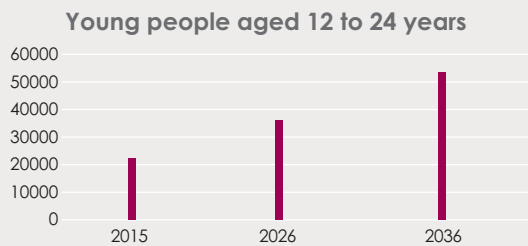


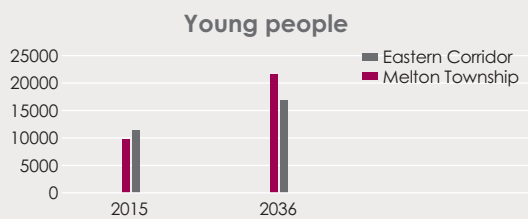
Number of Young People



The City of Melton is a 'young' city in terms of the average age of its population. The 'youthfulness' of the City's people raises many challenges and opportunities for education, engagement and service delivery.

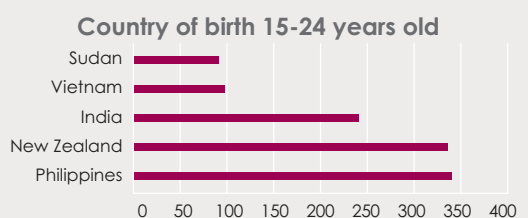
- > The current population of 12 to 24 years old is 22,442 or 17.5% of the total population (Victoria, 15.5%)
- > Between 2001 – 2011, the 12-24 years old population has grown by more than 8,387 people
- > By 2036, the 12-24 years old will grow to more than 53,704 (or 17%) and continues to be higher than the Victorian average

Distribution of Young People



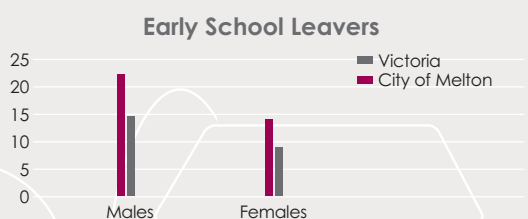
- > In the Eastern Corridor* there are 11,418 young people aged 12 to 24 years old (16.8%)
- > In Melton Township there are 9,809 young people aged 12 to 24 years old (19.1%)
- > In 2036, there will be more young people in the Melton Township (21,610 or 18%) than in the Eastern Corridor (17,048 or 17%)
- > Currently, the largest number of 12-24 years old reside in:
 - Caroline Springs (3,813 or 15.9%)
 - Melton West (3,224 or 20%)
 - Hillside (3,058 or 18.9%)
 - Taylors Hill (2,334 or 15.9%)

Diversity of Young People



- > 14% of 15-24 years old were born overseas
- > The young people aged 15-24 years come from 45 countries
- > The top five countries of birth are:
 - Philippines (339)
 - New Zealand (335)
 - India (241)
 - Sudan (97)
 - Vietnam (99)
- > There are 179 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander^a people living in the City of Melton (or 99 males and 80 females)

Early School Leavers



- > In the City of Melton, 18.3% of young people aged 20-24 years old were early school leavers, a much higher proportion than the Victorian average of 12%
- > Also more males aged 20-24 years than females left school early (22.5% and 14.0% respectively)
- > Compared to Victorian average:
 - 22.5% of 20-24 years old males left school early (Victoria 14.8%)
 - 14.0% of 20-24 year old females left school early (Victoria 9.0%)

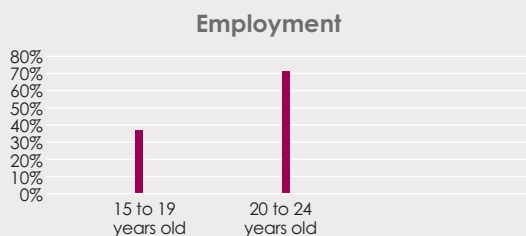
Qualifications & Participation

- > In the City of Melton, more people were studying at TAFE level (23.9%) compared to Greater Melbourne (16%)^{^^}
- > Participation rates of 20-24 years old in University was almost half (15.5%) compared to Victorian measure (29.2%) and ranks 38th in the State
- > A higher proportion of Year 12 or equivalent completers were looking for work in the City of Melton (6.6%), compared to Victoria (5.1%)

Youth Disengagement

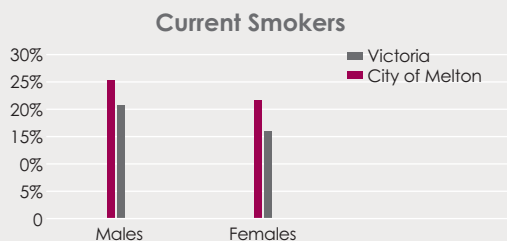
- > 8.5% of 15-19 years old are not in paid work or engaged in education
 - 9.1% of males
 - 8% of females
- > 16.8% of 20-24 years old are not in paid work or engaged in education
 - 13% of males
 - 20% of females

Employment & Unemployment



- > The employment rate was higher for the 20-24 year olds (72%) than the 15-19 year olds (37.2%)
- > There were 1,197 unemployed young people in the City of Melton
- > The unemployment rate is higher for:
 - 15-19 year olds (20%)
 - 20-24 year olds (10%)
- > The number of unemployed young people in the City of Melton is higher than in Greater Melbourne
- > The youth unemployment rate is higher in the Melton Township than in the Eastern Corridor

Health & Wellbeing Indicators



- In the City of Melton, the young people experienced the following:
- > A higher proportion (45%) of adolescents without positive psychological development (Victoria, 28%)
 - > The fourth highest in the State who drank alcohol in the past thirty days
 - > The fifth highest in the State who do not have someone to turn to for advice when they have problems
 - > A large proportion of both males (25.5%) and females (22.2%) who are current smokers compared to Victorian measure (21.4% and 16.9%, respectively)

References

- > ABS Census of Population and Housing 2011
- > id. City of Melton Community Profile
- > id. City of Melton Population Forecasts
- > Population Diversity in Victoria by Local Government Areas 2011
<http://www.greaterdandenong.com/document/18464/statistical-data-for-victorian-communities>

Disclaimer

Every care has been taken to ensure the information in this document is correct as at November 2015. However Melton City Council does not accept any liability to any person or organisation for the use of information in this document. Please note that there is potential for minor revisions of data with this profile.

* Eastern Corridor consists of: Caroline Springs, Burnside, Burnside Heights, Taylors Hill and Hillside.
[^]Identified as of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background.
^{^^}The On Track Survey 2014

For further information on City of Melton demographics,
please click [here](#)