

Towns in Time 2016

Timeseries data from 1981-2006 Censuses - Enumerated population from Census 2011 and 2016

Land Use and Population Research

A Branch of the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning

Leongatha

South Gippsland (S) LGA

Defined in 2016 as: UCL 214013



The map above shows the location of Leongatha in Victoria.

| Summary data | 1981 | 1986 | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total population* | 3,736 | 3,957 | 3,968 | 4,144 | 4,234 | 4,298 | 4,697 | 4,921 |
| Male: Female ratio* | 94.9 | 96.4 | 91.0 | 90.5 | 89.6 | 90.1 | 88.8 | 89.7 |
| Visitors on Census night* | 116 | 150 | 133 | 134 | 153 | 96 | 198 | 171 |
| Population in non-private dwellings* | 110 | 125 | 89 | 110 | 112 | 117 | 133 | 108 |
| Population at same address 5 years ago | 1,919 | 1,989 | 2,048 | 2,048 | 2,060 | 2,179 | 2,301 | 2,465 |

*Includes local, interstate and overseas visitors.

| Population growth | 1981-91 | 1991-2001 | 2001-06 | 2006-11 | 2011-16 |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Net change | 232 | 266 | 64 | 399 | 224 |
| Average annual change | 0.6% | 0.7% | 0.3% | 1.8% | 0.9% |

| Area | |
|-------------------------------|------|
| 2006 Area (km ²): | 7.50 |
| 2011 Area (km ²): | 6.52 |

| Location | |
|----------|-----------------------|
| Location | 112km SE of Melbourne |

| Age structure | 1981 | | 1986 | | 1991 | | 1996 | | 2001 | | 2006 | | 2011 | | 2016 | |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| 0-4 | 302 | 8% | 301 | 8% | 326 | 8% | 284 | 7% | 300 | 7% | 303 | 7% | 323 | 7% | 346 | 7% |
| 5-17 | 928 | 25% | 923 | 23% | 830 | 21% | 856 | 21% | 854 | 20% | 753 | 18% | 786 | 17% | 812 | 17% |
| 18-24 | 366 | 10% | 369 | 9% | 345 | 9% | 346 | 8% | 321 | 8% | 354 | 8% | 373 | 8% | 339 | 7% |
| 25-34 | 551 | 15% | 590 | 15% | 583 | 15% | 547 | 13% | 523 | 12% | 481 | 11% | 575 | 12% | 592 | 12% |
| 35-44 | 401 | 11% | 500 | 13% | 576 | 15% | 597 | 14% | 606 | 14% | 534 | 12% | 547 | 12% | 516 | 11% |
| 45-54 | 381 | 10% | 334 | 8% | 341 | 9% | 448 | 11% | 529 | 13% | 576 | 13% | 585 | 12% | 561 | 11% |
| 55-64 | 341 | 9% | 401 | 10% | 358 | 9% | 296 | 7% | 304 | 7% | 446 | 10% | 540 | 12% | 612 | 12% |
| 65-74 | 254 | 7% | 296 | 7% | 303 | 8% | 379 | 9% | 349 | 8% | 338 | 8% | 416 | 9% | 561 | 11% |
| 75+ | 207 | 6% | 238 | 6% | 302 | 8% | 371 | 9% | 430 | 10% | 512 | 12% | 538 | 11% | 574 | 12% |
| TOTAL | 3,732 | 100% | 3,951 | 100% | 3,965 | 100% | 4,124 | 100% | 4,216 | 100% | 4,298 | 100% | 4,683 | 100% | 4,913 | 100% |

| Indigenous status | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Indigenous | 4 | 9 | 34 | 22 | 38 | 70 |
| Non-Indigenous | 3,886 | 4,010 | 4,078 | 4,087 | 4,484 | 4,547 |
| Not stated | 61 | 105 | 104 | 189 | 155 | 272 |
| TOTAL | 3,951 | 4,124 | 4,216 | 4,298 | 4,677 | 4,906 |

| Education | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bachelor degree or higher | 107 | 225 | 277 | 331 | 441 | 488 |
| Diploma or certificate | 620 | 601 | 722 | 835 | 1,109 | 1,211 |
| No post school qualification | 1,858 | 2,044 | 1,947 | 1,810 | 1,592 | 1,854 |
| Not stated | 361 | 325 | 325 | 474 | 399 | 399 |
| TOTAL | 2,947 | 3,195 | 3,271 | 3,450 | 3,741 | 3,952 |

