Main Features

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Commentary

This brief contains information on residents and households in the suburb of Goodna (figure 1), which is located between Brisbane and Ipswich.

- In 2001, Goodna had a usual resident population of 6,599 persons. This included 2,007 overseas born persons (32.5%) and 395 Indigenous persons (6.0%). In comparison 19.4% of Queensland resident were born overseas and 3.1% were Indigenous persons.

- Of Goodna residents, 23.9% spoke a language other than English. The most common language spoken other than English was Samoan (7.8% of the population). Figure 2 shows the top 10 languages other than English. A much lower proportion (6.9%) of Queensland residents spoke a language other than English.

- Half of Goodna residents were under the age of 31. Half of Queensland residents were under the age of 35. For half of Goodna residents the weekly household income was $600-$699 or less, while for Queensland it was $700-$799.

- Among Goodna residents, 52.8% belonged to a couple family with children, 13.9% to a couple family without children and 22.0% came from a one parent family. A further 8.2% of Goodna residents lived alone and 3.1% were classified as other.

- About a third (31.6%) of Goodna residents left school after year 12, compared with 39.8% for Queensland. A further 30.4% left after year 10, while 9.3% finished year 9 and 13.5% finished year 8. A small proportion (2.4%) never attended school.

- Within Goodna 23.4% of residents aged 15 years and over had post-school education qualifications, lower than the Queensland average of 36.3%.

- The most common occupation for Goodna residents was labouring and related work (19.0%).

- The unemployment rate for Goodna was 15.4%, nearly double the rate for Queensland (8.2%).

- The index of disadvantage for Goodna was 863.9. This is one of the lowest indexed suburbs in the state.

- In Goodna, 28.8% of people used a computer at home, with 24.0% using the internet, lower than the proportions for Queensland (42.8% and 37.3% respectively).

- There were 45.4% of residents in Goodna that had changed address in the previous five years. This was lower than the Queensland figure with 50.5% of people in Queensland having changed address in the same period.

- Of households within Goodna, 25.5% were fully owned, 46.1% were rented and 21.8% were being purchased (figure 4). The rent to ownership ratio in this area was 1.80 households renting to every household fully owning their home.

- For households in Goodna, 36.7% had two or more cars. There were 15.6% of households that had no cars.

* Based on Census 1996 SEIFA index

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