



*Gloucester*  
*Welcome to*  
*your new home*



## Midcoast Council

### Gloucester Office

89 King Street  
Gloucester NSW 2422  
Mon to Fri - 9am to 4pm  
Tel: 02 6538 5250  
Fax: 02 6558 2343  
Emergency AH: 0417 437 963  
[www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au](http://www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au)

### JR Richards - Waste service

Weekly - rubbish removal  
(Tues - Wed - Thurs depending on your address)  
Fortnightly - recyclables  
Fortnightly - green waste  
Tel: 1300 579 278  
Emergency AH: 1800 477 455  
[www.jrichards.com.au](http://www.jrichards.com.au)

### Gloucester Landfill

Monday: Closed  
Tues to Fri: 7.30am to 4pm  
Sat & Sun: 11am to 4pm  
Public Holidays: Closed  
Tel: 6538 5265

### Midcoast Water

Tel: 1300 133 455  
[www.midcoastwater.com.au](http://www.midcoastwater.com.au)

## Only a short trip

Taree - 80km - 1hr  
Foster - 75km - 1hr  
Maitland - 120km - 1.5hr  
Newcastle - 120km - 1.5hr  
Armidale - 210km - 2.5hr  
Sydney - 260km - 3hr

**Broadband** - FTN  
available mid 2017  
[www.nbnc.com.au](http://www.nbnc.com.au)

**Mobile** - Check with your  
service provider

## Electoral Information

Federal Electorate  
**Lyne**  
[www.aec.gov.au](http://www.aec.gov.au)

State Electorate  
**Upper Hunter**  
[www.elections.nsw.gov.au](http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au)

# Living in Gloucester

Located in the foothills of the World Heritage Barrington Tops. The Gloucester region covers an area of 2918sq kilometres and has a population of 5160, with Gloucester township growing to over 2600.

## Medical services

Hospital - Church Street, Gloucester - 02 6538 5000  
- Maternity services - 02 6538 5027  
- Physiotherapy - 02 6538 5058  
- Community Health - 02 6538 5058  
Medical Centre - 77- 81 Denison St, Gloucester  
- 02 6558 1604  
Chiropractor - 67 Barrington St, Gloucester - 02 6558 2299  
Dentist - 46 King St, Gloucester - 02 6558 1114

## Gloucester Directory

For all your business information pick-up a copy from the Advocate Office 21 Denison Street or Visitor Information Centre 27 Denison Street, Gloucester.

## General Business Information

### Banks in Gloucester

Commonwealth Bank, National Australia Bank, Westpac agency, The Greater

### Service NSW - Roads and Maritime Service (formerly RTA)

Council building - 89 King Street Gloucester 02 6538 5220 - 10am to 4pm

### Service NSW - Centrelink

## The Gloucester Advocate

Local Newspaper issued weekly on Wednesdays

## Planes - Trains - Buses

### Newcastle Airport

Regular daily domestic flights  
Distance 100km - Approximate travel time from Gloucester to airport 1.2 hours  
Williamtown Dr, Williamtown - 02 4928 9800 - [www.newcastleairport.com.au](http://www.newcastleairport.com.au)

### TrainLink XPT - Daily services

North - to Brisbane departs Gloucester train station: 11.38am - 4.22pm - 7.04pm  
South - to Sydney departs Gloucester train station: 2.33am - 10.56am - 3.44pm

### Coach - Monday to Friday

North service to Taree via Wingham departs Gloucester Town: 7.42pm  
South service to Broadmeadow via Raymond Terrace: 7.07am

## Pets

Pet friendly parks include the eastern side of Cook Park and the northern end of Gloucester District Park. All dogs must be under control, please pick-up droppings immediately.

### Gloucester Veterinary Hospital

36 Hume Street, Gloucester  
02 6558 1504  
[www.gloucestervet.com.au](http://www.gloucestervet.com.au)

## Annual Rainfall

979mm

## Weather

The regional climate is warm temperate with four distinct seasons: Summers are warm to hot with moderate humidity, winters are cool to cold with occasional frost, higher altitudes may experience snow. Spring and autumn are mild.

## Sport Activities

### Short List

#### Cricket Junior

- 0429 988 101

#### Thunderbolts swimming club

- 6558 9639

#### Hockey

- 6558 1556

#### Netball

- 0427 582 718

#### Rugby league Junior

- 0425 558 021

#### Soccer Club

- 0427 589 075

#### Archery

Indoor Archery

- 0418 457 751

#### Basketball

- 0407 016 312

#### Gymnastics

- 0400 090 781

#### Horse riding

Camp Cobark

- 6558 5524

#### Kayaking

Barrington Outdoor

Adventure Centre

- 6558 2093

#### Little athletics

- 0428 587 585

#### Physical Culture

- 0428 210 800

#### Pony Club

- 6558 7400 or 6558 2718

#### Tennis

Boundary Street

- 6558 1035

The full list of sports and activities is available at the Gloucester Visitor Information Centre

## Playgroup

Kids 0 to 5 years and their Mum's, Dad's, Carer's and Grandparent's.

