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Lismore

Lismore is a town in the Northern Rivers region of NSW, famous for its significant and thriving arts community and beautiful surroundings.



Quick facts

Training region	North Eastern NSW
Subregion	North Coast
GP Synergy grouping	B
RA/MMM classification	RA2/MMM3
Population	<p>Lismore has a population of nearly 43,000 people, the median age is 48 years. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people make up 1% of the population.</p> <p>Lismore is located within the North Coast Primary Health Network, these fact sheets provide an overview of the health needs of the North Coast community.</p>
Location	<p>Lismore is a major North Coast township set in the Northern Rivers region of NSW and is nestled between the rainforest and the sea in the Northern Rivers of NSW.</p> <p>Lismore is the cultural and economic capital of the Northern</p>

Rivers region. It is 40 minutes south west of Byron Bay and just 90 minutes south of the Gold Coast.

Many artists and performers have established themselves in this region, and the town has a rich and invigorating cultural life, which is reflected in the number of galleries, theatres and performing arts spaces in and around Lismore and it is also the hub for a range of regional Government services.

Transport links

Lismore regional airport provides direct access to Sydney through daily services provided by Regional Express Airlines (Rex).

Industry

The major sources of employment in Lismore are:

- Health Care and Social Assistance
- Retail Trade
- Education and Training
- Manufacturing
- Construction
- Accommodation and Food Services

Healthcare facilities

Lismore is the health centre for the region and is home to the North Coast's largest public hospital, a private hospital, and is well serviced by a strong contingent of allied health professionals.

Lismore Base Hospital is a regional referral, level 5 base hospital. It is an accredited teaching hospital and the largest hospital within the Local Health District. The base hospital is the designated regional trauma centre and provides specialist services in emergency medicine. It also provides medical staff for the Local Health District retrieval service which covers from Coffs Harbour in the South to Tweed in the North. The Intensive Care Unit has nine beds. The Coronary Care Unit has four beds. The medical ward provides an acute care service, comprising of seven medical teams. Specialities available include renal medicine, cardiology, gastroenterology and geriatrics. The hospital also has an orthopaedic ward, paediatric ward, perioperative unit, renal

an orthopaedic ward, paediatric ward, perioperative unit, renal unit, surgical services and women's care unit.

[St Vincent's Private Hospital](#) in Lismore is an accredited 130 bed facility offering acute surgical, medical, rehabilitation and palliative care hospital and provides a wide range of hospital services including a child care centre.

Lismore is supported by NSW Ambulance Service.

Accredited GP training practices in town

Goonellabah Medical Centre
Gurgun Bulahnggelah
Keen Street Clinic
Lismore GP Super Clinic
The Lismore Clinic

Education

Lismore has eight primary schools and four high schools, offering a broad mix of public and private school options.

For tertiary education, Lismore offers a Campus of [North Coast TAFE](#) and a campus of [Southern Cross University](#).

Childcare

Lismore offers young families [a wide variety of options](#) suitable for children from 6 weeks to school aged for long day care, out of hours care, family day care and preschool.

Shopping

As a major regional centre Lismore is a shopper's delight and features Lismore Central Shopping Centre and Lismore Square Shopping Centre, which is the biggest shopping centre in the Northern Rivers Region and is home to over 75 specialty retailers, including Coles and Woolworths supermarkets, Kmart, men's, women's and children's clothing and accessories, footwear, Big W, jewellers, gifts and homewares, electronics and technology, pets and pet accessories, as well as a food court, cafes eateries, health and beauty .

Lismore Central Shopping Centre features chemist, newsagency, bakers delight, Rivers and fresh fruit and vegetables. There is also Star Court Arcade shopping mall which boasts a wide variety of well-known and unique retail outlets as well as weekend

markets where you will find everything from stylish boutiques, homewares and the odd and unusual gift.

Places of worship

There are a number of places of worship located in Lismore including Australian Christian, Anglican, Baptist, Catholic, Mary of the Angelus Association, Lismore Christian Family Fellowship, Presbyterian, Seventh Day Adventist, and Uniting.

Things to do

Lismore is a city that boasts the culture and convenience of a major regional centre and all of the lifestyle advantages of an extraordinarily beautiful natural environment. For decades, Lismore has attracted a high number of artists of all kinds.

There are numerous galleries and exhibitions throughout the region, and music, dance and live theatre abound. The Northern Rivers Performing Arts (NORPA) company and the Northern Rivers Conservatorium are based in Lismore. There is the Star Court Theatre which hosts live plays, movies and live concerts.

Long regarded as a City of Sport, Lismore boasts magnificent sports grounds and hosts numerous major sporting events throughout the year. There are dozens of playing fields, an abundance of cricket pitches, a synthetic hockey arena, indoor basketball courts, gymnasiums, tennis courts, horse and greyhound tracks, and a popular speedway circuit.

The Lismore Lantern Parade, is an annual event held every Winter Solstice, the longest night of the year. This brilliant and iconic event celebrates strong multicultural and community spirit with a spectacular parade featuring illuminated puppets, pyrotechnics, music and fine art.

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