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

| Language spoken at home | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| English only | 3,782 | 3,917 | 3,931 | 3,962 | 4,333 | 4,389 |
| Top 3 LOTES, 2016: | | | | | | |
| - Other: | 21 | 19 | 10 | 14 | 50 | 0 |
| - Dutch: | 53 | 25 | 29 | 25 | 15 | 10 |
| - German: | 11 | 13 | 3 | 15 | 9 | 7 |
| All languages other than English | 163 | 143 | 133 | 119 | 200 | 228 |
| Not stated | 7 | 64 | 152 | 217 | 144 | 290 |
| TOTAL | 3,951 | 4,124 | 4,216 | 4,298 | 4,677 | 4,907 |

| Birthplace | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Australia | 3,594 | 3,699 | 3,739 | 3,669 | 4,044 | 4,095 |
| Top 3 overseas birthplaces, 2016 | | | | | | |
| - United Kingdom: | 119 | 135 | 134 | 136 | 146 | 149 |
| - India: | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 16 | 55 |
| - Netherlands: | 83 | 59 | 60 | 56 | 61 | 47 |
| All overseas birthplaces | 332 | 335 | 332 | 358 | 468 | 419 |
| Birthplace not-stated | 25 | 91 | 145 | 271 | 176 | 330 |
| TOTAL | 3,951 | 4,124 | 4,216 | 4,298 | 4,688 | 4,844 |

| English proficiency among overseas born | 1986* ** | 1996** | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|---|----------|--------|------|------|------|------|
| Speaks English well or very well (%) | 83% | 83% | 84% | 100% | 91% | 84% |
| Speaks English not well or not at all (%) | 17% | 17% | 16% | 0% | 9% | 5% |
| English proficiency not stated (%) | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% |

*Applies to those born in non-English speaking countries only

**Applies to persons aged 5 and over only

| Family composition | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Couple family* with children | 511 | 513 | 469 | 457 | 496 |
| Couple family* without children | 416 | 457 | 518 | 600 | 585 |
| One parent family | 135 | 165 | 174 | 232 | 202 |
| Other family type | 12 | 9 | 17 | 9 | 7 |
| TOTAL | 1,074 | 1,144 | 1,178 | 1,298 | 1,313 |

*Excludes same sex couple families in 1996 only

| Labour force* | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Employed | 1,603 | 1,744 | 1,792 | 1,911 | 2,146 | 1,998 |
| Unemployed | 85 | 127 | 124 | 64 | 81 | 108 |
| TOTAL LABOUR FORCE | 1,688 | 1,872 | 1,916 | 1,975 | 2,227 | 2,106 |
| Not in labour force | 1,217 | 1,288 | 1,261 | 1,228 | 1,387 | 1,552 |
| Labour force status not-stated | 42 | 36 | 94 | 247 | 128 | 247 |
| Unemployment rate | 5.0% | 6.8% | 6.5% | 3.2% | 3.6% | 5.1% |
| Participation rate | 58.1% | 59.2% | 60.3% | 61.7% | 61.6% | 57.6% |

