POPULATION HEALTH SNAPSHOT 2018

Walcha LGA



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OUR PEOPLE

184 PEOPLE IDENTIFY AS ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER this is 5.9% of the population (NSW 2.9%)

82.5% of the population was BORN IN AUSTRALIA (NSW 65.5%)

134 PEOPLE have a PROFOUND OR SEVERE DISABILITY

this is 4.8% of the population (NSW 5.6%)



POPULATION 3,092

The population

will decline to approximately

2,600 in 2036

SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC FACTORS IMPACTING HEALTH

The SEIFA Index of Relative Socioeconomic Disadvantage score is 981, WALCHA is MORE DISADVANTAGED than AUSTRALIA (1000)

The UNEMPLOYMENT RATE in 2017 was 3.9% (NSW 4.8%)





83.5% of 15 - 24 YEAR OLDS were EARNING OR LEARNING in 2016 (NSW 85%)

HEALTH RISKS

FOR EVERY 100 ADULTS IN 2014-15:



18.6 **SMOKED** (NSW 16)

23.5 consumed ALCOHOL at



HIGH RISK (NSW 16.7)

35.8 were OVERWEIGHT (NSW 37.4) and another 37 were OBESE



(NSW 28.2) 47.8 ATE ENOUGH FRUIT (NSW 49.2)



81.7 had LOW OR NO EXERCISE (NSW 67.1)

MUMS AND BUBS

The TOTAL FERTILITY RATE in 2013-15 was 2.7 BIRTHS PER WOMAN (NSW 1.9)



8.4% of babies born in 2012-14 were **LOW BIRTH-WEIGHT (NSW 5.2%)**

A FIRST TRIMESTER ANTENATAL VISIT occurred in 66.8% of pregnancies in 2014-16 which was SIMILAR TO the NSW AVERAGE

17.2% of the population are aged 0-14 years (NSW 18.5%)

25.8% of the population are aged 65 years + (NSW 16.3%)

IMMUNISATION

WHO WAS FULLY IMMUNISED IN 2016-17? **94%** of **1 YEAR OLDS** (Australia 93.8%)



93.1% of 2 YEAR OLDS (Australia 90.9%) 94.1% of 5 YEAR OLDS (Australia 93.5%)

MENTAL HEALTH

HIGH OR VERY HIGH PSYCHOLOGICAL

DISTRESS was experienced by 7.1 of every 100 adults in 2014-15 (NSW 11)



CHRONIC MENTAL AND BEHAVIOURAL PROBLEMS were experienced by 12.1 of every 100 people in 2011-12 (NSW 13.1)

There were 6 HOSPITALISATIONS for INTENTIONAL SELF-HARM in 2014-16 at a rate of 185.1 per 100,000 people which was SIMILAR TO the NSW RATE



1 PERSON DIED BY SUICIDE between 2000 and 2013

RATES OF CHRONIC DISEASE

DIABETES MELLITUS

4.1 per 100 (NSW 5.8)

HIGH CHOLESTEROL 32.8 per 100 (NSW 32.4)

CIRCULATORY SYSTEM DISEASE

18.2 per 100 (NSW 17.8)

ASTHMA

10.3 per 100 (NSW 9.6)

CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE

2.6 per 100 (NSW 2.6)

ARTHRITIS

15.8 per 100 (NSW 15.3)

(2011-12)

For every 100 people of working age there are 76 who aren't

> There is 1 person per km² (NSW 10)

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CANCER INCIDENCE

27 NEW CASES

of cancer were

diagnosed in 2013

in 2013

(578.2 per 100,000)

was HIGHER THAN

THE NSW RATE (500.5)

Most COMMON CANCER TYPES

(number of cases, 2009-13)

Prostate Luna Melanoma (skin) **CANCER INCIDENCE** Breast Colon

CANCER MORTALITY

The cancer mortality rate in 2013 (213.1 per 100,000) was **HIGHER THAN** THE NSW RATE (170)





HPV VACCINATION

90.8% of teenaged GIRLS and 88.2% of **BOYS** in 2016 were fully **VACCINATED AGAINST HPV** (NSW 82.5%, 69.9%)

SERVICES WE COMMISSION IN THE **AREA**

> **Allied Health Services**

Mental Health & Suicide **Prevention** Services

> Drug & **Alcohol Treatment Services**

Indigenous Health & **Mental Health Services**

Primary Health Care Nursing

> **Small Town GP After** Hours Services

CANCER SCREENING **PARTICIPATION 2015-16**

There are LOWER BREAST SCREENING rates amongst ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER (51.4%) women

Breast Screening (NSW 53%)

79.5%

83 WOMEN UNSCREENED

Cervical Screening (NSW 56.3%)

64.4%

267 WOMEN UNSCREENED

Bowel Screening (NSW 37.8%)

43.7%

157 PEOPLE UNSCREENED

POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE HOSPITALISATIONS Between 2014 and 2016 there were 74.3 POTENTIALLY PREVENTABLE HOSPITALISATIONS EACH YEAR at a rate of 2,412.6 per 100,000 This was **SIMILAR TO THE NSW RATE** (2,104.2)



ACCESS TO SERVICES

In 2014 42 PEOPLE experienced a BARRIER TO HEALTH CARE ACCESS with COST BEING THE MAIN REASON at a rate of 2.0 per 100 people (NSW 2.5)



In 2014 91 PEOPLE experienced difficulty or **COULDN'T GET TO PLACES WITH TRANSPORT** at a rate of 3.6 per 100 people (NSW 4.3)

In 2016 67.8% OF HOUSES were able to ACCESS THE INTERNET (NSW 82.5%)

There are 2 GENERAL PRACTICES in the area and FOR EVERY FULL-TIME GP THERE ARE 1,812 PEOPLE



There is 1 PUBLIC HOSPITAL



1,419 patients presented to the Walcha EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT in 2016-17, 1,182 were SEMI OR NON-URGENT PRESENTATIONS and could have been managed in general practice

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