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OUR PEOPLE

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HEALTH RISKS

FOR EVERY 100 ADULTS IN 2014-15:

24.4 SMOKED (NSW 16)

20.1 consumed ALCOHOL at HIGH RISK (NSW 16.7)

32.9 were OVERWEIGHT (NSW 37.4) and another 39.4 were OBESE (NSW 28.2)

45.4 ATE ENOUGH FRUIT (NSW 49.2)

74.3 had LOW OR NO EXERCISE (NSW 67.1)

MUMS AND BUBS

The TOTAL FERTILITY RATE in 2013-15 was 2.5 BIRTHS PER WOMAN (NSW 1.9)

20.8% of mothers SMOKED IN PREGNANCY in 2014-16 which was SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER than the NSW AVERAGE

4.7% of babies born in 2012-14 were LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT (NSW 5.2%)

A FIRST TRIMESTER ANTENATAL VISIT occurred in 86.5% of pregnancies in 2014-16 which was SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER than the NSW AVERAGE

IMMUNISATION

WHO WAS FULLY IMMUNISED IN 2016-17?

97.3% of 1 YEAR OLDS (Australia 93.8%)

93.5% of 2 YEAR OLDS (Australia 90.9%)

95.7% of 5 YEAR OLDS (Australia 93.5%)

MENTAL HEALTH

HIGH OR VERY HIGH PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS was experienced by 10.3 of every 100 adults in 2014-15 (NSW 11)

CHRONIC MENTAL AND BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS were experienced by 13.5 of every 100 people in 2011-12 (NSW 13.1)

There were 12 HOSPITALISATIONS for INTENTIONAL SELF-HARM in 2014-16 at a rate of 95.4 per 100,000 people which was SIMILAR TO the NSW RATE

5 PEOPLE DIED BY SUICIDE between 2000 and 2013

RATES OF CHRONIC DISEASE

DIABETES MELLITUS 4.9 per 100 (NSW 5.8)

HIGH CHOLESTEROL 31.8 per 100 (NSW 32.4)

CIRCULATORY SYSTEM DISEASE 18.2 per 100 (NSW 17.8)

ASTHMA 11.8 per 100 (NSW 9.6)

CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE 2.9 per 100 (NSW 2.6)

ARTHRITIS 17.0 per 100 (NSW 15.3) (2011-12)

20.6% of the population are aged 0-14 years (NSW 18.5%)

19% of the population are aged 65 years + (NSW 16.3%)

The population will grow to approximately 13,600 in 2036

12,215

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**Gunnedah LGA**

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- **82 new cases** of cancer were diagnosed in 2013.
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- Lung: 39
- Breast: 38
- Colon: 36
- Melanoma (skin): 32

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### Cancer Screening Participation 2015-16
- **Breast Screening** (NSW 93%): 63.6%
- **Cervical Screening** (NSW 56.3%): 59.2%
- **Bowel Screening** (NSW 37.8%): 37%

#### HPV Vaccination
- **84.3%** of teenaged **girls** and **76.6%** of boys in 2016 were fully vaccinated against HPV (NSW 82.5%, 69.9%).

### Potentially Preventable Hospitalisations
- Between 2014 and 2016 there were **316.9** potentially preventable hospitalisations each year at a rate of 2,471.6 per 100,000. This was significantly higher than the NSW rate (2,104.2).

### Access to Services
- In 2014 **176 people** experienced a barrier to health care access with cost being the main reason at a rate of 1.9 per 100 people (NSW 2.5).
- In 2014 **433 people** experienced difficulty or couldn’t get to places with transport at a rate of 4.3 per 100 people (NSW 4.3).
- In 2016 **70.6%** of houses were able to access the internet (NSW 82.5%)
- There are **4 general practices** in the area and for every full-time GP there are **996 people**.
- There is **1 public hospital**
- **8,054 patients** presented to the Gunnedah EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT in 2016-17, **5,828** were semi or non-urgent presentations and could have been managed in general practice.

### Data Sources
- Centre for Epidemiology and Evidence (2018). HealthStats NSW. www.healthstats.nsw.gov.au

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