# Newcastle Profile

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## Overview

**Total Area:** 187 sqkm          **Population:** 174,294          **Major Town:** Minmi

## Demographics

| **Median Age** | **Labour Force Median Age** | **Labour Force Population** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 37 | 39 | 94,751 |

## Vulnerability

| **Homelessness Population** | **Unemployment Rate** | **SEIFA - IRSD** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1073 | 4.4% | 8 |

## Support Payments LGA and State Comparison

| **Rates** | **Newcastle** | **New South Wales** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Age Pension | 16,545 | 807,495 |
| Commonwealth Rent Assistance | 11,070 | 439,775 |
| Disability Support Pension | 7,445 | 248,695 |
| Carer Allowance | 3,705 | 217,665 |

## Economy

**Median Income:** $57,499          **Gross Regional Product:** $21,065 Million          **Employed Residents:** 104,918

| **Ranked Industries With Most Value** | **Value ($Million)** | **Ranked Employing Industries** | **No. Employees** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 2,556 | Health Care and Social Assistance | 29,683 |
| Construction | 1,500 | Construction | 15,017 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 1,493 | Education and Training | 12,882 |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing | 1,448 | Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 11,121 |
| Education and Training | 1,375 | Accommodation and Food Services | 10,717 |

## Number of Businesses

| **Small Businesses (<20 employees)** | **Total Businesses** |
| --- | --- |
| 30,506 | 31,772 |

## Disaster History Cumulative Payment

The following payments have been made based on disaster events occurring in since 01 July 2022. For a break down of disaster history payment please visit [Data.gov.au](https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/disaster-history-payment-by-lga)

Note – some AGDRP/DRA payment information is aggregated from suburb level to LGA. As such there may be duplication of records as the boundaries of some suburbs may overlap two or more LGAs.

| **Payment** | **Applications Approved (no.)** | **Applications Received (no.)** | **Applications Approved ($)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| New Zealand disaster recovery allowance | < 20 | < 20 | < 20,000 |
| Disaster Recovery Allowance | 181 | 927 | 695,797.6 |
| Landholder Grants | < 20 | < 20 | 60,000 |
| Primary Producer Grants ($75,000) | < 20 | 27 | 533,000 |
| Small Business Grants | 37 | 128 | 383,453 |
| Small Business Grants ($50,000) | 29 | 407 | 315,800 |
| Disaster Recovery Payment | 24,325 | 41,316 | 27,054,400 |
| Primary Producer Grants | < 20 | < 20 | 198,463 |
| New Zealand Disaster recovery payment | 116 | 645 | 129,000 |
| Disaster Relief Grants | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Concessional Loans | 0 | < 20 | 0 |

## Emergency Response Fund (ERF)

The Emergency Response Fund is an investment fund to maximise the Commonwealth’s capacity to support states and territories responses to major natural disasters into the future.

\*Some program costs are shared amongst multiple LGAs

| **Program** | **Number of Programs** | **Total Commonwealth agreed funding\*** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Flood Recovery and Resilience Program - New South Wales | 5 | 75,000,000 |

### Data Sources

These profiles utilise data from a number of third-party providers, including:

* Services Australia
* State and Territory Governments
* [Regional population, 2021-22 financial year | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/people/population/regional-population/latest-release#data-downloads)
* [DSS Benefit and Payment Recipient Demographics - quarterly data | Datasets | data.gov.au - beta](https://data.gov.au/dataset/ds-dga-cff2ae8a-55e4-47db-a66d-e177fe0ac6a0/details)
* [Estimating Homelessness: Census, 2021 | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/people/housing/estimating-homelessness-census/latest-release#data-downloads)
* [Small Area Labour Markets | National Skills Commission](https://www.nationalskillscommission.gov.au/topics/small-area-labour-markets#UpdatedLGAstructure)
* [Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA), Australia, 2021 | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/people/people-and-communities/socio-economic-indexes-areas-seifa-australia/latest-release#data-downloads)
* [EconomyID](https://economy.id.com.au/)
* [Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, July 2018 - June 2022 | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/economy/business-indicators/counts-australian-businesses-including-entries-and-exits/latest-release)
* [Regional population by age and sex, 2021 | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/people/population/regional-population-age-and-sex/latest-release#data-downloads)
* [Labour Force, Australia, Detailed, May 2023 | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/latest-release)
* [Personal Income in Australia, 2015-16 to 2019-20 | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)](https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/labour/earnings-and-working-conditions/personal-income-australia/latest-release#data-downloads)

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