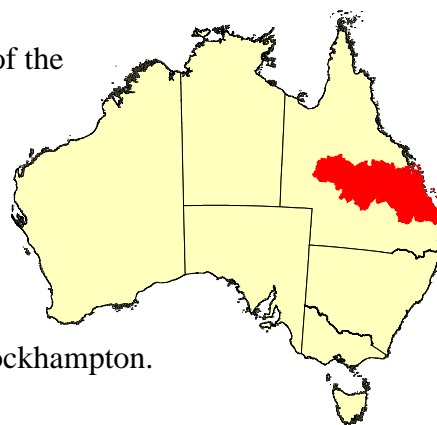

National Indigenous Forestry Strategy

Rockhampton Indigenous Coordination Centre

Area profile

Location

- The Rockhampton ICC area is located in the mid-east of the State of Queensland. It comprises of approximately 38 million hectares, of which 11.4 million hectares are forested.
- The areas boundaries are made up of the South Pacific Ocean to the east, and common boundaries with the Townsville ICC area to the north, Mt Isa ICC area to the west and Roma ICC area to the south.
- The area coordination office is located in the city of Rockhampton.



Land Tenure

- The most widespread tenure type in the area is Leasehold land, with 55% of the total area attributed to that tenure type. Private Leasehold land is also common, making up 33% of the total area.

Rockhampton tenure types	Hectares	Percent of total
Leasehold	21,052,756	55
Private leasehold	12,773,337	33
Multiple Use Forest	1,448,400	4
Nature Conservation Reserve	1,400,107	4
Unresolved Tenure	1,149,594	3
Other Crown Land	238,407	1
Total	38,062,601	100

Forest type

- The most dominant forest type is Eucalypt forest, covering 20% of the total area and making up 68% of the areas forests. Acacia forests are also common, making up 24% of the areas forests.

Forest Type	Total Forest (ha)	Percent of forest	Percent of total area
Eucalypt	7,711,297	68	20
Acacia	2,677,999	24	7
Rainforest	372,852	3	1
Other	341,888	3	1
Callitris	81,941	1	0
Plantations	81,352	1	0
Melaleuca	48,999	0	0
Mangroves	24,146	0	0
Casuarina	10,612	0	0
Total	11,351,086	100	30

Soils

- Soils in the Rockhampton ICC area are dominated by clays in the far west, non calcareous massive earths in the mid west and yellow duplex soils along the eastern coastline. The soils in the mid eastern region are a mosaic of clays, yellow, red, brown and black duplex soils, sands, loams, and non calcareous earths.
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Climate

- Climatic zones in the area range from subtropical no dry season on the coast, subtropical moderately dry winter in the central east, grassland hot (persistently dry) in the central west and desert hot (winter drought) in the west.
- On average the city of Rockhampton receives 947mm rainfall each year, predominantly falling during the warmer months.
- Average daily minimum and maximum temperatures in the city

Rockhampton	Mid-Winter	Mid- Summer
Average maximum	23°C	32°C
Average minimum	11°C	23°C

Population

- Total population of ICC area: 380,641 (11% of Queensland's population and 2% of the entire nation's population).
- Largest City: Rockhampton (58,950)
- Largest Indigenous population: Rockhampton (2,592)

Social indicator table:

Social Indicator	In ICC Area	State or Territory	National
Total population (2001)	380,641	3,584,154	18,757,139
Total population living in urban centres	299,152	3,098,019	16,823,254
Total rural population	81,489	486,135	1,933,885
Percentage of population living in urban centres	78.6%	86.4%	89.7%
Average annual growth rate based on population change (1996-2001)	0.3%	1.6%	1.1%
Number of people employed in forestry and logging	401	1,859	10,944
Number of people employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	17,398	76,477	330,466
Persons employed in forestry and logging as a percentage of all persons employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	2.3%	2.4%	3.3%
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of forestry and logging	0.27%	0.12%	0.13%
Number of people employed in Paper and Wood Products Manufacturing	1,177	11,438	63,383
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of Wood and Paper product manufacturing	0.79%	0.74%	0.78%
Percentage of high income households	20.8%	25.8%	29.4%
Proportion of low income households	16.1%	13.9%	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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