



Gold Coast City Council

Burleigh Waters Statistical Profile

Introduction

This information is for Burleigh Waters 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 Burleigh Waters at 30 June 2002 was 12,965 people, an increase of 1,939 or 17.6% since 1997.

Age

In 2001, the number of people aged under 15 years represented 17.7% of the population of Burleigh Waters (up from 16.6% in 1991), lower than for Gold Coast City (19.3%). People aged 65 years and over represented 19.8% (down from 21.3% in 1991), higher than for Gold Coast City (15.2%) (Table 1).

Table 1. Age profile

Persons (excluding overseas visitors)

Age (years)	1991		1996		2001		
	Burleigh Waters			GCC	Burleigh Waters		
	%	%	%		Males	Females	Persons
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
0-4	5.3	5.6	5.6	6.1	357	325	682
5-9	5.5	5.2	6.0	6.6	383	351	734
10-14	5.7	4.9	6.1	6.6	374	370	744
15-19	6.2	5.5	5.5	6.5	356	313	669
20-24	5.7	6.7	5.4	6.5	320	339	659
25-34	11.9	12.6	12.7	14.1	741	807	1,548
35-44	13.8	12.6	13.4	14.4	776	864	1,640
45-54	11.7	13.1	13.6	13.6	752	906	1,658
55-64	12.9	12.1	11.9	10.4	679	778	1,457
65-74	15.4	14.1	11.2	8.3	615	751	1,366
75+	5.9	7.5	8.6	6.9	494	560	1,054
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	5,847	6,364	12,211

Educational qualifications

In 2001, the proportion of people aged 15 years and over in Burleigh Waters with a Bachelor degree or higher was 7.1% (up from 3.6% in 1991), lower than Gold Coast City (Table 2).

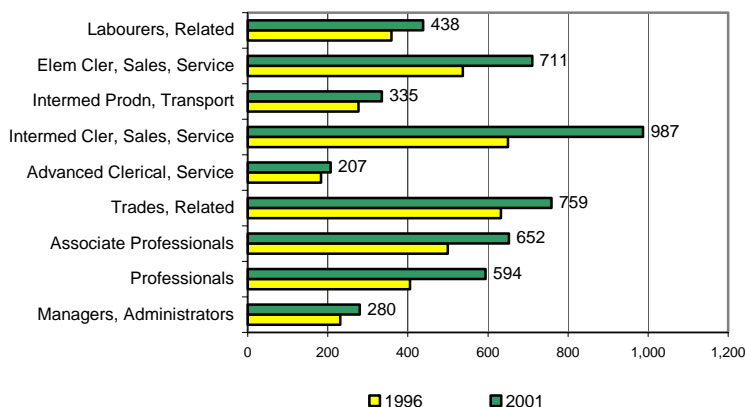
Table 2. Educational Qualifications

Persons aged 15 years and over (excluding overseas visitors)

Level of education	1991		1996		2001	
	Burleigh Waters			GCC	Burleigh Waters	
	%	%	%		No.	%
Postgraduate Degree	0.3	0.4	0.7	67	1.0	
Grad Dip & Grad Cert	0.4	0.8	0.6	64	0.8	
Bachelor Degree	2.9	3.7	5.8	587	7.0	
Advanced Dip and Dip	4.2	5.0	5.3	534	5.8	
Trade Certificate	15.0	15.6	19.2	1,926	17.4	
Not stated	12.2	12.4	11.1	1,112	13.6	
Not applicable	65.0	62.1	57.3	5,760	54.5	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	10,050	100.0	

Figure 1. Occupation

Employed persons (excluding overseas visitors)



Employment

The labour force in Burleigh Waters in 2001 represented 54.8% of people aged 15 years and over (up from 50.7% in 1991), lower than for Gold Coast City (57.6%). From 1991 to 2001, part-time employment in Burleigh Waters increased from 13.2% to 18.9% (Table 3). The unemployment rate* decreased from 15.0% to 8.1%.

* 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	
	Burleigh Waters			GCC	Burleigh Waters	
	%	%	%		No.	%
Employed, working:						
Full time(a)	27.7	28.7	29.9	3,008	31.6	
Part time	13.2	16.2	18.9	1,898	18.8	
Not stated(b)	2.1	0.8	1.5	154	1.7	
Total employed.	43.1	45.7	50.3	5,060	52.0	
Unemployed, looking for:						
Full time work	6.5	5.4	3.2	326	4.1	
Part time work	1.1	1.2	1.2	122	1.5	
Total unemployed	7.6	6.6	4.5	448	5.6	
Total labour force	50.7	52.3	54.8	5,508	57.6	
Not in the labour force	47.8	46.2	42.4	4,259	36.7	
Not stated(c)	1.5	1.5	2.8	284	5.7	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	10,051	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 Burleigh Waters in 2001 was in the range \$300-\$399 (up from the \$40-\$79 range in 1991). In Burleigh Waters, 10.3% of people aged 15 years and over received less than \$120 in 2001 (11.3% for Gold Coast City) and 5.9% 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
	Burleigh Waters		
	%	No.	%
Negative-\$119	10.3	1,036	11.3
\$120-\$199	16.8	1,692	14.0
\$200-\$399	28.1	2,828	24.2
\$400-\$599	18.2	1,832	18.2
\$600-\$799	10.0	1,009	10.5
\$800-\$999	5.2	520	5.4
\$1000 or more	5.9	592	7.3
Not stated	5.5	556	9.1
Total	100.0	10,065	100.0

Occupation

The main occupation in 2001 was Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers (987 people or 19.5% of employed people) followed by Tradespersons and Related Workers (759 people or 15.0%) (Figure 1). Since 1996, the biggest increase was recorded in the number of people working as Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers and there were no occupations showing a decrease.

