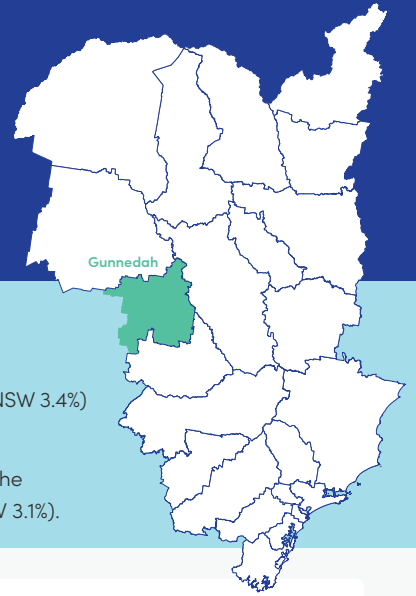


Gunnedah LGA

POPULATION HEALTH SNAPSHOT 2021



OUR PEOPLE

86.0% of the population were born in Australia (NSW 65.5%)

1,911 people identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. This is **15.3%** of the population (NSW 3.4%)

650 people have a profound or severe disability this is **5.7%** of the population (NSW 5.6%)

The top two nationalities from people born in non-English speaking countries were **0.4%** of the population born in the Philippines (NSW 1.2%) and **0.3%** of the population born in China (NSW 3.1%).



2020 ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION

Gunnedah LGA Population **12,690**

Based on the 2016 population of 12,551, the population is predicted to increase to 13,610 by 2036, at an annual rate of **0.41%**

In 2019, **21.6%** of the population were aged between 0-14 years (NSW 18.5%) and **11.0%** aged between 15-24 years (NSW 12.8%)

In 2019, **15.8%** of the population were aged 65+ years (NSW 14.2%); and **2.4%** of the population were 85+ years (NSW 2.2%).

CHILDREN & YOUTH

For every 100 children aged 2-17 years in 2017-18, **18.0** were overweight (NSW 17.0) and **10.9** were obese (NSW 7.4)

In 2018, **19.3%** of children were developmentally vulnerable on one or more domains (NSW 19.9%).



MUMS & BUBS

In 2019, the total fertility rate was **2.68** per female (NSW 1.76)

17.6% of mothers smoked in pregnancy in 2017-19 (NSW 8.9%)

In 2016-18, **5.5%** of babies born were low birth-weight babies (NSW 6.3%)

A first trimester antenatal visit occurred in **93.6%** of pregnancies in 2017-2019 (NSW 76.8%).



OLDER PERSONS

There were **64.7%** of people aged 65+ years receiving aged pensioner in June 2020 (NSW 59.0%)

In June 2020, **7.5%** of the population aged 65+ years had a seniors health card (NSW 10.4%)

Life expectancy in 2018: Females **84.8** (NSW 85.7) Males **79.7** (NSW 81.5).



SOCIAL & ECONOMIC FACTORS IMPACTING HEALTH

In 2021, the unemployment rate was **5.2%** (Australia 6.0%)

In 2020, the proportion of the population receiving an unemployment benefit was **11.6%** (NSW 9.0%)

In 2020, **21.9%** of young people 16-21 were receiving an unemployment benefit (NSW 8.1%)

In 2020, **10.4%** of people aged between 22-64 were receiving Jobseeker payment (NSW 9.1%)

In 2016, **0.2%** of people born overseas reported poor proficiency in English (NSW 3.8%)

In 2016, the SEIFA Index of Relative Socioeconomic Disadvantage score was **950**, Gunnedah LGA was more disadvantaged than Australia (1000).



IMMUNISATION

Who was fully immunised in 2020-21?

97.3% of 1-year old's (NSW 94.9%)

98.0% of 2-year old's (NSW 92.3%)

98.5% of 5-year old's (NSW 95.0%)

HPV VACCINATION

By mid-2017 HPV coverage for females aged 15 years was **84.0%** and for males was **86.1%** (NSW 83.0%; 78.2%, respectively).

MENTAL HEALTH

High or very high psychological distress was experienced by **12.1 of every 100 adults** in 2017-18 (NSW 12.4; Australia 12.9)

Mental and behavioural problems were experienced by **20.7 of every 100 people** in 2017-18 (NSW 18.8)

There were **9 hospitalisations for intentional self-harm** in 2017-19 at a rate of **72.1** per 100,000 people (NSW 93.0)

Between 2014-18, **8** people died by suicide at an average annual rate of **14.6** per 100,000 population (NSW 11.0).



