

## Introduction

### **Central Queensland**

The Central Queensland region is one of Queensland's 19 Statistical Area Level 4s. It had an estimated resident population of 228,200 people in 2020 and covers an area of 117,549 km<sup>2</sup>, extending from the Capricorn Coast in the east to Queensland's Outback in the west. It includes the local government areas of Banana Shire, Central Highlands, Gladstone and Rockhampton Regional Councils, Livingstone Shire Council and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council.

# Central Queensland LEGEND

Queensland Statistical Areas, Level 4 (SA4), 2016 - Central Queensland (ASGS Code 308)

Figure 1 Fitzroy region

Source: Queensland Treasury and Trade, 2016, Queensland Statistical Areas, Level 4 (SA4), 2016

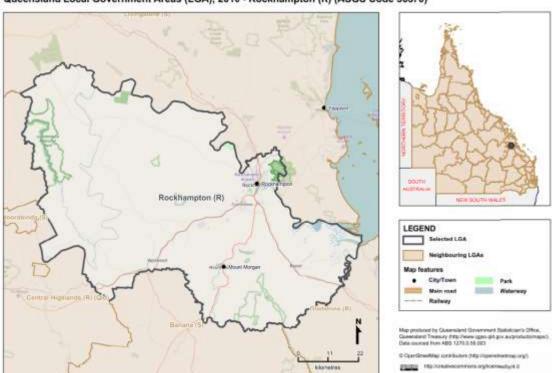
The major centres in the region are Biloela, Blackwater, Emerald, Gladstone, Mount Morgan, Moura, Rockhampton and Yeppoon. The region is home to the Fitzroy River and its tributaries and good quality agricultural land. With great access to road, rail, port and air services, the region is a key service and logistics for the Bowen Basin with its coal deposits.

# **Rockhampton Regional Council**

Rockhampton (R) is one of Queensland's 78 local government areas and is located in the north-east part of the Fitzroy region. The council area begins approximately 570 kilometres north of Brisbane.

Rockhampton (R) had an estimated resident population of 81,999 persons in 2020 and covers an area of 6,581.1 km². Rockhampton (R) includes the intersection of the Bruce Highway, which runs north-south, and the Capricorn Highway, which runs east-west, providing great road access to other parts of the state. The local government area also includes a major airport, Port Alma and rail facilities.

The major centres in the council area are Gracemere, Mount Morgan and Rockhampton. The Fitzroy River divides the city of Rockhampton and provides a great backdrop to city events.



Queensland Local Government Areas (LGA), 2016 - Rockhampton (R) (ASGS Code 36370)

Source: Queensland Treasury and Trade, 2016, Queensland Local Government Areas (LGA), 2016

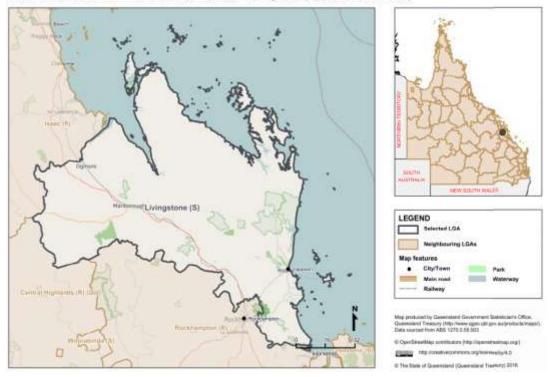
**Figure 2 Rockhampton Regional Council** 

# **Livingstone Shire Council**

Livingstone Shire is one of Queensland's 78 local government areas and is located in the north-east part of the Fitzroy region. The council area begins approximately 600 kilometres north of Brisbane and extends approximately 30 kilometres inland from Yeppoon.

Livingstone (S) had an estimated resident population of 38,617 in 2020 and covers an area of 11,776.3 km². The major centres in the council area are Emu Park and Yeppoon. The coast is easily accessible and provides for sea-change lifestyle choices while rural and tree-change lifestyles are also accommodated.

