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TUMUT

If you're looking for a change, where glowing natural colour is part of a prospering region with strong employment and business opportunities; the full range of community facilities; and a balanced, healthy lifestyle with plenty of family time, then consider the Tumut region. The Tumut region is a prosperous centre. A shire with a population of over 11,600 residents and a service hub for around 20,000 people. There are employment opportunities in a diversity of industries including timber and forestry, construction, transport, engineering, power, tourism, health, horticulture, grazing and support services.

Average industry growth in the Tumut shire is above state and industry levels (Western Research Institute Report Census 2001). Hundreds of direct and indirect jobs will be created over the next two to five years as proposed projects valued at around \$600 million get underway. A short drive off the Hume Highway, the region is well located between Sydney and Melbourne, with Canberra just over a two hour drive.

Leave commuting behind. Watch the seasons change instead of the traffic lights. Come to a lifestyle in a region rich in natural beauty and with a variety of recreational activities for all the family. Housing choices, retail, health, education, cultural events and festivals are all part of the difference you'll find in the Tumut region.

Key Industries and Employment

Forestry and forest products are the predominant source of economic activity, contributing about \$450 million to the local economy annually. While agriculture still plays a significant role, the diverse industry base also includes paper, construction, transport, engineering, tourism, retail, education, health, power, horticulture, aquaculture and support services.

There is a strong labour force supply, a family demographic and employment opportunities for skilled workers and professionals. The diversity of industries and the region's role as a service hub provide full time and casual job opportunities for all the family, including young people and partners.

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AT A GLANCE

Population	11,600
DISTANCE:	
To Sydney	400 km
To Melbourne	500 km
To Canberra	190 km



Housing

A full range of housing options is available set amid a picturesque rural backdrop of mountains and highlands. Residential subdivisions in town centres and rural blocks on which to build your own country dream home are also available close to town.

The Tumut region provides for a quieter life with more time with the family, a relaxed drive or walk home for lunch and the time to be at your child's school for those all important activities and presentations.

Health and Education

Tumut LGA offers a wide variety of medical and health services, through the Tumut and Batlow District Hospitals. There are five doctor's surgeries with around 12 general practitioners servicing the region. Two dental practices are located in the LGA.

Hospital facilities include an accident and emergency department, acute care beds and an operating theatre. A range of other health services are available including physiotherapy, X-ray, occupational therapy, pathology, mental health, dental technician etc. Community Health Centres including baby health care are located in Tumut, Adelong, Batlow, Talbingo and Brungle.

Nine primary schools, three high schools, pre-schools and Gadara support school demonstrate the education facilities available.

Annual educational experiences available to high school students include an overseas excursion to Italy and France, bush walking and camping in nearby Kosciuszko National Park and cultural excursions to Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra. The Tumut campus of TAFE Riverina offers a range of courses for the community and industry and is recognised as a leading trainer for the NSW Forestry sector.

Leisure and Lifestyle

Four distinct seasons are all part of the Tumut Region with vivid autumn colours, stunning winter snowfields ideal for families, spectacular springtime blossoms and fun filled summer water activities and recreational sports. A gateway to the high country, visitors and new residents are pleasantly surprised by the relatively mild climate.

All the popular 'ball' sports are available. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy fly-fishing, bush walking, bird watching, snow skiing, caving, water skiing, canoeing, horse riding, 4-wheel driving, motor bikes, hang gliding, road cycling and mountain biking. Kangaroo crowds watch Tumut golfers and there are also golf courses at Batlow, Adelong and Talbingo. Lawn bowls and tennis courts are available in all towns in the shire.

Festivals, sporting and cultural events are a feature of the region. The Montreal Theatre is one of few remaining art-deco theatres and a centre for film and live performance.

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