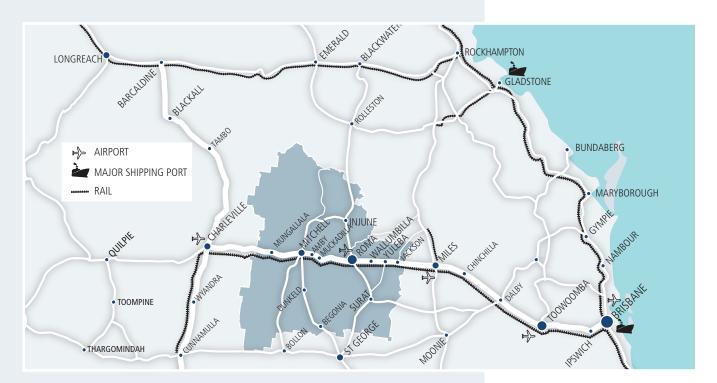


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ABOUT THE MARANOA REGION



The Maranoa Region covers an area of 58,834.5 square kilometres, and is located in rural south-west Queensland, approximately 480 kilometres west of Brisbane.

It includes the townships of Roma, Mitchell, Injune, Surat, Yuleba, Wallumbilla, Jackson, Amby, Mungallala and Muckadilla and the region's many rural localities.

The region comprises an urban area of 31.7km² and a rural area of 58,802.8km² with approximately 70% of the permanent population living in the urban areas and approximately 30% in the rural areas.

2016 Census	Maranoa
Median age	36
No. of families	3,118
Average children per family	1.9
Private dwellings	6,508
Average people per household	2.5
Median weekly household income	\$1,369
Median monthly mortgage repayments	\$1,400
Median house price	\$270,000
Median weekly rent	\$200
Average motor vehicles per dwelling	2.1

Statistics from the ABS 2016 Census.





2016 Census	Maranoa	Queensland	Australia
People (> 15 yrs) who did voluntary work through an organisation or group in the previous 12 months	28.20%	18.80%	19.00%
Walk to work	6.90%	3.30%	3.50%
Both partners employed full time (in couple families)	32.50%	22.50%	21.60%
Types of dwellings / percentage of separate houses	93.20%	76.60%	72.90%
Homes owned outright	32.70%	28.50%	31.00%
3 or more registered motor vehicles per household	27.00%	19.00%	18.10%
Employment Worked full-time Worked part-time Away from home Unemployed	68.20% 22.70% 5.40% 3.70%	57.70% 29.90% 4.80% 7.60%	57.70% 30.40% 5.00% 6.90%

Industry sector of employment

An analysis of the jobs held by the resident population in the Maranoa Region in 2016 (Census data) shows the three most popular industry sectors were:

- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing (1,242 people or 19.5%)
- Health Care and Social Assistance (691 people or 10.8%)
- Public Administration and Safety (564 people or 8.9%)

Combined, these three industries employed 2,497 people in total or 39.2% of the total employed resident population.

The number of employed people in the Maranoa Region decreased between 2011 and 2016 by 365.

The largest changes in the jobs held by the resident population between 2011 and 2016 in the Maranoa Regional Council area were for those employed in:

- Manufacturing (-140 persons)
- Mining (-130 persons)
- Retail Trade (-122 persons)
- Construction (-111 persons)

Jobs to resident ratio for the Maranoa in 2018/19 was 1.16, meaning that there were more jobs than resident workers.

Mining had the highest ratio (2.59), while the lowest ratio was found in Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing (0.87).

Employment by industry (Total) - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing is our largest employer, generating 1,298 local jobs in 2018/19.

Employment by industry (Full Time Equivalent (FTE) numbers) - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing is our largest employer, generating 1,620 FTE jobs in 2018/19.

Employment self-sufficiency - In 2016 (last Census date), 79.8% of Maranoa Regional Council area's local workers were residents.

Settlement history

European settlement dates from the late 1840s, with land used mainly for grazing. Growth took place during the late 1800s and early 1900s as small townships were established, aided by the opening of the western railway line in the 1880s and the establishment of gas mining. The population increased in the post-war years, and then declined slightly during the 1960s and 1970s. The population was relatively stable during the 1980s at about 13,000 people, falling marginally to about 12,600 in 1991, and then to 12,200 in 1996. The population was relatively stable between 1996 and 2001. Gradual growth took place during the early 2000s, with the population increasing to about 14,000 in 2011, largely due to expansion in coal seam gas exploration and mining. The population is now estimated at 12,791, and is relatively stable.

