

Spotlight on Poowong

2016 Population

Poowong, 643
Median Age 47
South Gippsland 28,936



South Gippsland
Shire Council



Population by Gender



76%



24%



Population Growth 1911 - 2036

Poowong's population declined from 1921 and remained steady until 2011 when the township population had a rapid rise.



Diversity

77 Poowong residents were born overseas. Most overseas residents come from the United Kingdom and Korea.

2.9 percent of households speak a language other than English.

Top languages other than English spoken at home in Poowong are;

- Korean
- Greek



Employment

There are 326 people in the workforce with 182 people employed full time.



Education

Most of the children in Poowong attended a government primary or secondary school.

160 people in Poowong attended an educational institution in 2016.



Car Ownership

8 percent of households have one motor vehicles.

5 percent of households have two motor vehicles.

3 percent of households have three or more motor vehicles.

Income



The individual weekly median income in Poowong is lower than South Gippsland.

Mortgage repayments are lower in Waratah Bay than South Gippsland.

A lower proportion of high income households in Waratah Bay than South Gippsland.



Care

There is no recorded data for any person requiring assistance with core activities.

28.6 percent of the population provided unpaid assistance to a person with a disability.

Housing



There are 269 dwellings in Poowong with 244 permanently occupied.

There are more couples with children and also without children living in Poowong than South Gippsland.



Key Points in History

1803 Originally named Paterson Bay by the French navigator Baudin during an expedition to map the coast of Australia.

1885 Post office was opened and called Waratah Bay, later renamed Walkerville due to its location.

TOP 5

The top four industries of employment include:

- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
- Accommodation and Food Services
- Education and Training
- Construction