

MELBOURNE'S NORTH REGIONAL PROFILE

Melbourne's north is a diverse and growing region spanning lively inner communities, historic suburbs and emerging neighbourhoods. It has an attractive natural environment, a growing food and beverage industry, robust health and education sectors, and productive industrial precincts.

Linking its major industries and businesses, the north comprises integral freight and logistic transit infrastructure such as Melbourne Airport, Tullamarine Freeway and Hume Freeway. The total land area in the region is 167,298 hectares.

Melbourne's north has over 1 million residents, which is 21 per cent of Greater Melbourne's population. Its culturally diverse and rapidly growing population is expected to increase by 44 per cent in 2036 to almost 1.5 million. Key growth areas include the outer suburbs along the Northern Growth Corridor.

The region has a highly skilled and productive workforce. Key employment sectors include freight and logistics, food production, healthcare and social assistance, and advanced manufacturing. In total, the region currently generates \$40 billion of goods and services each year.



Total population
1,043,039
 21% of Greater Melbourne's 4,976,157

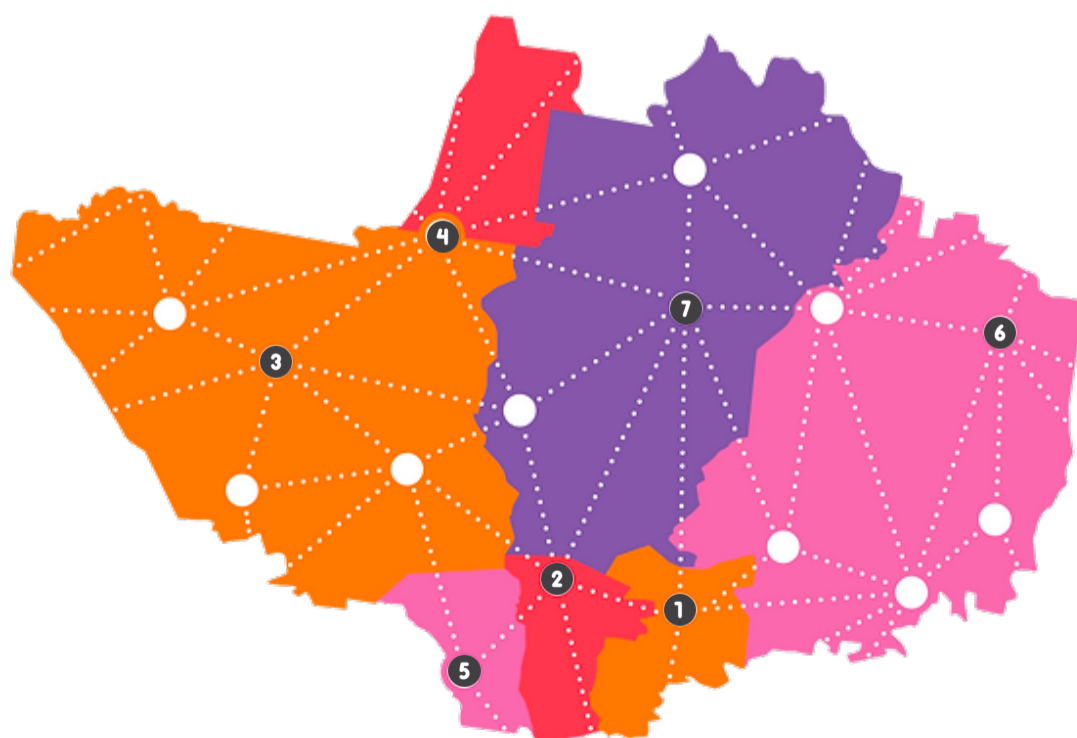


Total land area (hectares)
167,298
 17% of Greater Melbourne's 999,251

LGA POPULATIONS

LGA	2021	2041
1 Banyule	128,387	165,256
2 Darebin	162,501	230,118
3 Hume	243,734	394,760
4 Mitchell	49,216	181,591
5 Merri-bek	184,707	235,200*
6 Nillumbik	64,659	70,395*
7 Whittlesea	237,972	388,417

*Estimated to 2036



HOUSEHOLDS

	Melbourne's North	Greater Melbourne
Couples with children	35.2%	33.1%
Couples without children	22.7%	23.5%
One parent families	10.9%	10.2%
Other families	1.3%	1.2%
Group household	4.1%	4.1%
Lone person	22.1%	23.7%
Other	3.2%	3.4%

AGE

Seniors	7.8%	8.6%
Empty nesters and retirees	9%	9.5%
Older workers and pre-retirees	11.8%	11.9%
Young workforce	16.5%	16%
Average household size	2.67	2.58
Median age	36	37

INCOME

	Melbourne's North	Greater Melbourne
Median weekly household income	\$1,876	\$1,901
More than \$2,500 a week (high)	31.6%	32.8%
Less than \$650 a week (low)	13.9%	14.1%

CULTURE

Born overseas	32.5%	35.7%
Speak a language other than English as their primary language	35.7%	34.1%
Top three locations born overseas		
India	4.4%	4.9%
UK	2.3%	3.3%
Italy	2.3%	1.2%

HOUSING TENURE

	Melbourne's North	Greater Melbourne
Fully owned	28.4%	28.7%
Mortgage	37.9%	35.6%
Renting (private)	25.2%	26.8%
Renting (social housing)	2.4%	2.3%
Other	1.3%	1.6%

EMPLOYMENT

Key Employment Industries

Healthcare and Social Assistance	12.5%	12%
Retail Trade	9.9%	10.1%
Education and training	9.3%	9%

Top three occupations

Professionals	23.5%	25%
Clerical and Administrative workers	14.2%	13.9%
Technicals and Trades workers	13.5%	12.6%

EMPLOYMENT (CONT)

Top three methods to get to work	Melbourne's North	Greater Melbourne
Car (as driver)	60.4%	60.2%
Train	12%	11.5%
Worked at home	3.5%	4.2%

EDUCATION

Bachelor	24.8%	27.5%
Vocational	15.9%	15.3%
Advanced Diploma or Diploma	9.1%	9.5%