



Gold Coast City Council

Bethania-Waterford Statistical Profile

Introduction

This information is for Bethania-Waterford Statistical Local Area (SLA) in Gold Coast City. Unless otherwise stated, all data are from the Time Series Profile of the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 2001 Census of Population and Housing (taken on 7 August 2001), which counts both residents and domestic visitors to the SLA on Census night.

Resident Population

The preliminary estimate of the resident population of Bethania-Waterford at 30 June 2002 was 5,483 people, an increase of 661 or 13.7% since 1997.

Age

In 2001, the number of people aged under 15 years represented 23.1% of the population of Bethania-Waterford (down from 29.5% in 1991), higher than for Gold Coast City (19.3%). People aged 65 years and over represented 13.9% (up from 8.7% in 1991), lower than for Gold Coast City (15.2%) (Table 1).

Table 1. Age profile

Persons (excluding overseas visitors)

Age (years)	1991		1996		2001		
	Bethania-Waterford			GCC	Bethania-Waterford		
	%	%	%		Males	Females	Persons
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
0-4	11.3	8.1	7.6	6.1	205	190	395
5-9	10.1	9.6	7.5	6.6	195	193	388
10-14	8.0	9.2	8.0	6.6	209	204	413
15-19	7.0	7.2	7.8	6.5	220	182	402
20-24	6.4	6.5	7.2	6.5	186	189	375
25-34	18.1	15.2	13.4	14.1	335	358	693
35-44	15.3	15.1	13.1	14.4	321	357	678
45-54	8.4	11.6	12.4	13.6	300	344	644
55-64	6.7	6.1	9.1	10.4	232	241	473
65-74	6.0	7.2	7.4	8.3	164	220	384
75+	2.7	4.1	6.5	6.9	138	200	338
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	2,505	2,678	5,183

Educational qualifications

In 2001, the proportion of people aged 15 years and over in Bethania-Waterford with a Bachelor degree or higher was 5.5% (up from 2.9% in 1991), lower than Gold Coast City (Table 2).

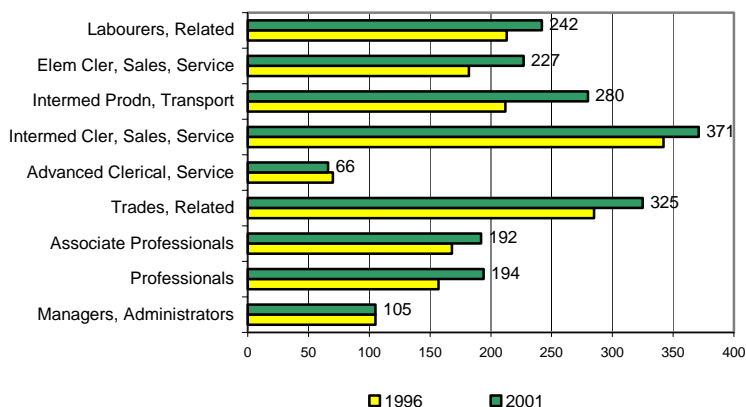
Table 2. Educational Qualifications

Persons aged 15 years and over (excluding overseas visitors)

Level of education	1991		1996		2001	
	Bethania-Waterford			GCC	Bethania-Waterford	
	%	%	%		No.	%
Postgraduate Degree	0.4	0.5	0.5	19	1.0	
Grad Dip & Grad Cert	0.2	0.5	0.7	28	0.8	
Bachelor Degree	2.3	3.1	4.4	174	7.0	
Advanced Dip and Dip	3.2	4.0	4.1	164	5.8	
Trade Certificate	14.6	13.6	15.9	634	17.4	
Not stated	14.1	12.4	11.3	452	13.6	
Not applicable	65.3	66.0	63.1	2,519	54.5	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	3,990	100.0	

Figure 1. Occupation

Employed persons (excluding overseas visitors)



Employment

The labour force in Bethania-Waterford in 2001 represented 57.5% of people aged 15 years and over (down from 59.2% in 1991), lower than for Gold Coast City (57.6%). From 1991 to 2001, part-time employment in Bethania-Waterford increased from 12.8% to 16.0% (Table 3). The unemployment rate* decreased from 12.5% to 10.5%.