Queensland Local Government Areas (LGA), 2016 - Livingstone (S) (ASGS Code 34530)



Source: Queensland Treasury and Trade, 2016, Queensland Local Government Areas (LGA), 2016

**Figure 3 Livingstone Shire Council** 

# **Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2)**

SA2s are regions which are intended by the Australian Bureau of Statistics to be useful and relevant for data dissemination and can be aggregated into larger regions to assist in understanding demographic statistics.

The Capricorn Coast and Rockhampton Region SA2s generally represent communities that interact socially and economically and have populations ranging from a few thousand to almost 20, 000. An exception to this is Shoalwater Bay which has a very low population count but covers a distinct area of defence land. Within cities, SA2s represent gazetted suburbs and have been named after the existing suburbs.

There are 13 SA2s within Rockhampton (R) and 6 SA2s in Livingstone (S) as listed below.

Rockhampton (R)	Parkhurst – Kawana	Livingstone (S)
<u>Berserker</u>	Rockhampton – West	Emu Park
Bouldercombe	Rockhampton City	Glenlee - Rockyview
Frenchville - Mount Archer	Rockhampton Region –	Rockhampton Region –
Gracemere	West	East
Lakes Creek	<u>The Range – Allenstown</u>	Rockhampton Region –
Mount Morgan		<u>North</u>
Norman Gardens		Shoalwater Bay
Park Avenue		<u>Yeppoon</u>

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

Table 1 Estimated resident population, Capricorn Region and its Statistical Area Level 2s, 2020

	2020
Berserker	6,699
Bouldercombe	1,781
Emu Park	6,012
Frenchville – Mount Archer	9,038
Glenlee – Rockyview	5,281
Gracemere	13,053
Lakes Creek	4,925
Mount Morgan	2,957
Norman Gardens	11,043
Park Avenue	4,103
Parkhurst – Kawana	7,374
Rockhampton – West	5,932
Rockhampton City	3,093
Rockhampton Region – East	3,322
Rockhampton Region – North	4,439
Rockhampton Region – West	2,940
Shoalwater Bay	16
The Range – Allenstown	8,061
Yeppoon	19,547
Total	120,616

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional population growth, Australia, cat. no. 3218.0

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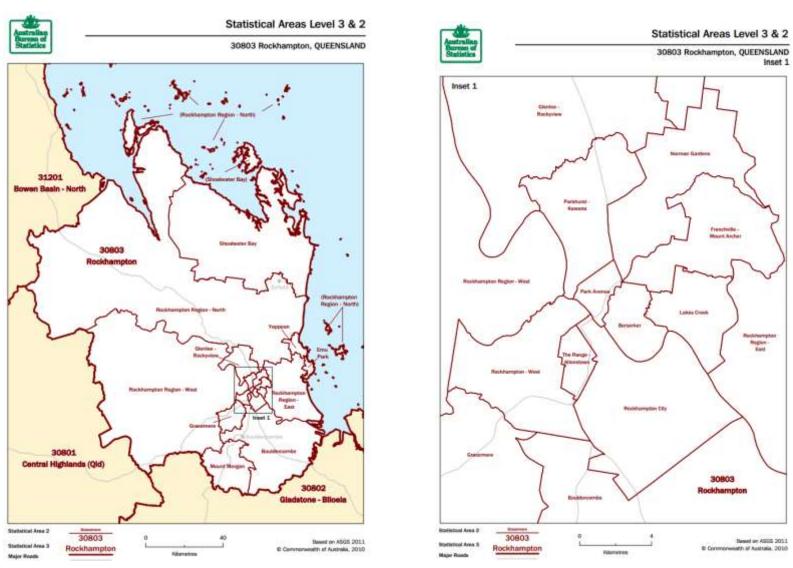


Figure 4 Statistical Area Level 2 in Rockhampton (R) and Livingstone (S)

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

Source: Queensland Treasury and Trade, 2011

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