

2014 Regional Overview Mildura-Wentworth

An analysis of the people, economy and industries of the Mildura-Wentworth region

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About Us

Our Vision

Our region. Our prosperity.

Our Goals

- 1. Facilitate regional innovation and business development
- 2. Attract and facilitate diverse investment opportunities
- 3. Advocate for economic infrastructure projects
- 4. Strong relationships with stakeholders and the community

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Foreword

On behalf of the Mildura Development Corporation, I am proud to present the new Regional Overview: Mildura-Wentworth. This publication profiles the Mildura region's people, economy, industry, infrastructure and unique assets, and is a valuable resource for future planning, grant applications and business planning, and is particularly useful for investors, business, government, individuals and people researching moving to the region.

This comprehensive overview sources data and information from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, industry associations, local, state and federal Government departments, education and utility providers, and numerous local organisations and businesses.

Whilst renowned for quality horticultural production, the Mildura region's economy has diversified and expanded over many years to include a variety of industries. Value adding industries such as manufacturing (predominantly wine, fruit, vegetable and nut processing) have become well established in the region and benefit from the area's tri-state location and transport infrastructure.

Tourism is also a strong sector for our economy with the Mildura region a well-known tourist destination. The area is best known for its Mediterranean style climate; its location on the Murray and Darling Rivers; its proximity to Mungo National Park, part of the world heritage listed Willandara Lakes; and being the home of home of famous chef and entrepreneur Stefano de Pieri. We also have a large variety of retail outlets, events and festivals, restaurants, hotels and clubs, sporting facilities and events, and a strong arts culture to offer visitors and residents. More recently Mildura has become an area of great interest to the renewable energy sector, with an abundance of sunshine hours, clear days and excellent infrastructure, making it Victoria's premier solar location.

People enjoy living in the Mildura region as it has a great lifestyle, excellent education facilities, access to a variety of health and community services as well as many activities for people of all ages.

We hope that you find this a useful and informative publication that promotes the opportunities and diversity that the Mildura region offers.

Chris Ellis Chairman Mildura Development Corporation Inc. 2009-2014

Overview of the Mildura Region Economy



The Mildura region is located in the tri-state region of Northern Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia, where the Murray and Darling rivers meet. It is a diverse, innovative and vibrant region, renowned for its citrus, grape, almond and wine production. Home to Mungo National Park, part of the World Heritage listed Willandra Lakes, the area has a rich indigenous history, with record of human occupation dating back over 40,000 years. In the 1840s European settlers established sheep runs in the area, founding the town of Wentworth in the 1860s. Wentworth went on to become one of the busiest and largest inland ports, with the river playing a crucial role in transporting goods to and from the region.

In 1886, Canadian brothers William and George Chaffey arrived in Australia and built an irrigation settlement on the Murray River. In 1887 Mildura was officially established, with the irrigation colony becoming one of the first horticultural regions in Australia. The area became popular with post-war settlers and immigrants from Italy, Greece and Turkey, who moved to the region to establish irrigated fruit growing properties.

The Mildura region is now a significant food producing region, processing 20% of Australia's wine grape crush, 75% of table grapes, 98% of dried grapes, 68% of almonds and 24% of citrus.

Some of Australia's largest wineries, fruit packers and processors are located in the Mildura region, with names such as Sunbeam Foods, Treasury Wine Estate (makers of the well known Lindemans brand), Australian Vintage (makers of McGuigan wines) and Mildura Fruit Company all based in the Mildura region.

Our Mediterranean climate and location on the Murray and Darling rivers have made it a popular tourist destination, and a sought after place to live, work and invest.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 3218.0 (2012); Dept. of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Small Area Labour Market Report; (2012); Victorian Dept. of Humar Services 'Rental Report' (June 2012); Notes: (a) Represents median 2 bedroom house rental price in Mildura Rural City Council.'

REGION DEFINITIONS

The Mildura region can be defined as the Local Government Areas (LGA) of Mildura Rural City Council (Victoria) and the Wentworth Shire Council (New South Wales).

Wherever possible throughout this publication, data has been collected for the Mildura region, however in some cases (particularly in the agricultural section), data includes other regions such as Swan Hill. This is because each industry collects data from within different boundaries. For example, citrus data is from the Murray Valley region (which includes Swan Hill). This data cannot be separated into Mildura region only and therefore has had to include other regions in the data reported. Each table has been clearly labelled to indicate which region the data has been collected from (see region definitions below).

MILDURA RURAL CITY COUNCIL (LGA)

Includes the townships of Mildura, Ouyen, Merbein, Red Cliffs, Irymple, Meringur, Werrimull, Cullulleraine, Cardross, Nangiloc, Colignan, Murrayville, Cowangie, Underbool and Walpeup.

WENTWORTH SHIRE COUNCIL (LGA)

Includes the townships of Wentworth, Buronga, Gol Gol, Dareton and Pooncarie.

MILDURA REGION

(also referred to as the Mildura-Wentworth region) Is made up of the LGA's of Mildura and Wentworth

MURRAY VALLEY

The citrus growing region of the Murray Valley extends from the South Australian border along the Murray River to Koondrook. Includes the towns such as Meringur, Werrimull, Cullulleraine, Wentworth, Dareton, Merbein, Mildura, Cardross, Buronga, Irymple, Gol Gol, Red Cliffs, Nangiloc, Colignan, Pooncarie, Euston, Robinvale, Balranald, Swan Hill and Koondrook.

MURRAY DARLING

The wine grape growing region of the Murray Darling extends from the South Australian border to just past Swan Hill. Includes the towns such as Meringur, Werrimull, Cullulleraine, Wentworth, Dareton, Merbein, Mildura, Cardross, Buronga, Irymple, Gol Gol, Red Cliffs, Nangiloc, Colignan, Pooncarie, Euston, Robinvale, Balranald, Swan Hill and Koondrook.

SUNRAYSIA

In 1919 a competition was held to come up with a name for Mildura's dried fruit growing district. The winning name was Sun-Raysed, which was later altered to Sunraysia. While there is no set definition of Sunraysia, it is known as the irrigated areas of the Mildura and Wentworth LGA's, and includes Robinvale which is in the Swan Hill Rural City Council LGA.

OUR PEOPLE

Population 58,976 (2012)

Population Projection Increase of 9,222 people by 2031

Labour Force 32,784 (Sep 2012)

Employment 13% employed in retail, 12% in agriculture, forestry and fishing, and 12% in health care and social assistance

Over 300 festivals and events each year

OUR REGION

Area 48,350 sq km

Main Centres Mildura (30,647 people) Wentworth (1,247 people)

Victoria's premier location for solar development

MAJOR PROJECTS

Dockside Mildura Marina \$120+ million project

\$220 million rail upgrade and standardisation

\$120 million irrigation modernisation (Sunraysia Modernisation Project)

\$174 million Balfour Beatty biomass plant

Mildura Airport \$6.4 million redevelopment

\$8.7 million Arts Centre redevelopment

\$18.3 million Stage 1 riverfront redevelopment

Olam \$60 million almond processing facility

Solar Systems \$10 million 1.5MW solar power pilot demonstration facility

OUR ECONOMY

Gross Regional Product \$2.765 billion (2012)

\$5.6 billion in output (2012)

20% of output is generated from manufacturing

Food Production

20% of Australia's the wine grape crush 98% of Australia's dried grapes 24% of Australia's citrus 75% of Australia's table grapes 68% of Australia's almonds

37% of businesses in the Mildura region are in the agriculture, forestry and fishing sector

Median Rent \$240 per week (MRCC June 2012)

OUR INDUSTRY AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Home to campuses of La Trobe University, Monash University Regional Clinical School, Sunraysia Institute of TAFE and TAFE NSW Riverina Institute

More than 45 schools

Numerous mining developments in the region

Natural gas available in Mildura, Irymple and Red Cliffs

QantasLink, Regional Express and Virgin Australia fly between Mildura and Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide and Broken Hill

Connected to Melbourne and Geelong via rail freight line

Excellent health care with Mildura Base Hospital, Mildura Private Hospital and Wentworth District Hospital Services, as well as numerous health and allied health care organisations all located in the region

> Mildura Airport has 202,179 passengers per year and 140 flights per week

Median House Price \$211,250 (MRCC 2011)

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Regional Economy

The Mildura region has a \$2.765 billion economy which is driven mainly from agriculture and horticulture. The region's manufacturing sector produces value added products from agricultural produce, manufacturing food, wine and beverages. Construction and mining are also significant contributors to the region's output, as are rental, hiring and real estate services.

The region is also seeing interest and growth in the renewable energy sector, mineral sands mining, nut processing and the retail sector, all of which are strengthening and diversifying the region's economy.

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GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT

\$2.373b (2012)

\$392m (2012) MILDUR A REGION \$2.765b (2012)

> output manufacturing 20.1%

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RENTAL, HIRING & REAL ESTATE SERVICES

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GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT

Gross Regional Product (GRP) is the net measure of wealth generated by the region.

The Mildura region economy is worth \$2.765 billion in GRP, \$2.373 billion of that is generated in Mildura Rural City Council and \$392 million is generated in Wentworth Shire Council.

Gross Regional Product and the Population, 2012

Mildura Rural City Council	Wentworth Shire Council	Mildura Region
52,209	6,767	58,9767
\$46,553	\$59,266	\$48,015
\$127,353	\$156,575	
	Rural City Council 52,209 \$46,553	Rural City Shire Council Council 52,209 6,767 \$46,553 \$59,266

Source: REMPLAN (2012)

Gross Regional Product, 2012

GRP Expenditure Method	Mildura Rural City Council \$m	Wentworth Shire Council \$m	Mildura Region \$m
Household Consumption	\$1,958	\$254	\$2,212
Government Consumption	\$575	\$76	\$651
Private Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure	\$725	\$100	\$826
Public Gross Fixed Capital Expenditure	\$175	\$23	\$198
Gross Regional Expenses	\$3,433	\$453	\$3,886
plus Exports	\$1,503	\$542	\$1,988
minus Domestic Imports	-\$2,156	-\$489	-\$2,589
minus Overseas Imports	-\$407	-\$114	-\$521
Gross Regional Product	\$2,373	\$392	\$2,765

Source: REMPLAN (2012)

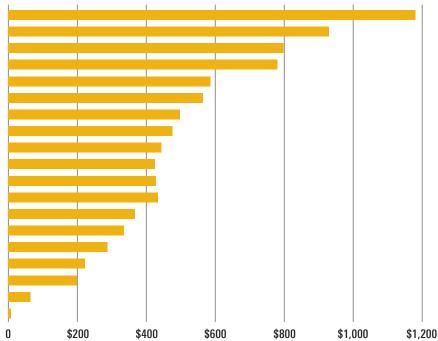
REGIONAL OUTPUT

The output generated by the Mildura region economy is estimated at \$5.6 billion; \$4.8 billion (or 85.6 %) of output is generated in Mildura Rural City Council and \$870 million (or 15.4 %) of output is generated in Wentworth Shire Council.

Output represents the gross revenue generated by businesses/organisations in each of the industry sectors. Gross revenue is also referred to as total sales or total income.

Mildura Region Output 2012 \$m





Source: REMPLAN Dec 2012



Output

Industry Costor	Mildura Rural	City Council	Wentworth S	Shire Council	Mildura	Region
Industry Sector	\$m	%	\$m	%	\$m	%
Manufacturing	\$1,002	21.0%	\$132	15.1%	\$1,134	20.1%
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing	\$440	9.2%	\$150	17.3%	\$590	10.5%
Rental, Hiring & Real Estate Services	\$415	8.7%	\$50	5.7%	\$465	8.2%
Construction	\$359	7.5%	\$40	4.6%	\$399	7.1%
Mining	\$153	3.2%	\$237	27.2%	\$390	6.9%
Health Care & Social Assistance	\$273	5.7%	\$20	2.3%	\$293	5.2%
Retail Trade	\$269	5.6%	\$13	1.5%	\$282	5.0%
Transport, Postal & Warehousing	\$216	4.5%	\$33	3.8%	\$249	4.4%
Wholesale Trade	\$217	4.5%	\$21	2.4%	\$238	4.2%
Public Administration & Safety	\$188	3.9%	\$34	3.9%	\$222	3.9%
Accommodation & Food Services	\$182	3.8%	\$30	3.5%	\$213	3.8%
Financial & Insurance Services	\$208	4.4%	\$6	0.7%	\$214	3.8%
Education & Training	\$198	4.1%	\$19	2.2%	\$217	3.8%
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	\$175	3.7%	\$9	1.1%	\$184	3.3%
Electricity, Gas, Water & Waste Services	\$120	2.5%	\$48	5.5%	\$168	3.0%
Administrative & Support Services	\$126	2.6%	\$18	2.0%	\$144	2.5%
Information Media & Telecommunications	\$111	2.3%	\$0	0.0%	\$111	2.0%
Other Services	\$94	2.0%	\$5	0.6%	\$100	1.8%
Arts & Recreation Services	\$26	0.6%	\$6	0.7%	\$32	0.6%
Total	\$4,775	100%	\$870	100%	\$5,645	100%

Source: REMPLAN (2012). Note: Some totals will not sum due to rounding errors.

The Mildura region has 6,247* businesses that employ a workforce of 24,374 people. Agriculture, forestry and fishing make up 36.6%* of the businesses in the Mildura region, followed by construction 12.3%* and rental, hiring and real estate services at 8.2%*.

BUSINESSES BY SECTOR

While there are only 373* retail businesses in the Mildura region, there are over 3,000 people employed in the retail sector. By comparison, the Mildura region's agriculture, forestry and fishing sector has 2,289* businesses who employ nearly 3,000 people.

Of the 6,247* businesses in the Mildura region, 24%* have a turnover of \$0-\$50,000 and 18.2%* have a turnover of \$200,000-\$500,000. There are 326* businesses in the region that have a turnover of \$2 million or more.

* Data includes part of Balranald Shire Council (New South Wales)

Businesses by Industry Sector, 2012

	Mildura Rura	l City Council	Wentworth S	hire Council*	Mildura	Region*
Industry Sector	No. of	% of	No. of	% of	No. of	% of
	businesses	businesses	businesses	businesses	businesses	businesses
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1,712	33.6%	577	49.8%	2,289	36.6%
Mining	6	0.1%	-	0.0%	6	0.1%
Manufacturing	174	3.4%	25	2.2%	199	3.2%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	15	0.3%	6	0.5%	21	0.3%
Construction	643	12.6%	128	11.1%	771	12.3%
Wholesale Trade	134	2.6%	30	2.6%	164	2.6%
Retail Trade	325	6.4%	48	4.1%	373	6.0%
Accommodation and Food Services	205	4.0%	54	4.7%	259	4.1%
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	264	5.2%	59	5.1%	323	5.2%
Information Media and Telecommunications	21	0.4%	3	0.3%	24	0.4%
Financial and Insurance Services	232	4.6%	49	4.2%	281	4.5%
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	445	8.7%	65	5.6%	510	8.2%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	271	5.3%	32	2.8%	303	4.9%
Administrative and Support Services	116	2.3%	18	1.6%	134	2.1%
Public Administration and Safety	9	0.2%	6	0.5%	15	0.2%
Education and Training	29	0.6%	12	1.0%	41	0.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	161	3.2%	6	0.5%	167	2.7%
Arts and Recreation Services	43	0.8%	6	0.5%	49	0.8%
Other Services	223	4.4%	23	2.0%	246	3.9%
Not classified	61	1.2%	11	0.9%	72	1.2%
Total	5,089	100.0%	1,158	100.0%	6,247	100%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 8165.0 (April 2012) * Data includes part of Balranald Shire Council Notes: Business counts based on businesses which have an Australian Business Number and were actively trading during the reference period. Figures are based on ABS Statistical Area Level 2 business data. This data does not match the LGA boundaries of Mildura and Wentworth. Note: Some totals will not sum due to rounding errors.

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Businesses and Employment by Industry Comparison, 2012

	Mildura Rural	City Council	Wentworth S	hire Council	Mildura	Region
Industry Sector	No. of businesses	No. employed	No. of businesses*	No. employed	No. of businesses*	No. employed
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	1,712	2,382	577	574	2,289	2,956
Mining	6	248	-	113	6	361
Manufacturing	174	1,651	25	173	199	1,824
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	15	299	6	69	21	368
Construction	643	1,432	128	176	771	1,608
Wholesale Trade	134	697	30	94	164	791
Retail Trade	325	2,920	48	255	373	3,175
Accommodation and Food Services	205	1,574	54	204	259	1,778
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	264	1,035	59	116	323	1,151
Information Media and Telecommunications	21	217	3	16	24	233
Financial and Insurance Services	232	375	49	41	281	416
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	445	199	65	32	510	231
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	271	707	32	76	303	783
Administrative and Support Services	116	716	18	116	134	832
Public Administration and Safety	9	1,163	6	152	15	1,315
Education and Training	29	1,791	12	216	41	2,007
Health Care and Social Assistance	161	2,546	6	279	167	2,825
Arts and Recreation Services	43	214	6	30	49	244
Other Services	223	780	23	87	246	867
Not classified	61	531	11	78	72	609
Total	5,089	21,477	1,158	2,897	6,247	24,374

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (Nov 2012), cat. no. 8165.0 (April 2012) * Data includes part of Balranald Shire Council Notes: • Industry of employment was coded to the 2006 Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) edition. This has replaced the 1993 ANZSIC edition. • Employment data is based on place of usual residence. • Business counts based on businesses which have an Australian Business Number and were actively trading during the reference period. • Figures are based on ABS Statistical Area Level 2 business data. This data does not match the LGA boundaries of Mildura and Wentworth.

Businesses by Turnover Size Ranges, June 2012

Region	Zero to \$50k	\$50k to less than \$100k	100k to less than \$200K	\$200k to less than \$500k	\$500k to less than \$2m	\$2m or more	Total
Mildura Rural City Council	1,437	870	829	934	738	281	5,089
Wentworth region*	336	191	205	204	177	45	1,158
Total Mildura Region*	1,773	1,061	1,034	1,138	915	326	6,247
Total % Mildura Region*	28.4%	17.0%	16.6%	18.2%	14.6%	5.2%	100%

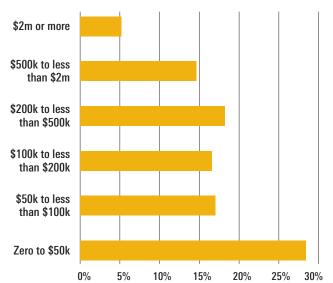
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2.7% 8.4% 3.2% 3.9% 36.6% 4.1% 4.5% 4.9% 5.2% 12.3% 6.0% 8.2% Agriculture, Forestry Financial and and Fishing Insurance Services Construction Accommodation and Rental, Hiring and Food Services Real Estate Services **Other Services** Retail Trade Manufacturing Transport, Postal Health Care and and Warehousing Social Assistance Professional, Scientific and Other Sectors Combined Technical Services

Business in the Mildura Region 2012

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 8165.0 (April 2012) * Data includes part of Balranald Shire Council Notes: Business counts based on businesses which have an Australian Business Number and were actively trading during the reference period. Figures are based on Australian Bureau of Statistics Area Level 2 business data. This data does not match the Local Government Area boundaries of Mildura and Wentworth.

% of Business by Turnover Size Range Mildura Region 2012*



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Population and Demographics

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The Mildura region has a population of 58,976 people; 52,209 of those live in Mildura Rural City Council, and 6,767 live in Wentworth Shire Council.

The population of the Mildura region is expected to continue growing, reaching almost 71,000 by 2031, an increase of over 9,000 people.

TOWN POPULATIONS

MILDURA 30,647

> IRYMPLE 5,015 RED CLIFFS 4,626

merbein 2,671

/entworth 1,247

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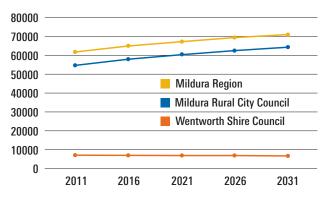
POPULATION PROJECTIONS

Population Projections - Mildura Region 2011-2036

LGA	2011	2016	2021	2026	2031	2036
Mildura Rural City Council	54,666	57,936	60,325	62,493	64,288	NA
Wentworth Shire Council	7,100	7,000	6,900	6,900	6,700	6,600
Mildura Region	61,766	64,936	67,225	69,393	70,988	NA
% Change	5.0%	4.9%	3.4%	3.1%	2.2%	NA

Source: Dep of Planning and Community Development (2012), NSW Dep of Planning (2010), Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 3235.1.55.001 (2006)

Population Projections - Mildura Region 2011-2031



Source: Dep of Planning and Community Development (2012), NSW Dep of Planning (2010), Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 3235.1.55.001 (2006)

POPULATION MEASURES

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) uses the following key measures to capture Australia's population:

- Place of Enumeration
- Place of Usual Residence, and
- Estimated Resident Population (the official population measure)

Place of Enumeration

Place of Enumeration is a count of every person in Australia on Census Night, based on where they were located on Census night. This may or may not be the place where they usually live. Visitors to Australia are counted regardless of how long they have been in the country or how long they plan to stay.

Place of Usual Residence

Place of Usual Residence (PURP) is a count of every person in Australia on Census night, based on the area in which they usually live. Census counts compiled on this basis minimise the effects of seasonal factors and provide information about the usual residents of an area as well as internal migration patterns.

Estimated Resident Population (the official population measure)

The Estimated Resident Population (ERP) is the official population measure used by the ABS. ERP is based on the concept of usual residence and uses data from the Census of Population and Housing. It takes into account all people, regardless of nationality, citizenship or legal status, who usually live in Australia (with the exception of foreign diplomatic personnel and their families). It includes residents who are overseas for less than 12 months and excludes overseas visitors who are in Australia for less than 12 months, and uses data from birth and death registrations, overseas arrivals and departures, and estimates of interstate migration.

ERP is compiled as at 30 June of each Census year and updated annually between Censuses.

GENERAL POPULATION

Historic Population by Place of Enumeration

Population Changes – Mildura Rural City Council 1981-2011 (by place of enumeration)

Region	Year	Census Population	Period	% Change	Annual % Change
Mildura City & Shire, Walpeup	1981	38,344			
Mildura City & Shire, Walpeup	1986	41,506	1981-1986	8.3%	1.6%
Mildura Rural City Council , Pt A & Pt B	1991	44,537	1986-1991	7.3%	1.4%
Mildura Rural City Council, Pt A & Pt B	1996	45,811	1991-1996	2.9%	0.6%
Mildura Rural City Council , Pt A & Pt B	2001	48,386	1996-2001	5.3%	1.1%
Mildura Rural City Council, Pt A & Pt B	2006	50,447	2001-2006	4.0%	0.8%
Mildura Rural City Council , Pt A & Pt B	2011	51,373	2006-2011	1.8%	0.4%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census data

Population Changes - Wentworth Shire Council 1981-2011 (by place of enumeration)

Region	Year	Census Population	Period	% Change	Annual % Change
Wentworth Shire Council	1981	7,100			
Wentworth Shire Council	1986	7,374	1981-1986	3.9%	0.8%
Wentworth Shire Council	1991	7,270	1986-1991	-1.4%	-0.3%
Wentworth Shire Council	1996	7,197	1991-1996	-1.0%	-0.2%
Wentworth Shire Council	2001	6,984	1996-2001	-3.0%	-0.6%
Wentworth Shire Council	2006	7,079	2001-2006	1.3%	0.3%
Wentworth Shire Council	2011	7,111	2006-2011	0.5%	0.1%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census data

Population Changes - Total Mildura Region 1981-2011 (by place of enumeration)

Region	Year	Census Population	Period	% Change	Annual % Change
Mildura City & Shire, Walpeup, Wentworth	1981	45,444			
Mildura City & Shire, Walpeup, Wentworth	1986	48,880	1981-1986	7.6%	1.5%
Mildura Rural City Council , PtA & PtB, Wentworth	1991	51,807	1986-1991	6.0%	1.2%
Mildura Rural City Council , PtA & PtB, Wentworth	1996	53,008	1991-1996	2.3%	0.5%
Mildura Rural City Council , PtA & PtB, Wentworth	2001	55,370	1996-2001	4.3%	0.9%
Mildura Rural City Council , PtA & PtB, Wentworth	2006	57,526	2001-2006	3.7%	0.7%
Mildura Rural City Council , PtA & PtB, Wentworth	2011	58,484	2006-2011	1.6%	0.3%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census data

Population Changes - Mildura Region 2006-2011 (by place of enumeration)

Region	Census Population 2001	Census Population 2011	Ave Annual % 2001-2011	Area km2	Population density 2011 persons/km2
Mildura Rural City Council Part A	46,035	47,860	0.4%	518.9	92.2
Mildura Rural City Council Part B	4,192	3,509	-1.9%	21,563.6	0.2
Mildura Rural City Council Total	50,227	51,369	0.2%	22,082.5	2.3
Wentworth Shire Council	6,984	7,111	0.2%	26,256.7	0.3
Mildura Region	57,211	58,480	0.2%	48,339.2	1.2

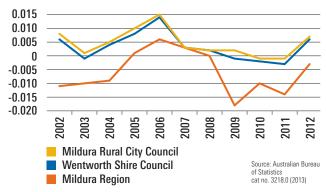
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census data

Population Changes - Mildura Region 2001-2012 (by estimated resident population)

Year	Mildura Rural City Council Population	Annual Population Change %	Wentworth Shire Council Population	Annual Population Change %	Mildura Region Population	Annual Population Change %
2001	49,616		7,214		56,830	
2002	50,015	0.8%	7,139	-1.1%	57,154	0.6%
2003	50,044	0.1%	7,069	-1.0%	57,113	-0.1%
2004	50,313	0.5%	7,009	-0.9%	57,322	0.4%
2005	50,797	1.0%	7,013	0.1%	57,810	0.8%
2006	51,590	1.5%	7,058	0.6%	58,648	1.4%
2007	51,770	0.3%	7,082	0.3%	58,852	0.3%
2008	51,888	0.2%	7,080	0.0%	58,968	0.2%
2009	51,978	0.2%	6,952	-1.8%	58,930	-0.1%
2010	51,923	-0.1%	6,885	-1.0%	58,808	-0.2%
2011	51,848	-0.1%	6,787	-1.4%	58,635	-0.3%
2012	52,209	0.7%	6,767	-0.3%	58,976	0.6%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 3218.0 (2012)

Population Changes by Annual % Change - Mildura Region 2002-2012

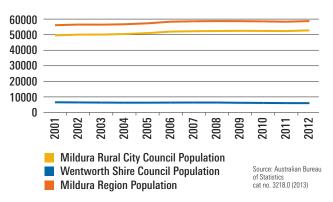


Comparing Data From Different Time Periods

The Australian Bureau of Statistics has used a new statistical geography for the 2011 Census, which has changed many data collection boundaries. This has caused some issues with time series comparisons, especially for town populations.

Regional data from different time periods generally cannot

Population Changes - Mildura Region 2001-2012 (by estimated resident population)



be compared unless it is presented on the same geographic boundaries.

Comparisons of change over time for some areas may be more difficult as boundaries are frequently changing. It is important to be aware of this when making comparisons. An area that has expanded its boundaries may have grown in population, but this may only be due to a boundary change.

Town Populations

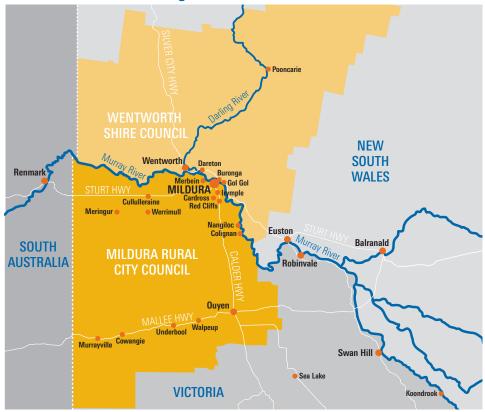
The largest towns by population size in the Mildura region are: Mildura (30,647 people), Irymple (5,015 people), Red Cliffs (4,626 people) and Merbein (2,671 people).

