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Wodonga growing rapidly

WODONGA’s population continues to grow at an accelerated rate, with 2011 census data revealing the city has swelled by more than 2,500 people in the past five years.

The data shows 35,519 residents lived in the city in August last year, compared with 33,010 five years earlier. Wodonga’s population grew by more than the entire North East region and Albury combined.

Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) also show the median age of Wodonga’s population to be 35, compared to the state and national median of 37.

Wodonga’s median weekly household income increased from $996 in 2006 to $1075 last year, remaining the highest amount out of the regional Victorian cities group.

Household income is an important indicator of socioeconomic status, showing that Wodonga is developing a more skilled workforce, attracting higher incomes. To see the full results visit ABS website here.

Contact

TO help ensure that the newsletter reaches the right people, it is vital that the council maintains an accurate and up-to-date business database. To ensure that your business details are correct, or to add your business to the emailing list, please contact the economic development team on the details below.

Economic development team
City of Wodonga
104 Hovell St, Wodonga
Phone: (02) 6022 9300
ecodevelopment@wodonga.vic.gov.au

Wodonga businesses to access funds

THE Victorian Business Flood Recovery Fund is a $10 million Victorian Government initiative which aims to restore and improve the capacity of areas of regional Victoria affected by the 2011 floods. The program has recently expanded to include Wodonga.

The program will fund business projects aimed at creating sustainable new jobs along with business expansion that enhances employment, business and economic opportunities. The minimum grant available is $50,000 and the maximum amount is $2 million.

The fund aims to restore and improve the capacity of areas of regional Victoria affected by floods, and enhance economic development through encouraging private sector investment and job creation in those areas.

Download the program application guidelines here. For further information, please contact Regional Development Victoria’s development manager Ray Hortle on (02) 6056 2166 or ray.hortle@rdv.vic.gov.au

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LITTLE Me Market is a boutique market created and organised by local working mum, Jade Tauber.

Held once a month, the market attracts 50 different stall holders who specialise in handmade or babies’ and children’s items, as well as food, sweet treats, coffee and live music.

“Running a small home business myself, as well as my partner in the market, we realised there was no boutique style outlet or market for locals to sell their products,” Ms Tauber said.

“We aimed to create something of a high standard where people could find unique items that aren’t mass produced, and a place where people can support local business.”

Products at the market include baby gifts, clothing, artwork, gift cards, home decor, jewellery and craft. There is also entertainment for the kids, including face-painting and a great ‘kidz zone’.

All stall holders are local businesses, the majority of who are home-based businesses and some small businesses. Wodonga’s local economy is largely impacted by the contribution small businesses like these make, with 90 per cent of all businesses in Wodonga being small businesses.

While small businesses may not generate as much money as large businesses, they are a major contributor to the strength of the local economy and community.

Through self-employment and employing others, small businesses create a large number of jobs in a range of sectors particularly retail, construction, professional, scientific and technical services, and manufacturing.

The local community has embraced Little Me Market, with 1000 plus visitors to each market. Ms Tauber attributes the success to social media marketing and word of mouth.

“We have a Facebook page (facebook.com/littlememarket), a website littlememarket.com and a blog. We also distribute a small amount of fliers around Albury-Wodonga and have posters in a few businesses around the border,” she said.

Ms Tauber hopes the Little Me Market will continue to get bigger and grow to be an established event that everyone on the border and surrounds knows about.

Little Me Market is held on the third Sunday of the month every month, from 10am to 2pm, at the Wodonga Sports and Leisure Centre for July and August and then back to the beautiful Sumsion Gardens for the warmer months.

Little Me Market supports the Flutterby Foundation.

**Market dates**

**Third Sunday of the month**

10am to 2pm

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WODONGA’S Logic industrial estate will soon have a central service hub for Australia’s busiest freight route between Melbourne and Sydney, providing much needed facilities to support long-haul truck drivers.

Victoria’s Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional and Rural Development, Peter Ryan, announced the new $15.8 million Wodonga Logic Transport Project.

“The major new development will include the construction of a 24-hour service centre, a fatigue management centre (large rest area) for up to 45 trucks and a secure area for the exchange of trailers between Sydney-based and Melbourne-based drivers,” Minister Ryan said.

“The fatigue management centre, in particular, will be a major improvement addressing the critical shortage of rest areas along this route that has existed for many years.

The trailer interchange site will support greater flexibility for drivers, allowing Melbourne-based drivers to exchange trailers with Sydney-based counterparts, which will effectively reduce time away from their home base.

Mr Ryan said the Victorian Government would contribute $1.64 million towards the project from its flagship $1 billion Regional Growth Fund.

