

Towns in Time 2016

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Swan Hill

Swan Hill (RC) LGA

Defined in 2016 as: UCL 213015



The map above shows the location of Swan Hill in Victoria.

Summary data

	1981	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Total population*	8,477	8,903	9,365	9,392	9,778	9,702	9,897	10,621
Male: Female ratio*	97.4	92.5	93.3	93.9	93.3	94.5	94.9	95.6
Visitors on Census night*	496	567	597	731	733	643	641	737
Population in non-private dwellings*	495	434	431	477	506	439	419	423
Population at same address 5 years ago	4,005	4,152	4,406	4,403	4,457	4,848	4,948	5,099

*Includes local, interstate and overseas visitors.

Population growth	1981-91	1991-2001	2001-06	2006-11	2011-16
Net change	889	413	-76	195	724
Average annual change	1.0%	0.4%	-0.2%	0.4%	1.4%

Area	
2006 Area (km ²):	22.17
2011 Area (km ²):	15.80

Location	
Location	177km SE of Mildura

Age structure	1981		1986		1991		1996		2001		2006		2011		2016	
	Number	%	Number	%												
0-4	714	8%	748	8%	843	9%	715	8%	770	8%	620	6%	664	7%	750	7%
5-17	1,965	23%	1,909	21%	1,886	20%	1,995	21%	1,954	20%	1,857	19%	1,732	18%	1,667	16%
18-24	1,070	13%	1,021	11%	853	9%	719	8%	871	9%	807	8%	948	10%	941	9%
25-34	1,254	15%	1,416	16%	1,503	16%	1,374	15%	1,243	13%	1,185	12%	1,279	13%	1,387	13%
35-44	909	11%	1,013	11%	1,221	13%	1,325	14%	1,326	14%	1,242	13%	1,188	12%	1,258	12%
45-54	775	9%	781	9%	855	9%	998	11%	1,152	12%	1,275	13%	1,239	13%	1,296	12%
55-64	717	8%	828	9%	845	9%	832	9%	873	9%	1,017	11%	1,030	10%	1,232	12%
65-74	608	7%	633	7%	722	8%	765	8%	760	8%	788	8%	855	9%	965	9%
75+	451	5%	548	6%	624	7%	642	7%	797	8%	882	9%	938	10%	1,125	11%
TOTAL	8,464	100%	8,896	100%	9,352	100%	9,365	100%	9,744	100%	9,673	100%	9,873	100%	10,621	100%

Indigenous status	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Indigenous	212	320	358	312	446	381
Non-Indigenous	8,486	8,671	9,021	8,856	9,028	9,131
Not stated	198	374	365	505	410	1,087
TOTAL	8,896	9,365	9,744	9,673	9,884	10,586

Education	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Bachelor degree or higher	200	387	571	652	786	954
Diploma or certificate	1,263	1,242	1,447	1,726	2,095	2,308
No post school qualification	4,367	4,583	4,442	4,282	3,984	4,044
Not stated	890	868	970	999	820	1,320
TOTAL	6,720	7,080	7,430	7,659	7,882	8,626

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

Language spoken at home	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
English only	8,515	8,582	8,819	8,712	8,640	8,474
Top 3 LOTEs, 2016:						
- Other:	23	26	32	64	149	0
- Arabic:	0	0	24	26	41	8
- Chinese languages:	16	16	27	25	22	65
All languages other than English	372	459	414	456	831	1,015
Not stated	9	324	510	505	396	1,102
TOTAL	8,896	9,365	9,744	9,673	9,867	10,591

Birthplace	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Australia	8,282	8,460	8,666	8,449	8,393	8,180
Top 3 overseas birthplaces, 2016						
- India:	2	0	3	18	208	154
- United Kingdom:	209	174	168	137	114	124
- Italy:	147	178	158	138	123	115
All overseas birthplaces	508	508	544	572	995	1,016
Birthplace not-stated	105	397	535	652	487	1,291
TOTAL	8,896	9,365	9,744	9,673	9,875	10,487

English proficiency among overseas born	1986* **	1996**	2001	2006	2011	2016
Speaks English well or very well (%)	62%	66%	70%	71%	79%	75%
Speaks English not well or not at all (%)	37%	34%	29%	25%	19%	27%
English proficiency not stated (%)	1%	0%	1%	4%	2%	1%

*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	1,045	1,070	1,030	998	1,003
Couple family* without children	884	953	993	1,077	1,040
One parent family	396	409	393	421	462
Other family type	27	34	55	47	36
TOTAL	2,352	2,466	2,471	2,543	2,537

*Excludes same sex couple families in 1996 only

Labour force*	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Employed	3,405	3,784	4,176	4,318	4,429	4,554
Unemployed	401	310	237	186	223	221
TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	3,806	4,094	4,413	4,504	4,652	4,775
Not in labour force	2,785	2,813	2,683	2,677	2,828	2,866
Labour force status not-stated	129	173	334	479	378	933
Unemployment rate	10.5%	7.6%	5.4%	4.1%	4.8%	4.6%
Participation rate	57.8%	59.3%	62.2%	62.7%	62.2%	62.5%