* Persons unemployed divided by persons in labour force

Table 3. Employment

Persons aged 15 years and over (excluding overseas visitors)

Labour force status	1991		1996		2001	
	Bethania-Waterford			GCC	Bethania-Waterford	
	%	%	%		No.	%
Employed, working:						
Full time(a)	36.4	36.5	33.7	1,341	31.6	
Part time	12.8	14.5	16.0	638	18.8	
Not stated(b)	2.6	1.5	1.8	72	1.7	
Total employed.	51.8	52.5	51.5	2,051	52.0	
Unemployed, looking for:						
Full time work	6.4	5.3	4.6	185	4.1	
Part time work	1.0	1.2	1.4	56	1.5	
Total unemployed	7.4	6.5	6.0	241	5.6	
Total labour force	59.2	59.0	57.5	2,292	57.6	
Not in the labour force	37.5	38.5	39.1	1,556	36.7	
Not stated(c)	3.4	2.5	3.4	136	5.7	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	3,984	100.0	

(a) The definition of 'full-time' changed between the 1991 and 1996 Census

(b) Includes employed persons who did not state their hours worked

(c) Includes persons who did not state their labour force status

Income

The median gross weekly individual income in Bethania-Waterford in 2001 was in the range \$300-\$399 (up from the \$80-\$119 range in 1991). In Bethania-Waterford, 12.5% of people aged 15 years and over received less than \$120 in 2001 (11.3% for Gold Coast City) and 4.7% received a high income of \$1,000 or more (7.3% for Gold Coast City) (Table 4).

Table 4. Income

Persons aged 15 years and over (excluding overseas visitors)

Weekly Individual Income	2001		GCC
	Bethania-Waterford		
	%	No.	%
Negative-\$119	12.5	500	11.3
\$120-\$199	16.2	650	14.0
\$200-\$399	25.6	1,026	24.2
\$400-\$599	18.9	756	18.2
\$600-\$799	10.4	418	10.5
\$800-\$999	5.0	202	5.4
\$1000 or more	4.7	188	7.3
Not stated	6.5	262	9.1
Total	100.0	4,002	100.0

Occupation

The main occupation in 2001 was Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers (371 people or 18.1% of employed people) followed by Tradespersons and Related Workers (325 people or 15.9%) (Figure 1). Since 1996, the biggest increase was recorded in the number of people working as Intermediate Production and Transport Workers and the biggest decrease was in Advanced Clerical and Service Workers.

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Place of birth

In 2001, 23.2% of the Bethania-Waterford population were overseas born, 16.6% in main English speaking countries and 6.6% in other countries. The proportion of overseas born people in Bethania-Waterford was lower than for Gold Coast City (24.4%) (Table 5).

Table 5. Place of birth
Persons (excluding overseas visitors)

Place of birth	1991		1996		2001	
	Bethania-Waterford		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Australia	71.2	72.3	72.1	3,732	69.1	
MES(a)	19.0	16.4	16.6	862	15.2	
NMES(b)	7.3	7.6	6.6	342	9.2	
Not stated	2.5	3.6	4.7	242	6.5	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	5,178	100.0	

(a) Main English speaking countries: comprises United Kingdom, USA, Ireland, South Africa, New Zealand and Canada

(b) Non-Main English Speaking Countries: other than the MES countries

Household types

In 2001, 49.8% of the population of Bethania-Waterford lived in a family comprising a couple with children (compared to 44.9% for Gold Coast City), and 19.5% lived in couple only households. The proportion of people in one parent families increased from 10.1% in 1991 to 15.4% in 2001, while the proportion of people living alone increased from 4.8% to 10.0% (Table 6).

Table 6. Household types
Persons in family, group and lone person h/holds (excl overseas visitors)

Household type and Family type	1991 (a)		1996		2001 (b)	
	Bethania-Waterford		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
One family household:						
Couple with children	66.4	59.6	49.8	2,462	44.9	
Couple without children	16.2	17.9	19.5	962	23.1	
One parent family	10.1	12.0	15.4	760	12.9	
Other family	0.4	0.7	0.7	37	1.0	
Total	93.2	90.2	85.4	4,221	81.9	
Multi-family household	0.7	1.1	2.1	104	1.8	
Lone person household	4.8	6.5	10.0	493	10.7	
Group household	1.3	2.2	2.5	125	5.6	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	4,943	100.0	

(a) In 1991, 'Manufactured Home Estates' and 'Accommodation for the Retired or Aged (self care)' have been excluded. These dwellings were Non-private dwellings in 1991.