In addition to 48 indirect jobs, it’s expected that the Wodonga Logic Transport Project will create up to 120 direct ongoing jobs at the site including service centre attendant roles, jobs in food and beverage, delivery and cleaning.

It will also build on the strength of the existing Logic industry park, which is already a major industrial hub supporting 470 full-time employees across a range of industries including food distribution, skills training and freight networks.

Wodonga Council welcomed funding for a 24-hour service centre and a fatigue management centre at Logic.

The infrastructure for the centre will be built by private developers.

Wodonga Mayor Cr Mark Byatt said the recent announcement further cemented Logic’s position as a national logistics hub located on the Hume freight corridor.

“We are pleased that this initiative will lead to more jobs and more activity at Logic, which further supports our city’s economic strength,” Cr Byatt said.

“We believe the new service centre and fatigue management centre will also work well with both the existing businesses located at Logic, such as Woolworths and Border Express, and will certainly support future developments at the Logic centre for years to come.”

This development will also provide support for the new driver training facility being built by Wodonga TAFE at Logic.
CMV Truck and Bus is already benefiting from its move to its new home in McKoy St, Wodonga.

Part of the Commercial Motor Vehicles (CMV) Group, the new headquarters were built at a cost of $4 million (for the land and buildings), with $1 to $2 million worth of plant and equipment.

Wodonga’s branch manager Darren Cowan said business has already increased.

“We were in Macauley St in Albury at a rented site, but we have now moved out completely into the company-owned facility,” he said.

“The location was the biggest reason (for moving).

“The new place is really accessible off the highway and especially for bigger trucks such as B-doubles and down the track, B-triples.

“It has instantly had an effect, and our servicing and parts areas have seen an increase in business.”

CMV Truck and Bus currently employs 26 people at the Wodonga site, with two staff hired as part of the moving process. Mr Cowan said they are looking for a further two or three tradespeople at the moment and will put on two apprentices at the end of the year.

“We have a school in Melbourne so they will go there and return to do their practical in the workshop here,” he said.

He estimates by 2013, they will top 30 employees in Wodonga.

The Wodonga site is the company’s Victorian franchise-holder for Mac, UD Trucks and Volvo truck sales. However, its staff will service all makes and models.

Wodonga key development update

Updates on key projects include:

- **The Cube Wodonga - $11.5 million:** Construction of the new performing arts facility in Wodonga’s CBD is nearing completion and scheduled to open in spring, 2012.

- **Wodonga Aquatic Venue and Exercise Space (WAVES) - $11.2 million:** The walls and base for the pool have been poured, as well as the slab for the amenities building. The car park and splash pad area have also commenced. WAVES is scheduled to open in December.

- **Yarralumla Drive extension - $3 million:** Due for completion in July, 2012.

- **Quest serviced apartments and tavern - $25 million:** The planning application has been approved and construction commenced in early July. Project is estimated to be completed prior to June 2013.

- **CBD redevelopment:** Places Victoria have called for expressions of interest for the development of the first three sites in central Wodonga.

- **GP Super Clinic - $10 million:** Construction of a GP Super Clinic in the CBD continues. It will have a total floor space of 1371 square metres.

- **Defence warehouse - $80 million:** Building to start late 2012 or early 2013. Estimated completion is 2015.

- **NISTC Facility - $12 million:** Construction is nearing completion on the Wodonga TAFE Training Centre at Logic, which is scheduled for completion in late-2012.
Regional businesses to have say

FROM July, the Victorian Employers’ Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VECCI) will hold a series of workshops around the state to give regional businesses and communities the opportunity to provide ideas for the future growth and prosperity of regional Victoria.

VECCI chief executive, Mark Stone, says the 2012 VECCI Regional Business Convention, themed ‘Your Region. Your Business. Your Voice’, is an important event to encourage thought leadership and explore how regional Victoria can maximise its potential as an increasingly important contributor to state economic, investment and employment growth.

The workshops will bring together regional business leaders and community stakeholders to identify, discuss and explore issues facing regional Victoria now, and into the future. The outcomes of this process help set the business development agenda for VECCI in regional Victoria in 2013 and beyond.

The workshops will then culminate in a Convention in Geelong on 18 and 19 October. Representatives from each of the regional events will come together to present on the relevant issues, challenges and solutions facing that region. Guests at the Convention will include the Premier of Victoria, the Hon Ted Baillieu.

The regional event in Wodonga will be held on Wednesday 15 August. For more information visit: www.vecci.org.au/rbc

Farmers’ market 10-year anniversary

WHAT started out as a great idea has turned into 10 great years of providing fresh produce from local farmers directly to the customer.

The Hume Murray Farmers’ Market, supported by Hume Murray Food Bowl, celebrates a decade this year. Situated at Gateway Village, Lincoln Causeway, Wodonga, the market is held every second Saturday from 8am to noon.

