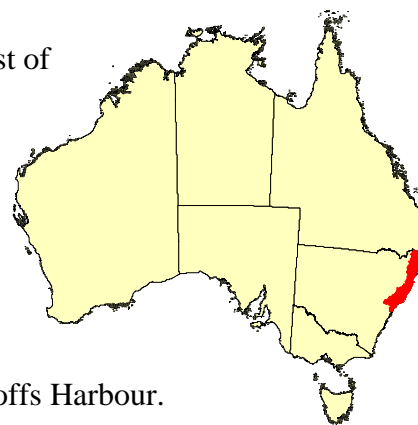

National Indigenous Forestry Strategy

Coffs Harbour Indigenous Coordination Centre

Area profile

Location

- The Coffs Harbour ICC area is located in the North east of the State of New South Wales. It comprises of approximately 5.5 million hectares, of which 3.5 million hectares are forested.
- The areas boundaries are made up of the Queensland State border to the north and the South Pacific Ocean to the east. The area shares common boundaries with the Tamworth ICC area to the west and Sydney ICC area to the south.
- The area coordination office is located in the city of Coffs Harbour.



Land Tenure

- The most widespread tenure type in the area is Private Leasehold land, with 63% of the total area attributed to that tenure type. Other common tenure types in the area include Nature Conservation Reserves and Multiple Use Forest.

Coffs Harbour tenure types	Hectares	Percent of total
Private leasehold	3,480,622	63
Nature Conservation Reserve	1,012,977	18
Multiple Use Forest	806,793	15
Other Crown Land	111,445	2
Leasehold	109,946	2
Unresolved Tenure	242	0
Total	5,522,025	100

Forest type

- The most dominant forest type is Eucalypt forest, covering 51% of the entire area and making up 81% of the areas forests. Rainforests are also common, making up 10% of the areas forests.

Forest Type	Total Forest (ha)	Percent of forest	Percent of total area
Eucalypt	2,824,428	81	51
Rainforest	350,722	10	6
Other	148,108	5	3
Plantations	67,893	2	1
Melaleuca	41,362	1	1
Casuarina	38,003	1	1
Mangroves	1,713	0	0
Acacia	1,252	0	0
Callitris	304	0	0
Total	9,153,841	100	63

Soils

- The soils in this area are predominantly non calcareous earths and loam soils, mixed with yellow duplex soils around rivers and flood zones, mainly in the east. A small region of red duplex soils is present in the immediate vicinity of the city of Coffs Harbour leading to the south along the coastline.
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Climate

- Climatic zones in the area range from subtropical no dry season in the north and east, merging to temperate no dry season (hot summer) and temperate no dry season (warm summer) as you move further inland.
- On average the city of Coffs Harbour receives 1647mm of rainfall each year, with slightly higher rainfall during the warmer months.
- Average daily minimum and maximum temperatures in the city

Coffs Harbour	Mid-Winter	Mid- Summer
Average maximum	20°C	27°C
Average minimum	7°C	18°C

Population

- Total population of ICC area: 1,301,982 (21% of New South Wales' population and 7% of the entire nation's population).
- Largest City: Newcastle (278,773)
- Largest Indigenous population: Newcastle (4,885)

Social indicator table

Social Indicator	In ICC Area	State or Territory	National
Total population (2001)	1,301,982	6,309,505	18,757,139
Total population living in urban centres	1,117,321	5,746,045	16,823,254
Total rural population	184,661	563,460	1,933,885
Percentage of population living in urban centres	85.8%	91.1%	89.7%
Average annual growth rate based on population change (1996-2001)	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%
Number of people employed in forestry and logging	960	2,694	10,944
Number of people employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	17,216	92,344	330,466
Persons employed in forestry and logging as a percentage of all persons employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	5.6%	2.9%	3.3%
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of forestry and logging	0.20%	0.10%	0.13%
Number of people employed in Paper and Wood Products Manufacturing	4,141	19,757	63,383
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of Wood and Paper product manufacturing	0.87%	0.73%	0.78%
Percentage of high income households	20.4%	32.5%	29.4%
Proportion of low income households	17.7%	13.8%	13.9%

ICC Areas: Regional socio-demographic figures were compiled from aggregated 2001 SLA data. The population of an SLA was attributed to an ICC area if over 50% of the SLA fell within that area.

Climate information data source: Australian Bureau of Meteorology, (BOM) 2006, 'Climate Averages for Australian Sites'.

Social Indicator data source: Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 1996-2001, Census of Population and Housing. Data based on the place of enumeration. Data supplied by ABS as customised tables at statistical local area (SLA) geography.

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