

National economic indicators for local government areas, 2013/2014*

RDA Townsville and North West Queensland

LGA	GRP ⁽¹⁾		Local jobs ⁽¹⁾		Worker productivity (GRP/worker) ⁽¹⁾	Unemployment ⁽²⁾	Businesses ⁽³⁾		Population (ERP) ⁽⁴⁾		Building Approvals ⁽⁵⁾	
	\$m	State %	Number	State %	\$	Rate	Number	State %	Number	State %	\$000	State %
Boulia	29	0.01%	302	0.01%	96,026	1.95%	91	0.02%	496	0.01%	-	0.00%
Burdekin	1,038	0.36%	8,113	0.35%	127,943	5.70%	2,335	0.59%	17,888	0.38%	36,063	0.21%
Burke	799	0.28%	1,039	0.04%	769,009	9.96%	132	0.03%	556	0.01%	1,556	0.00%
Carpentaria	198	0.06%	1,119	0.04%	176,944	9.66%	82	0.02%	2,225	0.04%	2,550	0.01%
Charters Towers	1,302	0.45%	5,002	0.22%	260,296	8.03%	872	0.22%	12,491	0.26%	19,746	0.11%
Cloncurry	1,776	0.62%	3,648	0.16%	486,842	4.38%	209	0.05%	3,413	0.07%	57,509	0.33%
Doomadgee	25	0.00%	331	0.01%	75,529	9.75%	6	0.00%	1,382	0.02%	2,505	0.01%
Flinders	121	0.04%	969	0.04%	124,871	1.28%	264	0.06%	1,828	0.03%	733	0.00%
Hinchinbrook	572	0.20%	5,070	0.22%	112,821	6.85%	1,379	0.34%	11,700	0.25%	23,082	0.13%
McKinlay	1,013	0.35%	1,556	0.06%	651,028	1.30%	369	0.09%	1,085	0.02%	-	0.00%
Mornington	37	0.01%	370	0.01%	100,000	9.64%	4	0.00%	1,214	0.02%	-	0.00%
Mount Isa	6,747	2.36%	13,551	0.59%	497,897	2.43%	1,084	0.27%	22,779	0.49%	35,158	0.20%
Palm Island	50	0.01%	777	0.03%	64,350	40.11%	7	0.00%	2,590	0.05%	-	0.00%
Richmond	58	0.02%	501	0.02%	115,768	1.28%	120	0.03%	845	0.01%	281	0.00%
Townsville	11,408	4.00%	87,394	3.86%	130,535	5.64%	12,229	3.09%	189,238	4.08%	597,963	3.48%
Region Totals	25,173	8.77%	129,742	5.66%			19,183	4.81%	269,730	5.74%	777,146	4.48%
Region Averages					252,657	7.86%						
Queensland	285,081		2,217,252		128,500	5.85%	419,766		4,623,534		16,247,061	

The RDA Townsville and North West Queensland region has **5.74%** of the Queensland population, **5.66%** of the total number of jobs in Queensland and **4.81%** of Queensland businesses.

Building approvals in the region represent **4.48%** of all building approvals in the State; however, the vast majority of those building approvals (86% of all building approvals within the region) are in Townsville. The region has a Gross Regional Product (GRP) of **\$25,173 million**, which represents **8.77%** of the Queensland Gross State Product (GSP).

Average worker productivity in the RDA TANWQ region is **\$252,657 per worker**, which is higher than the State average. This is due to high worker productivity rates in Burke, Cloncurry, McKinlay, and Mount Isa. Burke has the highest worker productivity rate in the State.

The unemployment rate in the region (**7.86%**) is much higher than the state average. Palm Island (40.11%) has the second-highest unemployment rate in the State; only surpassed by Yarrabah which has an unemployment rate of 56.9%.

Extracted from National Economic Indicators for Local Government Areas, 2013/2014, prepared by .id, the population experts and National Economics.

Source:

*Data unavailable for 2013/14, 2012/13 presented.

1National Institute of Economic and Industry Research (NIEIR)©, 2013/14.

2Department of Employment, Small Area Labour Markets, Q4 2011 and Q4 2014.

3Australian Bureau of Statistics, Counts of Australian Businesses, including Entries and Exits, June 2009 to June 2013.

4Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia, 2012/13.

5Australian Bureau of Statistics, Building Approvals, 2013/14.

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