



Gold Coast City Council

Parkwood Statistical Profile

Introduction

This information is for Parkwood 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 Parkwood at 30 June 2002 was 9,126 people, an increase of 1,040 or 12.9% since 1997.

Age

In 2001, the number of people aged under 15 years represented 26.9% of the population of Parkwood (down from 28.0% in 1991), higher than for Gold Coast City (19.3%). People aged 65 years and over represented 4.6% (up from 2.3% 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		
	Parkwood			GCC	Parkwood				
	%	%	%		Males	Females	Persons		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.			
0-4	10.5	10.7	8.7	6.1	386	361	747		
5-9	10.0	10.1	8.9	6.6	393	366	759		
10-14	7.6	7.8	9.3	6.6	390	405	795		
15-19	8.3	6.9	7.6	6.5	342	310	652		
20-24	6.0	7.9	6.8	6.5	289	294	583		
25-34	16.9	20.0	15.2	14.1	620	681	1,301		
35-44	21.3	18.3	19.0	14.4	759	864	1,623		
45-54	11.8	10.9	13.4	13.6	584	564	1,148		
55-64	5.4	4.5	6.5	10.4	292	267	559		
65-74	1.7	2.4	3.3	8.3	146	133	279		
75+	0.5	0.6	1.4	6.9	54	64	118		
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	4,255	4,309	8,564		

Educational qualifications

In 2001, the proportion of people aged 15 years and over in Parkwood with a Bachelor degree or higher was 10.4% (up from 7.4% in 1991), higher than Gold Coast City (Table 2).

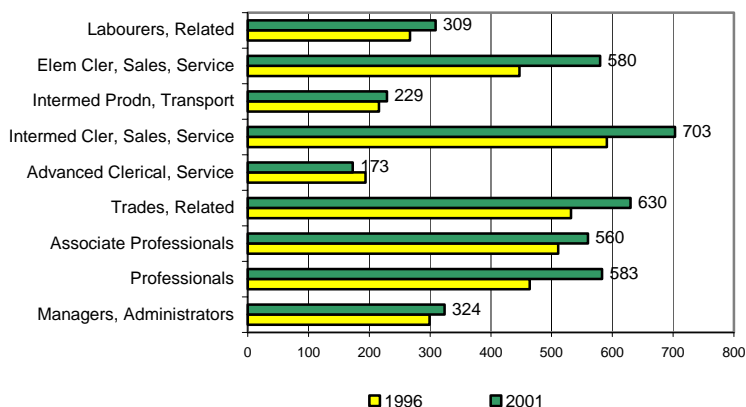
Table 2. Educational Qualifications

Persons aged 15 years and over (excluding overseas visitors)

Level of education	1991			1996			2001		
	Parkwood			GCC	Parkwood				
	%	%	%		No.	%			
Postgraduate Degree	0.7	1.0	1.5	93	1.0				
Grad Dip & Grad Cert	1.0	0.9	0.8	51	0.8				
Bachelor Degree	5.7	6.2	8.1	505	7.0				
Advanced Dip and Dip	6.0	6.6	5.9	372	5.8				
Trade Certificate	18.2	18.4	18.9	1,182	17.4				
Not stated	11.6	8.8	10.0	628	13.6				
Not applicable	56.8	58.1	54.8	3,426	54.5				
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	6,257	100.0				

Figure 1. Occupation

Employed persons (excluding overseas visitors)



Employment

The labour force in Parkwood in 2001 represented 71.1% of people aged 15 years and over (down from 77.1% in 1991), higher than for Gold Coast City (57.6%). From 1991 to 2001, part-time employment in Parkwood increased from 19.7% to 24.0% (Table 3). The unemployment rate* decreased from 9.5% to 6.2%.

* 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		
	Parkwood			GCC	Parkwood				
	%	%	%		No.	%			
Employed, working:									
Full time(a)	46.5	45.5	40.8	2,554	31.6				
Part time	19.7	22.3	24.0	1,504	18.8				
Not stated(b)	3.5	1.4	1.9	117	1.7				
Total employed.	69.8	69.2	66.7	4,175	52.0				
Unemployed, looking for:									
Full time work	5.8	5.0	3.0	187	4.1				
Part time work	1.5	1.5	1.4	89	1.5				
Total unemployed	7.3	6.5	4.4	276	5.6				
Total labour force	77.1	75.7	71.1	4,451	57.6				
Not in the labour force	20.7	23.3	25.3	1,583	36.7				
Not stated(c)	2.3	1.0	3.6	225	5.7				
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	6,259	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 Parkwood in 2001 was in the range \$400-\$499 (up from the \$120-\$159 range in 1991). In Parkwood, 13.0% of people aged 15 years and over received less than \$120 in 2001 (11.3% for Gold Coast City) and 9.4% 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		
	Parkwood		GCC
	%	No.	
Negative-\$119	13.0	809	11.3
\$120-\$199	10.4	646	14.0
\$200-\$399	20.3	1,260	24.2
\$400-\$599	19.8	1,228	18.2
\$600-\$799	12.3	767	10.5
\$800-\$999	8.0	495	5.4
\$1000 or more	9.4	584	7.3
Not stated	6.8	424	9.1
Total	100.0	6,213	100.0

Occupation

The main occupation in 2001 was Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers (703 people or 16.9% of employed people) followed by Tradespersons and Related Workers (630 people or 15.1%) (Figure 1). Since 1996, the biggest increase was recorded in the number of people working as Elementary Clerical, Sales and Service Workers and the biggest decrease was in Advanced Clerical and Service Workers.