Town Populations (by place of usual residence)

State Suburb (as defined by the ABS)	Population 2011	Town/region size by square km 2011	Population 2006	Town/region size by square km 2006
Birdwoodton	592	12.4	969	29.1
Buronga	1,131	4.4	808	5.1
Cabarita	514	4.7	279	1.1
Cardross	779	40.7	739	15.0
Colignan	256	88.8	204	773.5
Coomealla	866	157.5	NA	NA
Curlwaa	412	30.3	405	24.3
Dareton	515	2.4	1,836	1,547.4
Ellerslie (Wentworth NSW)	379	12,297.9	NA	NA
Gol Gol (a)	1,595	54.8	1,801	2,527.1
Irymple	5,015	64.5	5,739	66.3
Koorlong	461	135.0	956	145.0
Merbein	2,671	34.5	2,525	20.3
Merbein South	586	37.2	602	35.1
Meringur	133	1,838.9	148	1,570.3
Mildura	30,647	76.2	28,745	56.9
Murrayville	549	3,114.2	446	3,969.2
Nangiloc	379	1,043.0	401	146.9
Nichols Point	1,463	23.8	835	17.1
Ouyen	1,082	5.6	1,383	2,985.2
Pomona	137	7.6	NA	NA
Pooncarie	330	13,628.3	152	9,810.7
Red Cliffs	4,626	206.0	4,598	2,002.4
Underbool	202	1.7	217	0.7
Walpeup (b)	417	3,505.0	109	1.5
Wentworth	1,247	73.6	1,653	5,241.6
Werrimull	321	2,192.2	145	579.4
Yelta	281	13.0	391	27.3

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2006 & 2011) (a) The 2011 'State Suburb' population figures for Gol Gol includes the towns of Gol Gol, Trentham Cliffs, Monak and Mourquong (b) The 2011 'State Suburb' population figures for Walpeup includes Walpeup and the rural area surrounding the town of Ouyen Important Note: The Australian Bureau of Statistics has changed the boundaries for towns between the 2006 and 2011 Census, therefore growth figures for the towns cannot be accurately compared between 2006 and 2011

Towns of the Mildura Region



POPULATION PROFILE

Age Profile

Since 2006, the most significant changes in the Mildura region's age structure, has been the decline in population of those aged 5 to 14 years and 30 to 49 years, as well as population increases in those aged between 50 and 54 years and 60 to 69 years.

Population Age Structure, Mildura Region 2006-2011 (based on place of usual residence)

	20	06	20)11	Change 2	006-2011
	No.	%Total	No.	%Total	No.	%Total
0-4 years	3,679	6.5%	3,841	6.7%	162	4.4%
5-9 years	4,326	7.6%	3,815	6.6%	-511	-11.8%
10-14 years	4,582	8.1%	4,380	7.6%	-202	-4.4%
15-19 years	4,076	7.2%	4,131	7.2%	55	1.3%
20-24 years	2,958	5.2%	3,167	5.5%	209	7.1%
25-29 years	2,986	5.3%	3,062	5.3%	76	2.5%
30-34 years	3,534	6.2%	3,105	5.4%	-429	-12.1%
35-39 years	3,926	6.9%	3,574	6.2%	-352	-9.0%
40-44 years	4,054	7.2%	3,922	6.8%	-132	-3.3%
45-49 years	4,218	7.5%	3,932	6.8%	-286	-6.8%
50-54 years	3,660	6.5%	4,192	7.3%	532	14.5%
55-59 years	3,529	6.2%	3,593	6.2%	64	1.8%
60-64 years	2,741	4.8%	3,555	6.2%	814	29.7%
65-69 years	2,325	4.1%	2,640	4.6%	315	13.5%
70-74 years	1,982	3.5%	2,251	3.9%	269	13.6%
75-79 years	1,822	3.2%	1,778	3.1%	-44	-2.4%
80-84 years	1,240	2.2%	1,427	2.5%	187	15.1%
85-89 years	654	1.2%	825	1.4%	171	26.1%
90-94 years	240	0.4%	327	0.6%	87	36.3%
95-99 years	60	0.1%	67	0.1%	7	11.7%
100 years and over	4	0.0%	4	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	56,596	100%	57,588	100%	992	1.8%

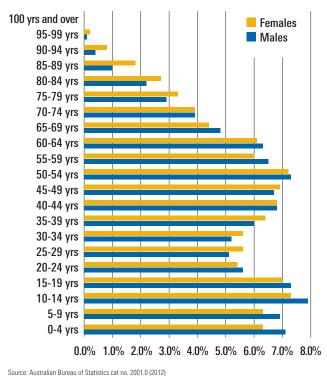
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Population Age by Gender, Mildura Region 2011 (based on place of usual residence)

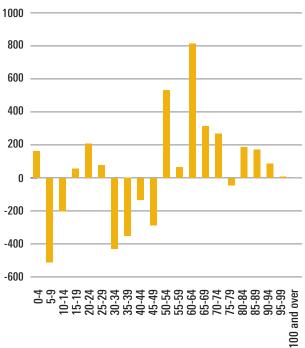
	M	ales	Fen	nales	Total Persons	
	No.	%Total	No.	%Total	No.	%Total
0-4 years	2,005	7.1%	1,836	6.3%	3,841	6.7%
5-9 years	1,969	6.9%	1,846	6.3%	3,815	6.6%
10-14 years	2,247	7.9%	2,133	7.3%	4,380	7.6%
15-19 years	2,087	7.3%	2,044	7.0%	4,131	7.2%
20-24 years	1,601	5.6%	1,566	5.4%	3,167	5.5%
25-29 years	1,435	5.1%	1,627	5.6%	3,062	5.3%
30-34 years	1,474	5.2%	1,631	5.6%	3,105	5.4%
35-39 years	1,698	6.0%	1,876	6.4%	3,574	6.2%
40-44 years	1,930	6.8%	1,992	6.8%	3,922	6.8%
45-49 years	1,914	6.7%	2,018	6.9%	3,932	6.8%
50-54 years	2,082	7.3%	2,110	7.2%	4,192	7.3%
55-59 years	1,849	6.5%	1,744	6.0%	3,593	6.2%
60-64 years	1,778	6.3%	1,777	6.1%	3,555	6.2%
65-69 years	1,364	4.8%	1,276	4.4%	2,640	4.6%
70-74 years	1,104	3.9%	1,147	3.9%	2,251	3.9%
75-79 years	812	2.9%	966	3.3%	1,778	3.1%
80-84 years	637	2.2%	790	2.7%	1,427	2.5%
85-89 years	298	1.0%	527	1.8%	825	1.4%
90-94 years	106	0.4%	221	0.8%	327	0.6%
95-99 years	17	0.1%	50	0.2%	67	0.1%
100 years and over	0	0.0%	4	0.0%	4	0.0%
Total	28,407	100%	29,181	100%	57,588	100%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2012)

Population by Gender, Mildura Region 2011



Age Structure Changes by Number - Mildura Region 2006 - 2011



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2012)

The majority of the Mildura region's population were born in Australia (84.5%), 1.8% were born in the United Kingdom, 1.3% in Italy and 0.9% in New Zealand.

CULTURAL DIVERSITY

The traditional indigenous people of Mildura are the Latje Latje people, while the broader area of the Mildura Rural City Council includes the Latje Latje Latje and Wergaia. Other tribal groups such as the Ngintait, Ngardad and Jari Jari are mentioned in historical research. The Wentworth Shire Council area is the native land of the Barkindji, Maraura and Kereinji people.

Today, the land in Mildura is recognised as Latje Latje country and the land in Wentworth is recognised as Barkindji country. Many indigenous people still call the region home and the population of indigenous people in the Mildura region has been increasing over the past years.

Indigenous Profile

Indigenous Population, Mildura Region 2006-2011 (based on place of usual residence)

Region		2006		2011			
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	
Mildura Rural City Council	645	787	1,432	844	993	1,837	
Wentworth Shire Council	299	312	611	314	365	679	
Mildura Region	944	1,099	2,043	1,158	1,358	2,516	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2002.0 (2012)

Country of Birth

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Census data has shown an increase in the number of people who were born in India and a decrease in those born in Turkey, New Zealand and Italy.

Main Countries of Birth, Mildura Region 2006-2011

Region	Mildura Rural City Council		Wentworth	Shire Council	Mildura Region		
negion	2006	2011	2006	2011	2006	2011	
Australia	84.2%	84.0%	87.9%	88.6%	84.6%	84.5%	
Country of birth not stated	6.3%	5.9%	6.7%	6.1%	6.4%	5.9%	
United Kingdom	1.8%	1.8%	1.6%	1.7%	1.8%	1.8%	
Italy	1.5%	1.4%	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%	1.3%	
New Zealand	1.0%	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%	1.0%	0.9%	
Turkey	1.0%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.6%	
India	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.5%	
Greece	0.4%	0.4%	0.1%	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%	
Born elsewhere	1.4%	1.9%	0.5%	0.5%	1.3%	1.8%	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2012)

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The number of people who speak a language other than English has increased from 7.7% in 2006 to 7.9% in 2011. In 2011 there were fewer people whose second language was Turkish and Italian, and an increase of those speaking Chinese and Indian languages.

Main Language other than English (LOTE) Spoken, Mildura Region 2006-2011

Longuaga	Ма	les	Fem	ales	Total Persons	
Language	No.	%Total	No.	%Total	No.	%Total
% LOTE Speaking	8.3%	9.0%	3.3%	3.2%	7.7%	7.9%
% English Only Speaking	87.4%	86.2%	92.1%	91.5%	88.0%	79.3%
Not Stated	4.2%	4.7%	4.6%	4.7%	4.3%	4.3%
% LOTE of total population:						
Italian	2.5%	2.3%	1.6%	1.5%	2.4%	2.0%
Turkish	1.5%	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.9%
Greek	0.8%	0.7%	0.2%	0.1%	0.7%	0.6%
Chinese languages						
(Cantonese, Mandarin and other)	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%
Samoan	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%
Croatian	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Arabic (includes Lebanese)	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Persian (includes Dari)	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Punjabi	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%
Tagalog (includes Filipino)	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Vietnamese	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Other	2.8%	2.0%	1.1%	0.4%	2.6%	1.7%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census data

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HOUSING IN THE MILDURA REGION

The Mildura region has 21,712 occupied private dwellings, the majority of which are separate houses (76.6%). 33.2% of dwellings are owned outright, 33.1% are owned with a mortgage and 29.2% are being rented. 69.3% of households are comprised of families, and 30.7% are non-family.

Total Households

Total Occupied Private Dwellings, Mildura Region 2006-2011

Region	2006	2011	% Change (2006-2011)
Mildura Rural City Council	18,482	19,250	3.5%
Wentworth Shire Council	2,466	2,462	0.0%
Mildura Region	20,948	21,712	3.5%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census data

Dwelling Structure

Dwelling Structure, Mildura Region 2011

Structure	Mildura Rural City Council	Wentworth Shire Council	Mildura Region	VIC	NSW
Separate House	76.2%	79.6%	76.6%	68.3%	62.8%
Semi-detached/row/terrace house/ town house	4.7%	1.0%	4.2%	8.5%	9.6%
Flat/unit/apartment	6.9%	3.2%	6.4%	11.4%	17.0%
Other dwelling	1.6%	3.2%	1.8%	0.5%	0.8%
Not Stated	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics. cat. no. 2001.0 (2012)

Housing Tenure

Housing Tenure, Mildura Region 2011

Structure	Mildura R Cour		Wentwor Cour		Mild Reg		VI	C	NS	W
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Owned:										
Owned outright	6,290	32.7%	917	37.2%	7,207	33.2%	665,417	34.2%	820,006	33.2%
Owned with a mortgage (a)	6,385	33.2%	801	32.5%	7,186	33.1%	697,532	35.9%	824,293	33.4%
Total owned/being purchased	12,675	65.8%	1,718	69.8%	14,393	66.3%	1,362,949	70.1%	1,644,299	66.5%
Rented:										
Real estate agent	2,941	15.3%	199	8.1%	3,140	14.5%	316,545	16.3%	430,133	17.4%
State housing authority	838	4.4%	38	1.5%	876	4.0%	54,767	2.8%	108,841	4.4%
Person not in same household (b)	1,229	6.4%	183	7.4%	1,412	6.5%	107,771	5.5%	144,050	5.8%
Housing co-operative/community/										
church group	150	0.8%	71	2.9%	221	1.0%	8,834	0.5%	17,199	0.7%
Other landlord type (c)	360	1.9%	107	4.3%	467	2.2%	16,275	0.8%	27,425	1.1%
Landlord type not stated	190	1.0%	31	1.3%	221	1.0%	11,393	0.6%	15,402	0.6%
Total Rented	5,708	29.7%	629	25.5%	6,337	29.2%	515,585	26.5%	743,050	30.1%
Other tenure type (d)	152	0.8%	21	0.9%	173	0.8%	14,620	0.8%	20,418	0.8%
Tenure type not stated	715	3.7%	95	3.9%	810	3.7%	51,535	2.7%	63,529	2.6%
Total Dwellings	19,250		2,463		21,713		1,944,689		2,471,296	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, cat. no. 2001.0 (2012) Notes: Excludes 'Visitors only' and 'Other non-classifiable' households (a) Includes dwellings being purchased under a ren/buy scheme (b) Comprises dwellings being rented from a parent/other relative or other person (c) Comprises dwellings being rented through a 'Residential park (includes caravan parks and marinas)', 'Employer - Government (includes Defence Housing Authority)' and 'Employer - other employer' (d) Includes dwellings being occupied under a life tenure scheme

Household Composition by Number of Persons **Usually Resident, Mildura Region 2011**

	Families		Non-fa	Total	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.
Mildura Rural City Council	13,255	68.9%	5,996	31.1%	19,251
Wentworth Shire Council	1,783	72.4%	680	27.6%	2,463
Mildura Region	15,038 69.3%		6,676	30.7%	21,714

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, cat. no. 2001.0 (2012)

Votes: Includes up to three residents who were temporarily absent on Census night Excludes 'Visitors only' and 'Other non-classifiable' households (a) Comprises 'Lone person' and 'Group households'

Family Households, Mildura Region 2011

Structure	Mildura Rural City Council		Wentworth	Shire Council	Mildura Region		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Couple with children	5,436	40.4%	707	39.0%	6,143	40.3%	
Couple family with no children	5,393	40.1%	831	45.9%	6,224	40.8%	
One parent family	2,449	18.2%	254	14.0%	2,703	17.7%	
Other	166	1.2%	19	1.0%	185	1.2%	
Total	13,444	100%	1,811	100%	15,255	100%	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, cat. no. 2001.0 (2012) Notes: Includes same-sex couple families. Excludes family members temporarily absent on Census night. Some totals will not sum due to rounding errors.

Employment and Income

Annual average labour force figures showed that in 2012 the Mildura region had a workforce of 32,689 people.

The region's main employment sectors include retail trade which employed 13.0% of the region's workforce. Agriculture, forestry and fishing employed 12.1%, and health care and social assistance employed 11.6% of the region's workforce.

MILDURA REGION AVERAGE LABOUR FORCE 2012

32,689

MAIN EMPLOYMENT SECTORS

13.0%

CULTURE, FORESTRY & FISHING 12.1%

HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

LABOUR FORCE

Annual average labour force figures showed that in 2012 the Mildura region had a workforce of 32,689 people, 2,446 people were unemployed, and the unemployment rate was 7.7%*.

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Between 2006 and 2011 the most significant increases to the region's employment by industry show that there are 486 more people working in the health care and social assistance sector, 245 additional people working in the mining sector and an extra 197 people working in the accommodation and food service sector.

The most significant decreases to the region's employment by industry between 2006 and 2011 showed that 672 fewer people worked in the manufacturing sector, and 626 fewer people worked in the agriculture, forestry and fishing sector.

Over the last decade, the region has seen a growth in the occupations of community and personal service workers (up 21.5%), professionals (up 17.3%) and decline in the positions of managers (down 21.5%) and labourers (down 19.2%).

*Mildura Rural City Council

Smoothed Average Annual Labour Force

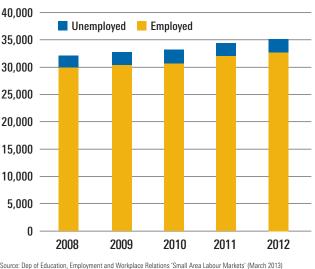
Statistical Local Area (SLA)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Mildura (RC) - Pt A	23,867	24,439	24,672	25,903	26,424
Mildura (RC) - Pt B	2,245	2,220	2,244	2,354	2,401
Wentworth (A)	3,765	3,681	3,724	3,773	3,864
Total Mildura Region	29,877	30,340	30,640	32,030	32,689
New South Wales		3,656,817			
Victoria	2,799,970	2,850,740	2,931,915	3,000,135	3,032,537

Source: Dep of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 'Small Area Labour Markets' (March 2013) Note: Data is calculated based on twelve month averages of original monthly estimates taken from *Labour Force, Australia - detailed, electronic release* Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 6291.0.55.001

Smoothed Average Annual Unemployment

Statistical Local Area (SLA)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Mildura (RC) - Pt A	1,886	2,046	2,106	1,966	2,028
Mildura (RC) - Pt B	98	105	107	93	94
Wentworth (A)	238	288	330	351	324
Total Mildura Region	2,222	2,439	2,543	2,410	2,446
New South Wales	167,713	209,957	206,692	192,445	194,869
Victoria	126,005	149,729	160,103	152,329	162,950

Source: Dep of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 'Small Area Labour Markets' (March 2013) Note: Data is calculated based on twelve month averages of original monthly estimates taken from *Labour Force, Australia - detailed, electronic release* Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 6291.0.55.001



Labour Force and Unemployment Mildura Region

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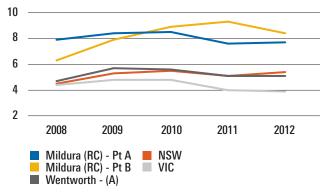


Smoothed Average Annual Unemployment Rate (%)

Statistical Local Area (SLA)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Mildura (RC) - Pt A	7.9	8.4	8.5	7.6	7.7
Mildura (RC) - Pt B	4.4	4.8	4.8	4.0	3.9
Wentworth (A)	6.3	7.9	8.9	9.3	8.4
New South Wales	4.7	5.7	5.6	5.1	5.1
Victoria	4.5	5.3	5.5	5.1	5.4

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Source: Dep of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 'Small Area Labour Markets' (March 2013)

Employment by Industry, Mildura Region, Victoria and New South Wales 2006 & 2011

	Mi	ildura Regio	on		Victoria		Nev	v South Wal	es
Industry	2006	2011	%	2006	2011	%	2006	2011	%
			Change			Change			Change
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	3,582	2,956	-21.2%	63,711	57,054	-11.7%	78,661	69,576	-13.1%
Mining	116	361	67.9%	6,280	9,122	31.2%	20,315	31,186	34.9%
Manufacturing	2,496	1,824	-36.8%	287,106	271,053	-5.9%	277,985	264,865	-5.0%
Electricity, gas, water & waste services	327	368	11.1%	20,014	27,626	27.6%	29,184	34,203	14.7%
Construction	1,649	1,608	-2.5%	171,464	210,973	18.7%	212,729	230,057	7.5%
Wholesale trade	885	791	-11.9%	112,552	114,089	1.3%	136,758	138,890	1.5%
Retail trade	3,129	3,175	1.4%	263,449	273,716	3.8%	323,929	324,727	0.2%
Accommodation & food services	1,581	1,778	11.1%	131,839	153,901	14.3%	190,455	210,380	9.5%
Transport, postal & warehousing	1,124	1,151	2.3%	103,817	118,216	12.2%	145,516	155,027	6.1%
Information media & telecommunications	229	233	1.7%	49,935	50,094	0.3%	68,977	72,488	4.8%
Financial & insurance services	452	416	-8.7%	92,295	104,702	11.8%	144,867	158,422	8.6%
Rental, hiring & real estate services	254	231	-10.0%	30,777	35,046	12.2%	50,586	51,554	1.9%
Professional, scientific & technical services	783	783	0.0%	161,616	196,236	17.6%	213,253	247,295	13.8%
Administrative & support services	933	832	-12.1%	74,923	83,188	9.9%	90,430	102,354	11.6%
Public administration & safety	1,220	1,315	7.2%	116,972	134,949	13.3%	174,912	192,634	9.2%
Education & training	1,847	2,007	8.0%	174,425	202,319	13.8%	219,676	248,951	11.8%
Health care & social assistance	2,339	2,825	17.2%	236,550	292,419	19.1%	304,343	364,321	16.5%
Arts & recreation services	206	244	15.6%	35,651	43,609	18.2%	39,579	46,330	14.6%
Other services	708	867	18.3%	81,643	91,148	10.4%	110,093	117,615	6.4%
Inadequately described/Not stated	722	609	-18.6%	59,431	61,172	2.8%	77,193	77,455	0.3%
Total	24,582	24,374	-0.9%	2,274,450	2,530,632	10.1%	2,909,441	3,138,330	7.3%

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Employment by Industry, Mildura Region 2006 & 2011

	Mildura	Rural City	Council	Wentwo	orth Shire Co	ouncil	Mi	ldura Regior	າ
Industry			%			%			%
	2006	2011	Change	2006	2011	Change	2006	2011	Change
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	2,857	2,382	-19.9%	725	574	-26.3%	3,582	2,956	-21.2%
Mining	78	248	68.5%	38	113	66.4%	116	361	67.9%
Manufacturing	2,266	1,651	-37.3%	230	173	-32.9%	2,496	1,824	-36.8%
Electricity, gas, water & waste services	279	299	6.7%	48	69	30.4%	327	368	11.1%
Construction	1,445	1,432	-0.9%	204	176	-15.9%	1,649	1,608	-2.5%
Wholesale trade	754	697	-8.2%	131	94	-39.4%	885	791	-11.9%
Retail trade	2,876	2,920	1.5%	253	255	0.8%	3,129	3,175	1.4%
Accommodation & food services	1,355	1,574	13.9%	226	204	-10.8%	1,581	1,778	11.1%
Transport, postal & warehousing	999	1,035	3.5%	125	116	-7.8%	1,124	1,151	2.3%
Information media & telecommunications	205	217	5.5%	24	16	-50.0%	229	233	1.7%
Financial & insurance services	406	375	-8.3%	46	41	-12.2%	452	416	-8.7%
Rental, hiring & real estate services	227	199	-14.1%	27	32	15.6%	254	231	-10.0%
Professional, scientific & technical services	696	707	1.6%	87	76	-14.5%	783	783	0.0%
Administrative & support services	832	716	-16.2%	101	116	12.9%	933	832	-12.1%
Public administration & safety	1,075	1,163	7.6%	145	152	4.6%	1,220	1,315	7.2%
Education & training	1,649	1,791	7.9%	198	216	8.3%	1,847	2,007	8.0%
Health care & social assistance	2,115	2,546	16.9%	224	279	19.7%	2,339	2,825	17.2%
Arts & recreation services	182	214	15.0%	24	30	20.0%	206	244	15.6%
Other services	626	780	19.7%	82	87	5.7%	708	867	18.3%
Inadequately described/Not stated	622	531	-17.1%	100	78	-28.2%	722	609	-18.6%
Total	21,544	21,477	-0.3%	3,038	2,897	-4.9%	24,582	24,374	-0.9%

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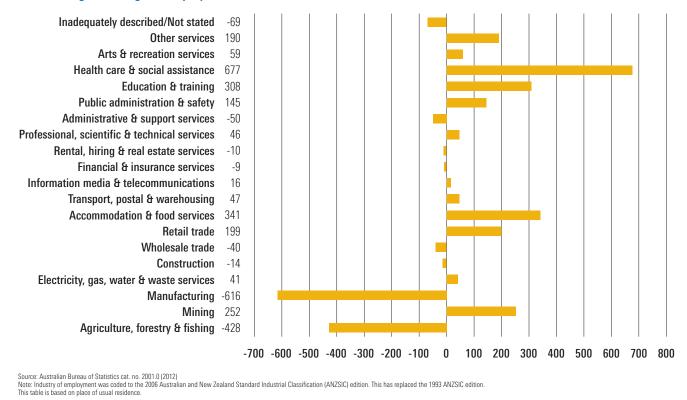
Changes in Employment by Industry Between 2006 and 2011

	Mildura Rural C	ity Council	Wentworth Shi	ire Council	Mildura I	Region
Industry	Number of employees	% difference	Number of employees	% difference	Number of employees	% difference
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	-475	-19.9%	-151	-26.3%	-626	-21.2%
Mining	+170	+68.5%	+75	+66.4%	+245	+67.9%
Manufacturing	-615	-37.3%	-57	-32.9%	-672	-36.8%
Electricity, gas, water & waste services	+20	+6.7%	+21	+30.4%	+41	+11.1%
Construction	-13	-0.9%	-28	-15.9%	-41	-2.5%
Wholesale trade	-57	-8.2%	-37	-39.4%	-94	-11.9%
Retail trade	+44	+1.5%	+2	+0.8%	+46	+1.4%
Accommodation & food services	+219	+13.9%	-22	-10.8%	+197	+11.1%
Transport, postal & warehousing	+36	+3.5%	-9	-7.8%	+27	+2.3%
Information media & telecommunications	+12	+5.5%	-8	-50.0%	+4	+1.7%
Financial & insurance services	-31	-8.3%	-5	-12.2%	-36	-8.7%
Rental, hiring & real estate services	-28	-14.1%	+5	+15.6%	-23	-10.0%
Professional, scientific & technical services	+11	+1.6%	-11	-14.5%	-	0.0%
Administrative & support services	-116	-16.2%	+15	+12.9%	-101	-12.1%
Public administration & safety	+88	+7.6%	+7	+4.6%	+95	+7.2%
Education & training	+142	+7.9%	+18	+8.3%	+160	+8.0%
Health care & social assistance	+431	+16.9%	+55	+19.7%	+486	+17.2%
Arts & recreation services	+32	+15.0%	+6	+20.0%	+38	+15.6%
Other services	+154	+19.7%	+5	+5.7%	+159	+18.3%
Inadequately described/Not stated	-91	-17.1%	-22	-28.2%	-113	-18.6%
Total	-67	-0.3%	-141	-4.9%	-208	-0.9%

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Mildura Region Change in Employment Numbers between 2006 and 2011

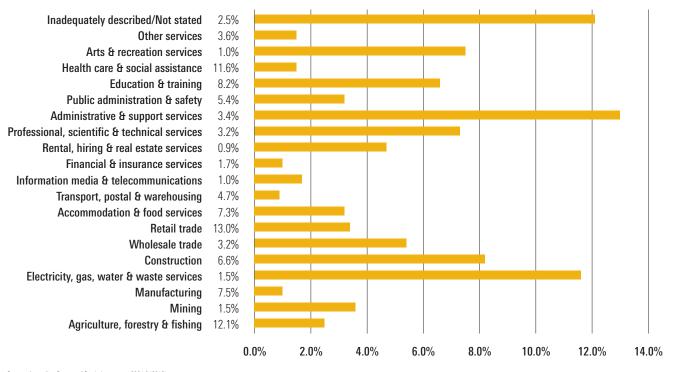


Employment by Industry, Mildura Region 2006 & 2011

Industry	Mildura Rural	City Council	Wentworth S	Shire Council	Mildura	a Region
muusuy	2011	%	2011	%	2011	%
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	2,382	11.1%	574	19.8%	2,956	12.1%
Mining	248	1.2%	113	3.9%	361	1.5%
Manufacturing	1,651	7.7%	173	6.0%	1,824	7.5%
Electricity, gas, water & waste services	299	1.4%	69	2.4%	368	1.5%
Construction	1,432	6.7%	176	6.1%	1,608	6.6%
Wholesale trade	697	3.2%	94	3.2%	791	3.2%
Retail trade	2,920	13.6%	255	8.8%	3,175	13.0%
Accommodation & food services	1,574	7.3%	204	7.0%	1,778	7.3%
Transport, postal & warehousing	1,035	4.8%	116	4.0%	1,151	4.7%
Information media & telecommunications	217	1.0%	16	0.6%	233	1.0%
Financial & insurance services	375	1.7%	41	1.4%	416	1.7%
Rental, hiring & real estate services	199	0.9%	32	1.1%	231	0.9%
Professional, scientific & technical services	707	3.3%	76	2.6%	783	3.2%
Administrative & support services	716	3.3%	116	4.0%	832	3.4%
Public administration & safety	1,163	5.4%	152	5.2%	1,315	5.4%
Education & training	1,791	8.3%	216	7.5%	2,007	8.2%
Health care & social assistance	2,546	11.9%	279	9.6%	2,825	11.6%
Arts & recreation services	214	1.0%	30	1.0%	244	1.0%
Other services	780	3.6%	87	3.0%	867	3.6%
Inadequately described/Not stated	531	2.5%	78	2.7%	609	2.5%
Total	21,477	100.0%	2,897	100.0%	24,374	100.0%

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Employment by Industry, Mildura Region 2011



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Occupation by Sex, Mildura Region 2001-2011

Industry	2	2001 Census	;	2	006 Census		2011 Census		
mustry	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Managers	3,431	1,421	4,852	3,139	1,354	4,493	2,762	1,232	3,994
Professionals	1,349	1,742	3,091	1,364	2,073	3,437	1,457	2,280	3,737
Technicians and trades workers*	2,576	479	3,055	2,803	564	3,367	2,884	550	3,434
Community and personal service workers	507	1,363	1,870	506	1,538	2,044	621	1,762	2,383
Clerical and administrative workers	506	2,070	2,576	516	2,243	2,759	514	2,363	2,877
Sales workers	861	1,429	2,290	914	1,674	2,588	911	1,719	2,630
Machinery operators and drivers	1,415	137	1,552	1,552	98	1,650	1,651	118	1,769
Labourers	2,398	1,482	3,880	2,503	1,527	4,030	1,942	1,313	3,255
Inadequately described/Not stated	308	235	543	281	185	466	308	183	491
Total	13,351	10,358	23,709	13,578	11,256	24,834	13,050	11,520	24,570

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2003.0 (March 2013)

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Change in Occupation, Mildura Region 2001-2011

Industry	Change between 2001-2011	% change between 2001-2011
Managers	-858	-21.5%
Professionals	646	17.3%
Technicians and trades workers *	379	11.0%
Community and personal service workers	513	21.5%
Clerical and administrative workers	301	10.5%
Sales workers	340	12.9%
Machinery operators and drivers	217	12.3%
Labourers	-625	-19.2%
Inadequately described/Not stated	-52	-10.6%
Total	861	3.5%

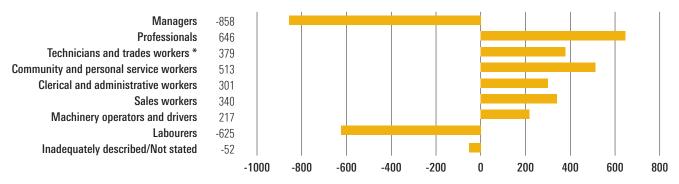
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INCOME

The average annual individual income in Mildura Rural City Council is \$37,675; in Wentworth Shire Council it is \$37,178.