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

| Travel to work* | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bicycle | 25 | 25 | 16 | 16 | 3 |
| Bus | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Car as driver | 1,103 | 1,135 | 1,193 | 1,424 | 1,385 |
| Car as passenger | 122 | 129 | 92 | 126 | 109 |
| Motor bike/scooter | 9 | 9 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Taxi | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Train | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tram or ferry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Walked only | 147 | 128 | 194 | 166 | 145 |
| Other modes | 30 | 42 | 44 | 41 | 16 |
| Multiple modes | 9 | 12 | 16 | 17 | 5 |
| Work from home | 67 | 70 | 53 | 61 | 70 |
| Did not go to work | 203 | 205 | 242 | 259 | 249 |
| Method of travel not stated | 24 | 35 | 36 | 25 | 16 |
| TOTAL | 1,744 | 1,792 | 1,911 | 2,135 | 1,998 |

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

| Industry of employment* | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing | 65 | 55 | 78 | 73 | 81 | 111 |
| Mining | 9 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 4 |
| Manufacturing | 171 | 185 | 239 | 268 | 266 | 160 |
| Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services | 51 | 26 | 25 | 26 | 45 | 30 |
| Construction | 146 | 128 | 145 | 197 | 242 | 194 |
| Wholesale Trade | 104 | 192 | 106 | 79 | 87 | 63 |
| Retail Trade | 215 | 267 | 237 | 245 | 306 | 286 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 36 | 60 | 70 | 133 | 103 | 153 |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing | 70 | 72 | 92 | 94 | 81 | 76 |
| Information Media and Telecommunications | 25 | 32 | 38 | 21 | 22 | 24 |
| Financial and Insurance Services | 58 | 31 | 36 | 44 | 29 | 39 |
| Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services | 21 | 30 | 35 | 37 | 36 | 20 |
| Professional, Scientific and Tech. Services | 43 | 49 | 58 | 59 | 66 | 54 |
| Administrative and Support Services | 29 | 36 | 39 | 55 | 55 | 68 |
| Public Administration and Safety | 100 | 108 | 71 | 93 | 102 | 107 |
| Education and Training | 173 | 146 | 163 | 155 | 176 | 179 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 132 | 140 | 178 | 193 | 266 | 290 |
| Arts and Recreation Services | 10 | 19 | 24 | 9 | 11 | 29 |
| Other Services | 87 | 114 | 114 | 88 | 92 | 80 |
| Inadequately described/Not stated | 57 | 51 | 43 | 40 | 56 | 70 |
| TOTAL | 1,603 | 1,744 | 1,792 | 1,911 | 2,134 | 2,037 |

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

| Vehicle ownership* | 1986 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| None | 140 | 120 | 146 | 118 | 126 | 125 |
| 1 motor vehicle | 610 | 686 | 692 | 717 | 769 | 790 |
| 2 motor vehicles | 502 | 607 | 610 | 652 | 759 | 730 |
| 3 or more motor vehicles | 125 | 141 | 177 | 231 | 253 | 312 |
| Not stated | 25 | 59 | 82 | 105 | 94 | 173 |
| TOTAL | 1,403 | 1,612 | 1,707 | 1,824 | 2,001 | 2,110 |

*Number of vehicles excluding motorbikes/scooters per occupied private dwelling

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| Dwellings - Number | 1981* | | 1986 | | 1991 | | 1996 | | 2001 | | 2006 | | 2011 | | 2016 | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| Occupied private dwellings | 1,245 | 92% | 1,403 | 92% | 1,493 | 91% | 1,612 | 91% | 1,707 | 91% | 1,824 | 89% | 2,000 | 90% | 2,110 | 90% |
| Unoccupied private dwellings | 105 | 8% | 119 | 8% | 149 | 9% | 162 | 9% | 171 | 9% | 215 | 11% | 227 | 10% | 224 | 10% |
| TOTAL (private dwellings) | 1,350 | 100% | 1,522 | 100% | 1,642 | 100% | 1,774 | 100% | 1,878 | 100% | 2,039 | 100% | 2,227 | 100% | 2,334 | 100% |