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

Travel to work*	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Bicycle	97	74	77	47	45
Bus	12	9	0	4	0
Car as driver	2,328	2,663	2,820	3,027	3,226
Car as passenger	288	288	283	315	238
Motor bike/scooter	27	9	12	15	0
Taxi	6	24	25	7	10
Train	0	9	3	0	0
Tram or ferry	0	3	0	0	0
Walked only	284	295	348	288	294
Other modes	51	85	61	77	31
Multiple modes	33	30	21	18	16
Work from home	192	172	150	110	124
Did not go to work	365	428	419	427	415
Method of travel not stated	102	85	99	98	89
TOTAL	3,784	4,176	4,318	4,433	4,488

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

Industry of employment*	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	186	223	279	263	291	254
Mining	0	3	6	3	16	6
Manufacturing	212	287	322	420	410	410
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	76	67	31	41	44	26
Construction	216	203	287	304	324	326
Wholesale Trade	249	267	320	206	179	149
Retail Trade	480	518	587	629	608	537
Accommodation and Food Services	135	215	203	321	321	387
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	220	206	209	208	204	213
Information Media and Telecommunications	76	91	96	77	34	49
Financial and Insurance Services	126	117	91	103	132	101
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	55	88	102	40	33	31
Professional, Scientific and Tech. Services	93	128	167	148	168	177
Administrative and Support Services	65	84	106	123	94	125
Public Administration and Safety	235	245	206	255	289	254
Education and Training	271	298	297	372	385	411
Health Care and Social Assistance	349	329	447	463	595	594
Arts and Recreation Services	51	60	69	61	48	54
Other Services	198	234	275	193	177	189
Inadequately described/Not stated	111	121	75	89	76	162
TOTAL	3,405	3,784	4,176	4,318	4,428	4,455

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

Vehicle ownership*	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
None	325	388	365	393	383	301
1 motor vehicle	1,304	1,448	1,445	1,403	1,504	1,449
2 motor vehicles	1,047	1,176	1,289	1,362	1,390	1,415
3 or more motor vehicles	277	312	406	443	489	609
Not stated	95	160	229	296	275	579
TOTAL	3,049	3,484	3,734	3,897	4,041	4,374

*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	%														
Occupied private dwellings	2,681	93%	3,049	92%	3,293	91%	3,484	91%	3,734	92%	3,897	92%	4,044	90%	4,374	91%
Unoccupied private dwellings	196	7%	247	8%	333	9%	330	9%	319	8%	348	8%	474	10%	426	9%
TOTAL (private dwellings)	2,877	100%	3,296	100%	3,626	100%	3,814	100%	4,054	100%	4,245	100%	4,518	100%	4,800	100%

Dwellings - Type		1981*		1986		1991		1996		2001		2006		2011		2016	
Type		Number	%														
Separate house		2,474	86%	2,736	83%	2,936	81%	3,044	80%	3,305	82%	3,390	80%	3,600	80%	3,658	76%
Medium density**		347	12%	447	14%	545	15%	611	16%	614	15%	769	18%	863	19%	753	16%
Other dwelling		47	2%	64	2%	99	3%	101	3%	119	3%	83	2%	49	1%	66	1%
Structure not-stated		9	0%	49	1%	46	1%	58	2%	16	0%	3	0%	6	0%	310	6%
TOTAL (private dwellings)		2,877	100%	3,296	100%	3,626	100%	3,814	100%	4,054	100%	4,245	100%	4,518	100%	4,800	100%

Dwellings - Tenure		1981*		1986		1991		1996		2001		2006		2011		2016	
Tenure		Number	%														
Fully owned		947	35%	1,125	37%	1,320	40%	1,406	40%	1,489	40%	1,365	35%	1,299	32%	1,314	30%
Being purchased		812	30%	837	27%	818	25%	799	23%	829	22%	1,069	27%	1,143	28%	1,163	27%
Rented - government		198	7%	381	13%	409	12%	324	9%	301	8%	264	7%	284	7%	217	5%
Rented - other		569	21%	548	18%	612	19%	783	22%	888	24%	895	23%	1,056	26%	1,086	25%
Other and not stated		155	6%	157	5%	134	4%	171	5%	227	6%	303	8%	258	6%	545	12%
TOTAL (occ. private dwellings)		2,681	100%	3,049	100%	3,293	100%	3,484	100%	3,734	100%	3,897	100%	4,040	100%	4,374	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	19%	21%	22%	27%	28%	31%	32%	32%
2 persons	29%	31%	32%	33%	34%	35%	35%	35%
3 persons	16%	17%	16%	14%	14%	13%	14%	15%
4 persons	17%	16%	17%	14%	13%	13%	11%	12%
5 or more persons	19%	14%	14%	12%	11%	9%	9%	9%
TOTAL	100%							
Av. household size (persons)	2.98	2.78	2.71	2.56	2.48	2.38	2.34	2.33

Household income	1981	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
1st quartile (lowest)	31%	33%	33%	33%	33%	33%	34%	33%
2nd quartile	27%	29%	30%	30%	30%	29%	30%	30%
3rd quartile	23%	23%	23%	24%	23%	24%	22%	24%
4th quartile (highest)	19%	15%	14%	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%
Not stated (households)	216	393	479	408	407	420	457	416
TOTAL (households)	2,684	3,051	3,282	3,498	3,619	3,701	3,942	4,014

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

