

Journey to Work Facts

The Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region includes Rockhampton Regional Council and Livingstone Shire Council.

In the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region workers provided information about their journey to work in the 2021 Census. Journey to work patterns vary across the region with particular statistical area level 2s (SA2s) being centres of employment or places of usual residence. Place of work refers to the geographic location of the worker's job.

Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region

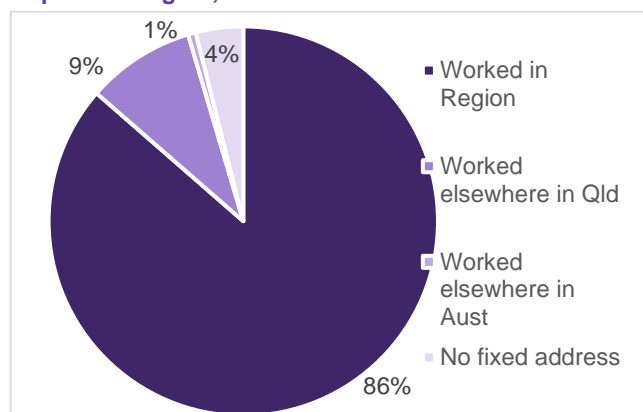
On Census night 2021, 54,604 persons were employed and living in the Region. Of these, the majority (86.3%) worked in the local government areas (LGA) of Rockhampton and Livingstone, while a further 9.0% worked elsewhere in Queensland.

Table 1 Journey to work summary, employed usual residents, Capricorn Region, 2021

	Capricorn Region usual residents
Worked in Region	47,145
Worked elsewhere in Queensland	4,918
Worked elsewhere in Australia	349
No fixed address	2,147
Total workforce	54,604

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2021

Figure 1 Distribution of journey to work destinations, Capricorn Region, 2021



Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2021

In the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton region, 349 employed residents worked elsewhere in Australia in the week before Census 2021. The proportion of residents who worked elsewhere in Australia varied with the SA2 in which they lived. Yeppoon SA2 had the highest number of employed

usual residents who worked elsewhere in Australia, 85 persons or 0.9% of its employed residents, while 0.6% of Gracemere SA2 residents (35 persons) also worked elsewhere in Australia.

Almost one-fifth of employed residents in Emu Park, Rockhampton Surrounds - North and Rockhampton Surrounds - West SA2s (18.1% each) worked elsewhere in Queensland in the week prior to Census in 2021. Berserker and Lakes Creek SA2s had the smallest proportions of residents who worked elsewhere in Queensland (8.0% and 7.9% respectively).

Journey to work within the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region

Of employed usual residents who worked in the Region in 2021, one in five employed persons often worked in the same SA2 in which they lived.

Employed usual residents of Emu Park SA2, Norman Gardens and Parkhurst-Kawana SA2 were the most likely to work within the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region, 86.3% each; however, of those Frenchville-Mount Archer SA2 employed residents working in the Region, only 9.7% (392 persons) worked in the Frenchville-Mount Archer SA2.

Of the 2,197 Rockhampton Surrounds - North SA2 residents who were employed in the Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region, more than one-third (38.1%) worked in the same SA2.

Of those persons working in the Region and living in Gracemere SA2, approximately one-quarter (26.5% or 1,242 persons) worked in the SA2.

In Mount Morgan SA2 in 2021, a total of 612 persons worked in the Region, with almost three in 10 (31.4%) travelling to work elsewhere in Queensland.



Table 2 Journey to work summary (a), SA2 (b) in Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region, 2021

SA2 of Usual Resident	Worked in own SA2	Worked elsewhere in Region	Worked elsewhere in QLD	Worked elsewhere in Australia
Berserker	574	2,128	257	8
Bouldercombe	198	473	138	4
Emu Park	501	1,222	416	24
Frenchville-Mount Archer	391	3,666	378	24
Glenlee-Rockyview	274	1,768	292	17
Gracemere	1,246	3,432	819	35
Lakes Creek	336	1,687	189	10
Mount Morgan	256	357	133	14
Norman Gardens	678	3,995	483	41
Park Avenue	368	1,643	243	18
Parkhurst-Kawana	776	2,383	304	15
Rockhampton - West	333	2,199	265	10
Rockhampton City	433	709	151	11
Rockhampton Surrounds - East	286	1,005	304	12
Rockhampton Surrounds - North	659	1,058	398	11
Rockhampton Surrounds - West	398	809	269	2
The Range-Allenstown	1,167	2,140	1,713	29
Yeppoon	4,358	3,210	7,107	85

POW = Place of work

(a) Count of employed usual residents.

(b) Shoalwater Bay SA2 not included due to very low population counts.

Source: ABS, Census of Population and Housing, 2021

In the SA2s within the Rockhampton urban centre (Berserker, Frenchville-Mount Archer, Lakes Creek, Norman Gardens, Park Avenue, Parkhurst-Kawana, Rockhampton – West, Rockhampton City and The Range-Allenstown), there were 30,080 employed usual residents. Almost nine in ten persons (85.1%) worked in the Rockhampton urban centre.

Of the 9,816 employed persons living in Yeppoon SA2 and working in the Capricorn Region, 57.6% worked in the Yeppoon SA2.

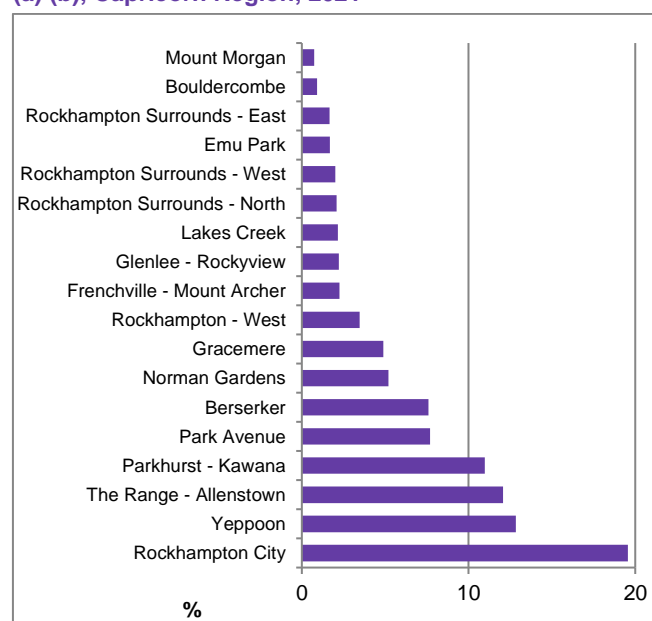
Places of work

Over one-fifth (19.6%) of persons who lived and worked in the Region, worked in Rockhampton City SA2, a total of 9,223 jobs for local residents. A further 12.8% worked in Yeppoon SA2, a total of 6,051 jobs for usual residents.

Bouldercombe SA2 and Mount Morgan SA2 had the smallest proportions of the region's jobs (0.9% and 0.7% respectively). It should be noted that these SA2s also had the smallest numbers of employed persons.

The Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region employed residents who worked elsewhere in Queensland were more likely to work in the neighbouring LGAs of Banana Shire, Central Highlands (R), Gladstone (R) or Isaac (R).

Figure 2 Distribution of place of work destinations (a) (b), Capricorn Region, 2021



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