Chair of both the market and food bowl, Byron Gray, has been involved since the early stages.

He said the market has grown from modest beginnings to what it is today. “I think it will keep on growing too as long as we keep the customers there,” Mr Gray said.

“We average a crowd of 1000 people, and 25 to 30 stalls. We have everything you need to do a whole meal.”

Stallholders come from north east Victoria and southern New South Wales.

To get involved or find out more, please visit hmfbo.org or contact market co-ordinator Nicole Stephens on (02) 6058 2996 or info@hmfb.org

Market dates for 2012:
• July 21;
• August 4 and 18;
• September 1, 15 and 29;
• October 13 and 27;
• November 10 and 24; and
• December 8, 15 and 22.
BUSINESSES have the opportunity to access millions of dollars for clean energy. The Australian Government’s Clean Energy Future plan provides incentives for businesses to reduce emissions and invest in clean energy.

**Clean Technology Investment Program**

Minister for Industry and Innovation, Greg Combet, announced the launch of the Clean Technology Investment Program.

The Clean Technology Investment Program is an $800 million competitive, merit-based grants program to support Australian manufacturers to maintain competitiveness in a carbon constrained economy.

This program will provide grants for investments in energy efficient capital equipment and low emission technologies, processes and products.

**Clean Technology Food and Foundries Investment Program**

Minister for Industry and Innovation, Greg Combet, announced the launch of the Clean Technology Food and Foundries Investment Program.

This program will provide grants for investments in energy efficient capital equipment and low emission technologies, processes and products.

For further information on either of these programs visit: [http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/programs/CleanTechnology/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/programs/CleanTechnology/Pages/default.aspx)

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**Resources to assist business**

- **Wodonga Economic Snapshot** - Snapshot of Wodonga’s economy
- **Wodonga Economic Indicators** - Overview of economic and socio-demographic activity in Wodonga.
- **Wodonga Tourism Trends** - Tourism activity in Wodonga in 2010-11.
- **Manufacturing and Industrial Register** - Overview of manufacturing and engineering capability in Wodonga.
- **Profile ID** - Socio-demographic projections for Wodonga.
- **Forecast ID** - Forecasts on Wodonga’s population and household types.
- **Victorian Business Essentials** - Information on starting up or running a business in Victoria.
- **Albury Wodonga Business Survey 2011** - Key findings report.
- **Wodonga DVD** - Showcasing City of Wodonga.

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**Free WorkHealth checks in Wodonga**

VECCI and the Wodonga Chamber of Commerce are offering local businesses free WorkHealth checks.

WorkHealth checks offer your employees the following:

- A confidential 20-minute consultation with a health professional, including early signs of developing type two diabetes and heart disease;
- Measurement of waistline, blood glucose, cholesterol and blood pressure; and
- Referral to a doctor for follow up when required.

Please contact WorkHealth co-ordinator at VECCI Katie Chancellor on (03) 8662 5326 or kchancellor@vecci.org.au
Farewell to skilled migration program

SINCE 2005 the Wodonga Skilled Migration Program has placed more than 150 skilled migrants into local Wodonga businesses across a diverse range of industries and services including health, engineering, manufacturing, hospitality and education.

The placement of skilled migrants has assisted in filling long-term skill shortages in the area, including teachers, nurses, welders, chefs, mechanics, accountants, doctors and engineers.

From July 1, 2012, the program funding will end and the service will no longer be provided by Wodonga Council.

For employers requiring information on sponsoring a skilled migrant for their business, please phone the Hume Office of Regional Development Victoria on (02) 6056 2166.

For migrants requiring assistance with visa applications, please phone the Department of Immigration and Citizenship on 131 881 or a migration agent.

To locate a local migration agent visit mara.gov.au

Wodonga Council would like to take this opportunity to thank all the businesses and migrants that have been involved with the Wodonga Skilled Migration Program during the previous seven years.

Survey to shed insight into local economy

THE third annual Local Business Survey, a joint initiative of Wodonga Council, Albury Wodonga Corporation and AlburyCity, will be distributed to businesses in early-August.

More than 620 businesses responded to last year’s survey, which provided insight into the structure and characteristics of the local economy.

Wodonga Council encourages all businesses to complete the survey which provides unique and valuable information about local business and industry.

The results create a better understanding and consideration of the challenges and opportunities being faced by businesses.

The 2012 Local Business Survey will be distributed to all businesses registered on the Albury Wodonga Business Directory website (www.alburywodonga.gov.au).

Responses will be accepted until August 31, 2012.

A key findings summary of survey results will be available from www.alburywodonga.gov.au from Friday, September 21, 2012.

