

# Gippsland PHN Health Needs

Our Vision: a measurably healthier Gippsland

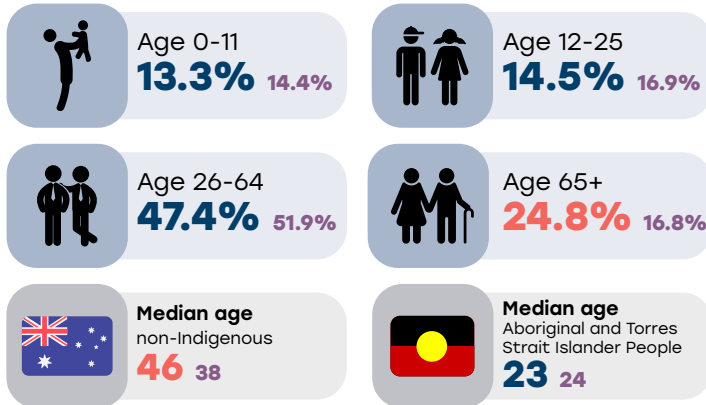


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## Community Snapshot 2023

### People

#### Age group Gippsland



#### Top five languages spoken at home (other than English)



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Gippsland Data

**Purple Text:**  
Victoria Data

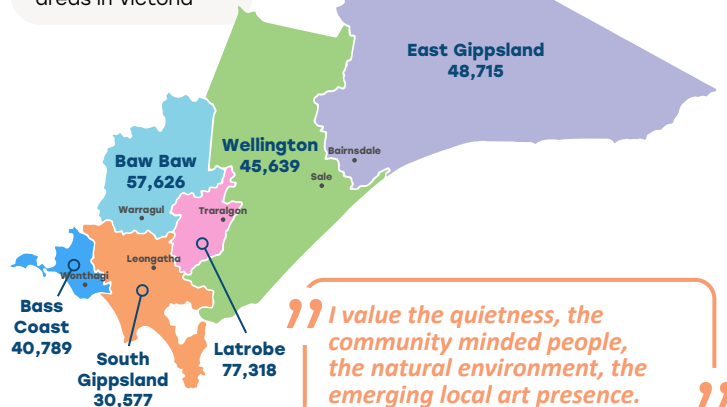
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Gippsland data among the highest / lowest 25% of areas in Victoria

### Gippsland

Total Population (2021)

**300,847**

Projected population 2030: **315,000**  
Highest population growth in Bass Coast (3.7%) and Baw Baw (3.1%) (2020-21)

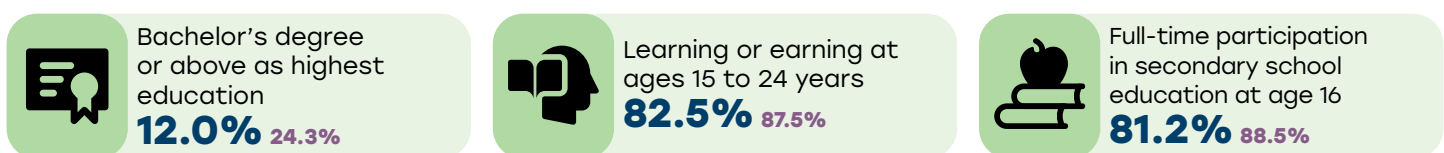


*"I value the quietness, the community minded people, the natural environment, the emerging local art presence."*  
- Bass Coast Resident

### For every 100 people living in Gippsland

	Gippsland	Victoria
Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander	2	1
Born in non-English speaking country	6	24
Need help with daily activities	8	6
Provided unpaid assistance to a person with a disability (15 years or older)	14	13
Did volunteer work (adults)	17	13
Experience very high disadvantage (2016)	15	10
People who used homelessness services	3	1
Current smokers (adults)	19	16
Consumed alcohol at levels likely to increase lifetime risk of harm (adults)	65	60
People who identify as LGBTIQ+	11	

### Education



” I have grown up here and wouldn't want to live anywhere else... ”  
- Latrobe City Resident

” Some of the main reasons why people move to Gippsland include a more relaxed lifestyle, good food and natural beauty. ”  
- Gippsland Resident

## Employment

Labour force participation *Gippsland second lowest of PHNs*

Gippsland Victoria

**Unemployment rate (Nov 2022)**

**54.1%** **66.8%**

**4.0%** **3.7%**

higher in Latrobe (**6.6%**) and East Gippsland (**5.3%**)

youth unemployment

**8.3%** **8.7%**

**Largest employing industries in Gippsland Nov 2022 (compared to Feb 2020):**

Gippsland Feb 2020

- Health care and social assistance
- Retail trade
- Manufacturing
- Education and training
- Agriculture, forestry and fishing

**16%** **11.3%**

**10.5%** **8.1%**

**9.0%** **7.2%**

**8.6%** **10.9%**

**8.1%** **8.4%**

## Income

Children in low income or welfare dependent families  
**15.4%** **9.3%**

Personal median weekly income  
**\$655** **\$805**

Age pension (people 65 years+)  
**67.4%** **58.1%**

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander personal median weekly income  
**\$551** **\$619**

## Poverty

Adults who had no money to buy food in the past year  
**7.9%** **5.9%**

Adults able to raise \$2,000 within 2 days in an emergency  
**73.3%** **79.6%**

## Gambling

Gaming machine losses per head (adults)  
**\$591** **\$553**

## Crime

- Higher **criminal offence rate** compared to Victoria in Latrobe **96%**, East Gippsland **36%**, Wellington **34%**
- All Gippsland LGAs have higher rate of **family violence incidents** compared to Victoria. East Gippsland the highest at **139%**.

## Housing

Social housing (rented)  
**2.8%** **2.5%**

Households receiving rent assistance  
**19.3%** **15.8%**

Owned home  
**69.3%** **63.4%**

## Social

Children year 5-6 report being bullied  
**18.9%** **15.9%**

Adults who report feeling undervalued by society  
**12.5%** **11.0%**

Adults who believe multiculturalism makes life in their area better  
**52.0%** **63.5%**



## Access to services

Gippsland Victoria

People who travel to work by public transport

**1.5%** **12.6%**

Adults with private health insurance

**39.0%** **51.6%**

Adults who believe there are good facilities and services

**76%** **85%**

Households with broadband internet connection

**77.7%** **83.7%**

Australian Digital Inclusion Index

**64.2** **72.0**