Household income in the Mildura region shows that 24.0% of the region's households earn between \$400-\$799 per week.

Weekly Household Income, Mildura Rural City Council 2011

Weekly Household Income	Family Households	Non-family Households (a)	Total	Total Mildura Rural City Council %	Victorian %
Negative/Nil income	123	128	251	1.3%	1.6%
\$1-\$199	216	199	415	2.2%	1.6%
\$200-\$299	131	657	788	4.1%	2.7%
\$300-\$399	292	1,410	1,702	8.8%	6.1%
\$400-\$599	1,548	959	2,507	13.0%	9.3%
\$600-\$799	1,405	706	2,111	11.0%	8.5%
\$800-\$999	1,357	482	1,839	9.6%	8.0%
\$1,000-\$1,249	1,310	357	1,667	8.7%	8.2%
\$1,250-\$1,499	1,234	211	1,445	7.5%	7.4%
\$1,500-\$1,999	1,626	226	1,852	9.6%	11.4%
\$2,000-\$2,499	1,128	45	1,173	6.1%	8.2%
\$2,500-\$2,999	497	105	602	3.1%	7.4%
\$3,000-\$3,499	343	10	353	1.8%	4.3%
\$3,500-\$3,999	124	0	124	0.6%	2.0%
\$4,000 or more	161	4	165	0.9%	3.1%
Partial income stated (b)	1,363	62	1,425	7.4%	7.7%
All incomes not stated (c)	396	436	832	4.3%	2.8%
Total	13,254	5,997	19,251	100.0%	100.0%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2013)

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Weekly Household Income, Wentworth Rural City Council 2011

Weekly Household Income	Family Households	Non-family Households (a)	Total	Total Wentworth Rural City Council %	Victorian %
Negative/Nil income	28	17	45	1.8%	1.4%
\$1-\$199	35	19	54	2.2%	1.6%
\$200-\$299	11	67	78	3.2%	2.8%
\$300-\$399	44	173	217	8.8%	6.5%
\$400-\$599	204	113	317	12.9%	9.4%
\$600-\$799	187	81	268	10.9%	8.3%
\$800-\$999	171	61	232	9.4%	7.6%
\$1,000-\$1,249	168	41	209	8.5%	7.5%
\$1,250-\$1,499	159	30	189	7.7%	6.9%
\$1,500-\$1,999	203	21	224	9.1%	10.9%
\$2,000-\$2,499	136	0	136	5.5%	7.8%
\$2,500-\$2,999	65	15	80	3.3%	7.9%
\$3,000-\$3,499	53	0	53	2.2%	4.7%
\$3,500-\$3,999	24	0	24	1.0%	2.3%
\$4,000 or more	31	0	31	1.3%	4.0%
Partial income stated (b)	204	9	213	8.7%	7.7%
All incomes not stated (c)	58	32	90	3.7%	2.7%
Total	1,781	679	2,460	100.0%	100.0%

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Weekly Household Income, Mildura Region 2011

	Family Households	Non-family Households (a)	Total	% Total
Negative/Nil income	151	145	296	1.4%
\$1-\$199	251	218	469	2.2%
\$200-\$299	142	724	866	4.0%
\$300-\$399	336	1,583	1,919	8.8%
\$400-\$599	1,752	1,072	2,824	13.0%
\$600-\$799	1,592	787	2,379	11.0%
\$800-\$999	1,528	543	2,071	9.5%
\$1,000-\$1,249	1,478	398	1,876	8.6%
\$1,250-\$1,499	1,393	241	1,634	7.5%
\$1,500-\$1,999	1,829	247	2,076	9.6%
\$2,000-\$2,499	1,264	45	1,309	6.0%
\$2,500-\$2,999	562	120	682	3.1%
\$3,000-\$3,499	396	10	406	1.9%
\$3,500-\$3,999	148	0	148	0.7%
\$4,000 or more	192	4	196	0.9%
Partial income stated (b)	1,567	71	1,638	7.5%
All incomes not stated (c)	454	468	922	4.2%
Total	15,035	6,676	21,711	100.0%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2013)

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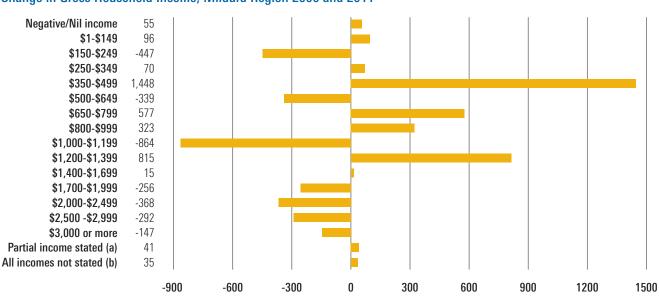
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Change in Gross Household Income, Mildura Region 2006 and 2011

Gross Household Income, Mildura Region 2006 and 2011

	2006	2011	Difference
Negative/Nil income	241	296	55
\$1-\$149	373	469	96
\$150-\$249	1,313	866	-447
\$250-\$349	1,849	1,919	70
\$350-\$499	1,376	2,824	1,448
\$500-\$649	2,718	2,379	-339
\$650-\$799	1,494	2,071	577
\$800-\$999	1,553	1,876	323
\$1,000-\$1,199	2,498	1,634	-864
\$1,200-\$1,399	1,261	2,076	815
\$1,400-\$1,699	1,294	1,309	15
\$1,700-\$1,999	938	682	-256
\$2,000-\$2,499	774	406	-368
\$2,500 -\$2,999	440	148	-292
\$3,000 or more	343	196	-147
Partial income stated (a)	1,597	1,638	41
All incomes not stated (b)	887	922	35
Total	20,949	21,711	762

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (2013) Notes: Excludes 'Visitors only' and 'Other non classifiable' households. Includes 'Lone person' and 'Group households'. (a) Comprises households where at least one, but not all, member(s) aged 15 years and over did not state an income and for user timesenshich because the Consum What not all, member(s) aged 15 years and over did not state an income and/or was temporarily absent on Census Night. (b) Comprises households where no members present stated an income



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Average Annual Individual Income, Mildura Region 2009-10

Region	Average Income (Male) \$	Average Income (Female) \$	Average Income (Persons) \$
Mildura Rural City Council	\$ 44,003	\$ 31,073	\$ 37,675
Wentworth Shire Council	\$ 42,583	\$ 31,091	\$ 37,178
Victoria	\$ 56,643	\$ 37,435	\$ 47,363
New South Wales	\$ 60,732	\$ 40,331	\$ 50,943

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 5673.0.55.003 (2012)

Education

The most popular field of study for those with qualifications in the Mildura region in 2011 was: engineering and related technologies (2,924 people), management and commerce (2,622 people), and health (2,127 people).

There are over 60 diverse educational institutions located in the Mildura region, catering for primary, secondary and tertiary students and adult education.

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The Mildura region has a diverse range of educational institutions, including two Universities, two TAFE campuses, approximately 20 other training providers, and over 45 schools.

In 2011, of those with qualifications, 41.6% had certificate level training, 15.5% had a bachelor degree and 12.8% had an advanced diploma or diploma.

The most popular field of study for those with qualifications was engineering and related technologies (2,924 people), management and commerce (2,622 people), and health (2,127 people).

Year 12 or equivalent high school level was achieved by 31.2% of the population, with 22.1% achieving year 10 or equivalent (2011).

Educational Institutions in the Mildura Region, 2013

TAFE & University	Address	Website		
La Trobe University (Mildura Campus)	Benetook Ave & Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.latrobe.edu.au/mildura/		
Sunraysia Institute of TAFE	Benetook Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.sunitafe.edu.au		
TAFE ŃSW - Riverina Institute	Silver City Highway, Dareton NSW 2717	www.rit.tafensw.edu.au		
Mildura Regional Clinical School (Monash University)	231-237 Thirteenth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.med.monash.edu.au/srh/mildura/		
Other Education Providers	Address	Website		
4Life Mildura	264 Twelfth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.4lifemildura.com.au		
ABC Training & Business Services	Shop 6 /102 Eighth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.abctraining.com.au		
All Star Training	53 Eighth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.allstaraccess.com.au		
Aust-Link	Karkarooc Industrial Skills Centre, Airport Precinct,	www.aust-link.com.au		
	Walnut Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.ddot inik.com.dd		
Australian National Institute	149 Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.ani.edu.au		
Complex Training Academy	Suite 2, 150 Langtree Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.complextraining.com.au		
Fishers Academy	101 Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.fishersacademy.com.au		
Kip McGrath Education Centres Sunraysia	443 Walnut Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.kipmcgrath.com.au		
MADEC Community College	126-130 Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.madec.edu.au		
Matthews & Associates	161 Lime Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.matthewsandassociates.com.au		
Mildura First Aid Services (Parasol EMT Mildura)	PO Box 3499, Mildura Vic 3500	www.mildurafirstaid.com.au		
National Security Training Academy	143 Lime Ave, Mildura Vic 3502	www.securitytraining.net		
Neil's Driver Training	7 Allen Dr, Mildura Vic 3500	www.securitytraining.net		
Northed International College	61 Orange Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.northed.edu.au		
Northern Alliance Training Service	143 Lime Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.nonneu.euu.au		
Safety Results	U1 29-31 Seventh St East, Mildura Vic 3500	www.safetyresults.com.au		
SMGT	158 - 164 Langtree Avenue, Mildura Vic 3500	www.smgt.com.au		
Top End Training	53 Eight St, Mildura Vic 3500 and 67 Hughes St, Ouyen Vic 3490	www.topendtraining.edu.au		
Victorian Schools				
Primary Schools (PS)	Address	Website		
Cardross Primary School	Dairtnunk Ave, Cardross Vic 3496	www.cardrossps.vic.edu.au		
Irymple Primary School	Fifteenth St, Irymple Vic 3498	www.irympleps.com		
Irymple South Primary School	Cnr Belar Ave & Fifteenth St ext, Irymple Vic 3498	www.irymplesouthps.vic.edu.au		
Koorlong Primary School	Benetook Ave, Koorlong Vic 3501	www.koorlongps.vic.edu.au		
Mildura Primary School	Twelfth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.milduraps.vic.edu.au		
Mildura South Primary School	593 Deakin Ave, Mildura South Vic 3501	www.msps.vic.edu.au		
Mildura West Primary School	Ninth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.web.mildurawestpc.vic.edu.au		
Nangiloc/Colignan and District Primary School	Kulkyne Way, Nangiloc Vic 3494	www.nangilocps.vic.edu.au		
Nichols Point Primary School	Fifth St, Nichols Point Vic 3501	www.nicholspointps.vic.edu.au		
Ranfurly Primary School	Ontario Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.ranfurlyps.vic.edu.au		
Red Cliffs East Primary School	Nerum Ave, Red Cliffs Vic 3496	www.rceps.vic.edu.au		
Red Cliffs Primary School	Murray Ave, Red Cliffs Vic 3498	www.redcliffsps.vic.edu.au		
Sunnycliffs Primary School	Sunny Cliffs Crs, Sunnycliffs Vic 3496	www.sunnycliffsps.vic.edu.au		
The Lake Primary School	Seventeenth St, Cabarita Vic 3505	www.thelakeps.vic.edu.au		
Underbool Primary School	Cotter St, Underbool Vic 3509	www.underboolps.vic.edu.au		
Walpeup Primary School	Glen St, Walpeup Vic 3507	www.walpeups.vic.edu.au		
Secondary Schools (SS)	Address	Website		
Chaffey Secondary College	Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.chaffeysc.vic.edu.au		
Irymple Secondary College	Karadoc Ave, Irymple Vic 3498	www.irysec.vic.edu.au		
Mildura Senior College	Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.milsen.vic.edu.au		
Red Cliffs Secondary College	Fitzroy Ave, Red Cliffs Vic 3496	www.red-cliffs-sc.vic.edu.au		
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P-10 Schools	Address	Website
Merbein P-10 College (Jenner Street Campus)	13 Jenner St, Merbein Vic 3505	www.merbeinp10.vic.edu.au
Merbein P-10 College (Paschendale Avenue Campus)	356 Paschendale Ave, Merbein Vic 3505	www.merbeinp10.vic.edu.au
Merbein P-10 College (Secondary Campus) Merbein P-10 College (Sturt Highway Campus)	188-206 Commercial St, Merbein Vic 3505 1192 Sturt Hwy, Merbein South Vic 3505	www.merbeinp10.vic.edu.au www.merbeinp10.vic.edu.au
Werbein 1-10 college (Start Highway campus)		www.merbeinp.to.vic.edd.ad
P-12 Schools	Address	Website
Mildura English Language Centre	Mildura Senior College, Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	
Mildura Specialist School	341-357 Deakin Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.mildss.vic.edu.au
Murrayville Community College	20 Francis St, Murrayville Vic 3512	www.murrayvillecc.vic.edu.au
Ouyen P-12 College (Primary Čampus)	Hunt St, Ouyen Vic 3490	
Ouyen P-12 College (Secondary Campus) Werrimull P-12 School	Fuller St, Ouyen Vic 3490 King St, Werrimull Vic 3496	www.ouyenp12college.vic.edu.au www.werrp12.vic.edu.au
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Catholic Schools	Address	Website
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Primary School	18 Box St, Merbein Vic 3505	www3.olshmerbein.catholic.edu.au
Sacred Heart Primary School	Cnr Twelfth St & Olive Ave, Mildura Vic 3500	www.shmildura.catholic.edu.au/
St Joseph's College, Mildura	154 Twelfth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.sjcmda.vic.edu.au
St Joseph's Red Čliffs	17 Fitzroy Ave, Red Cliffs Vic 3496	www.sjredcliffs.catholic.edu.au/
St Paul's Primary, Mildura	Cnr Etiwanda Ave & Fourteenth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.stplmldr.balrt.catholic.edu.au
Independent Schools	Address	Website
Henderson College	Cowra Ave, Irymple Vic 3498	www.henderson-college.com.au
Mildura Christian College	Cnr Karadoc Ave & Jones Rd, Irymple Vic 3498	www.milduracc.vic.edu.au
Trinity Lutheran College	920 Fifteenth St, Mildura Vic 3500	www.tlc.vic.edu.au
New South Wales Schools	Address	Website
Buronga Public School	Chapman St, Buronga NSW 2739	www.buronga-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Coomealla High School	Silver City Highway, Dareton NSW 2717	www.coomealla-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Dareton Public School	Matong St, Dareton NSW 2717	www.dareton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Gol Gol Public School	William St, Gol Gol NSW 2738	www.golgol-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Palinyewah Public School	Palinyewah, Wentworth NSW 2648	www.palinyewah-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Pomona Unified School District	Pomona Rd, Wentworth NSW 2648	www.pusd.org
Pooncarie Public School	Tarcoola St, Pooncarie NSW 2648	www.pooncarie-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Wentworth Public School	Darling St, Wentworth NSW 2648	www.wentworth-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Source: Northern Mallee Local Learning and Employment Network (2012), Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (2013)

La Trobe University (Mildura Campus)

As part of a multi campus network, the Mildura campus of La Trobe University currently has over 500 students. La Trobe University (Mildura Campus) offers undergraduate and postgraduate courses in Accounting, Arts, Business, Education, Graphic Design, Nursing, Health Science, Social Work and Visual Arts. Being a smaller campus, all students benefit from more one-on-one contact time with La Trobe staff. The courses have been designed to meet industry needs at regional, national and global levels. The Mildura campus enjoys very strong relationships with local businesses and the community.

Locations:

Main Campus

471 Benetook Avenue, Mildura Victoria 3500

Faculty of Business, Economics and Law and School of Social Work and Social Policy

The George & William Chaffey Building 29 Deakin Avenue, Mildura Victoria 3500

Visual Arts Research Studio (VARS)

Mildura Arts Precinct 7 Chaffey Avenue, Mildura Victoria 3500

Telephone +61 (3) 5051 4000 Email mildura@latrobe.edu.au www.latrobe.edu.au/mildura

Courses available at La Trobe University Mildura Campus include:

- Diploma of Business
- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Accounting
- Bachelor of Education
- Bachelor of Graphic Design
- Bachelor of Visual Arts
- Bachelor of Nursing (Pre-registration)
- Bachelor of Nursing (Division 2 Conversion)
- Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Paramedic Practice*
- Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Occupational Therapy Practice*



- Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Physiotherapy Practice*
- Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Podiatric Practice*
- Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Speech Pathology*
- Bachelor of Human Services/Master of Social Work
- Bachelor of Visual Arts (Honours)
- Bachelor of Graphic Design (Honours)

Postgraduate courses at the Mildura Campus include:

- Graduate Diploma in Accounting
- Master of Visual Arts
- Master of Social Work
- Masters (by Research) and Doctoral programmes (PhD) are also available in selected disciplines (depending on topic and availability of supervision)

* Indicates first year only

Monash University - Mildura Regional Clinical School

In 2001 the Federal Government provided funding to nine Universities with Medical Schools to set up Clinical Schools in rural Australia. The purpose of the regional clinical schools is to provide rural exposure to students early in their clinical years, with the overall aim of attracting new medical graduates back to the rural communities to practice.

Monash University was one of the universities funded by the Federal Government, and as such the Monash University School of Rural Health established the Mildura Region Clinical School (MRCS), located adjacent to the Mildura Base Hospital on Thirteenth Street. The MRCS receives students in years 2-5 of the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) course each year. Year 3 students spend 12 months in Mildura, Years 4 spend 6 months and Years 5 spend 6 weeks or more. Several of the MRCS graduates have already returned to work as medical practitioners in Mildura as a result of this exposure.

Facilities at the MRCS consist of tutorial and meeting rooms, academic and administrative offices, clinical teaching consulting rooms and a state-of-the art, high fidelity simulation and skills laboratory. The School also has advanced videoconferencing and other information technology equipment. A separate on-site building provides residential accommodation for 10 students, and MRCS also leases residential properties within Mildura for student accommodation.

Student numbers are continuing to increase at MRCS with the introduction of additional elective topics for students in anaesthetics, cardiology and Indigenous health, and there are plans for expansion of the simulation and skills laboratory in 2013.

Mildura Regional Clinical School

231-237 Thirteenth Street, Mildura West Victoria 3500 Telephone +61 (3) 5022 5500 www.med.monash.edu.au/srh/mildura/

Sunraysia Institute of TAFE

Sunraysia Institute of TAFE (SuniTAFE) is the largest provider of vocational education and training services in the north-west of Victoria, covering a geographic area of 77,000 square kilometres. SuniTAFE's traditional delivery areas reflected the industry base of the region - predominantly agriculture, horticulture, building, construction and trades, engineering, community health and



welfare, business and retail and hospitality services, as well as new and emerging technologies and green skills. Training is delivered on one of SuniTAFE's four campuses or through partnership and training agreements in the workplace.

SuniTAFE is one of five partner institutes in the National Centre for Sustainability which began as a Victorian government initiative to promote sustainability in key areas of education technology, building, renewable energy and conservation and land management.

SuniTAFE employs three hundred staff members at four campuses - Mildura, Swan Hill, Robinvale and Ouyen. The Institute has over eight thousand enrolments and in recent years has begun to recruit international students from China, India, Thailand and Korea. International students see Mildura as a safe destination with a welcoming community, a wonderful climate and the opportunity to find part-time employment.

TAFE provides a pathway to university for students who want to continue their studies when they complete their course. SuniTAFE has articulation pathways to La Trobe University and other institutions for many of its diploma and advanced diploma programs.

Locations:

Mildura Campus

Benetook Avenue, Mildura Victoria 3500 Telephone +61 (3) 5022 3666 Email mildura@sunitafe.edu.au

Swan Hill Campus

64 Sea Lake Swan Hill Road, Swan Hill Victoria 3585 Telephone +61 (3) 5036 0220 Email swanhill@sunitafe.edu.au **Robinvale Campus** 160 Bromley Road, Robinvale Victoria 3549 Telephone +61 (3) 5051 8300 Email robinvale@sunitafe.edu.au

Mallee Campus

46 Oke Street, Ouyen Victoria 3490 Telephone +61 (3) 5091 0400 Email mallee@sunitafe.edu.au

www.sunitafe.edu.au

Available training courses at Sunraysia Institute of TAFE, 2012

Available Courses by Title	
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander	General Education for Adults
Cultural Arts	Graphic Design
Accounting	Hairdressing
Aged Care	Horticulture
Agriculture	Hospitality
Animal Studies	Human Resources
Auditing	Information Technology
Automotive	Irrigation
Beauty	Laboratory Techniques
Building and Construction	Language, Literacy and Numeracy
Business	Management
Business Administration	Marketing
Children's Services	Motorsport
Commercial Cookery	Multimedia
Community Welfare	Nursing
Conservation and Land Management	Occupational Health and Safety
Electrical	Plumbing
Engineering	Production Horticulture
Event Management	Property
Financial Services	Retail
Food Processing	Training and Assessment
Frontline Management	Visual Arts

Source: Sunraysia Institute of TAFE (2012)

TAFE NSW - Riverina Institute

TAFE NSW Riverina Institute provides vocational and technical education through over 500 courses on 19 campuses in the Riverina region, including the Coomealla campus at Dareton NSW. Strong relationships with industry ensure that TAFE NSW Riverina Institute develops people with the skill sets that employers need, backed by qualifications that are recognised all around the world.

TAFE NSW Riverina Institute offers many specialty training programs for community service work, horticulture, food processing, aged care, hospitality, education and business.

In conjunction with full qualifications there are also a number of short courses available such as Responsible Service of Alcohol, RCG, Food Hygiene, Chainsaw Operations, Construction Induction (Whitecard) and Confined Spaces Entry just to name a few.

In 2012 TAFE NSW Riverina Institute received the NSW Large Training Provider of the Year Award and was then ranked in the top 3 for the National Large Training Provider of the Year award.

Location:

Silver City Highway Dareton NSW 2717 Telephone +61 (3) 5019 8700 www.rit.tafensw.edu.au

Available Training Courses at TAFE NSW Riverina Institute (Coomealla Campus), 2013

Available Courses	
Community Service Work	Diploma
Community Service Work	Certificate IV
Community Service Work	Certificate III
Children Services	Diploma
Children Services	Certificate III
Leisure and Health	Diploma
Aged Care	Certificate III
Hospitality	Certificate III
Retail	Certificate II
Business	Certificate IV
Business	Certificate III
Introduction to Computers	Statement of Attainment
Automotive	Certificate I
Automotive	Certificate II
Skills for Work and Training	Certificate II
Driver Education	Statement of Attainment
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Arts	Certificate II
Vocational and Community Engagement	Statement of Attainment
Language, Literacy and Numeracy	Course In

Source: TAFE NSW (2012)

Mildura Region Trade Training Centre

Trade Training Centres are established to help increase the proportion of students achieving Year 12 or its equivalent. An important step to achieving these goals is to ensure students have access to high quality, relevant education and training opportunities to engage them and to encourage them to continue their studies.

The Mildura Region Trade Training Centre was officially opened in April 2014. Eleven schools in the region are members of a consortium including Government, Catholic and Independent schools as well as Mildura Specialist School for young people with a disability.

The Mildura Region Trade Training Centre comprises of three main hubs based at the following secondary colleges: Deakin TTC – Mildura Senior College Riverside TTC – St Joseph's College Coomealla TTC – Coomealla High School

Each of the training hubs feature state of the art training equipment and facilities which will enhance pathways to further training and education as well as aiming to address the national skills shortages.

The VET in Schools programs are available to students studying at secondary colleges within the Mildura Region Trade Training Centre consortium.

Qualifications and Education Attainment

Non-School Qualification: Level of Education , 2006 & 2011

Level of Qualification		Mildura Rural City Council		Wentworth Shire Council			Mildura Region		
		2011	% Change	2006	2011	% Change	2006	2011	% Change
Postgraduate Degree Level	241	314	0.4%	27	30	0.1%	268	344	0.4%
Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate Level	447	489	0.2%	43	59	0.7%	490	548	0.3%
Bachelor Degree Level	2,477	2,884	2.2%	324	361	1.5%	2,801	3,245	2.1%
Advanced Diploma and Diploma Level	1,867	2,395	2.8%	249	296	2.0%	2,116	2,691	2.7%
Certificate Level	6,322	7,678	7.3%	880	1,033	6.4%	7,202	8,711	7.2%
Level of education inadequately described/not stated	5,020	4,811	-1.1%	691	614	-3.2%	5,711	5,425	-1.4%
Total	16,374	18,571	11.8%	2,214	2,393	7.5%	18,588	20,964	11.3%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 [March 2013] This table is based on place of usual residence. Excludes schooling up to Year 12. Excludes persons with a qualification out of the scope of the Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED). Count of persons aged 15 years and over with a qualification. Certificate Level includes Certificate 1, II, III, IV, and nfd.