Indigenous background

The original inhabitants of the Maranoa Regional Council area were predominantly the Mandandanji and Gunggari Aboriginal people.

Maranoa Region and Darling Downs & South West Region							
		2018/19		2013/14			Change
Industry sector	Number	%	Darling Downs & South West Region %	Number	%	Darling Downs & South West Region %	2013/14 to 2018/19
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1,298	16.0	11.0	1,263	13.7	10.1	+35
Mining	946	11.6	4.1	1,487	16.1	5.1	-540
Manufacturing	351	4.3	7.0	332	3.6	7.4	+19
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	358	4.4	2.2	464	5.0	2.0	-106
Construction	880	10.8	9.4	1,580	17.1	10.2	-701
Wholesale Trade	148	1.8	2.6	191	2.1	3.0	-42
Retail Trade	519	6.4	9.1	538	5.8	9.5	-19
Accommodation and Food Services	431	5.3	5.8	385	4.2	5.7	+46
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	313	3.9	4.3	384	4.2	4.8	-71
Information Media and Telecommunications	82	1.0	0.7	69	0.8	1.2	+13
Financial and Insurance Services	61	0.7	2.1	81	0.9	2.0	-20
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	86	1.1	1.1	83	0.9	1.4	+3
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	172	2.1	3.6	193	2.1	3.7	-20
Administrative and Support Services	116	1.4	2.0	120	1.3	2.1	-4
Public Administration and Safety	598	7.4	6.2	574	6.2	6.4	+24
Education and Training	574	7.1	10.1	463	5.0	8.7	+111
Health Care and Social Assistance	885	10.9	13.7	718	7.8	11.5	+167
Arts and Recreation Services	57	0.7	1.1	38	0.4	1.0	+19
Other Services	254	3.1	3.8	256	2.8	4.2	-2
Local jobs - all industries	8,130	100.0	100.0	9,219	100.0	100.0	-1,089

Source: National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR) ©2019. Compiled and presented in economy.id by .id, the population experts. NIEIR-ID data are adjusted each year, using updated employment estimates. Each release may change previous years' figures.

Top 2 industries - Employment (total) Maranoa Region and Regional Queensland

	2018/19		2013/14			Change	
Industry	Number	%	Regional Qld% Queensland\	Number	%	Regional Qld%	2012/13 to 2017/18
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1,298	16.0	4.6	1,263	13.7	4.6	+35
Mining	946	11.6	3.8	1,487	16.1	4.4	-540

Source: National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR) @2019. Compiled and presented in economy.id by .id, the population experts.

Total 2 industries - Full-time equivalent employment Maranoa Region and Regional Queensland 2018/19 2013/14 Change Regional Regional 2012/13 to % Number Industry Number % Qld% Qld% 2017/18 Agriculture, Forestry 1,620 19.9 5.9 1,463 15.1 +158 and Fishing

Source: National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR) ©2019. Compiled and presented in economy.id by .id, the population experts.

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Top 2 industries - Resident workers industry of employment (Last census data) Maranoa Region and Regional Queensland							
2016					2011		Change
Industry	Number	%	Regional Qld%	Number	%	Regional Qld%	2011 to 2016
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1,242	19.5	4.7	1,279	19.0	4.6	-37
Mining	274	4.3	3.5	404	6.0	3.9	-130

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016. Compiled and presented by .id, the population experts.



Mining

Land area: 58,834.5 km²

1,233



Gross regional product (GRP): \$1.62 billion²



Population: 12,791¹



Local jobs: 8,130²



Local business: 2,513³



Unemployment rate: 4.37%⁴



Home to: Australia's largest cattle selling centre Roma Saleyards

^{1.} Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0). Compiled and presented in economy.id by .id the population experts.

^{2.} National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR) ©2019.

^{3.} Australian Bureau of Statistics, Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, 2016 to 2018 Cat. No. 8165.0.

Australian Bureau of Statistics, Labour force survey catalogue number 6202.0, and Department of Employment, Small Area Labour Markets, December 2018. Compiled and presented in economy.id by .id the population experts.

COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Australia Day awards

Council's Australia Day awards program recognises and honours the outstanding achievement of individuals within the communities of the Maranoa Region. The awards identify excellence in sporting endeavours, recognise significant community events, and name citizens of the year and young citizens of the year.

Mitchell and surrounds	
Citizen of the year	Aunty Lynette Nixon
Young citizen of the year	Cara Cicero
Community events of the year	Mitchell Magpies 100 Year Reunion
Sports award	Carlie Payne
Junior sports award	Sophie Filan
Member contribution award	Bridget Lamb
Achievement award	Jennifer Crocker

Jackson, Wallumbilla, Yulek	a, Noonga and surrounds
Citizen of the year	Merle Murphy
Young citizen of the year	Thomas York
Community events of the year	Wallumbilla 100 year show
Cultural award	Festival of small halls
Sports award	Katrina Cleland
Junior sports award	Payton Leahy
Member contribution award	Wallumbilla State Emergency Service & Rural Fire Brigade Members
Achievement award	Kristie York

Injune and surrounds	
Citizen of the year	Brigid Price
Young citizen of the year	Chiara Parker-Price
Community events of the year	Beef in the Buffel Ball 2018
Cultural award	Injune Returned and Services League Sub-Branch
Junior sports award	Christina Douglas
Member contribution award	Julie Gray
Achievement award	Malcolm Douglas

Surat and surrounds	
Citizen of the year	Fay Paterson
Young citizen of the year	Matt Thompson
Community events of the year	WAGS (Wives and Girlfriends) Expo 2018
Cultural award	Gwenda Proud
Sports award	Jillian Moore
Junior sports award	Paul and Noah Walsh
Member contribution award	Cathy Clanchy
Achievement award	Loretta Walsh

Roma and surrounds	
Citizen of the year	Shane Ferry
Young citizen of the year	Molly Ferguson
Community events of the year	Muckadilla Remembrance Day Service 2018
Cultural award	Roma & District Eisteddfod 2018
Sports award	Josh Lambert
Junior sports award	Sade Ferguson
Member contribution award	Beryl Giles
Achievement award	Michelle Chinnery

Andrea Murray Memorial award (regional award)

The Andrea Murray Memorial Award recognises someone in the community who has made a noteworthy contribution during the year and/or given outstanding services to the disability sector for a number of years.

The recipient of the Andrea Murray Memorial Award for 2019 was Anglicare.

Heritage and Culture Award for Mitchell

In December 2018 Mitchell was awarded the Heritage and Culture accolade in the Queensland Tidy Towns competition, from environmental movement Keep Queensland Beautiful.

Celebrating 50 years, Keep Queensland Beautiful's flagship program Tidy Towns has continued to reward the sustainable actions taken every day by Queenslanders. The accreditation and awards program recognises the hard work that often gets taken for granted or overlooked in towns across Queensland.

Mitchell is home to the culturally historic Yumba, complete with Interpretive Trail, the old schoolhouse Museum and Top Yumba camp ground and bush supermarket.

The Museum securely houses important artefacts, such as weapons and stone tools, displays relics of the original school room and on the walls are photomontages of people and places important to the local area.

The Interpretive Trail starts at the Mitchell Caravan Park, taking visitors on a bush path journey of bough sheds alongside the river, marked with a series of totems of the Gunggari people: Didhayn (Koala), Ulldi (carpet snake), Marul (sand goanna), Mapiyal (platypus), Baruda (red kangaroo), Guya (yellow belly fish), and Warramba (long neck turtle).

The smaller 'Top Yumba' is an early Aboriginal camping ground, not far from the main Yumba, and the 'Supermarket' is an area of bushland that is rich with bush tucker and medicinal plants.

Denton Court Subdivision

On 26 February 2019, a new subdivision developed by Council in Injune was officially opened. The street on which the estate is located has been named Denton Court after former councillor, and community member of Injune, Joy Denton. Joy championed the project from its inception.

Part 2 cover image - Mayor, Councillors, community, staff and Injune Local Area Manager, Fiona Vincent, at the opening of the Denton Court Subdivision. The subdivisional works were undertaken by Council's infrastructure team members.