# The Maranoa... Roma | Injune | Mitchell | Surat | Wallumbilla | Yuleba









# **Land of Opportunity**

The region is thriving with the Gross Regional Product (GRP) for the Maranoa sitting at \$2.19 billion and increasing every year. The Maranoa's economic foundations are built on a strong agricultural sector, mining and energy industries and health services. The upward trend experienced over the past ten years is predicted to continue making the Maranoa a great place for investors, residents and workers.

# **Employment**

Thanks to its diverse and stable industry base, the region has experienced strong employment over the past decade with an unemployment rate of just 3.7%. By comparison Queensland's unemployment is around 7.3% and the Australian average is 6.7%. The Maranoa is constantly seeking skilled workers across a range of industries and sectors.

#### **Health Services**

Hospital, medical and allied health services are geared up to meet the needs of the Maranoa population. There are hospitals at Roma (including Accident & Emergency) Wallumbilla, Mitchell, Surat and Injune. Health and Social Services are the region's second biggest employer.

Located 480kms west of Brisbane, the Maranoa region is renowned for its prosperous rural lifestyle and friendly communities. The region has a population of around 12,688 but services a broader population of nearly 30,000 people across South-West Queensland.

The main business centre is in Roma with a population of 6,848. Other towns in the Maranoa, each with their own unique features, include Injune, Mitchell, Surat, Wallumbilla, Yuleba, Mungallala, Jackson, Amby and Muckadilla.



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# **TOP 10**

# Reasons to relocate to the Maranoa...

#### 1. JOB OPPORTUNITIES

#### **WE'VE GOT LOTS**

As the Maranoa continues to grow, we need skilled workers across all sectors. Currently the unemployment rate is just 3.7% compared to Queensland's 7.3%.

# 6. CLOSE TO TOOWOOMBA AND **BRISBANE**

#### **EASY FLIGHTS AND SCENIC DRIVES**

There are daily one-hour flights from Brisbane to Roma Airport. Enjoy a scenic drive or bus route to Toowoomba.



#### 2. AFFORDABLE HOMES

#### YES, YOU CAN OWN YOUR OWN HOME!

According to realestate.com the median house price for the Maranoa in 2020 was \$275,000. The average residential block size is 1.489m<sup>2</sup>.



#### 7. HEALTH

#### **ENJOY AN ACTIVE AND HEALTHY LIFESTYLE**

Council continues to invest in new infrastructure across the region to encourage our residents to get out and be active. Walk, run, or ride along our picturesque pathways, sweat it out at the gym, swim laps in the local pool, or join one of our many sporting clubs.



## 3. WORK-LIFE BALANCE

#### **SPEND MORE TIME WITH FAMILY**

Local services and amenities are conveniently located which means that Maranoa residents have more time to spend with family and friends. Every town has its own fantastic sporting, social and cultural facilities.

#### 8. COMMUNITY

#### **GET INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY**

Maranoa community groups continue to thrive, creating engaging and exciting opportunities ranging from arts, culture and music to regional sporting events!



#### 4. SHORT COMMUTES

#### **NO NEED TO RUSH!**

With little to no traffic, there will be no need to rush! You can travel from the western end of Roma to the Eastern side in 10 minutes.

## 9. PEACEFUL LIVING

**EXPLORE OUR BEAUTIFUL REGION** Tranquility is our speciality. Enjoy living in a region that has open spaces, beautiful parks, and the great outdoors

right at your doorstep!



# 5. BIG CITY AMENITIES

#### WE HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED

The Maranoa continues to flourish with new infrastructure to provide you with everything you need. This includes the new Roma Hospital which opened in 2020, airports, education and sports facilities, plus restaurants, cafes and beauty services.

#### 10. EDUCATION

#### **OPENING DOORS TO NEW OPPORTUNITIES**

From Kindy to Year 12 and beyond, the Maranoa offers quality education and training for all ages. The region has a selection of public and private schools as well as access to tertiary studies including TAFE Queensland and Country University Centre.



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