Non-School Qualification: Level of Education , 2006 & 2011

Level of Qualification	Mildura Rural City Council		Wentworth S	Shire Council	Mildura Region	
	2006	2011	2006	2011	2006	2011
Postgraduate Degree Level	1.5%	1.7%	1.2%	1.3%	1.4%	1.6%
Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate Level	2.7%	2.6%	1.9%	2.5%	2.6%	2.6%
Bachelor Degree Level	15.1%	15.5%	14.6%	15.1%	15.1%	15.5%
Advanced Diploma and Diploma Level	11.4%	12.9%	11.2%	12.4%	11.4%	12.8%
Certificate Level	38.6%	41.3%		43.2%	38.7%	41.6%
Level of education inadequately described/not stated	30.7%	25.9%	31.2%	25.7%	30.7%	25.9%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (March 2013) This table is based on place of usual residence. Excludes schooling up to Year 12. Excludes persons with a qualification out of the scope of the Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED). Count of persons aged 15 years and over with a qualification. Certificate Level includes Certificate I, II, III, IV, and nfd. Note: Some totals will not sum due to rounding errors.

Highest Year of School Completed, 2011

	Mildura Rural Cit	y Council	Wentworth Sh	nire Council	Mildura Region	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Year 12 or equivalent	12,102	31.6%	1,399	27.7%	13,501	31.2%
Year 11 or equivalent	5,856	15.3%	759	15.0%	6,615	15.3%
Year 10 or equivalent	8,329	21.8%	1,247	24.7%	9,576	22.1%
Year 9 or equivalent	3,834	10.0%	589	11.7%	4,423	10.2%
Year 8 or below	4,100	10.7%	549	10.9%	4,649	10.7%
Did not go to school	375	1.0%	23	0.5%	398	0.9%
Highest year of school not stated	3,673	9.6%	480	9.5%	4,153	9.6%
Total	38,269	100.0%	5,046	100.0%	43,315	100.0%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (March 2013) This table is based on place of usual residence. Count of persons aged 15 years and over who are no longer attending primary or secondary school.

Enrolment and Field of Study

Non-school Qualification by Field of Study, 2006 & 2011

Field of Study	Mildura Rura	City Council	Wentworth S	Shire Council	Mildura Region	
	2006	2011	2006	2011	2006	2011
Natural and Physical Sciences	295	272	31	35	326	307
Information Technology	111	168	13	13	124	181
Engineering and Related Technologies	2,316	2,549	349	375	2,665	2,924
Architecture and Building	956	1,014	150	145	1,106	1,159
Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies	741	842	162	160	903	1,002
Health	1,619	1,901	198	226	1,817	2,127
Education	1,435	1,625	206	217	1,641	1,842
Management and Commerce	1,851	2,316	224	306	2,075	2,622
Society and Culture	1,168	1,738	132	174	1,300	1,912
Creative Arts	275	369	24	29	299	398
Food, Hospitality and Personal Services	1,029	1,262	119	135	1,148	1,397
Mixed Field Programmes	25	25	3	6	28	31
Field of study inadequately described	164	204	16	29	180	233
Field of study not stated	4,389	4,285	589	543	4,978	4,828
Total	16,374	18,570	2,216	2,393	18,590	20,963

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 2001.0 (March 2013) This table is based on place of usual residence. Excludes persons with a qualification out of the scope of the Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED). Count of persons aged 15 years and over with a qualification.

Environment Sustainability and Research & Development

OUR REGION

LOCAL PARKS AND RESERVES

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The Mildura region has a wealth of natural resources and diverse ecosystems. Popular natural attractions include Mungo National Park and the Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area; the Murray and Darling rivers, national parks, lakes and wetlands and Mallee scrub.

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> 76M People Per Year

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Department of Environment and Primary Industries - Victoria

The Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI) is responsible for agriculture, fisheries, biosecurity, forestry, game hunting, water, biodiversity, protection of natural resources, and land and fire management in Victoria.

DEPI design and deliver government policies and programs that enable Victoria's primary industries and natural resource assets to sustainably maximise the wealth and wellbeing they generate, by providing essential goods and services, employment, investment and recreational opportunities.

DEPI's aim is to respond to ongoing issues, emergencies and trends by providing government services. Core services include:

- Emergency management including bushfire management, biosecurity and flood services
- Strategy and Policy development assisting and transforming primary industry and natural resources.
- Legislation and regulation ensuring our natural resources are well managed and protected
- Sustainable practice change encouraging the uptake of new ideas and practice.
- Information services on topics such as marine species, weeds, geo-scientific maps and surveys, climate, pests and diseases, smart meters.
- Research, development and extension which does not compete with the private sector and underpins the productivity and competiveness of Victoria's food and fibre sector is a priority for the department.
- Ensuring a safe, reliable and sustainable supply of water for irrigators, urban uses and the environment
- Enhancing the values of Victoria's parks and forests
- · Investing in improved land and catchment management
- · Protecting biodiversity and the associated ecosystem services
- Providing quality property administration services and information.

The Department of Environment and Primary Industries, Mildura facilities accommodate DEPI, Parks Victoria and the Mallee Catchment Management Authority staff and include state of the art laboratories and glasshouses, a level three Incident Control Centre, working farm and fire depot.

Mallee Catchment Management Authority

The Mallee Catchment Management Authority (CMA) works with the community, partner agencies and investors to plan for and deliver integrated and sustainable management of the region's natural resources.

The Mallee CMA was established by the Victorian Government in 1997, under the Catchment and Land Protection Act 1994. It operates under goals of the Regional Catchment Strategy and partners with the community, agencies and investors to deliver projects to address a range of priority natural resource management issues in region. The work of the Authority is based on science and delivered through meaningful partnerships with local organisations such as Landcare, community groups, and government agencies.

The Mallee CMA region is the largest catchment area in Victoria, covering approximately 3.9 million hectares. The region includes the Murray River from Nyah to the South Australian border, through areas of high-value irrigated horticulture and National Parks, and south through vast dryland cropping areas and public reserves to the Wimmera.

www.malleecma.vic.gov.au

Murray Darling Freshwater Research Centre

The Murray-Darling Freshwater Research Centre (MDFRC) is a multi-disciplinary research centre with laboratories in Mildura and Wodonga, employing approximately 50 staff between the two facilities. An unincorporated joint venture, the MDFRC is steered by a Board comprised of La Trobe University, CSIRO and Murray Darling Basin Authority representatives.

At the Mildura laboratory MDFRC undertakes research and monitoring on diverse aspects of freshwater ecology, including; • environmental flows in rivers and wetlands

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- vegetation, fish and invertebrate ecology
- changes in aquatic flora and fauna communities
- operation of water regulation structures

The overarching aim of thier research is to improve understanding of the influence of flow on biodiversity, ecological function and ecosystem resilience.

The multi-disciplinary expertise within the MDFRC enables them to provide a comprehensive ecological research service to federal, state and regional government agencies and to collaborate with university and other research organisations. The Centre has a proven track record in dealing with water management issues both locally and nationally.

The MDFRC has developed a strong teaching role and capacity, ranging from support for PhD and Honours degrees through to undergraduate offerings and a program of school events. The partnership with La Trobe University provides exciting opportunities to develop this capability.

Between the two facilities at Mildura and Wodonga MDFRC maintains capacity across three broad areas; nutrient cycles, biology and ecology. In the area of nutrient cycles, the MDFRC has an established National Association of Testing Authorities accredited chemical laboratory to underpin both water quality and nutrient cycling research projects and assessments of water quality. The MDFRC also maintains a microbiological laboratory that supports research on the major drivers of nutrient cycles in aquatic ecosystems. The MDFRC has significant biological expertise particularly in the areas of macro- and micro-invertebrate taxonomy. The Centre's invertebrate taxonomy laboratory maintains



an invertebrate reference collection (spanning approximately 30 years). The Centre has also developed the capacity to identify fish larvae.

With two regional laboratories along the Murray River, the Murray-Darling Freshwater Research Centre is ideally located for accessing the main water assets of the lower Murray-Darling Basin. MDFRC research into freshwater ecology informs management of the key environmental values of the region and builds on global freshwater knowledge. The knowledge MDFRC generates gives a scientific underpinning to resource management and industry decisions around use of the rivers and floodplains in this region.

www.mdfrc.org.au

National Centre for Sustainability

The National Centre for Sustainability (NCS) is a collaboration of several educational institutions. It provides educational leadership and works in partnership with industry, government and the community to undertake program delivery, resource development, project work and applied research, to support the development of sustainable practices.

The National Centre for Sustainability - Sunraysia operates from the Mildura and Swan Hill campuses of Sunraysia Institute of TAFE. It works with local stakeholders, community, schools and government agencies to achieve sustainability gains in the environment across the Sunraysia region. To achieve this, the Centre identifies potential sustainability gains, initiates sustainability projects, engages community partners, enhances the capacity of partners, implements physical change and provides project management. The NCS also undertakes behavioural change programs through grants in areas such as rural leadership, indigenous training and sustainable building and gardening projects.

www.ncsustainability.com.au

NSW Department of Primary Industries

The NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) at Dareton services horticultural producers in the Lower Murray Darling region of the state. Research is primarily directed at improving the sustainability of citrus production.

NSW DPI is located in the major fruit growing area that forms part of the Sunraysia irrigation region of New South Wales and Victoria.

The NSW DPI is in the Coomealla irrigation area, 3km from Dareton and 10km from Wentworth. The NSW DPI, Dareton catchment is 243ha in area, and about one-third of this area has soils suitable for horticulture.

- The main horticultural industries have been citrus and dried vine fruit.
- Minor crops include avocados, stone fruit and pistachios.

Jointly funded by NSW DPI and industry, research has focused on the improvement of citrus fruit size and quality to assist export development programs and the development of new varieties and rootstocks to address current and future market requirements.

Work is directed at gaining a better understanding of the impact of seasonal conditions on fruit development and the identification of key growth stages for manipulating crop load and enhancing fruit size, quality and post-harvest shelf-life. Parks Victoria is the custodian of a diverse estate of significant parks in Victoria. There are approximately 3.96 million hectares of parks and reserves covering about 17 per cent of Victoria and visited by 76 million visitors a year. More than one million hectares are in the Mallee region.

NSW DPI at Dareton has a national coordination role in citrus variety research with trial sites located at Dareton and in the Riverina in NSW, as well as in Western Australia, South Australia, and Queensland.

The national program for screening and evaluation of new citrus rootstocks is also centred at Dareton in an industry funded program involving NSW DPI, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), The South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI), and the Queensland Department of Primary Industries & Fisheries.

www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

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Through effective environmental and visitor management, Parks Victoria is dedicated to preserving the natural and heritage values of the parks, bays, and waterways, including full protection of sensitive areas.

Healthy Parks Healthy People

Parks Victoria is also focusing on the contribution our parks and waterways make to healthy and liveable communities.

Healthy Parks expresses a commitment to a parks and waterway system that is resilient, protects biodiversity and is actively managed to resist threats such as weeds and pests. Healthy Parks deliver clean water, clean air and sequester carbon. Healthy People expresses the central role our natural environment plays in the health and wellbeing of individuals and our community.

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Excellence in environmental management

Parks Victoria's people are well qualified to address the challenges involved in balancing protection of our natural heritage with the needs of visitors. Integrated environmental policy, planning and research functions have been established to ensure that standards of excellence and efficiency are achieved.

Our Parks are in safe hands

Parks Victoria employs staff across the State in a wide range of roles. Most are professionals with formal qualifications in park and reserve management, environmental management and recreation. This highly skilled and experienced team includes over 400 Rangers based in parks, bays, and waterways supported by specialists in business systems, financial management, planning and marketing.

All are totally committed to their role of protecting the State's natural and cultural heritage, and to developing an understanding and appreciation of this heritage by park visitors and the Victorian community.

The Mallee region

Parks Victoria manages more than a million hectares of national parks in Victoria's Mallee region, and these adjoin similar areas in South Australian and New South Wales.

These parks are extremely important for nature conservation because of their relatively undisturbed state and tremendous variety of biodiversity. They feature wide open spaces, magnificent sunsets, abundant spring wildflowers, and interesting cultural history. Autumn, winter and spring are the best times to visit. The main picnic and camping areas are generally accessible in 2WD vehicles, and 4WD opportunities abound.

Hattah- Kulkyne National Park and Murray-Kulkyne Regional Parks Victoria

This park features the merging of rolling Mallee dunes with the Murray River and a series of intermittent lakes protected under an international agreement (the RAMSAR Convention Treaty) for protection of wetlands.

There is a Visitor Information Centre, a Nature Drive and a self-guided Nature Walk, as well as opportunities for lakeside camping, canoeing, walking, picnicking or just relaxing.

The cultural history of the park is rich. For thousands of years indigenous people have been sustained by Murray River's floodplain system rich waters and woodlands. During flood periods, they camped on mounds that formed islands in the high water, moving from place to place in canoes constructed from the bark of River Red Gums. Indigenous people also built weirs to trap fish in times of high water. Mussels were a staple diet for the river tribes while the shells provided utensils like spoons, scrapers and knives.

Early European settlers soon followed the inland watercourses, and indigenous people's lifestyles were severely affected. Sheep and cattle grazing, wood cutting, paddle boats and river trade have impacted severely on the parks. But nature is strong and management strives to restore the balance.

Wyperfeld National Park

Wyperfeld is Victoria's third largest national park and Australia's first Mallee National Park. Celebrating 100 years as a reserve in 2009, the park protects 356,800 ha of Mallee country. Emus and Western Grey Kangaroos can be seen grazing at dawn and dusk in the usually dry lake beds and creeks.

Camping with basic facilities is available in the northern section at Casurina Campground, via Patchewollock or Underbool. Wonga Campground in the south, approached from Rainbow and Yaapeet, has a Visitor Information Centre, self-guided trails (including the Tyakil Nature Walk) and a scenic Nature Drive. The Indigenous Wotjobaluk people regularly travelled along Outlet Creek visiting lakes and swamps. European settlers followed the same route to establish pastoral runs from the 1860s on.

Pressure from the naturalists inspired the government to reserve 3,900 hectares in 1909 and Wyperfeld National Park was proclaimed in 1921.

Big Desert Wilderness Park

One of the most remote and least disturbed areas in Victoria, this park protects 142,300 ha of the Mallee. Vehicles are not permitted, but the park can be explored on foot from the neighbouring tracks. Bushwalkers must be experienced and self-reliant. 4WD access through the Big Desert outside the Wilderness Park is via the Murrayville Track.

Murray Sunset National Parks Victoria

Murray Sunset National Park is in north-west Victoria, between Mildura and Renmark, about 550km from Melbourne and 400km from Adelaide. The park protects 677,000 hectares of Mallee woodlands, pink salt lakes and River Red Gums.

Aboriginal people lived in the area for thousands of years. Shell middens, hearths and scar trees found throughout the park reveal much about the lifestyle and rich culture of the people. Local food resources include fish, freshwater mussels, reptiles, kangaroos, quondong fruits and Nardoo, a freshwater fern.

Stock grazing in the "Sunset Country" dates back as far as the 1860s. Remnants of the pastoral era such as the shearers' quarters and Mopoke Hut can be discovered. Pest plant and animal eradication and revegetation works are restoring areas affected by stock grazing and rabbits.

Kings Billabong Park

Kings Billabong is part of the Murray River floodplain which is dry for most of the year. Occasionally it floods and at these times fish, plants, seeds and other wetland foods are spread throughout the area, attracting wildlife.

Local Aboriginal people enjoyed the Billabong's rich life-supporting wetland food supply. Shell middens (kitchen hearths), burials and scar trees indicate a lifestyle celebrated on these banks for centuries.

Kings Billabong took its name from Captain James King, who navigated the Murray River and its tributaries in the late 19th Century. The Chaffey brothers, supported by Alfred Deakin established nearby Mildura (originally a sheep station) as a suitable location for Australia's first irrigation settlement.

The reserve was logged until the 1950s to supply fuel for steam-powered paddle boats and pumps. There were also cattle grazing, cultivation and dried fruit rack sites in the reserve until 1989.

www.parkweb.vic.gov.au

SunRISE Mapping and Research

SunRISE Mapping and Research is an enterprise of Mallee Family Care Incorporated specialising in mapping and spatial information services. Since 1995, SunRISE Mapping and Research has been developing its expertise and capacity, and meticulously compiling unique regional data sets particularly with respect to irrigated horticulture, its industries and communities. These resources provide powerful communication, management and planning tools accessed by individuals, industry organisations, research agencies, businesses and government agencies; across local, regional and National programs.

SunRISE Mapping and Research is a community based organisation specialising in mapping and spatial information services.

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SunRISE Mapping and Research mapping and information products are customised to meet specific client information needs through integration, analysis and concise presentation of digital data from a range of sources.

SunRISE Mapping and Research recognises that the region supports a diverse range of industries with a unique climate, land and water resources. As such, the organisation uses the latest digital mapping technologies and its vast range of data sets to provide information for industry planning, management and sustainable development opportunities.

www.sunrisemapping.org.au

Retail and Property

The retail sector is the largest employer in the Mildura region, employing 3,175 people or 13.0% of the workforce (2011). Retail generates an output of \$282.121 million per annum.

Mildura's retail industry services a large surrounding area from South Australia, New South Wales and regional Victoria. RETAIL EMPLOYS 3,175 People in 2011

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\$282.121m

RETAIL

Fifteenth Street

Mildura's Fifteenth Street precinct is home to a number of significant retailers such as Harvey Norman, The Good Guys, Rays Outdoors, Bunnings Warehouse, Spotlight, Big W, BCF, Coles, Cheap as Chips and Dan Murphy's.

The Mildura Homemaker Centre is also located on Fifteenth Street and contains a number of furniture and retail shops.

Mildura Central

Mildura Central is a fully enclosed shopping centre located on the corner of Deakin Avenue and Fifteenth Street, Mildura. It is home to over 70 specialty shops as well as Target, Woolworths Supermarket and JB Hi-Fi. In 2005 a \$35m redevelopment of Mildura Central saw it increase significantly in floor space and attract a number of national chain retailers and local stores to the complex.

Mildura Central's specialty stores include fashion, accessories, homewares, communications, games and much more. It is also home to a pharmacy, newsagency, licensed café, hairdresser, travel outlet, beauty therapist and a wide range of banks and other services.

www.milduracentral.com.au

Mildura City

The Central Business District (CBD) in Mildura is home to over 300 specialty stores, including boutique and specialist retail outlets, and the Langtree Mall. In 2012-2013 the Mall underwent a \$4.7 million redevelopment including new paving, seating, trees, shade shelters and a central pavilion.

The region's main dining precinct 'Feast Street' is also located on Langtree Avenue. 'Feast Street' caters for alfresco dining and has a number of cafes, coffee shops and restaurants providing a broad range of cuisines.

Support services such as banks, accountancy and legal firms, IT businesses and real estate agents are also located in the CBD. Many towns within the Mildura region also offer excellent shopping and service centre facilities.

The following banks and credit unions are available in the Mildura region:

- ANZ
- MECU
- Bank of Melbourne
- National Australia BankWestpac
- Bendigo Bank
- Commonwealth Bank

www.milduracity.com.au

Mildura East

East of the CBD district you will find numerous trade, industrial, engineering and automotive services and suppliers.

The Mildura region also has niche retail shops located in Irymple, Red Cliffs, Wentworth, Merbein and Ouyen.

PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

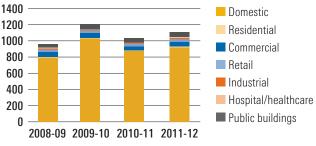
Mildura Rural City Council

Building Approvals

Number of Building Permits and Use, Mildura Rural City Council										
Building Type	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12						
Domestic	794	1,027	872	916						
Residential	9	9	10	13						
Commercial	61	58	45	57						
Retail	27	31	42	34						
Industrial	18	12	10	18						
Hospital/healthcare	11	3	-	9						
Public buildings	39	67	54	60						
Total	959	1,207	1,033	1,107						

Source: Building Commission Pulse^o Report (November 2012)

Number of Building Permits and Use, Mildura Rural City Council



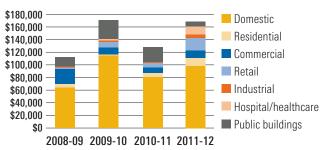
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Value of Building Permits and Use, Mildura Rural City Council (000's)

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Building Type	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12						
Domestic	\$63,679	\$ 114,525	\$80,663	\$98,188						
Residential	\$5,589	\$ 1,899	\$ 6,285	\$12,563						
Commercial	\$23,967	\$ 10,906	\$8,329	\$12,036						
Retail	\$ 2,556	\$ 8,271	\$7,810	\$19,532						
Industrial	\$1,291	\$ 2,868	\$1,191	\$5,909						
Hospital/healthcare	\$ 73	\$ 2,300	\$ -	\$12,273						
Public buildings	\$15,184	\$ 30,299	\$23,942	\$8,063						
Total	\$112,339	\$ 171,068	\$128,220	\$168,564						

Source: Building Commission Pulse^o Report (November 2012)

Value of Building Permits, Mildura Rural City Council (000's)



Source: Building Commission Pulse^o Report (November 2012)



Definitions

Domestic building use

A single dwelling such as a detached house, row house, terrace house, town house or villa unit.

Residential building use

Buildings such as a boarding house, guest house, hostel, lodging-house, backpackers accommodation, a residential part of a hotel or motel; a residential part of a school; accommodation for the aged, disabled or children; a residential part of a health-care building which accommodates members of staff; a residential part of a detention centre.

Wentworth Shire Council

Dwelling Approvals

Numb	Number of New Dwelling Approvals, Wentworth Shire Council											
Year	Wentworth	Curlwaa	Pomona/Ellerslie/ Outlying Areas	Coomealla/ Dareton	Buronga	Gol Gol	Total					
2008	4	2	2	0	6	14	28					
2009	6	1	1	1	6	6	21					
2010	2	0	0	1	7	6	16					
2011	0	0	3	1	2	11	17					
2012	3	1	0	1	6	2	13					
Totals	15	4	6	4	27	39	95					

Source: Wentworth Shire Council (June 2013)

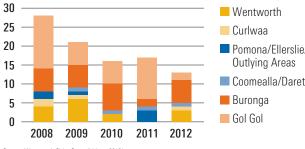
Value	Value of New Dwelling Approvals, Wentworth Shire Council										
Year	Wentworth	Curlwaa	Pomona/Ellerslie/	Coomealla/	Buronga	Gol Gol	Total				
			Outlying Areas	Dareton							
2008	\$867,684	\$329,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$1,685,700	\$3,706,422	\$7,088,806				
2009	\$1,197,431	\$200,000	\$182,000	\$250,000	\$1,537,900	\$1,544,860	\$4,912,191				
2010	\$251,000	\$0	\$0	\$180,000	\$2,243,834	\$1,467,853	\$4,142,687				
2011	\$0	\$0	\$769,385	\$231,681	\$544,200	\$2,800,884	\$4,346,150				
2012	\$562,500	\$348,790	\$0	\$216,768	\$1,776,648	\$550,265	\$3,454,971				
Totals	\$2,878,615	\$877,790	\$1,451,385	\$878,449	\$7,788,282	\$10,070,284	\$23,944,805				

Source: Wentworth Shire Council (June 2013)

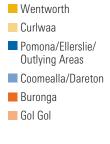
Of the new dwelling approvals issued in Wentworth Sh Council between 2008-2012, 41.1% were for the town of Gol Gol, followed by Buronga with 28.4%.

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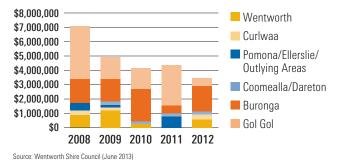
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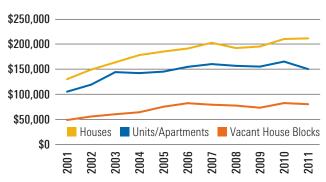
MEDIAN PROPERTY PRICES

Mildura Rural City Council

Median Property Prices, Mildura Rural City Council, 2001-2011									
Year	Houses	Units/	Vacant House						
		Apartments	Blocks						
2001	\$130,000	\$105,000	\$48,500						
2002	\$149,000	\$119,000	\$55,500						
2003	\$163,500	\$144,000	\$60,000						
2004	\$178,000	\$142,000	\$64,000						
2005	\$185,000	\$145,000	\$75,000						
2006	\$191,000	\$154,500	\$82,000						
2007	\$202,500	\$160,000	\$79,000						
2008	\$192,000	\$156,500	\$77,265						
2009	\$195,000	\$155,000	\$73,000						
2010	\$210,000	\$165,000	\$82,250						
2011	\$211,250	\$150,000	\$80,000						
Average Annual Growth	6.1%	4.9%	6.1%						

Source: Department of Sustainability and Environment 'A Guide to Property Values' 2011

Median Property Prices, Mildura Rural City Council, 2001-2011



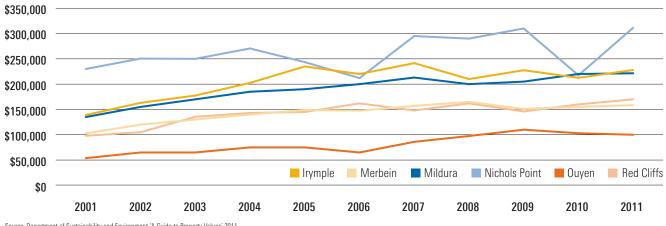
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Between 2001 and 2011, Ouyen house prices grew by an average of 6.4% per annum, Red Cliffs houses by an average of 5.7% per annum, and Irymple by an average of 5.1% per annum. Some of these areas experienced very few sales of properties, so while statistically these figures are correct, they may not be a true reflection of annual growth.

Median House Prices b	y Locality, 2001-2	2011				
Year	Irymple	Merbein	Mildura	Nichols Point	Ouyen	Red Cliffs
2001	\$139,000	\$102,800	\$135,000	\$230,000	\$53,800	\$98,000
2002	\$163,000	\$120,000	\$155,000	\$250,500	\$65,000	\$105,000
2003	\$177,500	\$130,000	\$170,000	\$250,000	\$65,000	\$135,500
2004	\$202,500	\$140,000	\$185,000	\$270,500	\$75,000	\$143,000
2005	\$235,000	\$149,000	\$190,000	\$243,500	\$75,000	\$145,000
2006	\$220,000	\$147,500	\$200,000	\$212,000	\$65,000	\$162,000
2007	\$241,500	\$157,000	\$213,000	\$295,000	\$86,000	\$148,000
2008	\$210,000	\$165,000	\$200,000	\$290,000	\$97,500	\$162,000
2009	\$227,500	\$151,000	\$205,000	\$310,000	\$110,000	\$146,000
2010	\$212,500	\$155,000	\$220,000	\$217,500	\$103,000	\$160,000
2011	\$228,000	\$158,500	\$221,500	\$311,500	\$100,000	\$170,000
Average Annual Growth	5.1%	4.4%	5.1%	3.1%	6.4%	5.7%

Source: Department of Sustainability and Environment 'A Guide to Property Values' 2011 Note: Nichols Point recorded less than 10 sales per year in 2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2010

Median Property Prices by Locality, 2001-2011



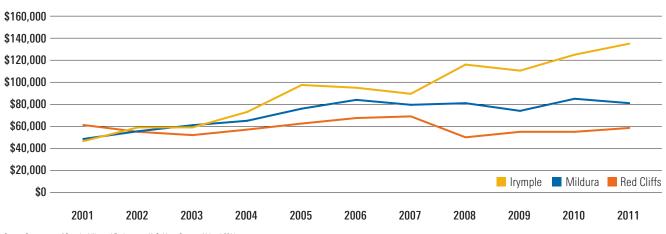
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Median vacant house blocks in Irymple increased in value by an average of 11.3% per annum between 2001 and 2011, with vacant house blocks selling for a median price of \$135,000 in 2011. The median vacant house block price in Mildura in 2011 was \$81,000, compared to \$58,500 in Red Cliffs.