| Dwellings - Type | | 1981* | | 1986 | | 1991 | | 1996 | | 2001 | | 2006 | | 2011 | | 2016 | |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Type | | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| Separate house | | 1,242 | 92% | 1,391 | 91% | 1,480 | 90% | 1,600 | 90% | 1,652 | 88% | 1,805 | 89% | 1,958 | 88% | 2,017 | 86% |
| Medium density** | | 72 | 5% | 93 | 6% | 136 | 8% | 108 | 6% | 189 | 10% | 220 | 11% | 255 | 11% | 264 | 11% |
| Other dwelling | | 12 | 1% | 16 | 1% | 23 | 1% | 23 | 1% | 37 | 2% | 14 | 1% | 14 | 1% | 5 | 0% |
| Structure not-stated | | 25 | 2% | 22 | 1% | 3 | 0% | 43 | 2% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 0 | 0% | 47 | 2% |
| TOTAL (private dwellings) | | 1,350 | 100% | 1,522 | 100% | 1,642 | 100% | 1,774 | 100% | 1,878 | 100% | 2,039 | 100% | 2,227 | 100% | 2,334 | 100% |

| Dwellings - Tenure | | 1981* | | 1986 | | 1991 | | 1996 | | 2001 | | 2006 | | 2011 | | 2016 | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Tenure | | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| Fully owned | | 489 | 39% | 621 | 44% | 703 | 47% | 764 | 47% | 785 | 46% | 739 | 41% | 773 | 39% | 823 | 39% |
| Being purchased | | 442 | 35% | 467 | 33% | 405 | 27% | 405 | 25% | 489 | 29% | 558 | 31% | 606 | 30% | 595 | 28% |
| Rented - government | | 39 | 3% | 74 | 5% | 69 | 5% | 55 | 3% | 51 | 3% | 60 | 3% | 56 | 3% | 44 | 2% |
| Rented - other | | 186 | 15% | 195 | 14% | 238 | 16% | 317 | 20% | 303 | 18% | 352 | 19% | 456 | 23% | 466 | 22% |
| Other and not stated | | 89 | 7% | 46 | 3% | 79 | 5% | 71 | 4% | 80 | 5% | 115 | 6% | 103 | 5% | 172 | 8% |
| TOTAL (occ. private dwellings) | | 1,245 | 100% | 1,403 | 100% | 1,493 | 100% | 1,612 | 100% | 1,707 | 100% | 1,824 | 100% | 1,994 | 100% | 2,110 | 100% |

*1981 data for dwellings excludes caravans in caravan parks (but includes other caravans). In all other years, all caravans are included.

**Medium density = semi-detached, row or terrace house, flat unit or apartment and other medium density dwellings

| Household size | 1981 | 1986 | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 person | 20% | 25% | 27% | 28% | 30% | 31% | 30% | 32% |
| 2 persons | 30% | 30% | 31% | 33% | 33% | 35% | 39% | 37% |
| 3 persons | 15% | 15% | 13% | 13% | 14% | 13% | 12% | 12% |
| 4 persons | 18% | 15% | 15% | 13% | 13% | 12% | 11% | 11% |
| 5 or more persons | 17% | 15% | 13% | 12% | 10% | 8% | 8% | 7% |
| TOTAL | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Av. household size (persons) | 2.91 | 2.73 | 2.60 | 2.50 | 2.41 | 2.29 | 2.28 | 2.28 |

| Household income | 1981 | 1986 | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 2011 | 2016 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1st quartile (lowest) | 30% | 32% | 31% | 30% | 31% | 30% | 33% | 34% |
| 2nd quartile | 28% | 28% | 32% | 29% | 30% | 29% | 30% | 31% |
| 3rd quartile | 24% | 24% | 22% | 26% | 24% | 26% | 25% | 23% |
| 4th quartile (highest) | 19% | 16% | 15% | 15% | 14% | 14% | 13% | 12% |
| Not stated (households) | 117 | 154 | 246 | 177 | 168 | 206 | 201 | 181 |
| TOTAL (households) | 1,242 | 1,403 | 1,481 | 1,604 | 1,686 | 1,764 | 1,969 | 2,011 |

The map below shows the changes of boundary in Leongatha between 2006 and 2016.

