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Diggers Rest

Melton (S) LGA

Defined in 2016 as: UCL 215029



The map above shows the location of Diggers Rest in Victoria.

Summary data

	1981	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Total population*	645	1,530	1,663	1,811	1,801	1,684	1,649	2,146
Male: Female ratio*	112.2	105.6	96.3	97.3	98.6	105.9	107.2	97.7
Visitors on Census night*	19	20	24	29	34	23	34	91
Population in non-private dwellings*	8	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
Population at same address 5 years ago	184	398	847	967	993	988	1,120	1,046

*Includes local, interstate and overseas visitors.

Population growth	1981-91	1991-2001	2001-06	2006-11	2011-16
Net change	1,018	138	-117	-35	497
Average annual change	9.9%	0.8%	-1.3%	-0.4%	5.4%

Area	
2006 Area (km ²):	2.18
2011 Area (km ²):	2.69

Location	
	29km NW of Melbourne

Age structure	1981		1986		1991		1996		2001		2006		2011		2016	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
0-4	110	17%	240	16%	248	15%	219	12%	153	8%	120	7%	111	7%	160	7%
5-17	148	23%	330	22%	361	22%	447	25%	436	24%	356	21%	268	16%	280	13%
18-24	68	11%	182	12%	158	10%	121	7%	168	9%	162	10%	180	11%	224	10%
25-34	206	32%	486	32%	442	27%	381	21%	276	15%	224	13%	242	15%	412	19%
35-44	66	10%	182	12%	264	16%	346	19%	327	18%	294	17%	219	13%	258	12%
45-54	28	4%	62	4%	107	6%	159	9%	237	13%	287	17%	287	17%	287	13%
55-64	14	2%	32	2%	42	3%	74	4%	113	6%	155	9%	213	13%	310	14%
65-74	4	1%	13	1%	31	2%	31	2%	67	4%	73	4%	93	6%	155	7%
75+	2	0%	5	0%	7	0%	24	1%	21	1%	13	1%	36	2%	64	3%
TOTAL	645	100%	1,530	100%	1,660	100%	1,802	100%	1,798	100%	1,684	100%	1,649	100%	2,150	100%

Indigenous status	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Indigenous	0	17	13	21	8	34
Non-Indigenous	1,501	1,751	1,737	1,588	1,567	1,963
Not stated	29	33	48	75	75	125
TOTAL	1,530	1,802	1,798	1,684	1,650	2,132

Education	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Bachelor degree or higher	11	48	73	71	91	210
Diploma or certificate	275	284	300	383	435	619
No post school qualification	593	758	809	693	813	758
Not stated	134	125	120	145	108	191
TOTAL	1,014	1,216	1,302	1,292	1,344	1,778

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

Language spoken at home	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
English only	1,412	1,623	1,595	1,499	1,459	1,746
Top 3 LOTES, 2016:						
- SE_As_Au:	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	9	7
- Turkish:	Not available	9	6	17	9	0
- Greek:	5	6	6	10	15	9
All languages other than English	116	132	132	124	153	261
Not stated	3	47	71	61	43	130
TOTAL	1,530	1,802	1,798	1,684	1,655	2,137

Birthplace	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Australia	1,259	1,500	1,478	1,373	1,349	1,606
Top 3 overseas birthplaces, 2016						
- United Kingdom:	107	83	74	67	63	63
- New Zealand:	9	14	20	21	19	47
- Philippines:	3	10	7	5	7	42
All overseas birthplaces	245	237	224	212	231	316
Birthplace not-stated	26	65	95	99	68	157
TOTAL	1,530	1,802	1,798	1,684	1,648	2,079

English proficiency among overseas born	1986* **	1996**	2001	2006	2011	2016
Speaks English well or very well (%)	96%	92%	85%	92%	83%	87%
Speaks English not well or not at all (%)	4%	8%	15%	8%	14%	6%
English proficiency not stated (%)	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	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	308	266	245	202	253
Couple family* without children	116	112	116	135	204
One parent family	88	97	93	106	112
Other family type	3	9	0	11	12
TOTAL	514	484	454	454	589

*Excludes same sex couple families in 1996 only

Labour force*	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Employed	714	780	833	837	868	1,123
Unemployed	33	74	65	41	50	45
TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	747	855	897	879	918	1,168
Not in labour force	236	338	368	362	387	476
Labour force status not-stated	30	23	37	51	40	108
Unemployment rate	4.4%	8.7%	7.2%	4.7%	5.4%	3.9%
Participation rate	76.0%	71.7%	70.9%	70.8%	70.3%	71.0%