Median Vacant House Block Prices by Locality, 2001-2011					
Year	Irymple	Mildura	Red Cliffs		
2001	\$46,500	\$48,500	\$61,200		
2002	\$59,000	\$55,500	\$55,000		
2003	\$59,000	\$61,000	\$52,000		
2004	\$73,000	\$65,000	\$57,000		
2005	\$97,500	\$76,000	\$62,500		
2006	\$95,000	\$84,000	\$67,500		
2007	\$89,500	\$79,500	\$69,000		
2008	\$116,000	\$81,000	\$50,000		
2009	\$110,500	\$74,000	\$55,000		
2010	\$125,000	\$85,000	\$55,000		
2011	\$135,000	\$81,000	\$58,500		
Average Annual Growth	11.2%	5.3%	-0.5%		

Source: Department of Sustainability and Environment 'A Guide to Property Values' 2011 Note: Irymple recorded less than 10 sales per year in 2006, 2008 and 2011

Median Vacant House Block Prices by Locality, 2001-2011



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Annual Median Property Prices, Victoria, 2001-2011						
Year	Houses	Units/Apartments	Vacant House Blocks			
2001	\$185,000	\$215,500	\$65,000			
2002	\$220,000	\$245,000	\$76,000			
2003	\$250,000	\$260,000	\$97,500			
2004	\$270,000	\$261,000	\$112,000			
2005	\$280,500	\$272,500	\$120,000			
2006	\$300,000	\$290,000	\$125,400			
2007	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$135,000			
2008	\$336,000	\$340,000	\$141,500			
2009	\$360,000	\$365,000	\$153,000			
2010	\$420,000	\$409,500	\$172,000			
2011	\$420,000	\$402,000	\$179,000			
Average Annual Growth	9.3%	8.1%	11.1%			

Source: Department of Sustainability and Environment 'A Guide to Property Values' 2011

Wentworth Shire Council

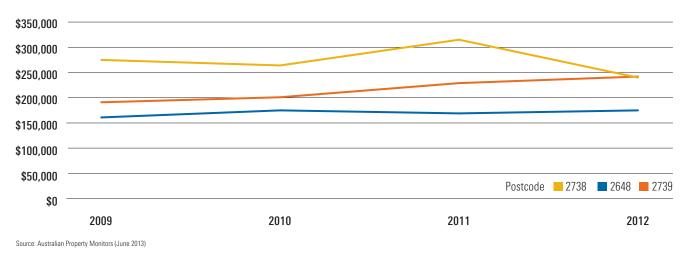
Median house prices in Wentworth Shire Council have varied greatly throughout the municipality between 2009 and 2012. House prices increased in Wentworth/Pooncarie/Curlwaa by an average 6.6% per annum; Buronga/Mourquong/Boeill Creek increased by an average 6.3% per annum; and Gol Gol/Monak/Trentham Cliffs/Paringi housing prices declined by -3.3%.

Median House Price Trends, Wentworth Shire Council (selected areas)							
Postcode	2009	2010	2011	2012			
2738 (Paringi, MALLEE, Gol Gol, Monak, Trentham Cliffs)	\$275,000	\$264,000	\$315,000	\$240,000			
2648 (Scotia, Pomona, Anabranch North, Ellerslie, PINE CAMP, Rufus, Wentworth,	\$161,000	\$175,000	\$169,000	\$175,000			
Para, Pan Ban, Moorara, Pooncarie, Curlwaa, Anabranch South)							
2739 (Mourquong, Buronga, BOEILL CREEK)	\$191,000	\$201,000	\$229,000	\$242,000			

Source: Australian Property Monitors (June 2013)



Median House Price Trends, Wentworth Shire Council (selected areas)



Median House Price Trends, % Change from Previous Year, Wentworth Shire Council (selected areas) Postcode 2738 (Paringi, MALLEE, Gol Gol, Monak, Trentham Cliffs) 2009 -4.5% 2010 2011 2012 Average Annual Growth -4.0% 19.3% -23.8% -3.3% 2648 (Scotia, Pomona, Anabranch North, Ellerslie, PINE CAMP, Rufus, Wentworth, 17.5% 8.7% -3.4% 3.6% 6.6% Para, Pan Ban, Moorara, Pooncarie, Curlwaa, Anabranch South) 2739 (Mourquong, Buronga, BOEILL CREEK 0.5% 5.2% 5.7% 6.3% 13.9%

Source: Australian Property Monitors (June 2013)

Definitions

Mean

The mean is the average of a series of numbers. Adding up a series of numbers and then dividing by how many numbers there are gives you the mean.

Median

The median is the middle value in a list of numbers that must be listed in numerical order.

three bedroom house in the Mildura region vary from \$193 in Wentworth Shire Council, to \$240 in Mildura Rural City Council; compared to \$270 in Regional Victoria and \$350 in New South Wales.

RENTAL PRICES

Median Weekly Rents, Mildura Region, June Quarter 2012							
Dwelling Type	Mildura Rural City Council	Regional Victoria	Wentworth Shire Council	New South Wales			
Flat							
1 Bed	\$133	\$150	NA	\$390			
2 Bed	\$175	\$210	NA	\$400			
House							
2 Bed	\$193	\$230	NA	\$300			
3 Bed	\$240	\$270	\$193 (s)	\$350			

Notes: (s) 30 or less bonds lodged therefore data based on a small sample Source: Victorian Dept. of Human Services 'Rental Report' (June 2012 quarter); NSW Dept. of Housing 'Rent Report' (June 2012 quarter)

DOCKSIDE MILDURA MARINA

The Dockside Mildura marina is located on the Murray River within walking distance to the Mildura central business district. It has a 270 metre frontage along the Murray River. Dockside Mildura is an accessible and prestigious place in which to live, to conduct business and to relax. Dockside combines the lifestyle features of a master planned resort, with the functionality and practicality required of a premier grade marina facility.

The first stages of development, including the master plan design, creation of the marina basin and land for residential and commercial precincts, installation of essential services and roadways already have been completed. The first stage of marina berths have been installed, and home construction is well underway. The Marina Services Centre including café and refuelling facilities are in place and further stages of residential development are currently being undertaken.

Dockside's landmark red bridge, located within walking distance of the Mildura CBD, incorporates restored sections of the historic lift span bridge that originally crossed the Murray River between Mildura and Buronga.

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Dockside Mildura is taking shape as a \$120 million-plus development comprising a sophisticated mix of:

- 15 Premium Home sites
- 19 Harbourfront Villas
- 39 Harbourview Villas
- 24 Horizonview apartments in a luxury mid-rise
- 14 rivers edge apartments
- Hotel and conference centre
- Retail and commercial space
- Fully floating freehold marina berths for private owners and commercial operators
- Marina Services Centre
- Walkways, promenades and public open space

MILDURA RIVERFRONT PRECINCT REDEVELOPMENT

Mildura's most exciting public works project will connect the town of Mildura to the river and create a unique space that has the potential to be a tourist destination in its own right.

The two-staged redevelopment aims to establish Mildura as Victoria's most significant inland river city.

Stage 1

Stage 1 is a fully funded \$18.3 million project led by Mildura Rural City Council. It will connect the river to Mildura's CBD at Langtree Avenue via a pedestrian promenade that crosses the existing railway line and leads down to the riverfront. A 1.2km stretch of parklands and facilities between the Nowingi Place near the George Chaffey Bridge and the Powerhouse next to Jaycee Park will also be enhanced as part of Stage 1.

The project aims to connect the city to the river and reinvigorate the space by enhancing and building on existing assets within the parklands.

Stage 2

Stage 2 is managed by Regional Development Victoria and takes in around nine hectares of land alongside the railway line between Madden Avenue and Walnut Avenue.

In 2012 Places Victoria reviewed and updated the 2010 Riverfront Masterplan. The revised Masterplan identifies a new pedestrian connection from Langtree Avenue to the riverfront, upgraded Rowing Club lawns area and new Tourism Centre with restaurant, café and gallery. A supporting business case was developed and submitted to the State Government for funding consideration in 2013.

In May 2013 the State Government reaffirmed \$5 million for the connection of the city to the river which will be delivered as part of Stage 1. Outstanding components of the Stage 2 Masterplan require further funding before they can commence. The plan is flexible and can respond to economic and market changes and as funding becomes available over time.

Construction works have commenced and will be completed by late 2015.

For more information about the Mildura Riverfront Precinct Redevelopment go to www.mildura.vic.gov.au

Climate and Land

As a major agricultural area of Australia, the Mildura region has great climate and soil conditions. This, combined with irrigated crop land, offer opportunities for agricultural and horticultural development.

The Mildura region has a warm dry climate, with an average annual maximum temperature of 24°C, and an annual rainfall of 284mm. CLIMATE WERAGE TEMPERATURE 24°C

ANNUAL RAINFALL

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TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

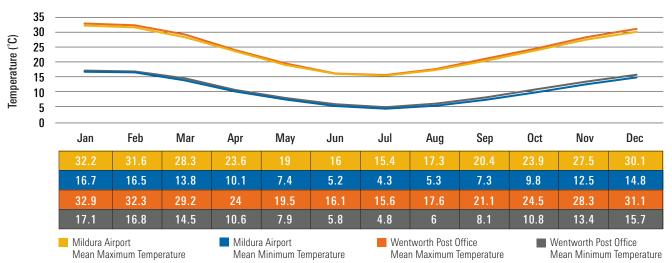
Note: See Retail and Property section for definition of Mean and Median

Annual Mean Temperature Readings, Mildura Region							
	Mildura Post Office (a)	Mildura Airport (b)	Wentworth Post Office (c)	Merbein CSIRO (f)	Mildura Region		
Mean Max Temp	24.5°C	23.6°C	24.3°C	23.7°C	24.0°C		
Mean Min Temp	10.4°C	10.3°C	10.9°C	9.6°C	10.1°C		

Source: Bureau of Meteorology (2011)

Annual Mean Rainfall Readings, Mildura Region							
	Mildura Post Office (a)	Mildura Airport (b)	Wentworth Post Office	Merbein CSIRO (g)	Mildura Region		
Mean Rain (mm)	268.1	296.3	285.4 (d)	285.1	283.7		
Median Rain (decile 5, mm)	266.8	276.7	274.3 (d)	283.7	287.7		
Mean rain days >= 1mm	43.1	44.7	43.9 (e)	46.8	44.6		

Source: Bureau of Meteorology (2011) Notes: (a) 60 years (b) 50 years (c) 61 years (d) 143 years (e) 140 years (f) 47 years (g) 71 years

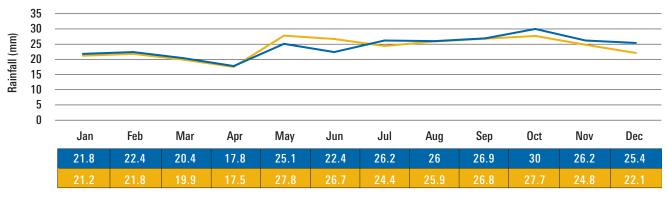


Mean Temperature Readings, Mildura Region (over 60 years of readings)

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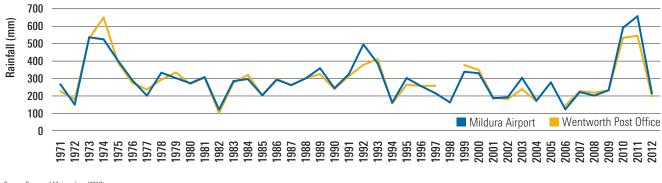
Mean Rainfall Readings, Mildura Region (mm) (over 60 year period)



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Source: Bureau of Meteorology (2013)





Source: Bureau of Meteorology (2013) Note: Some yearly totals were not available.

SOIL IN THE MILDURA REGION

The Mildura region has a great diversity of soil types that reflect differences in parent material, topography, climate, organic activity and age. There are five main soil categories:

- Calcareous Soils
- Sandy Soils
- Texture Contrast Soils
- Cracking Clay Soils
- Wet Soils

Calcareous Soils

The most common calcareous soils are formed on calcareous, aeolian sediments of variable texture. These soils can be calcareous throughout, and often have accumulations of calcium carbonate (lime) in the soil profile.

Generally with a gradual increase in clay content with depth, the pH tends to be highly alkaline in the subsoil. Sodicity and salinity levels are usually high in the heavier subsoils.

Crops: dryland cereals and grazing, irrigated viticulture, stone fruit and nuts.

Sandy Soils

Characteristic of the upper slopes and crests of the dunes, these soils are thought to have originated as coastal sands when the seas retreated westwards from the Murray Gulf. There is little soil development apart from weak surface accumulation of organic matter. These loose sands have low fertility and a high wind erosion hazard.

Crops: irrigated citrus and avocados.

Texture Contrast Soils

Texture contrast soils display strong texture contrast between the surface (A horizons) and the subsoil (B horizons) e.g. sand or loam over clay. They have subsoils which are not strongly acid but are sodic. Their surface texture ranges from sandy loam to clay loam over medium to heavy clay.

On the higher terraces near the River Murray, texture contrast soils support shrublands of saltbush and bluebush. Erosion has frequently removed the surface horizons to expose red, somewhat saline clays that seal over on wetting. These sites are difficult to reclaim on dryland farms and are known as "scalded country".

Crops: dryland pasture and grazing, irrigated viticulture and stonefruit.

Cracking Clay Soils

These soils occur on alluvium and associated lake bed deposits, along creeks and rivers, as well as on broad low-lying plains. They are cracking clay soils that display significant shrinking and swelling during wetting and drying cycles. They exhibit strong cracking when dry, and at depth have slickensides and/or lenticular peds. Profiles are typically gilgaied, coarsely structured, sodic, gypseous and somewhat saline.

Crops: irrigated viticulture and stonefruit.

Wet Soils

Hydrosols are soils which are seasonally or permanently saturated (for at least 2-3 months per year) occur naturally in low-lying parts of the Mildura region where saline regional groundwater reaches the surface. Soil surfaces are variably saline, depending largely on depth to the watertable.

Soils which are saline to the surface are commonly red clay loams overlying gypsum. They may be bare or support extremely salt tolerant low bushes such as samphire. Soils which are non-saline at the surface but highly saline at depth usually have a sandy surface and support shrubs such as saltbush.

The area of Hydrosols is increasing in both dryland and irrigated areas because of changed hydrological conditions since European settlement.

Crops: not suitable for commercial crops.

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Industry

MILDURA REGION'S TOP 4 PRODUCE FOR AUSTRALIA

The Mildura region has a long history as a major agricultural and horticultural centre, with fruit and vegetable growing and processing continuing to expand and diversify.

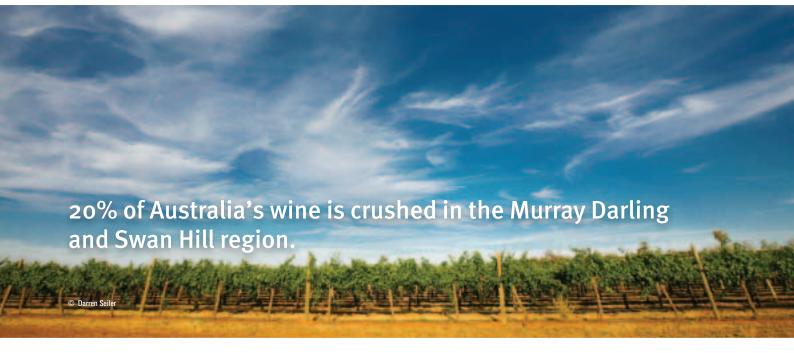




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AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE

The Mildura region and surrounds grow the following percentage of Australia's produce:

- 98% of dried grapes
- 75% of table grapes
- 68% of almonds
- 48% of pistachios
- 45% of olive oil*
- 24% of citrus
- 20% of the wine grape crush
- 13% of carrots
- 10% of melons
- 9% of asparagus

Note: Some of the figures above include data for the Murray Darling, Swan Hill and Sunraysia regions.

* Based on data provided by Boundary Bend Olives who are based in the Swan Hill region

Greater Sunraysia Pest Free Area

The Greater Sunraysia Pest Free Area (PFA) is a zone aligned to the horticultural production areas situated along both sides of the Murray River between Kerang and Wentworth. Strict legislative controls regulate the movement of Queensland Fruit Fly (QFF) host produce into the area to protect it from QFF and to secure lucrative interstate and international markets, worth millions of dollars to the region. The presence of QFF has the potential to severely impact the region's economic viability. The legislative measures in place support control, surveillance, communication and compliance programs to manage this risk.

Uncertified QFF host product cannot enter the PFA – this rule applies to one apple or a large consignment supplying a supermarket. Accreditation agreements are in place and audited to allow wholesalers and retailers of host produce to trade.

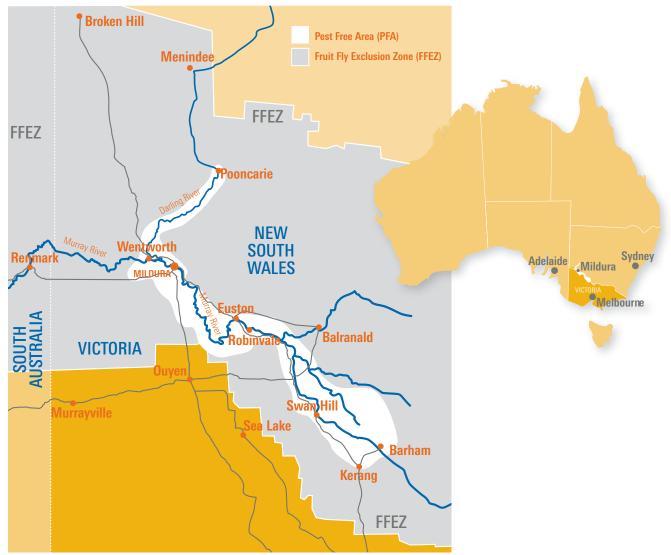
Travellers are also affected by these controls. Quarantine bins provide travellers with the opportunity to dispose of any QFF host produce in their possession prior to entering the PFA. Random roadblock programs reinforce the 'don't travel with fruit' message and check for compliance. Heavy fines can be issued to offenders.

Keeping the PFA free of QFF is everyone's responsibility and is critical to sustaining the future of the region's horticultural industries.

For more information visit www.pestfreearea.com.au or www.depi.vic.gov.au



Map of the Greater Sunraysia Pest Free Area



Source: Department of Environment and Primary Industries

WINE AND BEVERAGE INDUSTRY

The Murray Darling and Swan Hill regions are a significant grape growing and wine production zone in Australia, crushing over 313,354 tonnes of wine grapes, roughly 20% of the total Australian grape crush in 2012. Much of the wine from the region is exported, with primary markets being the United States and the United Kingdom, and the rapidly emerging Chinese market. Wine producers in the Murray Darling region range from boutique to large scale producers with the third and fourth largest wineries in Australia located in this region.

Over 40 different varieties of grapes are grown in the Murray Darling region with the most popular varieties including Chardonnay, Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The region also produces a wide range of alternative variety wine grapes, with Mildura hosting the Australian Alternative Varieties Wine Show each year.

Wines from the Murray Darling region have won hundreds of awards at both national and international wine shows over the years. Some of Australia's most recognised and successful brands source wine from this region, brands such as Lindemans, Australian Vintage, Zilzie Wines, Qualia Wine Services, Wingara Wine Group and Trentham Estate are all located in the region.

Murray Darling Map

The map below highlights the Murray Darling and Swan Hill winegrape growing regions.

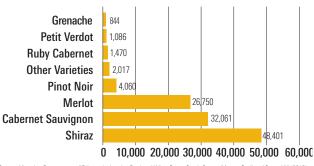


Red Grape Varieties for Wine in the Murray Darling and **Swan Hill Region**

Variety	Winery Grown 2012 (tonnes)	Total Crush 2012 (tonnes)
Black Muscat	0	102
Cabernet Franc	0	3
Cabernet Sauvignon	3,884	32,061
Chambourcin	0	3
Durif	58	164
Gamay	0	3
Grenache	0	844
Malbec	0	186
Mataro (Mouvedre)	0	122
Merlot	4,614	26,750
Muscat Brown (Red Front)	0	296
Nebbiolo	8	8
Other Red (group together)	39	120
Petit Verdot	78	1,086
Pinot Noir	125	4,060
Rubired	0	8
Ruby Cabernet	1,326	1,470
Sangiovese	213	580
Shiraz	6,028	48,401
Tannat	33	105
Tempranillo	20	310
Zinfandel	0	7
Total	16,426	116,689

Source: Victorian Department of Primary Industries Regional Wine Grape Crush Survey Murray Darling / Swan Hill (2012) Note: Figures represented include production from Swan Hill wine region, which is outside the Mildura region. Winery grown figures are for grapes grown on winery owned or operated vineyards in the Murray Darling and Swan Hill wine regions, and represent only those figures reported by wineries surveyed. Not all wineries provided information for the Crush Survey. Total Crush' includes winery grown and grapes grown by independent wine grape grower suppliers to wineries in the two surveyed wine regions.

Total 2012 Crush for Red Grape varieties for Wine in the Murray Darling and Swan Hill Region (tonnes)



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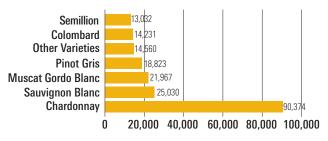
White Grape Varieties for Wine in the Murray Darling and Swan Hill Region

Variety	Winery Grown 2012 (tonnes)	Total Crush 2012 (tonnes)
Arneis	0	17
Canada Muscat	20	2,166
Chardonnay	13,602	90,374
Chenin Blanc	0	83
Colombard	835	14,231
Crouchen	288	288
Marsanne	0	5
Muscadelle (Tokay)	0	18
Muscat Blanc (Frontignac)	0	1,105
Muscat Gordo Blanc	1,186	21,967
Orange Muscat	0	256
Other white (group together)	40	4,189
Pedro Ximenes	10	10
Pinot Gris	1,133	18,823
Riesling	664	1,440
Sauvignon Blanc	3,625	25,030
Semillon	4,421	13,032
Sultana	0	1,346
Taminga	12	124
Verdelĥo	366	811
Viognier	229	1,351
Total	26,431	196,666

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Total 2012 Crush for White Grape Varieties for Wine in the Murray Darling and Swan Hill Region (tonnes)



Source: Victorian Department of Primary Industries Regional Wine Grape Crush Survey Murray Darling / Swan Hill

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Wine Production in the Murray Darling and Swan Hill Region

Variety	Hectares Grown	Total Wine Crush 2012	Wine Crush 2012 (%	
	2006	(tonnes)	of Australian Total) *	(M\$)
Red	8,757	116,688	15.20%	\$35.40
White	13,383	196,666	23.50%	\$65.50
Total	22,140	313,354	19.60%	\$100.90

Source: Victorian Department of Primary Industries Regional Wine Grape Crush Survey Murray Darling / Swan Hill (2012); ABS Cat. No. 1329.0 (2010-2011) released in 2012; SunRise 21 (2006). * Hectares grown are sourced from SunRise 21 2006 crop report and are for the Murray Darling area and are not to be used in conjunction with production figures above. Australian production volume of wine crush is based on 2010-2011 information

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Note: Visit www.growmilduraregion. com.au for a full list of the region's wineries and cellar doors.

Treasury Wine Estate (Lindeman's)

One of the largest wineries in the Mildura region is Lindeman's Karadoc complex which was established in 1973. In addition to the popular Lindeman's cellar door, the site facilities include a wine production, packaging and national distribution centre. Owned by Treasury Wine Estates (TWE) a leading international wine business, with a portfolio of more than 80 brands around the globe, Karadoc is a key site within TWE's Australian production network and the primary sparkling wine facility within the group. The Karadoc Warehouse is the National Distribution centres and warehouses, as well as managing wine deliveries direct to major retailer's warehouses.

The Karadoc site is home to Australia's largest sparkling wine production operation with carbonation, charmat and tirage sparkling wine capability up to 500 kilolitres per week.

This site is one of the top three employers in the Mildura region with around 250 permanent employees plus casual contractors during vintage and peak production periods.

Current winery crush capacity is 100,000 tonnes of grapes. The winery can process up to 2,500 tonnes of grapes per day, with a red ferment capacity of 7,000 tonnes per fill. Total wine storage capacity is 117 million litres with the largest tanks being 1.5 million litres making them the largest tanks in the Australian wine industry.

The Lindeman's brand is one of the oldest wine brands in Australian with the first vines planted in 1843. Today Lindeman's wines are well know all over the world with key export markets throughout USA and Europe.

www.lindemans.com

Australian Vintage

Australian Vintage Limited (AVL) has a fully-integrated wine business model, with capabilities extended to vineyards, boutique and bulk wine production, packaging, marketing and distribution. Australian Vintage is one of the largest vineyard owners and managers in Australia, crushing approximately 10% of the total Australian annual production.

Central to AVL's ongoing success is the Buronga Hill winery located near Buronga in the Mildura region. It is one of the largest wineries in Australia, offering a 135,000 tonne capacity. Using the latest technology, this batch processing plant is renowned for its commitment to efficient and 'enviro-friendly' winemaking. It is also the home of AVL's no and low alcohol production facility which has the most technologically advanced spinning cone column in the country.

All of Australian Vintage's packaging and distribution for both the Australian and South-East Asian, Chinese, North American, Middle East and New Zealand export markets is managed from AVL's packaging facility at Merbein. Merbein Packaging is a complete facility, with wine tank farms, storage facilities for all product and five processing lines with the capacity to bottle products from table wine through to fortified and casks. The facility is also equipped with purpose built warehouses which are designed to aid the loading and unloading of product and raw materials. The facility is currently 'fed' from Buronga Winery and Yaldara Winery in South Australia. Merbein Packaging also have a purpose built filtration and reticulation systems designed to minimise water use and recycle whenever possible. Forward thinking in the building and layout of the facility has allowed Merbein Packaging to expand to meet future packaging and distribution needs for Australian Vintage.

www.australianvintage.com.au

Zilzie Wines

Zilzie Wines is one of Australia's largest family owned and operated wineries. With a current crush capacity of 45,000 tonnes, the winery was purpose built in 1999 with the view of future expansion already in mind. The fully streamlined and functional layout boasts 60 million litres of wine storage in tank sizes ranging from 5,000 to 387,000 litres and the ability to process in excess of 1000 tonnes of grapes each day during vintage.

The first Zilzie vineyards were established in the mid 1980's. Now home to 13 grape varieties and just over 1700 acres of premium vines, Zilzie is the 10th largest wine producer by vineyard area and the 11th largest by grape intake.

The winery continues to integrate advancements in technology into the day to day operations of the winery facility and holds accreditations in major QA standards such as HACCP, ISO9001, AS4801, ISO14001 as well as A grade BRC certification.

Zilzie employs 40 permanent staff year round with the number nearly tripling with casuals and contractors during vintage and peak winemaking periods.

Zilzie not only produce table wines for their own premium brands, they offer exclusive label, buyer's own brands and contract make bulk wines across a broad and global customer base.

www.zilziewines.com

Best Bottlers

Established in 2001, Best Bottlers is a contract wine bottling, packaging and warehousing business based in the Mildura region. The bottling facility has the capacity to bottle approximately 2,500,000 cases per year on a two shift basis, and has over 11,000 square metres of secure, on-site, temperature controlled warehousing.

Their bottling service caters for 187ml through to 1.5 litre bottles, and 200ml to 750ml for the bottling of sparkling wine. The line can accommodate cork, plastic stopper, crown, seal, screw cap, Zavent and SPK (Zork) closures.

Other specialised services offered by Best Bottlers include:

- Storage of bulk wine
- Quality assurance
- Domestic distribution
- Secure, insulated warehouse
- Self-adhesive label applicators
- Export documentation and coordination
- Coordinating container loading and sea freight
- Provision to bottle 187ml, 200ml, 375ml, 500ml, 750mL and 1.5L sizes
- Modern fully equipped chemical & micro laboratory
- Full product recall identification procedures
- Organising specific bottling components
- Cold stabilisation and filtration
- Flexible bottling lines
- Technical analysis
- Wine carbonation
- Tank ferments
- Stelvin closure
- · Basket pack and wrap pack for small format bottles on line
- De label and relabel solutions

www.bestbottlers.com.au

Sunraysia Cellar Door

Sunraysia Cellar Door are a winery cellar door located in Mildura, showcasing over 250 wines from 22 wine producers throughout the Murray Darling region.

