

# How to Find Facts & Statistics on the Illawarra Region



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This guide will help you find facts and regional statistics on the Illawarra. For further help please contact Research Help Desk staff.

To access the ABS web site mentioned below:

- UOW students/staff use the (quota exempt) link from the Library home page → Databases → by Title → A → ABS Website and login in using your UOW student/staff login and password
- Non UOW users go directly to [www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au)

Where can I find	Answer
<p>Quick facts and statistics about the Illawarra?</p>	<p><b>Web Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Information History profiles on Wollongong City Library web site at <a href="http://www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/library/localinfo/stats.html">www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/library/localinfo/stats.html</a></li> <li>• ABS web site. Select <i>Regional Statistics Main Areas - by Name</i> then click on blue 'twisty' symbol to left of <i>New South Wales</i> heading then drill down to <i>Illawarra Statistical Division</i> then <i>Wollongong Statistical Subdivision</i> then <i>Wollongong Statistical Local Area</i>. (Alternatively at NSW level select by <i>Local Government Areas</i>) When you reach relevant <i>Regional Profile</i> web page select from headings under Summary menu at left of screen (eg. Economy, Population etc)</li> </ul> <p><b>Print Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statistical Guide to the Illawarra (annual pamphlet published by Illawarra Regional Information Service, IRIS) at Research Help Desk (L 319.44/12)</li> </ul>
<p>Census social data on the Illawarra?</p>	<p><b>Web Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Area Information Statistics on Wollongong City Library web site at <a href="http://www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/library/localinfo/stats.html">www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/library/localinfo/stats.html</a></li> <li>• ABS web site. Select <i>Census</i> → <i>QuickStats</i>. Then select/type in details of a geographic area to display a census data snapshot</li> <li>• ABS website. Select <i>Census</i> → <i>Community Profiles</i> → <i>Browse</i> → <i>Select a Geographic Level</i>. Then select options to drill down to local government area (LGA), statistical local area (SLA), postal area code etc. (ABS website also includes 1996 Census tables down to SLA level)</li> <li>• ABS web site. Select <i>Statistics</i> → <i>By Catalogue Number</i> → <i>2.Census of Population &amp; Housing</i> → <i>20.Census Statistical Products and Services</i> (then browse 2001 Census NSW statistical local area level publications - which will include Wollongong level data)</li> </ul> <p><b>Print Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People of NSW: Statistics from the ... Census series (volumes for 2001, 1996 &amp; 1991 census) in Large Items Collection (Level 1) F 305.800944/5</li> <li>• 2001, 1996, 1991 &amp; 1986 Census publications for NSW statistical local areas in ABS Collection (Level 2 Compactus) (for details check ABS Catalogues at 1101.0 for relevant census years). eg.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Census, Selected social and housing characteristics for statistical local areas, NSW &amp; Jervis Bay</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Census, Selected characteristics for urban centres and localities, NSW &amp; ACT</li> <li>• Census, Selected family and labour force characteristics for statistical local areas, NSW &amp; Jervis Bay</li> </ul> <p>The following local publications also provide comparative historical census data for the local region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wollongong Profile 2003 (2001 census) in Extra Large Items Collection (Level 1) at FF 304.610994/7</li> <li>• Community Profile of Wollongong Local Govt Area 2000 (1996 census) in Large Items Collection (Level 1) at F 304.610994/7</li> <li>• Wollongong Profile 1995 (1991 census) at FF 304.610994/6</li> <li>• Small Area Comparisons for the Illawarra Region volumes for 1986 &amp; 1981 census (latter includes 1976 census data) at F 319.446/3</li> <li>• Urban Illawarra: a Social Atlas, Census 1981 at FF 307.76099446/1</li> <li>• Wollongong Statistical Handbooks no.1 1975 and no.2 1980 (1977, 1971, 1966, 1961 &amp; 1954 census) at F 319.446/1</li> <li>• Use a keyword in subject field search on Library Catalogue to locate other relevant titles <i>e.g. (census or statistics) and (illawarra or wollongong)</i></li> </ul> <p><b>CD ROM Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CLIB96 &amp; CLIB91 census databases (for tables from national down to collection district level) - for access ask at Research Help Desk</li> </ul> <p><b>Microfiche Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1986, 1981 &amp; 1976 Census Final Data (for tables from national down to local collection district levels) in ABS Collection (Level 2 Compactus). For help with using these ask at Research Help Desk</li> </ul> <p>For more information refer to the <i>How to Find Census Information</i> guide under Library homepage → <i>Resources by Topic</i> → <i>C</i> → <i>Census</i></p>
Health statistics for the Illawarra?	<p><b>Refer to the Library's Statistics for Health web page</b></p> <p>See Library homepage → <i>Resources by Topic</i> → <i>S</i> → <i>Statistics</i> → <i>Statistics for Health &amp; Behavioural Sciences</i> → <i>New South Wales / Illawarra Statistics</i></p>
Other types of local area level data?	<p><b>Try Annual and other Research Reports</b></p> <p>The Library holds a range of government/organisation reports which provide information and statistics on the Illawarra region. To locate these on the Library Catalogue use a Word search in combination with a broad keyword and if necessary add limiting words such as those shown below. <i>e.g.</i></p> <p><i>(illawarra or wollongong) and health* and (statistic* or survey*)</i>  <i>(illawarra or wollongong) and health* and report*</i></p> <p>Also try searching for similar reports available online using a search engine such as Google Advanced Search <a href="http://www.google.com/advanced_search">www.google.com/advanced_search</a></p> <hr/> <p><b>Try Newspapers</b></p> <p>Newspaper articles sometimes refer to surveys or other types of data collected specifically on the Illawarra region. Try searching newspapers such as the Illawarra Mercury and Sydney Morning Herald which are available fulltext via the Library's Factiva database.</p> <p>For more information refer to the <i>How to Find Newspaper Articles</i> guide under Library homepage → <i>Resources by Topic</i> → <i>N</i> → <i>Newspapers</i></p>