HEALTH RISKS

For every 100 adults in 2017-18:

22.5 smoked **tobacco** (NSW 14.4)

25.9 consumed **alcohol** at high risk (NSW 15.5)

33.7 were **overweight** (NSW 35.0)

44.1 were **obese** (NSW 30.9)

23.7 had **high blood pressure** (NSW 23.1)

50.6 ate adequate **fruit** (NSW 52.5)

70.4 undertook low or no **exercise** (NSW 65.3)



CHRONIC DISEASE RATES

For every 100 adults in 2017-18:

Diabetes mellitus **6.4 per 100** (NSW 5.2)

Circulatory system disease **5.0 per 100** (NSW 4.1)

Asthma **13.3 per 100** (NSW 10.6)

COPD **3.0 per 100** (NSW 2.2)

Arthritis **16.9 per 100** (NSW 15.5)

Osteoporosis **3.1 per 100** (NSW 4.2)



POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE HOSPITALISATIONS (PPH)

In 2018/19, there were **411** potentially preventable hospitalisations at a rate of **2,970.7 per 100,000** population (NSW 2,626.9)

COPD was the leading PPH condition at a rate of **511.2 per 100,000** population (NSW 260.6) followed by Dental conditions **366.8** (NSW 241.5) and Cellulitis **322.2** (NSW 231.9).

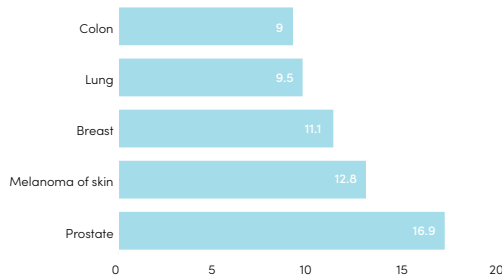


CANCER INCIDENCE

Cancer incidence in 2010-2014 for all cancers was **573.8 per 100,000** population (NSW 552.5)

The age-standardised incidence rate for all cancers in 2017 for males was **723.1 per 100,000 population** (NSW 549.7) and for females was **445.8 per 100,000 population** (NSW 424.0).

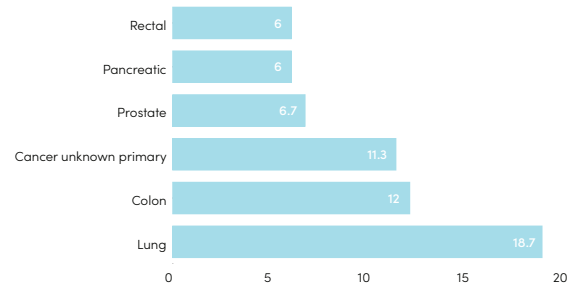
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CANCER MORTALITY

The age-standardised mortality rate for all cancers in 2017 for males was **216.2 per 100,000** population and for females was **122.2 per 100,000** population (NSW 182.5; and 118.1, respectively).

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SCREENING PARTICIPATION



Breast Screening 2019-20

8.96%

40-49yrs
(PARTICIPATION RATE)

50-69yrs
(PARTICIPATION RATE)

59.34%

70-74yrs
(PARTICIPATION RATE)

59.07%

11.26%

75+yrs
(PARTICIPATION RATE)

Breast Screening for Aboriginal Women 2019-20

ABORIGINAL WOMEN aged 50-74yrs
(ALL WOMEN 59.3%)

49.3%

Cervical Screening 2015-16

58.2%

20-69yrs
(NSW 55.3%)

Bowel Screening 2016-17

36.9%

1,442 PEOPLE UNSCREENED
(NSW 38.3%)

ACCESS TO SERVICES

In 2014 **176 people** experienced a barrier to health care access with **cost** being the main reason at a rate of **1.9 per 100 people** (NSW 2.5).



In 2014 **433 people** experienced difficulty or couldn't get to places with **transport** at a rate of **4.3 per 100 people** (NSW 4.3).

In 2016 **70.6%** of houses were able to access the **internet** (NSW 82.5%).



9,119 patients presented to Emergency departments in 2017-18, **4,467 were semi-urgent** presentations and **1,698 were non-urgent** presentations. Some of these could have potentially been managed in general practice.

There are **2 x General Practices**

in the area and for every full-time GP there are 1,737 patients.



There is **1 x Public Hospital**.



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