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Place of birth

In 2001, 24.4% of the Burleigh Waters population were overseas born, 15.9% in main English speaking countries and 8.5% in other countries. The proportion of overseas born people in Burleigh Waters was higher than for Gold Coast City (24.4%) (Table 5).

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

Place of birth	1991		1996		2001	
	Burleigh Waters		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Australia	72.7	72.4	72.0	8,786	69.1	
MES(a)	17.9	16.2	15.9	1,946	15.2	
NMES(b)	8.1	8.3	8.5	1,040	9.2	
Not stated	1.4	3.1	3.6	437	6.5	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	12,209	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, 43.5% of the population of Burleigh Waters lived in a family comprising a couple with children (compared to 44.9% for Gold Coast City), and 28.2% lived in couple only households. The proportion of people in one parent families increased from 7.8% in 1991 to 10.9% in 2001, while the proportion of people living alone increased from 7.8% to 9.6% (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)	
	Burleigh Waters		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
One family household:						
Couple with children	46.7	41.5	43.5	5,095	44.9	
Couple without children	31.1	31.2	28.2	3,305	23.1	
One parent family	7.8	9.7	10.9	1,277	12.9	
Other family	1.0	0.9	1.0	115	1.0	
Total	86.6	83.2	83.6	9,792	81.9	
Multi-family household	1.5	2.0	2.2	253	1.8	
Lone person household	7.8	9.9	9.6	1,125	10.7	
Group household	4.0	4.9	4.7	548	5.6	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	11,718	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 4,995 occupied private dwellings in Burleigh Waters, 49.7% were fully owned (down from 58.2% in 1991), 22.6% were being purchased and 23.1% were being rented. Burleigh Waters recorded lower proportions of dwellings being rented and lower proportions being purchased than Gold Coast City (Table 7).

Table 7. Tenure of dwellings
Occupied private dwellings

Tenure type	1991(a)		1996		2001(b)	
	Burleigh Waters		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Fully owned	58.2	52.4	49.7	2,485	33.3	
Being purchased(c)	18.0	20.0	22.6	1,129	22.8	
Rented:						
State Housing Authority	0.0	0.1	0.5	25	2.5	
Other landlord type(c)	18.4	23.0	22.4	1,121	31.7	
Not stated	0.6	0.1	0.2	9	0.5	
Other Tenure type(c)	4.8	4.3	4.5	226	9.2	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	4,995	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 Burleigh Waters in 2001, 73.6% of all private dwellings were separate houses (up from 72.0% in 1991), 20.9% were semi-detached, row/terrace or townhouses (down from 24.6%), and 2.7% were flats, units or apartments (down from 3.1%). 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 Burleigh Waters declined from 2.5 people per occupied private dwelling in 1991 to 2.4 in 2001.

Table 8. Dwellings
Private dwellings (occupied and unoccupied)

Dwelling Structure	1991(a)		1996		2001(b)	
	Burleigh Waters		GCC		GCC	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Separate house	72.0	65.2	73.6	3,843	57.1	
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse	24.6	25.6	20.9	1,091	16.1	
Flat, unit or apartment:						
In 1 or 2 storey block	2.6	3.2	2.5	130	8.0	
In 3 or more storey block	0.0	0.1	0.0	0	15.3	
Attached to a house	0.5	0.2	0.2	10	0.3	
Total	3.1	3.4	2.7	140	23.6	
Other dwelling:						
Caravan, houseboat	0.0	0.1	0.0	0	1.5	
Improvised, tent etc	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	
Attached to a shop, office	0.1	0.0	0.1	3	0.2	
Total	0.1	0.1	0.1	3	1.7	
Not stated	0.2	5.7	2.8	144	1.6	

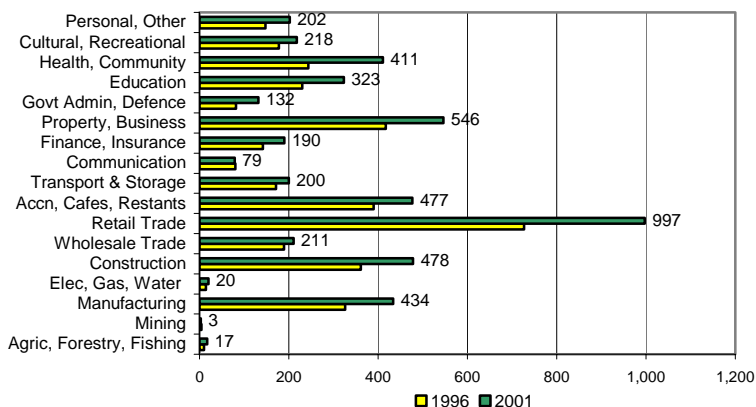
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Industry

The main industry of employment in 2001 was Retail Trade (997 people or 19.7% of employed people) followed by Property and Business Services (546 people or 10.8%) (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

	Burleigh Waters	GCC
Visitors from different SLA (No.) (a)	465	48,720
Lived at same address 5 years ago (%) (b)	41.9	38.5
Households with no motor vehicle (%) (a)	6.0	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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