(b) In 2001, Serviced Apartments and persons living in Serviced Apartments have been included. These dwellings were Non-private dwellings in 1991 and 1996.

Tenure of dwellings

Of the 1,970 occupied private dwellings in Bethania-Waterford, 35.4% were fully owned (up from 34.6% in 1991), 29.5% were being purchased and 30.0% were being rented. Bethania-Waterford recorded lower proportions of dwellings being rented and higher proportions being purchased than Gold Coast City (Table 7).

Table 7. Tenure of dwellings
Occupied private dwellings

Tenure type	1991(a)		1996		2001(b)	
	Bethania-Waterford		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Fully owned	34.6	37.0	35.4	698	33.3	
Being purchased(c)	41.3	36.1	29.5	582	22.8	
Rented:						
State Housing Authority	4.0	4.5	4.7	93	2.5	
Other landlord type(c)	13.5	17.5	25.0	493	31.7	
Not stated	1.0	0.2	0.3	5	0.5	
Other Tenure type(c)	5.6	4.6	5.0	99	9.2	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,970	100.0	

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(b) In 2001, Serviced apartments and persons living in Serviced apartments have been included. These dwellings were Non-private dwellings in 1991 and 1996

(c) There were changes in definition between the 1991 and 1996 Census.

Dwellings

In Bethania-Waterford in 2001, 89.1% of all private dwellings were separate houses (down from 94.9% in 1991), 4.1% were semi-detached, row/terrace or townhouses (up from 2.0%), and 5.8% were flats, units or apartments (up from 1.2%). In Gold Coast City, 57.1% of dwellings were separate houses, 16.1% were semi-detached and 23.6% were flats (Table 8). The average household size in Bethania-Waterford declined from 3.1 people per occupied private dwelling in 1991 to 2.6 in 2001.

Table 8. Dwellings
Private dwellings (occupied and unoccupied)

Dwelling Structure	1991(a)		1996		2001(b)	
	Bethania-Waterford		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Separate house	94.9	94.8	89.1	1,829	57.1	
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse	2.0	2.6	4.1	84	16.1	
Flat, unit or apartment:						
In 1 or 2 storey block	1.0	0.6	5.8	119	8.0	
In 3 or more storey block	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	15.3	
Attached to a house	0.2	0.2	0.0	0	0.3	
Total	1.2	0.8	5.8	119	23.6	
Other dwelling:						
Caravan, houseboat	1.1	0.0	0.1	3	1.5	
Improvised, tent etc	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	
Attached to a shop, office	0.2	0.0	0.2	4	0.2	
Total	1.3	0.0	0.3	7	1.7	
Not stated	0.7	1.8	0.7	14	1.6	

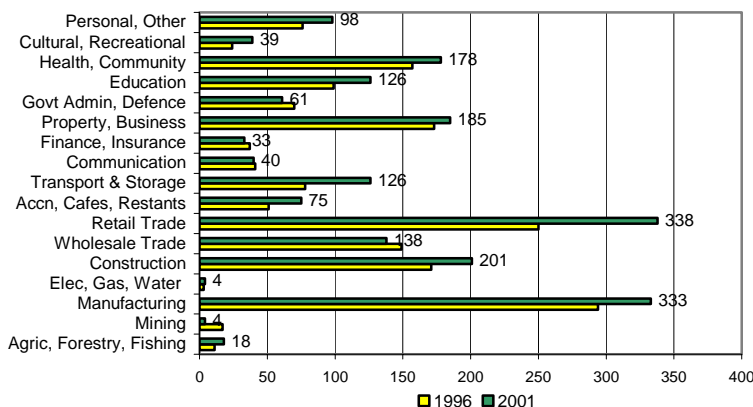
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Industry

The main industry of employment in 2001 was Retail Trade (338 people or 16.5% of employed people) followed by Manufacturing (333 people or 16.3%) (Figure 2). Since 1996, the biggest increase was recorded in the number of people working in Retail Trade and the biggest decrease was in Mining.

Figure 2. Industry
Employed persons (excluding overseas visitors)



Other population facts from the 2001 Census

	Bethania-Waterford	GCC
Visitors from different SLA (No.) (a)	132	48,720
Lived at same address 5 years ago (%) (b)	50.2	38.5
Households with no motor vehicle (%) (a)	10.4	9.1

(a) Sourced from Basic Community Profile, ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing

(b) Sourced from Usual Residents Profile, ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing

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