Mildura Brewery

Mildura Brewery is located in the former Astor Theatre in Mildura's restaurant precinct. The art deco building houses a pub, a function area and a state-of-the-art brewery. Owned by Stefano de Pieri and Donata Carrazza, the site has been expanded to include a larger fermentation area and a modern bottling line, capable of packaging 3,000 bottles per hour. The award winning brewery produces six permanent naturally brewed beers as well as seasonal brews.

www.mildurabrewery.com.au

Trentham Estate

Trentham Estate has a rich history that the Murphy family has proudly continued from one generation to the next and in 2013 celebrated its 25th year.

The Murphy Vineyards comprises of 20 different varieties over 46 hectares of various age, the oldest planted in 1952. The winemaking facility has expanded from its first crush to a boutique sized, state-of-the-art feature handling some 4,000-6,000 tonnes of premium varietal fruit each vintage. The Cellar Door and Restaurant have developed into an impressive riverside destination where the tradition of quality food, wine and customer service continues as always.

Trentham's winery has been operating since 1988, and their winemaking philosophy has always been to produce high-quality varietal wines at an affordable price, with an emphasis on full fruit flavour and palatability. Vintage typically begins at Trentham in mid to late January - slightly earlier than most wine regions of Australia due to the warmer climate of the Murray Darling. Grapes are picked and crushed at optimum ripeness to produce the perfect flavour.

Over the years Trentham Estate has produced a good balance of classic wine styles mixed with a number of alternative varieties. Anthony and Patrick Murphy have a passion for producing wines true to their natural varietal character, as well as experimenting with grape varieties that are lesser-known yet likely to thrive in the Mediterranean climate Mildura and the Murray Darling wine region are known for.

Today the Estate is a well recognised establishment, growing and producing highly commended wines. Trentham's wines are not only available throughout Australia they are also well known all over the world as Trentham distribute their wines to a wide range of key export markets throughout the United Kingdom, Belgium, Germany, China, Japan, Korea & Hong Kong.

Trentham is very proud and humbled as a result of the many awards and accolades it has collected over the journey - including hundreds of wine show medals, an impressive array of wine trophies, and recently were awarded five stars in the 2015 James Halliday Australian Wine Companion.

www.trenthamestate.com.au

75% of Australia's table grapes are grown in and around the Mildura region.

The Mildura region produces 98% of Australia's dried grapes and is home to Dried Fruits Australia, the peak industry body representing the interests of growers that dates back to 1895.

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TABLE GRAPES

Table grapes are another crop in which Sunraysia leads the country. 75% of all table grapes in Australia are grown in and around the Mildura region. The Australian Table Grape Association is also based in Mildura.

Table Grapes in NW Victoria, Big Rivers NSW and Lower Murray SA Region

Сгор	Hectares Grown 2012	Production Volume 2012 (tonnes)	Production Volume 2012 (% of Australian Total)			
Table Grape (all varieties)	8,000	92,500	75%	\$247.50	40,000	\$150

Source: ABS Cat. No. 1329 (2008), Australian Table Grape Association (2013), SunRise 21 (2013), Fresh Intelligence Consulting (2013) Notes: Production figures taken from ABS regional districts NW Victoria, Big Rivers NSW and Lower Murray, which are larger than the Mildura region. Production value for Mildura region is based on total production in Australia and export figures assume national average of exports of table grapes. Hectares grown are sourced from SunRise 21 2006 crop report for the Murray Darling area and should not be used in conjunction with production figures above.

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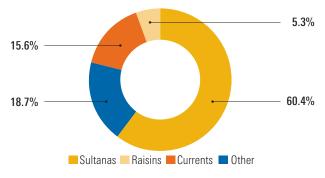
DRIED GRAPES

Dried Vine Fruit in the Murray Darling Region

Variety	Hectares	Production Volume	Production Volume 2012
	Grown 2012	2012 (tonnes)	(% of Australian Total)
Sultanas	2,428	8,167	98.0%
Currants	450	2,106	95.0%
Raisins	178	721	100.0%
Other	519	2,531	98.0%
Total	3,575	13,525	98.0%

Source: Dried Fruits Australia (2012) Note: The "Other" category reflects the change over to Sunmuscats and other new varieties and as such hasn't diminished at the same rate as the major varieties.

Dried Vine Fruit in the Murray Darling Region, Production Volume 2012 (%)



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Sunbeam Foods

With 98% of Australia's dried grapes produced in the Mildura region it is not surprising that the region is home to Sunbeam, Australia's largest dried fruit company.

Sunbeam, which also includes the Angas Park brand, services the export, retail and food services markets. Sunbeam employs 150 staff within Sunraysia and produces 20,000 tonnes of dried grapes and dried tree fruit annually.

www.sunbeamfoods.com.au

Australian Premium Dried Fruits

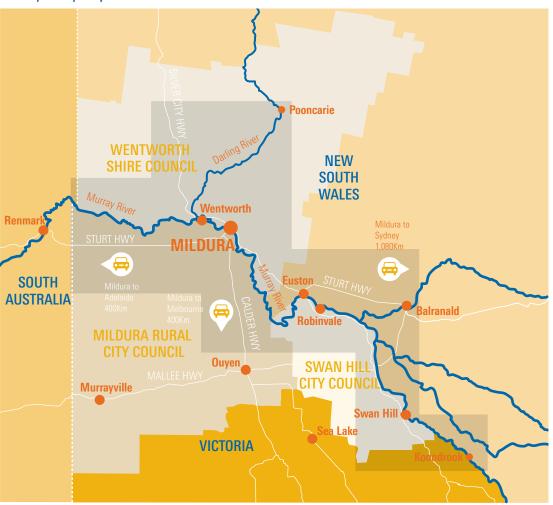
Australian Premium Dried Fruits (APDF) have a state of the art processing facility located near Mildura. Over 90 growers supply APDF with Sultanas, Sunmuscat Raisins, Currants and Organics which are supplied to both retail and wholesale markets. APDF is HACCP and NAASA Organic certified.

www.apdf.com.au

CITRUS

The map below highlights the Murray Darling and Swan Hill citrus growing regions.

Murray Valley Map



24% of Australia's citrus is grown in the Murray Valley region

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The Murray Valley region (which incorporates Mildura), is a significant citrus growing region, producing over 40% of the Navel orange crop in Australia. Mildura is also the headquarters of Citrus Australia Ltd, the peak body of the citrus industry in Australia.

Dried Vine Fruit in the Murray Darling Region

Crop	Planted 2013 (Ha)	Fruit Bearing 2013 (Ha)	Production Volume 2012 - 2013 (tonnes)	Production Volume 2012 (% of Australian Total)	Australian Production Volume 2012 (tonnes)
Oranges - Navel	3,948	3,673	84,207	41.1%	205,000
Oranges - Valencia	1,070	1,014	29,412	14.0%	210,000
Mandarin	904	710	12,905	12.9%	100,000
Lemon/Lime	151	105	3,158	12.4%	25,500
Grapefruit	179	173	5,100	39.5%	12,900
Tangelo Total	66	66	1,676	27.1%	6,176
Total	6,318	5,741	136,458	24.4%	559,576

Source: Murray Valley Citrus Board (2013), Citrus Australia Ltd (2013)

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Mildura Fruit Company

Mildura is home to Australia's largest citrus packer and exporter, Mildura Fruit Company (MFC).

MFC sources quality citrus from approximately 130 citrus growers along the Murray & Darling Rivers in South Eastern Australia, a region recognised as Australia's food bowl, renowned for producing quality fresh produce. The great depth of MFC's citrus supply ensures large volumes of quality citrus are sourced from an extensive harvest area to meet the requirements of customers.

MFC packs out of a single, very large packing house located in Mildura, employing 40 permanent staff and approximately 150

casual staff to meet seasonal and shift requirements. MFC is one of the Australia's most technologically advanced citrus packers, making extensive use of bar code scanning and computerised fruit sizing and sorting equipment. MFC is continually upgrading equipment to cope with a steady growth in packing and marketing demand. MFC's operation consists of two large capacity packing lines that enable the full range of citrus products to be sorted and packed with little interruption throughout the busy navel season.

MFC has customers in over 25 countries and approximately 80% of MFC's carton production is shipped to overseas destinations; including Japan, USA, China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, New Zealand, South Korea, Thailand, India, Bangladesh,

Russia, the Middle East and Europe. MFC also has significant market share in Australian wholesale markets and supermarkets. MFC has a large focus on quality and food safety and is SQF 200 accredited, a HACCP based quality management system.

www.mfc.com.au

Mildura Fruit Juices AUST Pty Ltd

Mildura Fruit Juices AUST Pty Ltd (MFJA) is a fully owned division of The Sunbeam Foods Group, and is the largest independent processor of citrus juice in Australia.

MFJA began processing citrus in 1970 when it was primarily a juice evaporation facility. It was established to take advantage of large volumes of citrus over-run that was available at the time. MFJA's core business is fresh juice, blending and contract processing. MFJA's citrus is supplied by its sister company - The Mildura Fruit Company (MFC) which is Australia's largest packer of fresh citrus. This gives MFJA access to the largest single supply base of over-run citrus in Australia.

Over 200 different products are manufactured at MFJA using locally grown oranges, grapefruit, lemon, grapes and mandarins.

The recent addition of peel processing equipment means that MFJA can now offer citrus peel products for use in the jam/ marmalade and baking industries.

MFJA has been exporting to various overseas markets for many years. Its products are in demand in countries such as Japan, Singapore, China, New Zealand and India. Bulk products, particularly orange juice and carrot juice, are highly sought after from countries seeking premium grade products. MFJA also sells PET hot-fill juices, drinks and Tetrapak to the retail industry.

www.mfja.com.au

Seven Fields

Seven Fields owns and manages five citrus properties in the Mildura region (Hattah, Tarcoola, Kulkyne, Sunwest and Ellerslie), in addition to a large packing facility which was opened ahead of the 2013 season.

Seven Fields has in excess of 450 hectares of citrus planted in Sunraysia. Of these properties, only 20% were established prior to 1990. Plantings have continued steadily since 1990 and peaked in 2005, when over 60 hectares were planted. Therefore all of the trees are relatively young and are planted to rootstocks selected to suit the various soil types encountered on each property. The opportunity also exists to develop an additional 120 hectares of land on these properties, which is suitable for planting citrus, wine grapes, table grapes and avocados.

The Sunwest property has one of the largest plantings of Afourers in Australia. Afourers are a low-seeded, easy-peel mandarin that originated in Morocco. The Afourers are completely seedless if they are isolated from cross-pollination and Sunwest provides the required conditions to grow seedless fruit. The property also has 100 hectares of Afourers and navel oranges under nets, which help protect the fruit from inclement weather and particularly strong winds that can cause skin blemishes.

Produce grown in the Sunraysia region by Seven Fields includes: citrus (Valencias, Navels, Mandarins, Lemons, Grapefruit and Tangelos) and wine grapes.

www.sevenfields.com.au

VEGETABLES

Vegetables in the Mildura Region, 2013

Сгор	Hectares	Production Volume	Mildura Region Production Volume	Production Volume
	Grown 2013	2013 (tonnes)	(tonnes) (% of Australian total)	2013 (M\$)
Carrot	1,000	30,000	13.4%	\$12.5
Melon	600	20,500	9.7%	\$10.2
Potato	500	14,000	1.2%	\$ 4.2
Asparagus	300	900	8.8%	\$ 4.1
Pumpkin	200	5,000	4.9%	\$1.4
Zucchini & Squash	200	3,000	NA	\$ 2.6
Garlic	195	1,750	NA	\$13.0
Capsicum & Chilli	120	3,000	5.9%	\$ 2.9
Eggplant	90	1,350	NA	\$1.2
Mushrooms	NA	1,009	2.0%	NA
Other	NA	NA	NA	\$ 4.0
Total	3,205	80,509		\$ 56.1

Source: Horticulture Australia, NSW Dept. of Primary Industries (2013); VIC Dept. of Primary Industries (2013), Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 7121.0 (2012), Australian Garlic Producers Notes: Potatoes are grown in Murrayville Victoria and 40kms beyond the boundary of the Mildura region at Boundary Bend. Other vegetables grown in the region include bean, lettruce, pea, cauliflower, curumber, okra, sweet corn, broccoli, spinach, tomato and onion. Some columns may not sum due to rounding errors. Australian production figures were sourced from Australian Bureau of Statistics 2011 Agricultural Census. This has been used in conjunction with 2013 Mildura region production figures. Therefore the comparisons for production are not for the same time period



Australian Garlic Producers

Australian Garlic Producers (AGP) was established in 1998 to grow and market fresh locally grown garlic. With headquarters based in the Mildura region, AGP is the largest grower and marketer of Australian grown garlic.

AGP contracts the growing of its Australian garlic with suitable farmers offering them its support by providing agronomy and technical expertise, specialised equipment, and experience in garlic production. From a commercial crop of 500 tonnes in 2006, the target is to produce 3,000 tonnes per year.

In 2009 AGP set up Australian Gourmet Pastes Pty. Ltd. to produce and market a range of paste products to the retail markets of Australia using exclusively locally grown fresh product. Australian Gourmet Pastes also supplies bulk product to the processing and manufacturing sector including the major bread manufacturers of Australia.

www.australiangarlic.com.au

Rocky Lamattina & Sons

Rocky Lamattina & Sons P/L is a private, wholly Australian owned and operated company, with a 6,000 acre property situated in Wemen, some 75 km south-east of Mildura. The region's unique soil and climate was chosen to grow carrots in the colder 8 months of the year. Established in 1991, Rocky Lamattina & Sons P/L are able to process up to 1000 tonnes of carrots per week and employ in excess of 65 staff to plough, sow, harvest, wash, and pack the produce.

www.lamattinafarms.com.au

Lamattina Beverages

Lamattina Beverages (formerly SDS Beverages), was established in 2010. Lamattina Beverages specialises in the development and processing of carrot juice.

Lamattina Beverages has built a new state of the art processing facility at Thurla (just out of Red Cliffs), which will give them the ability to become the most efficient juice processor in Australia having the capacity to process 15 tonnes per hour. Employing around 20 staff, Lamattina Beverages is a major exporter with key markets for carrot juice in Japan and Singapore.

www.lamattinabeverages.com.au

The Mildura region produces a significant amount of Australia's vegetables, including 13.4% of Australia's carrots, 9.7% of melons, and 8.8% of the country's asparagus.

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OTHER FRUIT

The Mildura region has significant plantings of avocado, mango and olive trees

Fruit Trees in the Mildura Region, 2010-11

Crop	Estimated Production 2010-11 (tonnes)	No. of Trees	Australian Production (tonnes) 2010-11	Production Volume (tonnes) 2010-11 (% of Australian total)
Avocados (b)	522	30,082	36,234	1.4%
Mangoes (a)	20	24,106	36,659	0.1%
Plums and prunes (b)	110	7,208	18,433	0.6%
Pome fruit	-	16,211	-	-
Apples (a)	16	1,616	299,777	0.0%
Nectarines (a)	205	24,210	37,033	0.6%
Apricots (b)	53	9,377	13,283	0.4%
Total	1,145	138,076	532,486	0.2%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 7121.0 (2012) (a) estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution (b) estimate has a relative standard error of 10% to less than 25% and should be used with caution Note: Where the number of trees is high and the tonnes produced is low, this often indicates that tree plantations have not yet matured enough to bear fruit

NUT CROPS

The Mildura and Swan Hill regions have extensive almond and pistachio plantations.

Nuts in the Mildura and Swan Hill Regions, 2013

Сгор	Hectares Grown 2013	Production Volume 2013 (tonnes)	Mildura Region Production Volume (tonnes) (% of Australian total)	Production Farmgate Value 2013 (M\$)
Almond	19,411	51,790	66.40%	\$310.70
Pistachio	650 (bearing fruit)	1,600	48.00%	\$20.90
Total	20,061	53,390		\$331.60

Source: Australian Pioneer Pistachio Company (2013); Almond Board of Australia (2013) and 'Almond Insights 2012-13' * Almonds are predominantly grown at Lake Cullulleraine, Mildura and surrounding areas, Robinvale / Boundary Bend and surrounding areas and Piangil. Pistachio production is concentrated around Robinvale and Nangiloc.

The Almond Board of Australia 9 William St, Berri SA 5343 Telephone +61 (8) 8582 2055 Email: communications@australianalmonds.com.au www.australianalmonds.com.au

The Sunraysia region is home to 68% of Australia's almond plantations and 48% of Australia's pistachios.

Olam Almond Processing Facility

In May 2013 Olam Australia opened its \$60 million state-of-the-art almond hulling and processing plant in Carwarp, near Mildura, the largest facility of its kind in the southern hemisphere. Olam Australia also owns 12,140 hectares of almond orchards across 11 farms in the Sunraysia district.

The 12,000 square metre facility has generated 70 new jobs for the local region, combined with the orchards which employs up to 160 people. In full production, the plant has the ability to de-hull and shell 14 tonnes of almonds per hour and 40,000 tonnes of almond kernels each year.

Olam Australia is a subsidiary of Singapore-based Olam International which owns and operates integrated agribusinesses in 65 countries.

www.olamonline.com

Australian Pioneer Pistachio Company

Australian Pioneer Pistachio Company (APPC) is located in Robinvale, 87km from Mildura. It is owned by two major pistachio growers and provides fully integrated processing and marketing services to Australian pistachio growers. There are around 35 pistachio growers located in the prime growing regions of Victoria, NSW and South Australia and the processing plant is centrally located to shareholder and non-shareholder growers to provide the highly specialised equipment required for pistachio processing.

The processing plant was established in 1992 and provides a full range of services from hulling, cleaning, drying, sorting, sizing and value adding, including the production of retail consumer packs to provide pistachio growers with maximum opportunity to optimise returns from their crops. The processing plant is upgraded each year to ensure adequate capacity to handle the estimated 10% growth in production per annum of this unique crop and to ensure best practice is always applied to maximize the crop value.

www.nutproducers.com.au

OLIVES AND OLIVE OIL

Olive growing and olive oil production in the Swan Hill and Mildura regions has expanded significantly in recent years, with Boundary Bend Olives, Robinvale Estate and Varapodio Estate all established in the region. Boundary Bend Olives produces 68% of Australia's olive oil, with 45% of its production sourced from the Swan Hill region.

Boundary Bend Olives, Swan Hill region production, 2013

Olive grove	No. of trees	Hectares	Olives harvested (tonnes)	Olive oil produced (litres)	% of Australia's production of olive oil
Boundary Bend Estate	1,035,500	2,623	49,022	8,900,600	45%
Wemen	297,400	833			
Total	1,332,900	3,456	49,022	8,900,600	45%
Source: Boundary Bend Olives (2013)					

Note: Boundary Bend Olive's Wemen and Boundary Bend Estate olive groves are located in the Swan Hill Local Government Area



Boundary Bend Olives

Boundary Bend Olives, established in 1998, is a leading player in the global 'modern' olive industry. They have three large olive groves in Victoria, at Boundary Bend Estate, Wemen and Boort.

Boundary Bend is Australia's largest olive farmer and producer of extra virgin olive oil. They own 2.5 million producing trees on over 6,240 hectares of pristine Australian farmland. Their world class olive groves, located at Boundary Bend and Boort in north-west Victoria, were awarded 'Olive Grove of the Year' by the Australian Olive Association in 2005 and 2008.

Boundary Bend markets premium Australian extra virgin olive oil and owns Australia's top two selling home-grown olive oil brands, Cobram Estate and Red Island. They are also a manufacturer of the Colossus olive harvesters, owners of Australia's largest olive tree nursery and olive oil bottling, storage and laboratory facility.

www.boundarybend.com

DRYLAND FARMING (GRAINS)

Dryland farming and livestock contribute significantly to the Mildura region's economy, with sheep, grains, and cattle contributing \$140.7 million in output to the region's economy each year. In 2010-11 the region produced nearly 1 million tonnes of grain, or 2.1% of Australia's broadacre crops.

The main dryland crops grown in the Mildura region are wheat, barley, canola, lupins and hay.

Broadacre crops in the Mildura Region 2010-11

Сгор	Estimated Area	Estimated	Australian Production	Production Volume (tonnes)
	(ha)	Production (tonnes)	(tonnes) 2010-11	2010-11 (% of Australian total)
Wheat	423,757	800,326	27,410,076	2.9%
Oats (a)	5,059	6,912	1,127,683	0.6%
Barley (a)	46,930	102,736	7,994,720	1.3%
Triticale	8,594	11,598	355,078	3.3%
Canola (b)	13,441	15,695	2,358,735	0.7%
Lupins	9,978	14,904	807,673	1.8%
Hay and Silage (a)	11,189	30,138	6,525,750	0.5%
Total	518,948	982.309	46.579.715	2.1%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics cat. no. 7121.0 (2012) Notes: (a) estimate has a relative standard error of 10% to less than 25% and should be used with caution (b) estimate has a relative standard error of 25% to 50% and should be used with caution



Golden Grain Mills

Golden Grain Flour Mills are located at Cullulleraine 60km from Mildura on the way to Renmark. Golden Grain Mills use traditional stone grinding processes (rather than using a roller), enabling them to use 100% of the grains and products that they mill. The mills are run by the Grewal Family who have been involved in agriculture for many generations in India and Australia. Grewal Farms operate 3,000 acres of land for grain production, and another 400 acres of almonds, all of which are processed at Golden Grain Flour Mills. The mill produces flours (including chickpea and maize flours), nuts, pulses and wholegrains.

www.grewalgoldengrain.com.au

Mallee Sustainable Farming

Mallee Sustainable Farming delivers research and extension services for low rainfall dryland farmers.

Mallee Sustainable Farming (MSF) Inc. is a successful farmer driven organisation delivering research and extension services to the < 350mm rainfall Mallee cropping regions of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia. MSF operates within a region of over four million hectares, extending beyond Balranald in the east to Murray Bridge in the west.

MSF Inc. formed in 1997 in response to recognition that conservation farming practices had not been widely adopted across the region. There was a need to identify the issues restricting the adoption of technology that would enhance the development of profitable and sustainable farming systems. During its first 15 years of operation, MSF has achieved a great deal. Increases in farm profitability have been observed as a result of MSF activities and project leadership, along with environmental, community and social gains. MSF continues to strive to be relevant to farmers' information needs.

In delivering on its mission, MSF is a project specialist providing leadership, coordination of project partner arrangements and the fulfilment of project based field and other work to the final evaluation and reporting stages required by a range of funding bodies and supporting agencies.

The Mallee has approximately 2,000 dryland farming families whose farming activities include cropping (wheat, barley, vetch, lupins and canola) and livestock (sheep for wool, lambs and cattle for meat). An increasing number of these families are members of MSF, receiving new and timely information on research and best management practices. Such activities include facilitated farmer groups, fact sheets, farm walks, trial sites, field days and research compendium publications.

In its project-based and other activities, MSF continually builds on its history of close collaboration with Research, Development & Extension (RD&E) partners including farmers, RD&E organisations, agronomists, state-based extension agents and other organisations that provide products and services to farmers.



Project work undertaken by MSF enables farmers, researchers, extensionists and agribusiness to improve their knowledge and skill in farming.

MSF projects have identified and promoted sustainable farming practices that align with those of partners such as the catchment management authorities within the Mallee. MSF has researched and developed cropping and livestock systems projects which contribute to the CMAs' strategies:

- Reducing the threat of wind erosion by utilising minimum tillage cropping technology and maintaining ground cover by retaining crop residues.
- Improving the physical, chemical and biological health of Mallee soils.
- Reducing the threat of dryland salinity by minimising ground water recharge through higher water use in continuous cropping systems.

A number of challenges face farmers throughout the MSF region into the future. These include the impacts of climate change on farm profitability such as less water availability during the seasons of winter and spring, the rise in the cost of farming inputs such as fertiliser and fuel, the falling numbers of farmers in the Mallee area and the increasing competitiveness of gaining funds in the government and private sectors to invest in research and extension in the region.

www.msfp.org.au

LIVESTOCK (SHEEP)

The Mildura region has an extensive livestock industry, which includes the 'Prime Mallee Lamb' trademark. There are two major saleyards in the region, the Ouyen Livestock Exchange and the Yelta Saleyards. In 2012-13 saleyards in the Mildura region sold 338,285 head of sheep.

Livestock Sales, Mildura Region, 2012-2013

Saleyard	Lambs	Mutton	Total Sheep
Ouyen Livestock Exchange	238,322	59,963	298,285
Yelta Saleyard	NA	NA	40,000
Total	NA	NA	338,285

Source: Ouyen Livestock Exchange (2013), Elders (2013)



HONEY BEES

As a large horticultural production area, honey bees are very important in the Mildura region, particularly for the pollination of almond and melon crops, as well as the rapidly increasing avocado plantations. While the region produces some honey and bees wax, pollination is a large and rapidly growing industry for bee keepers. There are over 6,000 hives based in the Mildura region that generated over \$1 million in 2012-2013.

In order to pollinate the region's vast almond plantations, up to 100,000 bee hives are brought into the region from as far away as the East Coast and Queensland in order to meet the huge demand that pollination creates, generating up to \$8 million in income for the industry.

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Note: Food and beverage manufacturers have been profiled in the Agricultural and Horticultural section.

MANUFACTURING

20% (or \$1.1 billion) of the Mildura region's output is generated by the manufacturing sector. Nearly 200 manufacturing businesses employ 1,824 people in the sector. 43% of the Mildura region's manufacturing workforce work in food and beverage manufacturing.

Output from the Manufacturing sector in the Mildura region, 2013

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Titan Australia

Titan Australia Pty Ltd, (part of the global Titan International Group of companies), is the world's largest wheel manufacturer and is located in the Mildura region. Titan Australia offers the widest range of engineered wheels available in Australia to the industrial, mining, earthmoving, crane, and agricultural markets.

They design, develop and manufacture wheels to the "off road" industry. On-site manufacturing facilities include advanced production machinery including CNC lathes, welding equipment and heavy pressing machinery.

Titan Australia employs over 40 staff in Mildura with over 100 employees Australia wide.

www.titanaust.com.au

Global Roto-Moulding

Global Roto-Moulding started operating in 1998 as a family business, which has since grown from a small part time venture into a large national company with factories in Victoria and Queensland. At that time, their product range included a number of small tanks, and a range of custom moulded machine parts.

Global's Mildura Factory has now grown to include 20 staff members to cover a range of different roles. This is necessary as Global's product range has grown to include moulded rainwater tanks, transportable tanks and products for use in the agricultural, industrial and aquaculture industries. Additionally Global offers an excellent Custom Moulding service, working with customers to help them create products and then mould those products on the customers behalf. In 2005 Global became a Quality Assured ISO:9000-2001 company with numerous awards for innovation, customer service, business excellence and for their moulded products.

www.globaltanks.com.au

Australian Tartaric Products

Australian Tartaric Products Pty Ltd located at Colignan, just out of Mildura, is Australia's largest manufacturer of natural Tartaric Acid, and also produces Food Grade Spirit. The facility processes considerable volumes of grape marc, grape lees and centrifuge desludge by-products created from the wine making process, producing a completely natural product from material which would otherwise go into landfill. The company collects the above-mentioned waste from the Sunraysia, Riverland, Riverina and Barossa Valley wine growing regions.

A major ingredient in wine-making, the Tartaric Acid produced in the Mildura region is sold mainly to Australian wineries, with smaller quantities taken up by pharmaceutical companies and food manufacturers. Food Grade Spirit is also sold both to Australian wineries and internationally to be used in wine fortification and Brandy production.