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Place of birth

In 2001, 22.4% of the Parkwood population were overseas born, 13.9% in main English speaking countries and 8.5% in other countries. The proportion of overseas born people in Parkwood 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	
	Parkwood		GCC		%	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Australia	73.0	74.5	72.2	6,178	69.1	
MES(a)	18.8	15.3	13.9	1,187	15.2	
NMES(b)	6.3	8.2	8.5	727	9.2	
Not stated	1.9	2.0	5.4	464	6.5	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	8,556	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, 63.8% of the population of Parkwood lived in a family comprising a couple with children (compared to 44.9% for Gold Coast City), and 15.7% lived in couple only households. The proportion of people in one parent families increased from 2.5% in 1991 to 10.7% in 2001, while the proportion of people living alone increased from 1.4% to 2.9% (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)	
	Parkwood		GCC		%	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
One family household:						
Couple with children	78.5	65.3	63.8	5,110	44.9	
Couple without children	12.8	14.7	15.7	1,259	23.1	
One parent family	2.5	8.6	10.7	856	12.9	
Other family	0.7	0.8	0.5	42	1.0	
Total	94.5	89.5	90.7	7,267	81.9	
Multi-family household	2.0	2.7	1.8	144	1.8	
Lone person household	1.4	2.2	2.9	233	10.7	
Group household	2.2	5.7	4.6	367	5.6	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	8,011	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 2,703 occupied private dwellings in Parkwood, 22.5% were fully owned (down from 28.2% in 1991), 39.9% were being purchased and 32.6% were being rented. Parkwood 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)	
	Parkwood		GCC		%	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Fully owned	28.2	20.9	22.5	608	33.3	
Being purchased(c)	54.8	41.8	39.9	1,079	22.8	
Rented:						
State Housing Authority	0.0	0.3	0.8	21	2.5	
Other landlord type(c)	12.4	34.8	31.5	851	31.7	
Not stated	0.8	0.0	0.3	8	0.5	
Other Tenure type(c)	3.9	2.2	5.0	136	9.2	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	2,703	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

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

Dwellings

In Parkwood in 2001, 90.7% of all private dwellings were separate houses (down from 99.4% in 1991), 8.1% were semi-detached, row/terrace or townhouses (up from 0.0%), and 0.7% were flats, units or apartments (up from 0.0%). 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 Parkwood declined from 3.5 people per occupied private dwelling in 1991 to 3.2 in 2001.

Table 8. Dwellings
Private dwellings (occupied and unoccupied)

Dwelling Structure	1991(a)		1996		2001(b)	
	Parkwood		GCC		%	
	%	%	%	No.	%	%
Separate house	99.4	91.3	90.7	2,549	57.1	
Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse	0.0	6.2	8.1	228	16.1	
Flat, unit or apartment:						
In 1 or 2 storey block	0.0	0.1	0.7	21	8.0	
In 3 or more storey block	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	15.3	
Attached to a house	0.0	0.2	0.0	0	0.3	
Total	0.0	0.3	0.7	21	23.6	
Other dwelling:						
Caravan, houseboat	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	1.5	
Improvised, tent etc	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.1	
Attached to a shop, office	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.2	
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	1.7	
Not stated	0.6	2.2	0.4	12	1.6	

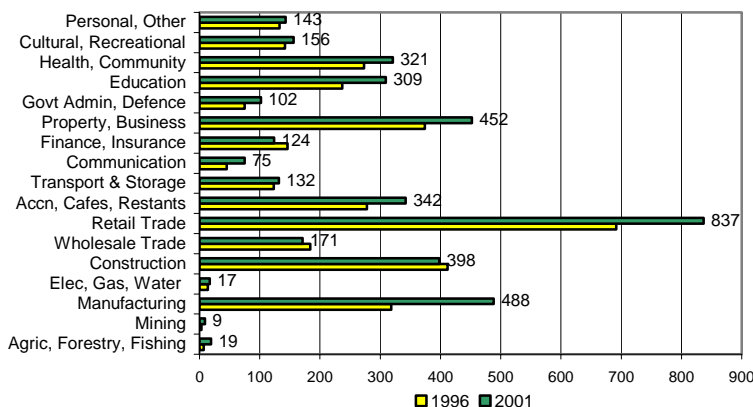
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Industry

The main industry of employment in 2001 was Retail Trade (837 people or 20.1% of employed people) followed by Manufacturing (488 people or 11.7%) (Figure 2). Since 1996, the biggest increase was recorded in the number of people working in Manufacturing and the biggest decrease was in Finance and Insurance.

Figure 2. Industry
Employed persons (excluding overseas visitors)



Other population facts from the 2001 Census

	Parkwood	GCC
Visitors from different SLA (No.) (a)	311	48,720
Lived at same address 5 years ago (%) (b)	36.9	38.5
Households with no motor vehicle (%) (a)	2.1	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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