kickstart CQ provides an indication of the sporting and leisure clubs and associations within the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton area.

**Table 37 Sporting clubs (a), Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton, February 2017**

Sport	Clubs
Horse sports (b)	16
Martial arts	16
Bowling (c)	12
Rugby league	13
Football (Soccer)	11
Motor sports (d)	11
Swimming	8
Rugby union	9
Water sports (e)	8
Shooting (f)	7
Tennis	7
Hockey (g)	6
AFL	6
Cricket	6
Dancing - various	6
Netball and basketball	6
Cycling (h)	5
Golf	5

Gymnastics	4
Athletics and running	5
Squash	3
Other	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>212</b>

- (a) Type and number of sporting clubs is likely to be incomplete.  
(b) Includes horse racing clubs.  
(c) Includes indoor bowls clubs.  
(d) Includes aero, car, motocross, four wheel drive, go karts, motorboat, and rally clubs.  
(e) Includes sailing, canoe/outrigger, rowing and water skiing.  
(f) Includes archery and sports shooting.  
(g) Includes indoor, outdoor and inline hockey clubs.  
(h) Includes cycling, mountain bikes, trials and BMX clubs.

Source: Rockhampton Regional Council



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