For further information about the Albury Wodonga Business Directory, including how to register your business on the directory website, please contact the Business Directory Hotline on (02) 6023 8719.
Business training and events

Murray Hume Business Enterprise Centre

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For more information, please phone the MHBEC on (02) 6024 0400.

Wodonga Chamber of Commerce

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For more information, and to register for events, please phone the chamber on (02) 5056 8302 or visit wodongachamber.com.au

Picture yourself in a managerial position with a degree like …

Keri Hoogendyk, Manager, Department of Veterans’ Affairs

Keri has enrolled in the new Bachelor of Applied Management which is delivered by Wodonga Institute of TAFE in partnership with the University of Ballarat.

Initially, I chose Wodonga Institute of TAFE because of its central location and reasonable price. I completed the Diploma of Human Resources Management and the Advanced Diploma of Management with Wodonga Institute. I chose to undertake the Bachelor of Applied Management through Wodonga Institute because I’ve found the teachers to be very experienced, and the subject matter to be relevant to my workplace and easily transferrable to any managerial position.

Also, undertaking an undergraduate degree in one year and continuing to work full-time was an opportunity that was too good to pass up.

What I’ve learned and my work experience have together been a huge stepping stone in moving my career forward, and I want that to continue. I can really see the improvements that I’ve been able to make at work through studying the Advanced Diploma of Management and I know it’s going to be even better when I start the Bachelor of Applied Management.

I strongly believe that having the Bachelor of Applied Management will cement the experience I have in management and take me to where I hope to be in management in the future.

I’m really looking forward to taking the next step to the Bachelor of Applied Management. For me, it’s a degree that will actually be used! I’m passionate about being a great manager and I’m looking forward to leading my team into the future with the skills and education I’m gaining through ongoing learning.

You can join Keri in undertaking the Bachelor of Applied Management which is beginning soon.
Employment statistics

RECENT employment figures released show Wodonga’s labour force increased to 19,675 (plus 147) in the March, 2012 quarter. In the same period, Wodonga’s unemployment rate increased to 6.4 per cent from 6.2 per cent the previous quarter.

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Wodonga Building Services

- Building permit and plan advice.
  Access to town planning, health and infrastructure advice can also be arranged.

- Building Code of Australia, Australian Standards and building regulation advice.

- Fast turnaround times.

- We can provide a building permit and inspection service that suits you.

Contact our staff on:
General enquiries (02) 6022 9300
Building surveyor 0419 035 917
Building inspectors 0408 473 019
0439 360 597
Building statistics

Building activity in Wodonga

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SOURCE: Wodonga Council

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SOURCE: Wodonga Council

Building activity tops $124m in 2011-2012

BUILDING activity slowed slightly this quarter, with more than 150 building permits issued in the City of Wodonga.

Some of the larger jobs issued this quarter have been additions and alterations to a church, valued at $1m, internal alterations to a hotel with a value of $560,000, external alterations to a shopping centre with a value of $400,000 and a new warehouse and office with a value of $160,000.

The value of new housing in this quarter reached more than $14m, with 59 houses approved, whilst the commercial/industrial permit value was just under $3m.

A total of 333 new houses and units have been approved in Wodonga this financial year, with a total value of almost $75m.

The total value of building work in Wodonga this calendar year has exceeded $52m, with more than 330 building permits issued.

Almost $125m worth of building work has been approved, and over 720 permits issued this financial year in Wodonga.

SOURCE: Wodonga Council

Number of new residential dwellings constructed in financial year

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SOURCE: Wodonga Council
Planning statistics

Residential lots released by financial year

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Residential lots released on the rise

THE Planning department has continued to receive high volumes of applications for planning permits and subdivisions, with some of the major applications being for:

- The use of the land and construction of a tavern and Quest serviced apartments on Reid St, Wodonga;
- The development and use of the saleyards in Barnawartha;
- Approval to remove redundant rail infrastructure on former Wodonga Railway Station Land in South St, Wodonga;
- Development of land for 17 independent living units and construction of ancillary roads, footpaths and landscaping in Baranduda (Westmont Aged Care);
- 26-lot subdivision - Stages three and four of Kinchinton Estate; and
- Approval to construct and carry out works for a telecommunications facility in Silva Drive, West Wodonga.

Work is continuing on the many new estates that are being developed in Wodonga. A total of 89 new residential lots were released in the June quarter, with White Box Rise Estate continuing to grow.

The Leneva and Baranduda Growth Area Framework Plans are to be placed on preliminary public exhibition for comment. Following this process a formal exhibition process will be undertaken as part of the formal adoption of the framework into the Wodonga Planning Scheme.

A Development Contributions Plan is also planned for the growth area.