# **Melton West**

Community Profile 2014–15

## ocation & Growth







 Situated in one of the fastest growing regions in Australia with a population of 16,958

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- Between 2001 2011, the population has grown by more than 6,200 people (75% increase)
- Between 2012-2013, Melton West was one of the fastest growing suburbs in the City of Melton, growing at 4.2%
- > By 2036, the population will grow to 29,162 people (74% increase)
- > Young population, median age is 30 (City of Melton, 32)
- > 296 babies born in 2014 (City of Melton, 2,172)
  - 77% of the population is aged less than 49 years
  - The largest population age groups are:
    - 0-4 years old (1,549)

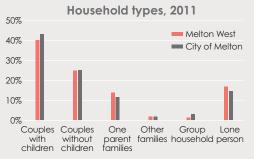
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- 25-29 years old (1,519)
- 30-34 years old (1,418)

Households

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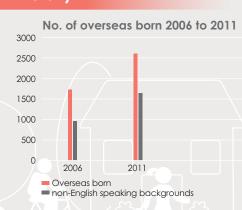
2006 2011 2016 2021 2026 2031 2036

- There are more than 5,880 households
- Household composition is:
  - 40% couples with children (City of Melton, 43%)
  - 26% couples without children (City of Melton, 21%)
  - 14% one parent families (City of Melton, 13%)
  - 17% lone persons (City of Melton, 16%)
- Average children per family is 2
- Between 2006 and 2011, the number of overseas born residents increased from 1,773 to 2,685 (+ 912) which represents 18.9% of the total population
- Residents from non-English speaking backgrounds increased by 687 to 1,691 (11.9% of the total population)
- Top three countries of birth: New Zealand, Malta and India (4.5% of the total population)
- 14% of residents speak a language other than English (City of Melton, 29%)
- Religion:
  - High no religious affiliation at 23% (City of Melton, 17%)
  - Islam and Buddhism is increasing
- In Melton West, 147 people identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background\*



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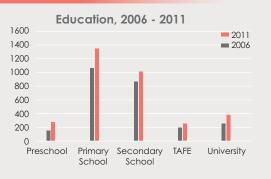
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### Education



### Employment

#### Occupation of employment, 2011





#### References

- > ABS Census of Population and Housing 2011
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- > id. City of Melton Population Forecasts
- > Population Diversity in Victoria by Local Government Areas 2011

- 24% of the population attend an educational institution (City of Melton, 24%)
- There are 1,348 primary schoolers and 1,017 secondary schoolers
- 39.5% of residents have completed Year 12 (City of Melton, 46.5%)
- > University attendance is 2.7% (City of Melton, 2.8%)

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- Bachelor or Higher Degree qualification is 8.5% (City of Melton, 13.5%)
- Vocational qualification is 23% (City of Melton, 20%)
- 6,682 people are employed, of which 67% are working full time and 30% part time
- Most work in technical, trade, clerical and administrative occupations
- > 11% work in professional occupations (City of Melton, 14%)
- > 75% travel to work by car (City of Melton, 75%)
- > 8% travel to work by train or bus (City of Melton, 8%)
- > 11% of residents are engaged in some form of voluntary work

- > 14.5% of households earn low income (City of Melton, 15%)
- > 13% of households earn high income (City of Melton, 14.5%)
- Median weekly household income is \$1,296 (City of Melton, \$1,363)
- Median monthly mortgage repayment is \$1,625 (City of Melton, \$1,733)
- 15.9% of households are experiencing mortgage stress (City of Melton, 18%)
- SEIFA index is 985 (City of Melton 1002)<sup>#</sup>
- Average motor vehicle per dwelling is 1.9 (City of Melton, 1.9)

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- \* Due to issues with non-identification and undercounting in the 2011 Census, the number could double.
- # SEIFA index figures above 1,000 are above the Australian average and so relatively less disadvantaged, while index figures below 1,000 indicate areas of relatively greater disadvantage when compared to the nation.

For further information on City of Melton demographics, please click here

