Population of Golden Plains Shire

Location

Golden Plains Shire is located one hour's drive West of Melbourne between Geelong and Ballarat.
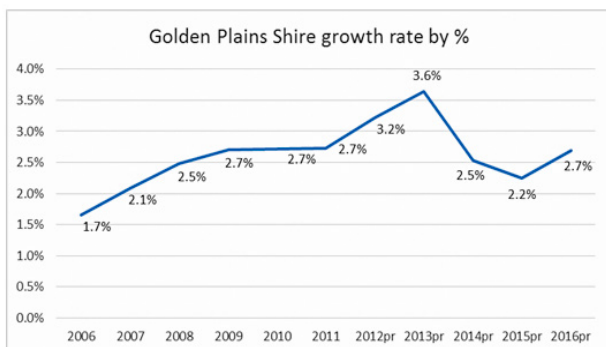

Population Overview

With a growth rate of 2.7% per annum, Golden Plains Shire is in the top three fastest growing regional Local Government Areas (LGA) in Victoria by percentage. Golden Plains Shire's population is projected to increase by an additional 7,609 people by 2031.

Golden Plains Shire Population   21,929 (2016)
Shire growth rate   2.7% p.a. (2016)
Population projections   28,964 (by 2031)
Size of Shire   2,705 sq kms

Shire Population

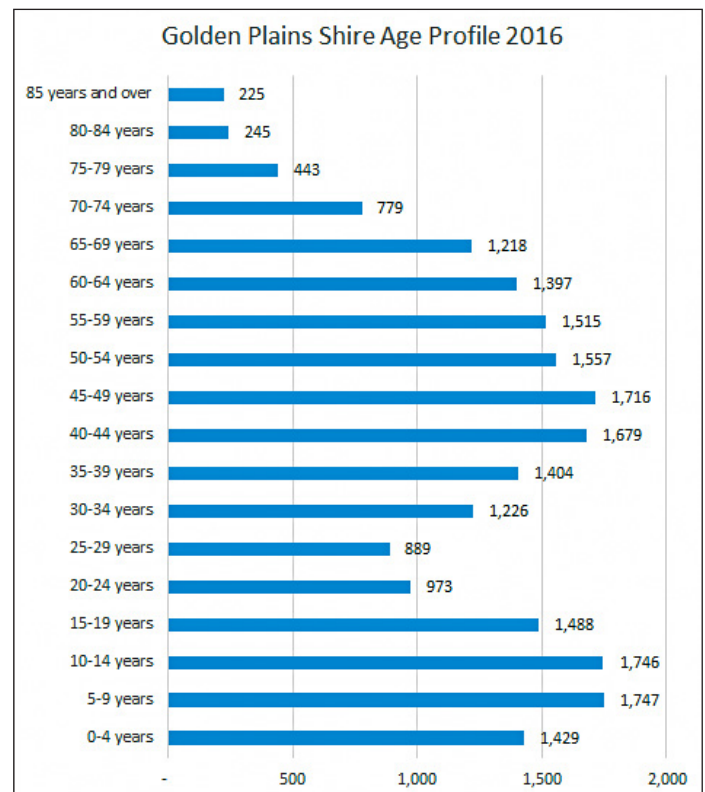| Golden Plains Shire Population Growth			
Year	Estimated Resident Population	Population Change by Number	Population Change by %
2006	16,666	276	1.7%
2007	17,022	356	2.1%
2008	17,456	434	2.5%
2009	17,941	485	2.7%
2010	18,441	500	2.7%
2011	18,958	517	2.7%
2012pr*	19,590	632	3.2%
2013pr*	20,331	741	3.6%
2014pr*	20,860	529	2.5%
2015pr*	21,340	480	2.2%
2016pr*	21,929	589	2.7%

*pr = preliminary rebased

Town Populations

Bannockburn is the Shire's main service centre, with 56 communities and 16 townships also located in the Shire.

Town Populations in Golden Plains Shire	
Town Name	Population (2016)
Bannockburn	5,283
Teesdale	1,721
Batesford	952
Inverleigh	1,474
Lethbridge	1,014
Smythesdale	1,032
Enfield	538
Meredith	788
Linton	580

Age Profile

Golden Plains Shire has a high proportion of youth, with 29.7% of the population aged between 0-19 years.

Data sourced from the Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Department of Transport, Planning and Local Infrastructure.

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