8,032 PEOPLE IDENTIFY AS ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER this is 4.1% of the population (NSW 2.9%)

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The SEIFA Index of Relative Socioeconomic Disadvantage score is 996, LAKE MACQUARIE is MORE DISADVANTAGED than AUSTRALIA (1000)

The UNEMPLOYMENT RATE in 2017 was 5.1% (NSW 4.8%)

23.2 in 100 people had GOVERNMENT SUPPORT AS THEIR MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME for 13 months or more in 2013 and 2014 (NSW 20.4)

84.7% of 15 - 24 YEAR OLDS were EARNING OR LEARNING in 2016 (NSW 85%)

FOR EVERY 100 ADULTS IN 2014-15:
19.8 SMOKED (NSW 16)

19.5 consumed ALCOHOL at HIGH RISK (NSW 16.7)

33.7 were OVERWEIGHT (NSW 37.4) and another 30.7 were OBESE (NSW 28.2)

48.6 ATE ENOUGH FRUIT (NSW 49.2)

64.7 had LOW OR NO EXERCISE (NSW 67.1)

WHO WAS FULLY IMMUNISED IN 2016-17?
1 YEAR OLDS - 96.9% (East), 93.6% (West), (Aust. 93.8%)
2 YEAR OLDS - 95% (East), 92% (West), (Aust. 90.9%)
5 YEAR OLDS - 96.8% (East), 94.3% (West), (Aust. 93.5%)

HIGH OR VERY HIGH PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS was experienced by 12.0 of every 100 adults in 2014-15 (NSW 11)

CHRONIC MENTAL AND BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS were experienced by 13.9 of every 100 people in 2011-12 (NSW 13.1)

There were 404 HOSPITALISATIONS for INTENTIONAL SELF-HARM in 2014-16 at a rate of 198.6 per 100,000 people which was SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER than the NSW RATE

251 PEOPLE DIED BY SUICIDE between 2000 and 2013

THE TOTAL FERTILITY RATE in 2013-15 was 2.0 BIRTHS PER WOMAN (NSW 1.9)

11% of mothers SMOKED IN PREGNANCY in 2014-16 which was SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER than the NSW AVERAGE

6.2% of babies born in 2012-14 were LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT (NSW 5.2%)

A FIRST TRIMESTER ANTENATAL VISIT occurred in 80.3% of pregnancies in 2014-15 which was SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER than the NSW AVERAGE

DIABETES MELLITUS 4.8 per 100 (NSW 5.8)
HIGH CHOLESTEROL 32.1 per 100 (NSW 32.4)
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM DISEASE 18.4 per 100 (NSW 17.8)
ASTHMA 11.2 per 100 (NSW 9.6)
CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE 3.0 per 100 (NSW 2.6)
ARTHRITIS 16.7 per 100 (NSW 15.3)

For every 100 people of working age there are 64 who aren’t

There are 310 people per km² (NSW 10)

The population will grow to approximately 226,800 in 2036

18.3% of the population are aged 0-14 years (NSW 18.5%)

20.6% of the population are aged 65 years + (NSW 16.3%)

IMMUNISATION

MENTAL HEALTH

POPULATION 197,371
Lake Macquarie LGA

CANCER INCIDENCE

1,446 NEW CASES of cancer were diagnosed in 2013.

CANCER INCIDENCE in 2013 (517.3 per 100,000) was HIGHER THAN THE NSW RATE (500.5).

Most COMMON CANCER TYPES (number of cases, 2009-13):

- Prostate: 1,207
- Melanoma (skin): 842
- Breast: 757
- Lung: 629
- Colon: 558

Lake Macquarie is a MELANOMA HOTSPOT.

CANCER MORTALITY

491 PEOPLE DIED FROM CANCER in 2013.
The mortality rate (173 per 100,000) was HIGHER THAN THE NSW RATE (170)

HPV VACCINATION

80.4% of teenaged GIRLS and 70.8% of BOYS in 2016 were fully VACCINATED AGAINST HPV (NSW 82.5%, 69.9%).

CANCER SCREENING PARTICIPATION 2015-16

- Breast Screening (NSW 93%): 61.5%
- Cervical Screening (NSW 56.3%): 62.9%
- Bowel Screening (NSW 37.8%): 43.8%

10,263 WOMEN UNSCREENED
19,862 WOMEN UNSCREENED
9,741 PEOPLE UNSCREENED

There are LOWER BREAST SCREENING rates amongst ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER (53.2%).

POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE HOSPITALISATIONS

Between 2014 and 2016 there were 3,874.9 POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE HOSPITALISATIONS EACH YEAR at a rate of 1,904.9 per 100,000.

This was SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER THAN THE NSW RATE (2,104.2).

ACCESS TO SERVICES

In 2014 2,514 PEOPLE experienced a BARRIER TO HEALTH CARE ACCESS with COST BEING THE MAIN REASON at a rate of 1.7 per 100 people (NSW 2.5).

In 2014 6,460 PEOPLE experienced difficulty or COULDN'T GET TO PLACES WITH TRANSPORT at a rate of 3.9 per 100 people (NSW 4.3).

In 2016 81.3% OF HOUSES were able to ACCESS THE INTERNET (NSW 82.5%).

There are 57 GENERAL PRACTICES in the area and FOR EVERY FULL-TIME GP THERE ARE 1,102 PEOPLE.

There is 1 ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE and 1 PUBLIC HOSPITAL.

24,380 patients presented to the Belmont EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT in 2016-17, 17,178 were SEMI OR NON-URGENT PRESENTATIONS and could have been managed in general practice.

DATA SOURCES


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