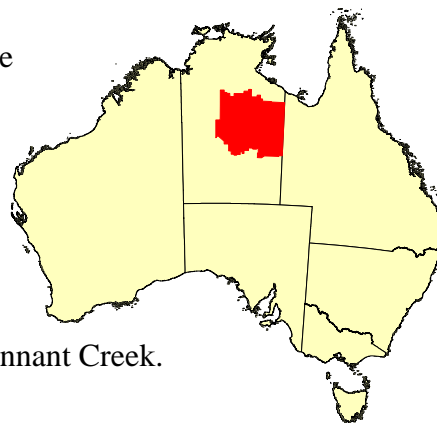

National Indigenous Forestry Strategy

Tennant Creek Indigenous Coordination Centre

Area profile

Location

- The Tennant Creek ICC area is located in the east of the Northern Territory. It comprises of approximately 30.7 million hectares, of which 2.4 million hectares are forested.
- The areas boundaries are made up of the Queensland state border to the east, and common boundaries with the Alice Springs ICC area to the south and Katherine ICC area to the north and west.
- The area coordination office is located in the city of Tennant Creek.



Land Tenure

- The most widespread tenure type in the area is Leasehold land, with 64% of the total area attributed to that tenure type. Private Leasehold land is also common, making up 30% of the total area.

Tennant Creek tenure types	Hectares	Percent of total
Leasehold	19,602,204	64
Private leasehold	9,250,643	30
Other Crown Land	1,742,269	6
Nature Conservation Reserve	44,213	0
Unresolved Tenure	36,179	0
Total	30,675,508	100

Forest type

- The most dominant forest type is Eucalypt forest, covering 5% of the total area and making up 69% of the areas forests. Acacia forests are also common, making up 18% of the areas forests.

Forest Type	Total Forest (ha)	Percent of forest	Percent of total area
Eucalypt	1,670,955	69	5
Acacia	430,144	18	1
Other	276,200	11	1
Melaleuca	47,973	2	0
Rainforest	14	0	0
Total	2,425,286	100	8

Soils

- The soils in this area are dominated by sands, with a large region of clayey soils extending from the east to the northwest. Areas of non calcareous earths are also present in the centre, south east and far north of the area.

Climate

- Climatic zones in the area range from grassland hot (winter drought) in the north to desert hot (winter drought) in the south.
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- On average the city of Tennant Creek receives 371mm of rainfall each year, predominantly falling during the warmer months.
- Average daily minimum and maximum temperatures in the city

Tennant Creek	Mid-Winter	Mid- Summer
Average maximum	24°C	37°C
Average minimum	2°C	25°C

Population

- Total population of ICC area: 6,306 (3% of the Northern Territories population and 0.03% of the entire nation's population).
- Largest City: Tennant Creek (3,184)
- Largest Indigenous population: Tennant Creek (1,142)

Social indicator table

Social Indicator	In ICC Area	State or Territory	National
Total population (2001)	6,306	200,645	18,757,139
Total population living in urban centres	4,436	158,065	16,823,254
Total rural population	1,870	32,580	1,933,885
Percentage of population living in urban centres	70.3%	83.8%	89.7%
Average annual growth rate based on population change (1996-2001)	-2%	1.0%	1.1%
Number of people employed in forestry and logging	0	91	10,944
Number of people employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	344	2,648	330,466
Persons employed in forestry and logging as a percentage of all persons employed in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	0%	3.4%	3.3%
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of forestry and logging	0%	0.10%	0.13%
Number of people employed in Paper and Wood Products Manufacturing	0	187	63,383
Proportion of employed persons working in the industry sector of Wood and Paper product manufacturing	0%	0.21%	0.78%
Percentage of high income households	21.2%	36.7%	29.4%
Proportion of low income households	9.1%	10.0%	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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