Aboriginal community profile series

WYNDHAM Local Government Area

Cultural heritage



Aboriginal people have a deep and continuous connection to the place now called Victoria, evidenced by the number of statewide cultural heritage places.

Wyndham LGA has 1230 registered cultural heritage places including am Aboriginal cultural place, an Aboriginal historical place, a burial, artefact scatters, earth features, low density artefact distributions, object collections, quarry, scarred trees, shell middens and stone features.

Throughout this document the term "Aboriginal" is used to refer to both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Use of the terms "Koori", "Koorie" and "Indigenous" are retained in the names of programs and initiatives, and, unless noted otherwise, are inclusive of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Data sources other than the Australian Bureau of Statistics Consus

- 1. Maternal and Child Health Annual Report 2012-13, Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
- 2. Victorian Local Government Aboriginal Engagement and Reconciliation Survey 2012, Reconciliation Victoria

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Overview



The Life Course Approach to Aboriginal Affairs in Victoria

The Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Framework 2013-2018 is the Government's plan for closing the gap in Victoria by 2031, working in partnership with Aboriginal communities, service providers and the business sector.

This document provides a statistical profile of Aboriginal people within the Wyndham Local Government Area (LGA). It acknowledges Aboriginal community organisations and identifies achievements and challenges relating to the Aboriginal community.

The profile is intended to support conversations between communities, service providers, governments and other key stakeholders. The information can help inform approaches and action at the local level to better meet the needs of Aboriginal people and deliver improved health, education, and employment outcomes.

Population in 2011

1,144

20

Aboriginal people

Median age

152,732

32

non-Aboriginal people

Median age

Aboriginal organisations

Known Traditional Owners

Boon Wurrung Foundation Limited

Bunurong Land and Sea Association Inc

Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation

Wathaurung Aboriginal Corporation#

Wurundjeri Tribe Land and Compensation Cultural Heritage Council Inc

Key community groups

Western Metropolitan Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group

Western Metropolitan Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee

North and West Metropolitan Closing the Health Gap Advisory Committee

Wyndham/Hobsons Bay Local Indigenous Network

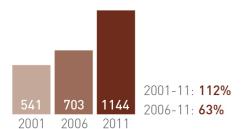
Please refer to "Victoria" profile for a list of statewide Aboriginal organisations, as these may be active in this LGA. Also note there may be other Aboriginal organisations and community groups which operate in this area.

*Registered Aboriginal Party covering a specific area within the LGA.

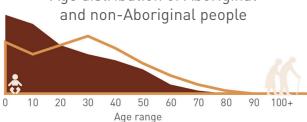


Community

Population increase rate



Age distribution of Aboriginal



People who:

need assistance with a disability

6% 4%

provide unpaid assistance to a person with a disability

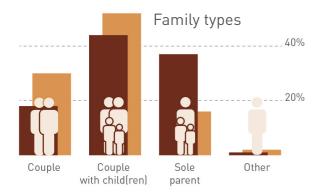
10% 11%

provide unpaid childcare

37% 36%

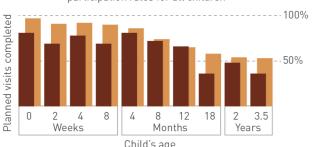
volunteer with an organisation

14% 13%



Maternal and child health visits¹

This graph shows Aboriginal participation rates compared with participation rates for all children

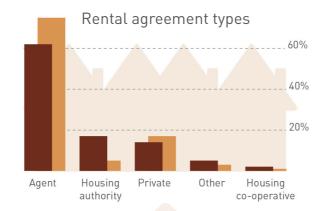


Housing and mobility

People whose home is:

Owned **50% 74%** Rented 50% 25%

(Does not include rent-free arrangements and retirement communities)



Aboriginal people whose home is:

free-standing 91%

semi-detached 5%

a flat or unit 3% mobile or temporary 1%

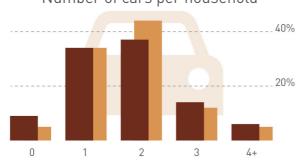
People who had moved prior to 2011, within:



Household internet access

None 18% 15% Broadband 72% 77% Dial-up 3% 3% Other **7% 5**%

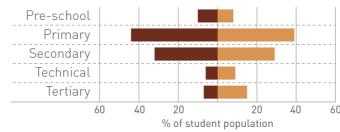
Number of cars per household



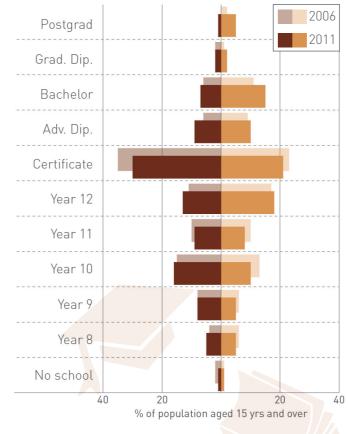
Education

Student distribution

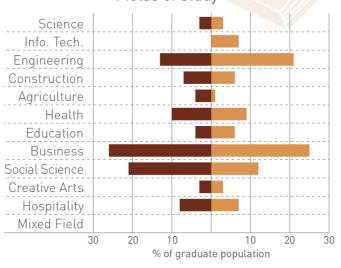
Total students 374 36,706



Highest level of education completed



Fields of study



Employment

Median weekly income

\$494 \$636

Employment rate 2006 2011

85% 90% 95% 94%

Weekly hours worked* 40+

<25 25-39 22% 28% 41% 31% *Census week

Employment status Full time Part time 31% 15% 45% 17%

Unemployment rate

2006 2011 15% 10% 5% 6%

48%

Number of Aboriginal people employed by Wyndham City Council²

Occupation



Industry