*Applies to persons aged 15 and over

Travel to work*	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Bicycle	0	3	0	0	0
Bus	9	6	7	9	5
Car as driver	502	581	566	604	758
Car as passenger	41	35	38	36	38
Motor bike/scooter	7	6	4	5	0
Taxi	3	3	0	0	0
Train	44	32	28	32	88
Tram or ferry	0	0	0	0	0
Walked only	3	7	9	4	4
Other modes	16	17	30	14	12
Multitple modes	24	22	29	22	48
Work from home	21	14	13	17	37
Did not go to work	101	86	87	91	99
Method of travel not stated	9	20	27	29	19
TOTAL	780	833	837	863	1,108

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Industry of employment*	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	11	7	12	0	4	4
Mining	0	0	0	3	0	0
Manufacturing	107	124	130	99	92	75
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	9	5	2	6	13	3
Construction	55	53	71	101	105	103
Wholesale Trade	39	50	41	31	38	41
Retail Trade	54	71	101	103	108	111
Accommodation and Food Services	12	19	24	36	40	64
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	96	92	85	100	118	129
Information Media and Telecommunications	19	25	24	12	9	14
Financial and Insurance Services	28	36	27	10	15	41
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	11	17	21	18	16	16
Professional, Scientific and Tech. Services	21	35	41	23	36	53
Administrative and Support Services	17	24	27	47	36	48
Public Administration and Safety	91	36	33	54	45	85
Education and Training	28	42	46	37	27	74
Health Care and Social Assistance	48	70	70	83	89	102
Arts and Recreation Services	8	7	12	10	15	24
Other Services	39	40	51	38	31	53
Inadequately described/Not stated	23	28	12	26	25	56
TOTAL	714	780	833	837	862	1,096

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Vehicle ownership*	1986	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
None	16	9	15	24	15	12
1 motor vehicle	175	191	227	183	235	231
2 motor vehicles	201	266	250	251	246	342
3 or more motor vehicles	54	77	101	123	136	187
Not stated	11	28	25	49	32	77
TOTAL	458	571	617	630	664	845

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

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	1981*	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
Dwellings - Number	Number %	Number %	Number %	Number %	Number %	Number %	Number %	Number %
Occupied private dwellings	180 95%	458 97%	526 96%	571 96%	617 97%	630 96%	662 96%	845 95%
Unoccupied private dwellings	9 5%	13 3%	24 4%	26 4%	20 3%	27 4%	27 4%	46 5%
TOTAL (private dwellings)	189 100%	471 100%	550 100%	597 100%	637 100%	657 100%	689 100%	891 100%
Dwellings - Type								
Separate house	189 100%	464 99%	547 99%	597 100%	614 96%	644 98%	676 98%	841 94%
Medium density**	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	17 3%	13 2%	13 2%	24 3%
Other dwelling	0 0%	3 1%	3 1%	0 0%	3 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
Structure not-stated	0 0%	3 1%	0 0%	0 0%	3 0%	0 0%	0 0%	38 4%
TOTAL (private dwellings)	189 100%	471 100%	550 100%	597 100%	637 100%	657 100%	689 100%	891 100%
Dwellings - Tenure								
Fully owned	19 11%	58 13%	96 18%	156 27%	176 28%	149 24%	176 27%	220 26%
Being purchased	133 74%	347 76%	359 68%	341 60%	329 53%	349 55%	340 52%	432 51%
Rented - government	0 0%	18 4%	11 2%	3 1%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
Rented - other	25 14%	16 4%	36 7%	53 9%	77 12%	86 14%	114 17%	126 15%
Other and not stated	3 2%	18 4%	23 4%	18 3%	35 6%	46 7%	27 4%	67 8%
TOTAL (occ. private dwellings)	180 100%	458 100%	526 100%	571 100%	617 100%	630 100%	657 100%	845 100%

*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	6%	7%	9%	12%	18%	21%	28%	25%
2 persons	20%	25%	23%	27%	26%	30%	29%	34%
3 persons	20%	22%	26%	19%	19%	18%	19%	21%
4 persons	31%	29%	30%	25%	21%	19%	14%	14%
5 or more persons	24%	17%	12%	18%	15%	12%	10%	7%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Av. household size (persons)	3.54	3.29	3.16	3.17	2.92	2.67	2.49	2.54

Household income	1981	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016
1st quartile (lowest)	7%	10%	10%	14%	19%	16%	24%	20%
2nd quartile	33%	28%	26%	26%	29%	34%	33%	30%
3rd quartile	39%	37%	38%	36%	31%	29%	27%	33%
4th quartile (highest)	21%	26%	25%	24%	21%	20%	15%	17%
Not stated (households)	13	55	81	61	64	69	63	78
TOTAL (households)	179	459	521	567	602	606	643	805

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