CWA Hall , 108 Church Street  
Gloucester NSW 2422

**WHEN** | Wednesday - fortnightly

**TIME** | 10am

## Preschool

### Gloucester Preschool

52 Hume Street, Gloucester  
02 6558 1643

**OPEN** | 8.30am to 3.30pm

### Barrington Street Preschool & Long Day Care

4 Barrington Street, Gloucester  
02 6558 2860

**OPEN** | 7.45am to 5.45pm

## Secondary School

### Gloucester High School

Ravenshaw Street, Gloucester  
02 6558 1605

### St Clare's High School

Davis Street, Taree  
02 6552 3300

## Barrington Outdoor Adventure Centre

Every school holidays the fun amps up with at the Steps with Abseiling, Canoe Games, High Ropes and Orienteering. The School Holiday flyer issued 2 weeks prior to the holidays and the Gloss will list all the information. Contact BOAC 6558 2093

## Trail Rides

Ride for an hour or ride for a week at these local horse riding facilities:  
Camp Cobark - 02 6558 5524  
Riverwood Downs - 02 4994 7112

## Mobile Playgroup

Visiting Allworth, Booral, Barrington, Coolongolook and Stratford. Kids 0 to 5 years and their Mum's, Dad's, Carer's & Grandparent's.

Contact Gloucester Preschool for dates and times - 02 6558 1643

## Primary School

### Gloucester Public School

Hume Street, Gloucester - 02 6558 1303

### Barrington Public School

Kenmore Street, Barrington - 02 6558 4258

### Stratford Public School

Anne Street, Stratford - 02 6558 8234

### St Joseph's Primary School

Denison Street, Gloucester - 02 6558 1605

# time to be kids

## Storytime - under 5's

Free storytime sessions at the library for kids 5 and under, all kids must be accompanied by a carer.

**WHERE** | Gloucester Library

**WHEN** | Mondays during the school term

**TIME** | 10am

## Movies in the Park

Monthly outdoor KIDS movie in the Park by Buckets of Movies. See the Gloss for what's on.

**WHERE** | Billabong Park

**WHEN** | 3rd Friday night every month

# let kids be kids

free  
range

# Retirees

## Mind & Body

### Short List

#### Aqua aerobics

- 6538 5270

#### Archery

Avon Valley Field Archers

- 0418 166 783

Indoor Archery

- 0418 457 751

#### Boori Boori Labyrinth

- 0414 376 047

#### Bowls

- 6558 1708

#### Bushwalking

- 0409 718 795

#### Croquet

- 6558 4190

#### Golf

- 6558 1602

#### Kayaking

Barrington Outdoor A.C.

- 6558 2093

#### Massage

Brad Bowden

- 0418 663 357

Chatphon

-0450 858 908

#### Pilates

- 0427 264 764

#### Tennis

Boundary Street

- 6558 1035

#### Yoga

- 0405 322 947

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## U3A

The University of the Third Age is a place to meet like minded people interested in learning something new and improving skills, it's also a great way to meet new friends.

Courses include;

Mahjong, Ukulele, Sing in harmony, Print making, Book club, Tai Chi, Scrabble table, Film group Birdwatching, Balance & Bones, plus many more.

[www.gloucester.u3anet.org.au](http://www.gloucester.u3anet.org.au)

The Visitor Information Centre also has a course guide available.

## Visitor Information Centre

**27 Denison Street - 02 6538 5252**

Mon to Fri - 9am to 4.30pm

Sat & Sun - 9am to 3pm

[www.gloucestertourism.com.au](http://www.gloucestertourism.com.au)

## Volunteering

You may have retired but you still have something to offer. Volunteering is a great way to meet people when moving to a new community, it also keeps the brain active and engaged without the stress and worry of work. Contribute when and where you can and enjoy being part of a community organisation.

## Gloucester Library

27 Denison Street, Gloucester

Open:

Mon to Fri - 10am to 2pm

Mon to Wed - 2.30pm to 5pm

Thu & Fri - 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Sat - 9am to 12noon -

Sunday & Public Holidays Closed

it's your time

## Events & Happenings

### Gloucester Farmers Market

2nd Saturday every month

Billabong Park

**Barrington Market** - Quarterly

**Bush Poetry in the Saleyard** - March

**Community Market** - Long W'ends

**Gloucester Show** - March

**Motorcycle Expo** - May

**ChillOut** - July

**Rodeo** - July

**Craven Creek Music** - September

**Tri-Challenge** - September

**Opera in the Church** - October

[www.eventsgloucester.com.au](http://www.eventsgloucester.com.au)