Australian Tartaric Products manufacture and supply the finest quality natural Tartaric Acid, natural Cream of Tartar and pure food grade Spirit to the Australian wine industry. They are also suppliers of Citric Acid, Rochelle salt, Ammonium Tartrate, Metatartaric Acid and Potassium Tartrate.

www.australiantartaric.com.au



Cooke Industries

Cooke Industries have proudly supplied superior quality components to the Australian swimming pool industry for more than 25 years. The Mildura-based business has been recognised for innovation and business excellence on several occasions and developed the following range of class-leading products through collaborations with domestic and international partners:

- Enviraflo A revolutionary pool circulation system which reduces pool energy use by 85 percent.
- Water Witch Australia's leading automatic pool water leveller was developed in the 1990s and continues to be manufactured in Mildura.
- Multi Fit Deck Lid An adjustable lid system which fits almost all pool skimmer boxes.
- Flip'n'Fill A pre- and post-installation automatic pool water leveller which is manufactured in Mildura and adaptable to almost all skimmer boxes.
- In-Ground Trampoline This fresh approach to the backyard trampoline was developed in conjunction with partners in the USA to improve trampoline safety and aesthetics whilst reducing the expense of installing a trampoline into the ground.
- QuikClean An in-floor pool cleaning system which boasts advanced features and class-leading capabilities thanks to collaboration between Cooke Industries and USA-based manufacturers.

www.cookeindustries.com.au

Baldwin Boats

Baldwin Boats have been producing and manufacturing commercial and private vessels along the Murray River for over 30 years.

Baldwin's design, manufacture and deliver customised boats, from luxury commercial vessels, to work boats and weekenders.

Demand for the company's products and services has allowed Baldwin Boats to expand its original factory size, invest in the latest innovative construction methods and techniques and service the entire industry up and down the length of the Murray River and beyond.

They operate a state of the art manufacturing facility, with modern equipment operated by a workforce of highly skilled fabricators, technicians, fibreglassers, fitter and turners, electricians and plumbers.

www.baldwinboats.com.au

Integrated Recycling

Integrated Recycling (IR) has created and manufactures the Envire® range of composite recycled plastic products. Established in 2005, the wholly Australian owned IR makes the Envire® range of timber substitute products for use in landscaping, agriculture and in a variety of industries. Users include: local governments, parks and conservation authorities, portable housing builders, fencing contractors, agricultural and aquacultural farmers, architects, designers and landscapers. The Envire® range of products are continually recyclable, non-toxic, easy to handle, tolerant of extreme and sensitive climates, rot, pest & UV resistant, non-leaching and durable.

The Envire® range is manufactured from agricultural films and other plastics recovered from the Sunraysia district and combined with organic fibre. The Envire® range includes bollards, boardwalks, benches and other outdoor furniture, retaining walls, garden edging and fencing, decking and industrial dunnage and pallets. It has been independently tested for its environmental and mechanical properties. All results and technical data can be accessed via the Integrated Recycling website. Solar Systems have built a 1.5MW solar power station that can power up to 500 homes with renewable energy.

IR employs 10 people and has an Australia-wide customer base. This makes Mildura an ideal location as it sits on the cross-over point of all interstate freighting.

www.integratedrecycling.com.au

RENEWABLE ENERGY

The Mildura region is conveniently located in a tri-state area with connections to the National electricity grid, access to flat land and water supply. Excellent transport connections (via road, rail and air), a ready source of labour and excellent support services make Mildura the ideal location for renewable energy development.

The Mildura region has the best solar resources in Victoria, with an average of:

- 8.6 hours of sunshine per day
- Annual average maximum temperature of 23.7oC
- 132 clear days per year
- 18.9MJ(m*m) in solar exposure

Solar Systems Mildura Solar Power Station

Solar Systems have built a 1.5MW solar power station that can power up to 500 homes with renewable energy. The 1.5MW pilot demonstration facility which was completed in July 2013, will produce enough clean energy to power up to 500 homes and will potentially save 4,200 tonnes per annum of CO2 emissions. The project's unique CPV technology is capable of approximately 40% conversion efficiency – around double the efficiency of current silicon-based cells. The project has generated significant opportunities for local industry and the broader community.

Balfour Beatty

UK company Balfour Beatty are building a \$174 million 35MW biomass power station at Carwarp near Olam's almond processing facility. The power station will be fueled by 204,000 tonnes of organic matter per year including a significant amount of almond shells and hulls. The plant aims to be operating by mid-2016, and will create 100 jobs in construction and 25 full time jobs after construction.

www.balfourbeatty.com

BELECTRIC

German company BELECTRIC have built a 3.4MW flat panel PV solar plant at Thurla, which was completed in April 2014.

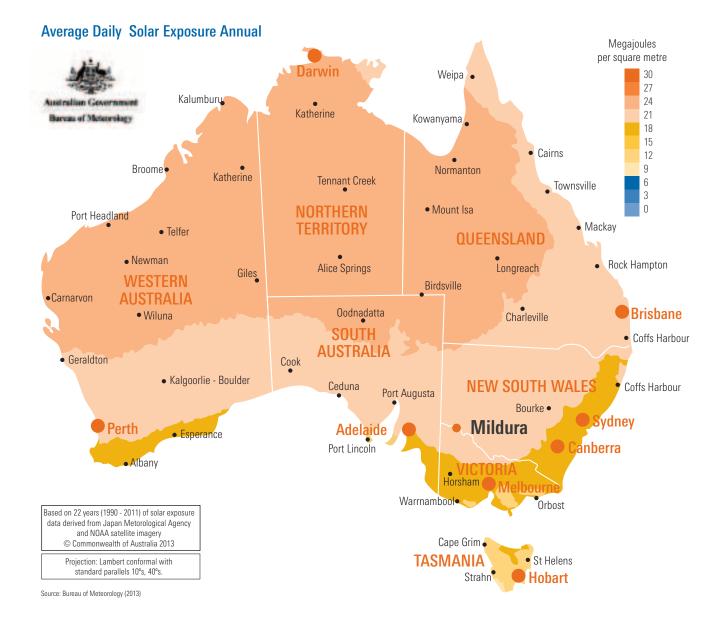
www.belectric.com

AQUACULTURE

Thurla Farms

Thurla Farms, located in Thurla just out of Red Cliffs, uses irrigation water to operate a sophisticated patented Murray Cod aquaculture operation. After use in the aquaculture dams, the irrigation water is then used to grow a number of crops including almonds, grapes, avocados, oats and lucern.

Murray Cod (or 'Murray Gold' as it is branded) is grown from eggs in tanks and then transferred into floating cages in dams once the fish are large enough. Water is aerated, ensuring that the fish remain healthy, and the nutrient rich water from these dams is then used to water irrigated crops on the property. The farm also uses treated reuse water (Class C water) to irrigate its crops.



Thurla Farms was announced as a state winner for the 2012 Rural Water Innovation Awards.

www.thurlafarms.com.au

MINING RESOURCES

The Mildura region has a strong mining industry worth \$389 million in output. Large mineral sands deposits are located around Mildura and surrounds, along with bentonite and salt.

Mineral Sands

The Murray Basin has an abundance of mineral sands resources, making the region a major mineral sands producer within Australia. Mineral sands are made up of rutile, ilmenite, zircon and leucoxene and are processed and used in the production of the following:

- Pigment
- · Paint and plastics
- Sunscreen
- Paper coating
- Toothpaste
- Aircraft and ship building
- Surgical implants such as artificial joints and pacemakers
- Foodstuffs
- Pharmaceuticals and cosmetics
- Sports equipment
- Ceramic glazes on tiles
- White goods and televisions
- Welding rods

Iluka Resources Limited

Iluka Resources Limited is the world's largest producer of zircon and the second largest producer of titanium minerals. The Murray



Basin is Iluka's principal source of rutile production, as well as contributing a major part of the company's zircon production stream. Iluka's Murray Basin operations have involved mining, concentrating and mineral separation activities since 2006, with initial mining occurring at the southern deposits located near Douglas and a satellite deposit called Echo. Mining at these deposits concluded in 2012.

Murray Basin Stage 2 has involved mining a series of northern deposits. The initial deposit, Kulwin, was completed in early 2012. Mining and concentrating activities commenced in May 2012 at the Woornack, Rownack and Pirro (WRP) group of deposits, located 30 kilometres south east of Ouyen. This involved the relocation of mining equipment, including mining unit plant, pre-concentrator and concentrator plant from Kulwin to WRP.

Feasibility work is underway for the potential development of the large Balranald deposit, and associated deposits, including Nepean. Following this, there is the potential for the development of a series of other deposits, referred to as the Euston deposits.

www.iluka.com

Cristal Mining Australia

Cristal Mining has mining operations located in two significant mineral sands provinces in Australia namely, the Murray Basin and south west Western Australia.

In 2006, Bemax (now owned by Cristal Mining Australia) became the largest producer of Leucoxene, the third largest producer of Rutile and the seventh largest producer of Zircon, globally and became recognised as one of Australia's premier mineral sands miners.

Cristal Australia Pty Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of The National Titanium Dioxide Company Limited (Cristal). Cristal is a private company with headquarters in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Regarded by the industry as a world class Zircon and Titanium mineral sands province, the future of Cristal and indeed the mineral sands industry in Australia, is in the Murray Basin.

Cristal Mining Mineral Sands operations in the Murray Basin

The implementation of Cristal's planned expansion of the Murray Basin operations is advancing well. Cristal is mining two significant deposits in the Murray Basin, Ginkgo and Snapper, both of which are located between Wentworth and Broken Hill.

The Ginkgo mine contains 5.8 million tonnes of heavy mineral, with an excellent suite of products including Zircon. Snapper contains 6.4 million tonnes of heavy mineral with greater percentages of both Rutile and Zircon. The Snapper mine began production in 2010 and is expected to continue through 2020.

The infrastructure at the Ginkgo and Snapper mines is well established and includes a 124km (66kv) power line, 67 km of unsealed haulage road, readily available water supply, accommodation camp, communications as well as administration buildings.

After mining, heavy mineral concentrate from the Ginkgo and Snapper mines is transported to the Broken Hill Mineral Separation Plant for processing.

Between the Ginkgo and Snapper mines and the Mineral Separation Plant in Broken Hill, Cristal employs over 180 direct employees and 360 contractors.

The Crayfish modification to Ginkgo is estimated to employ an additional 93 direct employees in the Wentworth region.

Future operations

Cristal is currently developing additional mining projects within the region. Located 80 km north of Balranald, the Atlas and Campaspe deposits have been selected for further development. Exploration and geological modeling have determined this project to contain approximately 100 million tonnes of ore. State



Development Consent was received from the NSW Government on the 6th of June 2014 followed by Federal Government approval on the 5th of September 2014.

Mine production is scheduled for 2016 and is estimated to have a 20+ year mine-life.

The Atlas-Campaspe project is projected to employ an operational workforce of approximately 200 people and a short-term workforce of up to 300 people. In total, 643 direct and indirect jobs are predicted to be provided by this project.

Cristal is actively exploring mineral sands targets throughout the Murray Basin, currently holding over 6,000 km2 of tenements.

www.cristal.com

Bentonite

Arumpo Bentonite

Bentonite is an absorbent clay which is naturally formed by the decomposition of volcanic ash and has swelling properties of 5 to 6 times its original volume in the presence of water.

Arumpo Bentonite Pty Ltd's deposit is the largest bentonite deposit in Australia, with indicated reserves in excess of 70 million tonnes. Renowned for its purity, the deposit is located 95km north east of Mildura.

Arumpo bentonite is produced in a variety of sizes and grades to suit a wide range of applications including, but not limited to; pet litter, stockfeed additive, water storage sealing, civil engineering, electrical earthing aids, road making, geological barriers, drilling, farm dam sealing, absorbents, papermaking, soil improvers and garden products. Large weatherproof storage, processing and packing facilities in both Mildura and Buronga allow for consistent and regular supply of product all year round.

Arumpo Bentonite Pty Ltd has developed its world class bentonite deposit over the past 22 years and the shallow depth of the deposit allows for easy mining with minimal disturbance to the immediate environment. The company employs a workforce of 20.

www.arumpo.com.au

SALT RESOURCES

SunSalt

SunSalt commenced salt harvesting in 1982 known then as Hattah Salt. The business originally began producing salt from the unlimited supply of underground saline water (twice as salty as seawater) at Spectacle Salt Lake - Hattah, Victoria, Australia.

In 1986 the company installed a refinery for drying, processing and packaging of salt products. To enable the business to grow successfully, further salt producing sites were identified at Mourquong basin and Wakool Mitigation Site 2.

In addition to the long term production of industrial, bulk and stockfeed salts, whose varied uses include tanning hides, metal recycling, cooking and baking, pickling and preserving, the dye industry, detergents, swimming pool chlorination, dust suppressants and stabilising of dirt roads - the company also produces a retail gourmet flake salt, Murray River Pink Salt. This gourmet, naturally pink finishing salt has won many prestigious awards and is enjoyed by food connoisseurs the world over.

www.sunsalt.com.au www.murrayriversalt.com.au

Utility Infrastructure

The Mildura region has suitable existing utility infrastructure to support continued population and business growth into the future. Furthermore, extensive planning and analysis is currently underway by many authorities to ensure that the provision of utility infrastructure keeps pace with development.

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WATER SERVICES

URBAN SERVICES TO

15 Townships

FURAL BULK WATER ENTITLEMENT OF 440, 107ml

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WATER AND WASTEWATER

The Mildura region has access to sufficient water and wastewater for future business and industry growth. Water is managed in the region through various government organisations. The Murray Darling Basin Authority is the Commonwealth agency that allocates base loads of water from the overall river system. The Victorian Government through its agent, Goulburn-Murray Water, manage the transfer of water to the local authority, Lower Murray Water. Bulk water entitlements are made available for urban users (residential and industrial), rural users (irrigation) and the environment.

Lower Murray Water

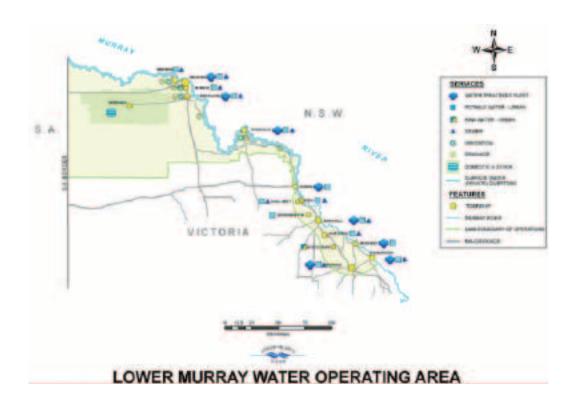
Lower Murray Water provides various urban and rural water and waste water services for the Mildura Rural City Council area as well as the Swan Hill and Gannawarra municipalities, including:

- Urban water services to 15 townships (approx. 60,000 customers) via nine treatment plants
- Wastewater collection, treatment and effluent re-use and disposal services to 11 towns via 10 treatment plants
- River quality water services to 3,701 customers in the three pumped irrigation districts of Merbein, Red Cliffs and Robinvale, the Millewa rural district and some areas of the waterworks districts of Carwarp and Yelta

- Management of the region's rural bulk water entitlement of 440,107ML
- The collection and disposal of subsurface drainage water from the three pumped irrigation districts, Nangiloc, Robinvale diverters and Boundary Bend
- Ensuring drainage design in new agricultural developments conforms with salinity management plan development guidelines
- Partnership in the design, implementation, operation and maintenance of works initiated by the Murray Darling Basin Authority
- Management of the private diversion licences of 1,061 water users along the Murray River in Victoria between Nyah and the South Australian border
- The assessment and approval of permanent and temporary water trade applications
- Reclaimed water for third party use

Lower Murray Water is the main water authority for residents, business and industry in the north of the Mildura Rural City Council area.

www.lmw.vic.gov.au



Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water

Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water Corporation, trading as GWMWater, services towns and farms in the south of the Mildura Rural City Council region with water and wastewater services. Water is provided from the Murray River through the pressurised Northern Mallee Pipeline. The Northern Mallee Pipeline is a 3,650 kilometre pipeline which covers an approximate area of 890,000 hectares.

GWMWater is also responsible for monitoring the groundwater conditions and usage within the Murrayville Water Supply Protection Area (WSPA). The Murrayville WSPA occupies 1,578 sq kms, with the dominant land use being dryland agriculture. Good quality groundwater has also encouraged the development of irrigated crops such as potatoes and olives.

www.gwmwater.org.au



Western Murray Irrigation Limited

Western Murray Irrigation (WMI), located in the Wentworth Shire Council area is a privately owned irrigation infrastructure operator. WMI is responsible for the delivery of unfiltered River Murray water to over 500 customers including irrigators and stock and garden users. The fully pipelined and pressurised delivery systems provide water on demand 24 hours, 365 days of the year to the Buronga, Coomealla and Curlwaa areas. WMI also manages the disposal of drainage water and water trade (both allocation and entitlement) to and from the bulk entitlement licence.

www.westernmurray.com.au

Wentworth Shire Council

Residents and businesses within the Wentworth Shire are provided with filtered and raw water for domestic and industrial use within the Shire.

Water is drawn from both the Murray River and the Darling River to provide a dual water supply for the townships of Wentworth, Buronga, Gol Gol, Dareton, and Pooncarie.

Within the municipality, Council has two lagoon sedimentation water treatment works and one Lamella clarifier plant, 14 service reservoirs, 8 water pumping stations, 32 km of trunk mains, and 132 km of reticulation.

The Wastewater system includes wastewater treatment works providing tertiary treatment (trickling filter and oxidation ponds), 30 wastewater pumping stations comprising of wet and dry wells, 19 km of rising mains and 76 km of gravity trunk mains and reticulation.

www.wentworth.nsw.gov.au

POWER INFRASTRUCTURE

The Mildura region is supplied with electricity via the national electricity grid from generation sources in Victoria and New South Wales. Three 220kV transmission lines connect with the Red Cliffs terminal station as well as a DC underground transmission cable linked with South Australia. The Mildura LGA is serviced by an electricity distribution network that is owned by Powercor Australia (up to 66kV) and an electricity transmission network that is owned by SP AusNet (220kV). The Wentworth LGA is serviced by Origin Energy with electricity supplied from the Victorian Powercor network. Within the region there are six substations that convert power from 66kV to 22kV for distribution to users these are located at Merbein, Mildura, Ouyen, Wemen, Robinvale and Boundary Bend. This network is designed and maintained to ensure a high reliability of electricity service.



Mildura Rural City Council Region Electricity Network

Source: SunRISE 21, Powercor Australia (2009)

Powercor

The electricity network in the region has been substantially upgraded to meet ongoing load growth and reliability improvements for both residential and business customers to ensure the highest standard of service delivery. These improvements included:

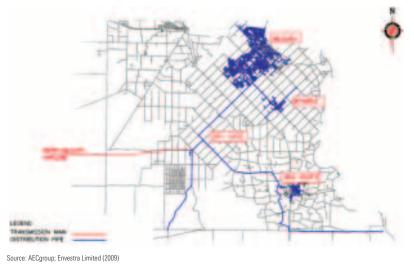
- A new 220kV terminal station at Wemen East.
- A new 66kV line to the Iluka mineral sands mine south of Ouyen
- A new 66kV line from Wemen East terminal station to Wemen zone substation.
- A new 66kV line from Red Cliffs via Mildura to Buronga in NSW.
- Upgraded capacity at the Wemen substation.
- Upgraded control rooms at Merbein, Mildura and Wemen substations.
- Connection of the Solar Systems generation station at Carwarp to the grid.

www.powercor.com.au

ENVESTRA NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE

Mildura is serviced with natural gas by the Berri-Mildura Pipeline. From the City Gate, a distribution network delivers high pressure natural gas to business and residential customers in Mildura, Irymple and Red Cliffs.

The total volume of gas delivered in 2014 was 0.4 PJ. A map of the network is provided below



Mildura Natural Gas Network

Origin Energy is the natural gas retailer for the Mildura region. Tariffs for natural gas are published on the website.

If you are interested in connecting to natural gas, ring 1300 001 001 or visit www.makeaconnection.com.au

www.originenergy.com.au



TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Telstra

Telstra provides telecommunications infrastructure in the Mildura region. Currently they provide exchanges with BigPond[®] Broadband ADSL, ADSL 2+ and both Next G and 4G Mobile Coverage.

Telstra's Bigpond Broadband ADSL 2+ is a high speed broadband service. The ADSL 2+ service reaches speeds up to 20Mbps (in selected areas) and up to 8Mbps/384Kbps in many other areas.

Bigpond Broadband ADSL is available in the current locations: Curlwaa,, Gol Gol, Irymple, Koorlong, Merbein, Mildura, Murrayville, Nangiloc, Ouyen, Underbool, Wentworth and Walpeup.

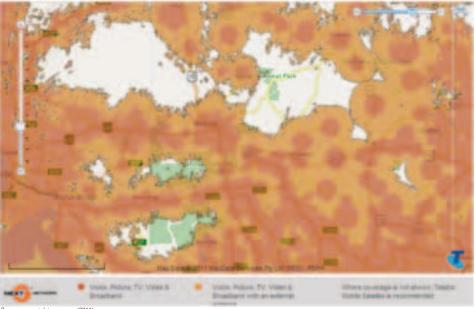
ADSL 2+ is available from the following exchanges: Dareton, Gol Gol, Merbein, Merbein South, Mildura and Red Cliffs.

Telstra has recently upgraded the Next G Mobile network with 4G. The 4G 'Network without Equal' has been integrated with Telstra's Next G network and provides increased capacity to support customers growing demand for Mobile use. The 4G Network is Australia's Fastest Mobile Broadband network in Australia, with typical download speeds between 2Mbps and a blistering 40Mbps in 4G coverage areas. Telstra provides 4G Mobile coverage in the following areas: Mildura CBD, Trentham Cliffs, Nicholas Point, Mourquong and Boeill Creek.

Telstra also provides Next G mobile coverage in the following areas: Carwarp, Cowangie, Cullulleraine, Hattah, Irymple, Karadoc, Merbein, Mildura, Mildura Central, Mildura South, Nangiloc, Ouyen, Red Cliffs, Underbool, Wentworth, Walpeup, Kulwin and Yelta.

www.telstra.com.au

Telstra Next G Coverage in the Mildura Region



Source: www.telstra.com.au (2011

Approximate coverage. Coverage speed and performance is dependent on where you are, the device you are using and can be improved by adding an external antenna



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iiNet

iiNet is Australia's second largest DSL Internet Service Provider (ISP). iiNet employs more than 2,000 staff across four countries and supports over 1.7 million broadband, telephony and Internet Protocol TV (IPTV) services nationwide.

iiNet is a publicly listed company and maintains its own super-fast broadband network, including here in Mildura.

www.iinet.net.au

Transport Infrastructure

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The Mildura region is strategically located at the junction of Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia. It is connected to the rest of Australia and indeed the world through major road, rail and air infrastructure.

ACCESS BY ROAD TO MILDURA REGION

550km

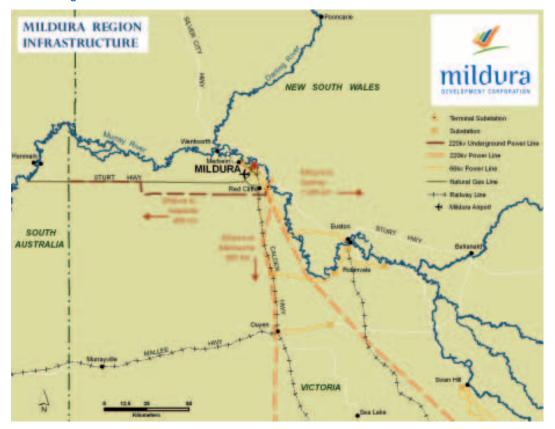
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TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE

The Mildura region is strategically located at the junction of Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia. It is connected to the rest of Australia and indeed the world through major road, rail and air infrastructure. As agricultural production and manufactured goods of all kinds continue to expand, so does the transportation and distribution industry and networks that take these products to market.



Mildura Region Infrastructure

Source: Mildura Development Corporation (2009)

ROAD ACCESS

The Mildura region is serviced by the Sturt Highway, Calder Highway, Sunraysia Highway and Silver City Highway, which carry people and product in and out of the region.

Access by Road from Mildura Region

Destination	Distance	Driving Time
Melbourne VIC	550 km	6 hrs
Sydney NSW	1,000 km	12 hrs
Adelaide SA	400 km	5.5 hrs
Broken Hill NSW	300 km	3.5 hrs

Source: AECgroup; Google Maps (2009)

TRANSPORT, LOGISTICS AND WAREHOUSING

There are 323 transport, postal and warehousing businesses in the Mildura region generating \$249 million in output and

employing 1,151 people. Located in a key tri-state region, the region is supported by important road and rail infrastructure.

Of the 323 businesses in the transport sector, some of the largest transport operators include Pickering Transport Group, Piscioneri Transport Services, Wakefield Transport and GTS Freight Management.

Freight Management

GTS Freight Management is a privately owned transport company based in Mildura. Established in 1982, its core focus has been the provision of integrated transport and logistics services to the Australian wine and beverage industry. Primarily servicing the eastern seaboard, GTS' infrastructure and equipment is extensive with 130 b-double prime movers complimented by 320 curtain side trailers. GTS' transport division is complimented by over 21,000 square metres of insulated warehousing, with another 8,000 square metres of non-insulated warehousing also available.



There are over 237 transport and storage companies in the Mildura region employing around 2,431 people.

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GTS Freight Management employs over 240 people (as well as additional labour hire as required) locally and elsewhere on the eastern seaboard. The majority of those employed outside the region are drivers located in strategic geographical locations that complement the workload, contracts and growth opportunities, although GTS does have a depot in Adelaide with 25 staff.

Productivity in a line haul transport company is primarily measured by kilometres travelled by the fleet as a whole as well as average kilometres travelled by each prime mover per working day. During 2012 the GTS fleet travelled in excess of 20 million kilometres, with average daily productivity per prime mover in the order of 800 kilometres.

RAIL ACCESS

The Mildura region is currently serviced by the Yelta (Mildura) rail line, which connects Mildura to Melbourne and Geelong via Ballarat. The rail line is a broad gauge connection except for a short dual gauge section between Maryborough and Dunolly, with plans to upgrade and standardise the whole line by 2018 under an up to \$220 million Victorian Government investment.

The Mildura line transports more than 1.5 million tonnes of export grain and containerised produce every year. Containerised freight for the domestic market also travels the line with regular intermodal services provided in Mildura.

The Mildura region is serviced by an Intermodal Transport Hub at Merbein for containerised products operated by Wakefield Transport in partnership with Patrick Rail. The facility permits transfer of freight between road and rail, and services exporters in the Mildura region and South Australia's Riverland. With a modern transport fleet, cool rooms, warehousing and documentation services, the facility specialises in cold chain management of perishable cargo by rail to the Port of Melbourne.

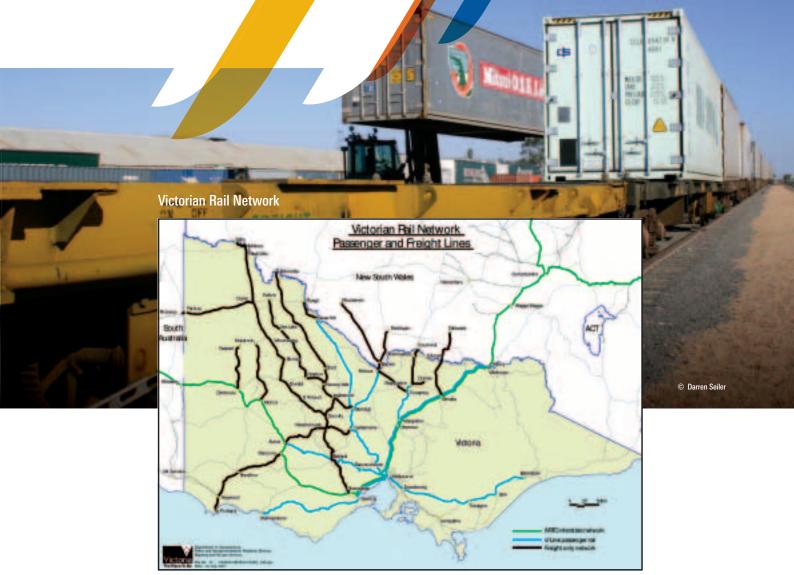
The Intermodal Terminal at Merbein (10km west of Mildura) ships in excess of 250,000 tonnes per annum of fresh fruit, dried fruit, grains, almonds, cotton bales and cotton seed, minerals, concentrates and wine products all grown and produced locally in the district. The rail/road combination allows produce from our area to arrive at its international destination in pristine condition by use of "Cold Chain" technology. The rail services run three times per week scheduled to arrive on days of vessel cut offs, the train arrives direct to the waterfront giving a seamless rail/ sea interface. This mode of transport is reliant on consistent large volumes and is able to send between 1,520-3,040 tonnes per day from farm gate to awaiting vessel.

