
National Indigenous Forestry Strategy

Roma Indigenous Coordination Centre

Area profile

Location

- The Roma ICC area is located in the south of the State of Queensland. It comprises of approximately 47.1 million hectares, of which 9.3 million hectares are forested.
- The areas boundaries are made up of the New South Wales State border to the south and the South Australia State border to the west. The area also shares common boundaries with the Brisbane ICC area to the east and Rockhampton ICC area to the north.
- The area coordination office is located in the city of Roma.



Land Tenure

- The most widespread tenure type in the area is Leasehold land, with 66% of the total area attributed to that tenure type. Private Leasehold land is also common, making up 26% of the total area.

Roma tenure types	Hectares	Percent of total
Leasehold	31,117,204	66
Private leasehold	12,337,848	26
Multiple Use Forest	1,393,029	3
Unresolved Tenure	1,149,395	3
Nature Conservation Reserve	1,000,445	2
Other Crown Land	57,711	0
Total	47,055,632	100

Forest type

- The most dominant forest type is Eucalypt forest, covering 12% of the total area and making up 63% of the areas forests. Acacia forests are also common, making up 28% of the areas forests.

Forest Type	Total Forest (ha)	Percent of forest	Percent of total area
Eucalypt	5,853,098	63	12
Acacia	2,602,654	28	6
Callitris	304,734	3	1
Rainforest	246,669	3	1
Other	150,038	2	0
Casuarina	123,965	1	0
Plantations	53,124	0	0
Melaleuca	540	0	0
Mangroves	188	0	0
Total	9,335,010	100	20

Soils

- This area is dominated by loams and clays in the west and by non calcareous earths through the central districts, scattered with clays along river and flood zones. In the east there is a mosaic of clays, yellow, red and brown duplex soils, sands, loams and non calcareous earths.
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Climate

- Climatic zones in the area range from temperate no dry season (hot summer) in the east, subtropical no dry season and subtropical moderately dry winter in the central east, grassland hot (persistently dry) in the mid west and desert hot (persistently dry) in the west.
- On average the city of Roma receives 599mm of rainfall each year, predominantly falling during the warmer months.
- Average daily minimum and maximum temperatures in the city

Roma	Mid-Winter	Mid- Summer
Average maximum	20°C	34°C
Average minimum	4°C	20°C

Population

- Total population of ICC area: 291,406 (8% of Queensland's population and 1.6% of the entire nations population).
- Largest City: Toowoomba (88,776)
- Largest Indigenous population: Toowoomba (2,474)

Social indicator table

Social Indicator	In ICC Area	State or Territory	National
Total population (2001)	291,406	3,584,154	18,757,139
Total population living in urban centres	203,579	3,098,019	16,823,254
Total rural population	87,827	486,135	1,933,885
Percentage of population living in urban centres	69.9%	86.4%	89.7%
Average annual growth rate based on population change (1996-2001)	0.9%	1.6%	1.1%
Number of people employed in forestry and logging	591	1,859	10,944
Number of people employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	20,348	76,477	330,466
Persons employed in forestry and logging as a percentage of all persons employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	2.9%	2.4%	3.3%
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of forestry and logging	0.48%	0.12%	0.13%
Number of people employed in Paper and Wood Products Manufacturing	1,422	11,438	63,383
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of Wood and Paper product manufacturing	1.16%	0.74%	0.78%
Percentage of high income households	19.0%	25.8%	29.4%
Proportion of low income households	16.7%	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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