## Gloucester Clubs short list

Apex Club - 0427 587 596

CWA day branch - 02 6558 2092

CWA night branch - 02 6558 2223

Environment Group - 02 6558 4333

Historical Society - 02 6558 9989

Lions Club - 02 6558 1253

Masonic Lodge - 02 6558 4361

Men's Shed - 02 6558 4107

Probus - 02 6558 2031

Quota International - 02 6558 1485

RSL Women's Auxiliary - 02 6558 1374

Rotary Club - 0417 656 201

Senior Citizens - 02 6558 1772

calling all Silver Gypsies

tree  
change

GROWN ups

## Keep Fit short list

**Aqua aerobics**  
- 6538 5270

**Archery**  
Avon Valley Field Archers  
- 0418 166 783  
Indoor Archery  
- 0418 457 751

**Basketball**  
- 0429 293 924

**Bushwalking**  
- 0409 718 795

**Cricket**  
- 6558 9994

**Golf**  
- 6558 1602

**Gym/Physical Fitness**  
- 0438 636 377

**Horse riding**  
Camp Cobark  
- 6558 5524

**Kayaking**  
Barrington Outdoor  
Adventure Centre  
- 6558 2093

**Netball - twilight**  
- 0427 582 718

**Pilates**  
- 0427 264 764

**Tennis**  
Boundary Street  
- 6558 1035

**Yoga**  
- 0405 322 947

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## Live & Local

The Gloucester region has a vibrant live music scene with regular quality performances across various genres at the following venues;

- The Fox Den
- The Roundabout Inn
- The Soldiers Club
- Stroud Central Hotel

## Special Events

Poleys Place - Country Hoedown  
Monkerai B & S Ball  
Sub Sonic Music Festival  
See our events site for more info  
[www.eventsgloucester.com.au](http://www.eventsgloucester.com.au)

## Gloucester Art Gallery

Thu & Sat - 10am to 4pm  
Sun - 10am to 1pm

## Cafés & Restaurants

You'll be delighted with the quality and variety of dining opportunities in Gloucester. Cuisine options include; Thai, Tapas, Indian, Chinese & Modern café style menus.

See the Visitor Guide at the Visitor Information Centre for opening hours.

## The Tucker Patch

The Tucker Patch is all about self sustaining communities. The Patch grows a wide range of organic vegetables for sale at the Gloucester Farmers Market and their Farmgate stalls.

**Fri Farmgate** - 62 Cemetery Road 10am to 12  
**Tue Farmgate** - Cnr Church & Phillip 10am to 12

now is the time

## Adventure

Living in Gloucester puts you in close proximity to the World Heritage wilderness region of Barrington Tops.

Your every weekend can be filled with Camping, Fishing, Mountain Biking, Kayaking, Canoeing, Hiking or 4WDiving - an adventure lovers paradise.

The pristine beaches of Forster are only an hour away, offering you the best of both worlds, merging coastal and hinterland living.

## Churches

**Anglican**  
Hume St  
0438 602 886

**Baptist**  
42 Denison St  
0425 255 428

**Catholic**  
57 Denison St  
6558 1290

**Christian Outreach**  
7 Northgate Street  
0413 452 057

**Jehovah's Witness**  
26 Tate St  
6558 2655

**Presbyterian**  
17 Barrington St  
6551 4335

**Uniting Church**  
5 Cowper St  
6558 4206

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Cnr Barrington & Hume St  
0439 990 983

escape to the country

The following statistics were obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics  
[stat.abs.gov.au](http://stat.abs.gov.au)

# Stats

## No. Businesses by Industry - 2015

Administrative and support services	10
Accommodation and food services	23
Agriculture , forestry and fishing	309
Arts and recreation services	4
Construction	85
Education and training	4
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	0
Financial and insurance services	19
Health care and social assistance	21
Information media and telecommunications	3
Manufacturing	17
Mining	0
Professional, scientific and technical services	33
Public administration and safety	3
Rental, hiring and real estate services	41
Retail Trade	41
Transport, postal and warehousing	35
Wholesale Trade	15
Other services	19
Currently unknown	5
<b>Total Number of businesses</b>	<b>687</b>

## Employed by Industry - 2011 Census

Administrative and support services	2.2 %
Accommodation and food services	7.9 %
Agriculture , forestry and fishing	15.5 %
Arts and recreation services	0.1 %
Construction	8.8 %
Education and training	7.2 %
Electricity, gas, water and waste services	1.2 %
Financial and insurance services	1.1 %
Health care and social assistance	11.2 %
Information media and telecommunications	0.2 %
Manufacturing	6.1 %
Mining	6.6 %
Professional, scientific and technical services	3.8 %
Public administration and safety	5.6 %
Rental, hiring and real estate services	1.3 %
Retail Trade	10.1 %
Transport, postal and warehousing	3.9 %
Wholesale Trade	1.6 %
Other services	3.3 %
<b>Total persons employed</b>	<b>1,963</b>

## No. Businesses employing - 2015

Number of non-employing businesses	505
1 - 4 employees	129
5 - 19 employees	44
20 or more employees	6
<b>Total Number of businesses</b>	<b>684</b>
<b>Total labour force population (2011 Census)</b>	<b>2070</b>
<b>Unemployment rate (2011 Census)</b>	<b>5.2 %</b>

## Population - @ 30 June 2015

0 - 14 years	871	16.9 %
15 - 24	426	8.3 %
25 - 34	375	7.3 %
35 - 44	506	9.8 %
45 - 64	1514	39.2 %
Over 65	1468	28 %
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>5160</b>	<b>%</b>