Previously, a \$73 million upgrade to the Mildura line improved track structure and installed new gauge-convertible sleepers in order to create a faster, more reliable rail link. The work was completed late 2009. The services extend to a fleet of interstate Linehaul vehicles with daily deliveries to Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane and Adelaide (Perth via Adelaide). Recently, up to \$220 million has been committed to the upgrade and standardisation of the Mildura line by 2018.

PORTS (FOR EXPORT)

Product is exported from the Mildura region to the following ports by road, rail and in some cases a combination of both (depending on the destination).

- Port of Melbourne
- Port of Adelaide
- Geelong Port, and
- Port of Portland



Source: GHD, Murray Basin Region Freight Demand & Infrastructure Study (2014)

The majority of the region's grain is sent to the Geelong Port, while mineral sands mined in the area is transported to the Port of Portland (both of which are bulk ports). Port of Melbourne

As Australia's largest container and general cargo port, the Port of Melbourne handles around 38% of the nation's container trade. It contributes \$2.2 billion to the State of Victoria's economy every year and \$2.5 billion to the national economy. The port is located at the northern end of Port Phillip Bay and is serviced by more than 100 nautical miles of shipping channels.

Forty-two container shipping lines as well as a number of other general cargo carriers, service the Port shipping goods all around the world.

www.portofmelbourne.com.au

Port of Adelaide

The Port of Adelaide is the main service point for shipping in the State and is located 14 km northwest of the State's capital at the centre of Australia's southern coast. Export activity focuses on the shipment of grains, wine, motor vehicles, and automotive components, ores and concentrates.

www.flindersports.com.au

Geelong Port

Geelong Port is Victoria's second largest port, and the largest regional port in Victoria. The port offers a broad range of port, ship and wharf-side services, with multiple stevedoring businesses operating within Geelong Port.

www.geelongport.com.au

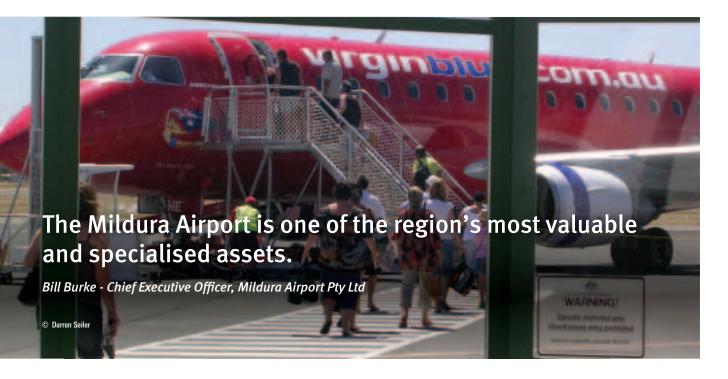
Port of Portland

The Port of Portland is a deep-water bulk port strategically located between the ports of Melbourne and Adelaide. It is the international gateway for the Green Triangle Region, an area blessed with an abundance of natural resources.

The Port specialises in bulk commodities, particularly agricultural, forestry and mining products as well as aluminium and fertiliser. It has approximately six million tonnes in annual throughput.

The Port is served by both road and rail systems, which bypass the City of Portland to allow 24-hour access. It delivers \$2.5 billion into the region and the nation each year - a figure that will continue to grow.

www.portofportland.com.au



AIR ACCESS

The Mildura Airport is Victoria's largest and busiest regional airport. It acts as a major gateway to the region for many business travellers from Australia and abroad. The airport is located on 240 hectares of land, which offers available property for industrial and commercial development in the future.

The airport draws passengers from Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia.

Three Airlines, QantasLink, Regional Express (Rex), and Virgin Blue, provide regular passenger transport services to Melbourne Sydney, Broken Hill and Adelaide, utilising turbo prop and jet aircraft.

Mildura Airport Pty Ltd

PO Box SM356, Mildura South Vic 3501 Telephone +61 (3) 5055 0500 Email info@milduraairport.com.au www.milduraairport.com.au

Please refer to the airline websites listed above for all information about flight times, arrivals, departures or any other airline enquiry.

Mildura Airport Pty Ltd

Mildura Airport is expected to grow to service over 300,000 passengers per year by 2020.

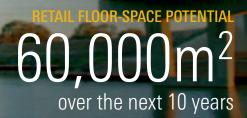
Characteristics	Statistics
Annual Passengers (February 2014)	212,000
Weekly commercial flights to and	140
from Mildura	
Primary Destinations	Melbourne, Adelaide, Sydney,
	Broken Hill
Airlines Servicing Airport	Qantas www.qantas.com.au
	Virgin Blue www.virginblue.com.au
	Rex www.rex.com.au
Runway East West 09/27 (asphalt	1,830 m x 45 m
grooved)	
Runway North South 18/36	1,139 m x 30 m
(sealed)	
Aircraft Capacity	57,000 kgs (suitable for Boeing 737)

Source: Mildura Airport Pty Ltd

Available Land

The Mildura-Wentworth region provides substantial opportunities for industry expansion and new investments, offering land for industrial, residential and commercial development.

RETAIL TRADING RECAST SPENDING INCREASE \$1.4b by 2025



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INDUSTRIAL, RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL LAND

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A number of longer term strategies have been identified by the Mildura Rural City Council, including provision for retail and commercial investment for the Riverfront precinct. Further strategic work on residential development has also been done through the Mildura Housing & Settlement Strategy, which was completed in December 2013.

Mildura Rural City Council

The Loddon Mallee North Draft Regional Growth Plan supports the development potential of the Mildura region, highlighting positive growth projections as well as the considerable amount of land available for development. (Department of Transport, Planning & Local Infrastructure, 2013)

Industrial

In total there is in excess of 25 years industrial zoned land across the municipal area of Mildura based on the average annual rate of land consumption in the period 2003 to 2011.

(Urban Development Program Regional Industrial Report 2011)

Residential

Mildura Rural City Council adopted the Mildura Housing & Settlement Strategy in December 2013, which provides

impetus for residential growth for the next 20 years right across the municipality.

The Mildura region provides a more affordable residential product, with median prices for houses, land and rural/lifestyle lots significantly below median prices for regional Victoria.

The Mildura region accommodates a diversity of residential development, including niche property developments such as Dockside Mildura and Fairways Mildura, as well as opportunities for medium density through to low density. (Hansen Partnership, 2013)

With the ability to opt for rural town living or regional city living, residential property supply is plentiful as has been quantified by Mildura Rural City Council, with an estimated 20 year supply of zoned stock. (Regional Urban Development Program - Mildura)

Commercial and Retail

Mildura Rural City Council adopted the Mildura Retail Strategy in 2010. The area of retail floorspace is estimated at $150,000m^2$ as at February 2010. This includes:

- Mildura CBD
- Mildura Central and adjacent new retail developments
- Fifteenth St Homemaker Precinct
- Neighbourhood Centres in Urban Mildura
- Town Centres of Merbein, Red Cliffs and Irymple
- Local shops and stand-alone stores

Within the trading area, retail spending is forecast to increase between \$1.4 billion and \$1.5 billion by 2025. Over the next 10 years, the region could support another 60,000m² of retail floor-space, of which 40,000m² is likely to be in conventional retailing and 20,000m² in a homemaker centre or precinct.

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There are also select retail opportunities in Irymple, Red Cliffs, Merbein and Ouyen.

Wentworth Shire Council Available Land

Residential Land

Wentworth Shire consists of five village townships offering unique opportunities for varied types of residential development. There is an adequate supply of land available to cater for all types of living including village, rural and remote lifestyle.

Buronga / Gol Gol

The Buronga – Gol Gol Structure Plan has paved the way for future residential development offering 2000 allotments for development opportunities close to the Victorian regional centre of Mildura. Over 600 allotments have Council approval for future development including lifestyle allotments of 3000 – 5000m² situated to the east of the Gol Gol Creek and fully serviced village allotments within the town areas.

Dareton / Commealla

Dareton offers a range of large expansive Residential land with the recently approved 30 allotments within the Dareton township adjacent to the well renowned Coomealla Golf Club. In addition to this, Dareton also offers the opportunity for lifestyle living adjacent to the Murray River.

Unique opportunities exist in the Coomealla region whereby Council has a Light Industrial Zone allowing a mix if business and residential development, ideal for the establishment of a small business.

Wentworth

THE GOOD GUY.

The historic town of Wentworth provides a village lifestyle within the security of the levee bank system, with the recent approval of 54 allotments within close proximity of the Wentworth Sporting complex ready to be developed in the near future. The town has the capacity to grow with other future development including the potential of 23 lifestyle allotments on the outskirts of Wentworth with frontage to the Darling River.

Pooncarie

Pooncarie offers remote lifestyle living at its best within the confines of the village precinct supported by a convenience store (including fuel), Hotel and Telecentre (incorporating a Post Office, Library and Centrelink facility) all within close proximity to the picturesque Darling River whilst escaping the hustle and bustle of the main city centres.

Industrial

The outskirts of Buronga provide the Industrial hub for the Wentworth Shire with just over 16ha zoned for Industrial use. Just under 3ha situated just off the Silver City Highway on the fringe of the Buronga Township is fully serviced with allotments still available for purchase. Just 7km out of Buronga sees another 5.3ha of approved Industrial area which will create another 41 allotments suitable for any Industrial based business.

Tourism and Lifestyle

Tourism is a major and vibrant industry in Mildura, generating more than \$260 million expenditure each year and underpinning, conservatively, around 1,500 jobs.

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TOURISM visitors to region 700,000 Year Ending June 2013

INCREASE ON PREVIOUS YEAR 21% Domestic Overnight Visitors

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Mildura's setting - on the banks of the Murray River while being flanked by impressive natural surrounds and national parks lends itself to the apt description of being where the Mediterranean meets the Outback.

An abundance of quality restaurants and eateries celebrate the magnitude of locally-grown produce while Mildura's reputation as a wine region is further enhanced by a growing number of award successes that are emerging among the ranks of nearly 40 local wine producers.

Mildura boasts an exceptional sporting, cultural and arts scene with an impressive year-round calendar of rich events that match the diversity of interests that makes life in and around Mildura so livable. Mildura was Australia's first irrigated colony, heritage proudly displayed along the Chaffey Trail which enables visitors to follow the 1880s vision of the Chaffey Brothers who transformed Mildura into an irrigated oasis.

The Murray River provides a spectacular yet calming backdrop to everything that happens in Mildura; there's no better example than the junction of where Australia's two greatest rivers - the Murray and the Darling - occurs at Wentworth. Not surprisingly the luxury houseboat market, epitomizing floating indulgence, is one of the most popular and highest yielding segments of Mildura's tourism industry.

Also of growing significance are the region's surrounding national parks. Best known with its international reputation and indigenous significance is Mungo National Park, while the Perry Sandhills, Kings Billabong, Hattah-Kulkyne National Park and Murray Sunset National Park are among firm favourites with locals.

The conference and business events market is another growing segment within the local tourism industry. Currently Mildura hosts more than 20 conferences a year, with strategic efforts aiming to double that within coming years.

For the year ending Year Ended June 2013, Mildura attracted some 700,000 visitors (domestic, international and day trippers) to the region who spent 1.4 million visitor nights here. Domestic overnight travel represents our largest visitor sector. For the Year Ended June 2013 Mildura received 451,000 domestic overnight visitors, a 21% increase over the previous year. Domestic visitors spent nearly 1.4 million nights in the region, 13% up on the previous year.

Domestic overnight visitors spent an average of \$149 per night. International figures were also strong – visitor numbers jumped by 23% while these visitors spent 460,000 nights in our region.

Mildura Tourism

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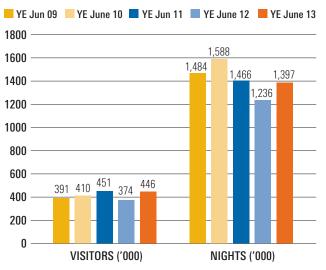
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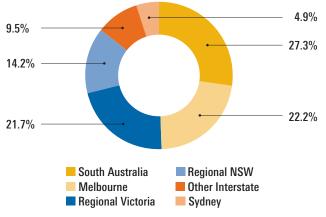
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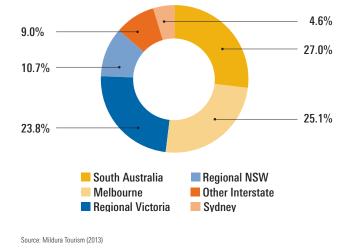
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Mildura Region Visitor Domestic Overnight Travel - Visitors



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Mildura Region Visitor Domestic Overnight Travel - Nights

LIFESTYLE IN THE MILDURA REGION

Residents of the Mildura region make the most of the temperate, and year-round Mediterranean climate by enjoying an active, relaxed outdoors lifestyle that centres around the Murray and Darling Rivers. Residents and tourists alike enjoy navigating the river by houseboat, paddleboat, canoe or kayak or joining in activities such as fishing, swimming and water sports.

The dining and winery experience is an important aspect of the lifestyle enjoyed in the region. Residents enjoy a range of dining options from alfresco restaurants and sidewalk cafes to the award-winning Stefano's restaurant. Meals enjoyed are complemented by a number of affordable quality wines produced in the Mildura wine region.

A multitude of attractions, festivals and events on offer in the region ensure extensive community engagement and provide entertainment for locals of all ages. Residents and tourists have a variety of activities to choose from, whether it be exploring the national parks, having fun at a local farmers market, festival or event, touring the wine region or cruising down the Murray River.

Residents of the Mildura Region enjoy a unique lifestyle for a number of reasons, including:

- Climate The region has a 'Mediterranean' climate that allows residents to enjoy outdoor markets, events and activities year-round.
- Environment A combination of the Murray and Darling Rivers, national parks and the wine region provide a variety of activities for residents to enjoy.
- Culture A range of historical sites, arts festivals and events provide ongoing entertainment for the community and a unique environment to live in.
- Services The Mildura region has excellent health, allied health, retail, business and professional services.
- Infrastructure An ever expanding airport, road, rail and air transport, and well maintained utility services.

HEALTHCARE

The Mildura region has excellent health and aged care facilities. These facilities benefit not only residents, but also service people from a much larger catchment including Broken Hill, Swan Hill and the Riverland in South Australia.

Below is a list of the type of health and aged care facilities and services that are on offer throughout the region.

Mallee Track & Community Health

- Acute Care
- Antenatal Care / Domiciliary Midwives
- Carers Support Groups
- Carinya Hostel
- Chiropractor
- Community Link Transport Service
- Community Nursing/District Nursing
- Dental
- Dietitian
- Drug and Alcohol
- Exercises
- Friendly Visiting
- GP/Medical Practice
- Health Promotion
- Integrated Family Services
- Kaleesa Nursing Home
- Mallee Minors
- Meals on Wheels
- Meet and Eat
- Mental Health Services
- Neighbourhood House
- Occupational Therapy
- PAG
- Palliation
- Pathology
- Pattinson House Hostel
- Podiatry
- Preschool
- Social Worker
- Speech Pathologist
- Sunraysia Hearing Clinic
- TD Martin Nursing Home
- Urgent Care Centre
- Vacation Care
- Visiting MCHN (Shire Service)
- Volunteer Coordination
- X-Ray and Ultrasound
- Youth Services

Mildura Base Hospital

Mildura Base Hospital provides an extensive range of services. Our specialties include:

- Cardiology (limited)
- Community and Inpatient Mental Health Services
- Chemotherapy
- Day Surgery

- Dialysis
- Emergency Services
- ENT Surgery
- Faciomaxillary Surgery
- General Medicine
- General Surgery
- Hospital in the Home
- Intensive Care
- Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Oncology
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedics
- Paediatrics
- Psychiatry
- Rehabilitation Services
- Urology
- Headspace

Comprehensive Pathology, Imaging, Pharmacy and Allied Health Services are also available on-site. Our resident medical staff provide medical cover 24 hours a day, working in liaison with visiting medical officers.

Mildura Private Hospital

Mildura Private Hospital provides a wide range of specialty services including:

- Advanced Surgery
- General Surgery
- Acute Medical Care
- High Dependency Unit
- Day Procedure Unit
- Dedicated Chemotherapy Lounge
- Sleep Study Services
- State of the art Operating Theatres
- Endoscopy Theatre
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Visiting Orthopaedic surgeon
- General Surgery
- Urology
- Gynaecology
- Vascular surgery
- Ear, Nose & Throat
- Ophthalmology
- Oral/maxillofacial surgery
- Dental
- Specialist Anaesthetic Services
- Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery

Sunraysia Community Health Service

- Adult day care & disability services
- Aged care assessment service (acas)
- Allied health
- Chronic disease self management support
- Health services
- Community health
- Community palliative care
- Counselling services
- Drug treatment services



- Health promotion Healthy together Mildura
- Health education
- Home nursing
- Victims assistance and counselling program (vacp)

Mildura District Aboriginal Services

- General Practitioner & Nurse Clinic
- Visiting Specialists
- Chronic Disease Management
- Aboriginal Maternity Service
- Maternal & Child Health Checks
- Adult Health Checks
- Healthy for Life Program
- Bringing Them Home Program
- Psychological Counselling & Mental Health
- Drug & Alcohol Counselling
- Quit Smoking Support
- Wiimpatja Healing Centre
- Transport Services
- Swan Hill and Kerang Schedule

Aged Care Facilities

- Bupa Mildura
- Regis Ontario
- Regis Sunraysia
- Princess Court Homes
- Oasis Aged Care
- Wentworth District Hospital Services
- Red Cliffs & Community Aged Care Services
- Sunraysia Hostel for the Elderly
- Chaffey Aged Care

Other Community Health Organisations & Services

- Mildura Rural City Council
- Northern Mallee Community Partnership
- Mallee Family Care
- Community Care Options
- Child & Adolescent Health Services
- Headspace
- Far West Area Health Service
- Dareton Primary Health Service
- Lower Murray Medicare Local
- Annecto
- Sunraysia Hearing Clinic
- Centacare
- Women's Health Loddon Mallee
- MASP Mildura Accommodation & Support Program
- Vision Australia

The region also includes:

- Doctors
- Dentists
- Physiotherapists
- Massage Therapists
- Chiropractors
- Psychologists



RECREATIONAL AND SPORTING ACTIVITIES

The region offers a diverse range of quality recreation and sporting facilities and events which assists in attracting people to the region. The sporting facilities support local clubs to host major sporting events in a wide range of sports at a State, National and International level which supports the local tourism industry.

A selected sample of events and festivals on offer throughout the region are outlined in the table below.

A Sample of Events & Festivals

Festival/Event	Month	Description
Murray River International Music Festival	January	Combines food, wine and the river environment with music by international performers.
Mildura Wentworth Arts Festival March		Provides a combination of events ranging from emerging stars, indigenous artists, to high profile productions.
Easter Power Sports	March/April	A major event in Mildura, tourists swarm to Mildura to enjoy the power sports, camping along the river and events such as the Mildura 100 Easter Ski Race.
Mildura Eisteddfod	June	Aims to identify the many talents of our competitors. The Mildura Eisteddfod is an annual event with competition in Piano, Vocal, Choral, Instrumental, Speech, Drama and Dance.
Mildura Writers Festival	July	Considered one of the finest literary festivals in the country, recognized for directly engaging environmental and social sustainability issues through art.
Golf Week	July	Numerous golf courses are located in the Mildura region, and each year golfers from around Australia gather to compete in graded championship, mixed and other events.
Mildura Cup Carnival	August	Provides the perfect atmosphere of racing, glamour and fashion.
The Merbein Great Australian Vanilla Slice Triumph	August	Bakers across Australia come to compete for the Best Vanilla Slice.
Mildura Country Music Festival	September	Featuring the best of country music, including numerous Australian independent country music acts.
Goanna Run	October	The Goanna Run attracts hot rods and hot rod enthusiasts from all over Australia, New Zealand and the USA.
Mildura Jazz, Food & Wine Festival	November	A combination of regional wines and contemporary jazz in a variety of locations.
Willowfest Cricket Championship	December	An annual event held in Mildura where cricket teams from all over Australia come to compete at first class facilities.
Motor sports		Olympic Park Motorcyle Complex and Timmis Speedway are home to drag racing, motorcycle and sedan speedway racing, sprint cars, speed cars and hot rods.
Numerous bowls and tennis events		Mildura hosted the Davis Cup in 1998 and the Federation Cup in 2009.

Source: www.visitmildura.com.au and www.milduraevents.com.au Note: This list is not exhaustive.



The Mildura region has a number of attractions for visitors and residents, including:

Attractions, Mildura Region

Nature
The Murray River
Mungo National Park (part of the World Heritage
Listed Willandra Lakes)
Numerous National Parks
 Lang's Native Plant Nursery
Australian Inland Botanic Gardens
Orange World
 Farmers' Markets
Almost 40 local wineries
Local produce
Cultural
 Langtree Hall Museum
Mildura Arts Centre & Gallery
Historic Churches
Millewa Pioneer Village
Carringbush Glass Gallery
Rest-a-while Gardens & Gallery
Red Cliffs Historical Steam Railway
Old Wentworth Gaol
Mildura Brewery Pub
Big Lizzie Giant Tractor
Turlee Station Stay
Psyche Pumps
The Chaffey Trail
Pioneer World Museum
Sport & Recreation
Mildura Formula K Grand Prix Go Karts
Mildura Golf Club Resort
Dutt Dutt Mildurg

Putt Putt Mildura

Source: Mildura Official Visitors' Guide 2013 and www.visitmildura.com.au Note: This list is not exhaustive. Attractions have been classified for simplicity.

For a list of local wineries and cellar doors, visit **www.growmilduraregion.com.au**

Sport & Recreation
Sun City Rollerama
House of Golf - Sunraysia Golf Range
Sunraysia Tenpin
Arnnie's Laserforce
SUP Mildura
Moontongue Eco Adventures
Wildside Outdoors
Wentworth Golf Club
Wentworth Sporting Club
Coomealla Memorial Sporting Club
Coomealla Golf Club
 Houseboat and boat hire
 Historic paddleboat and steam train tours
 International standard grass tennis courts
 International standard motor sport facilities
Mildura Waves Aquatic & Leisure Centre
Deakin Cinema Complex
Other
 Over 300 events and festival held in the region each year ranging
from food and wine to the arts, music and sporting events
 PS Melbourne, PB Rothbury & PS Mundoo (River Cruising)
Wentworth River Cruises
Woodsies Gem Shop
Masseurs and Day Spas
Hot air balloon and scenic flights over Mildura
Feast Street & Deakin Avenue dining precincts
Sunraysia Cellar Door



MARKETS

The Mildura region is home to a number of markets that sell everything from fruit and vegetables to art, craft and clothing.

Markets:

- Sunraysia Farmers Market (first and third Saturday of each month) www.sunraysiafarmersmarket.com.au
- Merbein Market (third Sunday of each month)
- Red Cliffs Market
- Mildura City Boutique Pavilion Markets (second and fourth Saturday of each month)
- Mildura City Heart Market (second and fourth Sunday's of each month)

Visit **www.milduraevents.com.au** to view the local events calendar.

For information on Dareton and Wentworth markets visit www.visitwentworth.com.au

ARTS & CULTURE

The Mildura region has a strong and vibrant arts and cultural scene, with many opportunities and venues for artists, writers, and performers.

Mildura's impact on the arts has been historically significant for Australia. During the 1960's through to the 1980's Mildura was home to a series of important contemporary art events known as the Mildura Sculpture Triennials. Sculptures from these events can still be seen around Mildura today. The Mildura Palimpsest Biennale followed, inviting local, national and international artists to engage with the Mildura and Murray Darling region environment to create contemporary art. Both events have significantly impacted the role of art in Australian society. Now-a-days local venues such as the new Mildura Arts Centre, The Art Vault, Gallery 25 at Stefano's Café Bakery, the Wallflower Photomedia Gallery and Artback Gallery and Café offer a variety of venues for people wanting to appreciate or create art.

The Mildura region also hosts numerous events and festivals for lovers of music, the arts and literature.

Mildura Arts Centre

Mildura Arts Centre is home to a performing arts theatre, a regional art gallery, Rio Vista Historic House, a café and sculpture garden. In 2012 the centre underwent a \$8.7 million redevelopment to build a new 444 seat theatre, a large proscenium stage with fly-tower and modern stage equipment, an orchestra pit, a large backstage area and a green room.

Mildura Arts Centre's Regional Gallery was established in 1956 through the generous bequest of R.D. and Hilda Elliott. The centre has five gallery spaces across which a rotating program of exhibitions is scheduled. Visitors can expect to see a vibrant and engaging mix of temporary exhibitions of selected collection works, contemporary local artist exhibitions, touring exhibitions and the work of visiting artists.

The Mildura Arts Centre permanent collection is comprised of more than 1500 objects. It includes the largest single collection of paintings by anglo-Irish artist Sir William Orpen, a circa 1897-90 pastel by Edgar Degas, *Femme à la baignoire se coiffant*, as well

as works by Sir Frank Brangwyn and a number of important Australian artists including Frederick McCubbin, Arthur Streeton and William McInnes. The gallery also has a significant collection of sculpture acquired from the Mildura sculpture events held from the early 1960s to the mid 1980s.

www.milduraartscentre.com.au

Arts Mildura

Arts Mildura is an independent not-for-profit community organisation which has been delivering festivals and arts events in the Mildura region for nearly 20 years. Currently the organisation presents five festivals each year, with quality local, national and international artists, musicians, writers and performers.

Arts Mildura events include:

- Murray River International Music Festival
- Mildura Wentworth Arts Festival
- Mildura Writers Festival
- Mildura Palimpsest
- Mildura Jazz Food and Wine Festival

www.artsmildura.com.au

Artback Gallery and Café

Artback Australia gallery opened in 2009. It features regularly changing displays by a number of resident artists. The gallery, café and function venue is located in the historic Wentworth township overlooking the Darling River.

www.artbackaustralia.com.au

Gallery 25 at Stefano's Café Bakery

Opened in 2003, this commercial gallery is an artist-run space located in the Mildura CBD. Operated in conjunction with La Trobe University, Mildura campus, it showcases quality local and Australian contemporary artists with regular exhibitions of multi-disciplinary art works.

www.stefano.com.au

The Art Vault

Established in 2008, The Art Vault is a unique, privately funded contemporary arts facility, located in Mildura in north-western Victoria.

The Art Vault's three gallery spaces showcase a regularly changing exhibition program of work spanning diverse mediums by local, national, international and Indigenous artists, while also suiting a range of budgets. The Art Vault believe that art should be accessible and frequently hold workshops, tours and events. In addition, specialist printmaking facilities and a thriving artist in residence program foster exchange between visiting and local artists, who work from studios on site, as well as the broader community. The Art Vault is fully wheelchair accessible.

www.theartvault.com.au

Wallflower Photomedia Gallery

Wallflower Photomedia Gallery is located in central Mildura and provides access to a curated selection of work from artists using lens based mediums locally, nationally and internationally. Featuring three spaces that are purposely built for both still and moving imagery the gallery highlights and creates further readings of photography within the unique context of the Mildura region.

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LOCAL MEDIA SERVICES IN THE MILDURA REGION

The Mildura region is serviced by a range of radio, print and television media, providing the local community with a diverse coverage of local news, sport and other community activities.

In July 2010 the Mildura region became the first area in Australia to convert to digital television.

Media organisations currently operating in the Mildura region as include:

Newspapers (Paid)

Sunraysia Daily - published six days Monday to Saturday

Newspapers (Free)

Mildura Midweek - published each Tuesday Mildura Weekly - published each Friday

Magazines

Mildura Living Magazine

Radio

97.9 Sun FM 99.5 Star FM ABC 104.3 FM Easy Listening 1467 AM Community Radio 106.7 FM

Television (Free to air)

Win TV (Channel 9 affiliate)



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