



# JUNEE SHIRE

## ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT 2023



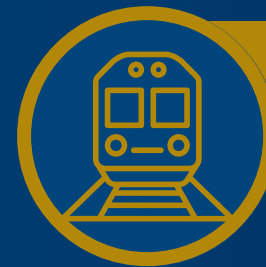
### Location

Junee is situated in the fertile Riverina region and borders alongside the pristine Murrumbidgee River. Junee is the branch line to the Griffith line – the ‘food bowl of Australia’.



### Town Centre

Junee has friendly community, historic charm, an enviable lifestyle and excellent education, medical and recreational facilities.



### Our History

Established as a railway town in 1878, Junee continues to be an important railway junction and midway point between Sydney and Melbourne.



# ECONOMIC PROFILE

## Key Statistics



**GDP**  
Latest Figures  
\$332 million (2022)  
2 Year Trend  
6.2% p.a.



**Population**  
Latest Figures  
6,453 (2022)  
2 Year Trend  
Steady



**Jobs**  
Latest Figures  
2,372 (2022)  
2 Year Trend  
+1.6% p.a.



**Unemployment**  
Latest Figures  
3.1% (Dec 2022)  
2 Year Trend  
2.8%



**House prices**  
Latest Figures  
\$369,000 (May 2023)  
2 Year Trend  
+15.9% p.a.

## Industries by Employment

22%

Public  
Administration  
and Safety

8%

Health Care  
and Social  
Assistance

18%

Agriculture,  
Forestry and  
Fishing

11%

Manufacturing

10%

Transport,  
Postal and  
Warehousing

## Major Employers



**Junee Prime Lamb** – modern lamb processing facility employing approximately 300 people.



**ARTC** – interstate rail and logistics with centres across Australia.



**Junee Railway Workshop** – maintains and repairs locomotives and rolling stock.



**Pacific National** – one of Australia's largest rail freight businesses.



**Qube** – Australia's largest integrated provider of import and export logistics services.



**GrainCorp** – agribusiness and processing company for the food production industry.



**The Instruction Company** – creates and delivers rail training solutions.



**Junee Correctional Centre** – a correctional centre operated by GEO Group Australia.



**Junee Licorice and Chocolate Factory** – produces and sells a large range of organic licorice and chocolate.



**Hanlon Enterprises** – a family owned and operated grain storage, trading and logistics company.





# BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

The figures below are taken from Council's annual business survey taken in 2023 and 2022.

Overall performance of Junee Shire's business environment



Business Outlook (May 2023)  
71% of respondents expect sales to increase over the next 12 months



Perceptions of how the visitor economy has performed over the past 12 months (May 2023)



## Highest rated aspects of the business environment

1. Presentation of the town centres and public areas
2. Lifestyle and recreational options
3. Promotion of the local area
4. Transport and freight services
5. Community events and festivals

## The types of industries business owners want to attract to Junee Shire

1. Tourism / recreational activities
2. Cafes and restaurants
3. Light industrial
4. Government agencies
5. Accommodation providers

## Youth Employment Partnership Program

The Junee Shire Youth Employment Program is a unique program delivered in partnership between Junee Licorice and Chocolate Factory and Junee High School. The aim is to develop employability skills in the hospitality industry as well as gain 3 units from the hospitality training package. Participants develop barista skills at the pop up café often setup at Junee's Athenium Theatre.





# RECREATION & LIFESTYLE



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-  **Athenium Theatre** – heritage-listed Athenium Theatre provides a versatile event space, combining historical elegance with modern conveniences.
-  **Bethungra Dam** – Bethungra Dam and Reserve is a scenic public recreation area accommodates canoeing, sailing, picnics, swimming and fishing. Camping facilities, toilets and barbecues are available for visitors.
-  **Junee Skate Park** – The Junee Skate Park was designed with input from local youth and officially opened on the 23 February 2002.
-  **Junee Adventure Playground** – Completed in December 2020, this all-inclusive outdoor park is a fantastic new facility for the Junee Shire.
-  **Junee Urban Wetlands** – The wetland provides food, water, shelter, breeding sites and foraging areas for many different animals including birds, reptiles, amphibians, mammals, fish, insects and many other invertebrates which can be observed from the boardwalk and viewing platform.
-  **Junee Golf Club** – Junee Golf Club is an 18 hole, par 72 grass green championship golf course with watered fairways located 40km from Wagga Wagga. The golf course is one of Riverina's most interesting and challenging.
-  **Junee Dog Agility Park** – Opened in March 2020, the Junee Agility Dog Park, with a range of challenging obstacles, is a popular spot for locals and visitors with their K9 companions.
-  **Junee Tourist Park** – Junee Tourist Park offers a range of accommodation from well-equipped cabins to large powered and non-powered campsites

