

### Employment and Workforce

The Kiama LGA's working age population (15 to 64 years) is expected to grow by around 4,746 people between 2021 (12,916) and 2046 (17,662). Around 4,155 of our residents live and work in the Kiama LGA, however about 2,639 of our resident's travel outside the Kiama LGA for work.

#### Kiama's resident workforce:

Of the residents in employment age (15-64):

- 53% are employed (9,642 persons).
- 40% are not in the labor force (ie retired).
- 2% are unemployed.

*The 65 and over age group is expected to have the largest increase in the next 25 years. This indicates that a large portion of the population will transition to retirement.*

#### Employment by Industry

Kiama's employed residents work in:

- 15.5% Health Care and Social Assistance.
- 12.7% Education and Training.
- 12.1% construction sector.
- 8.9% Public Administration and safety.

#### Transport to work

Kiama's workforce travel to work:

- Over half travel by car
- About 27% work from home
- 3% walk or other active transport
- 0.5% used public transport

#### Average Income

- Median individual income \$827 per week.
  - 15% earn more than \$2,000 per week.
  - 23% earn less than \$400 per week.
- Median family income \$2,250.

#### 2023 Economy

- \$2.4B output (3.75% of Illawarra).
- \$122m in building approvals.
- 774 jobs supported by tourism.
- Visitors spend about \$564 per trip.

LGA	Employees	Percentage
Kiama LGA	4,155	43%
Shellharbour LGA	1,330	14%
Shoalhaven LGA	1,354	14%
Wollongong LGA	2,066	21%
Other LGAs	737	8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,642</b>	<b>100%</b>

#### Where do Kiama's residents work?

- 43% of Kiama's workforce also work in the Kiama LGA.
- About 28% travel to neighboring LGAs for work.
- About 28% travel further than an adjoining LGA for work.

#### Who works in the Kiama LGA?

- 61% of employees that work in the Kiama LGA also live in the Kiama LGA.
- About 40% of employees that work in the Kiama LGA travel to Kiama for work.

LGA	Employees	Percentage
Kiama LGA	4,155	61%
Shellharbour LGA	1,257	19%
Wollongong LGA	840	12%
Shoalhaven LGA	405	6%
Other LGAs	137	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,794</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: This information was prepared in March 2024 based on data from REMPLAN, 2023.