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Acknowledgement

Loddon Shire Council acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land comprising the Loddon Shire Council area. Council would like to pay respect to their Elders both past and present.

Foreword

The Loddon Shire Council would like to thank all residents who completed the Healthy Heart of Victoria 2019 Active Living Census (ALC).

The ALC was mailed to every household in the Loddon Campaspe region, and was also available for residents to complete online. Within the Loddon Shire Council, the Census was completed by 812 residents, which equated to 11.1% of our council's population.

The ALC holds important information about the activity levels of residents across the Loddon Campaspe region, including their participation in organised sport or informal activities like weekend bike rides or walking the dog.

It also highlights a range of health indicators, such as smoking rates and fruit and vegetable consumption, and where improvements to services and infrastructure can be made.

The findings produce evidence at a local level not previously available across our region and enable reliable comparisons between other data sets, including between townships and demographic groups.

As a result, Loddon Shire Council will be able to better plan for, develop and enhance public and open spaces, recreation facilities and health promotion services, as well as help influence health outcomes both within the municipality and more broadly across the Loddon Campaspe region.

This Selected Findings Report, as well as the Active Living Census Topline Report are both publicly available on our website (www.loddon.vic.gov.au) and I encourage residents, organisations and interested community groups to download the report and make use of the data.

Cr Cheryl McKinnon Mayor, Loddon Shire Council



Introduction

Loddon Shire is located in the Loddon Campaspe region, in central Victoria, about 175km north-west of Melbourne.

Covering an area of 6,700 square kilometres, with a population of 7,500, the region is well known for its natural attractions including rivers, lakes, State and National Parks and nature reserves.

Loddon Shire is a predominantly rural area with many small towns and communities. The main industry is agriculture and horticulture; particularly grain, sheep, wool, beef cattle, dairy, pigs and poultry. In recent years, there has also been an increase in viticulture, olives and fodder crops.

The Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative works across the Loddon Campaspe region, of which Loddon Shire Council Completion of the 2019 ALC was promoted across the is a part of, to improve health outcomes for residents. Loddon Campaspe region before and during the Census A key component of this State-funded initiative was to collection period via an integrated advertising and conduct the 2019 Active Living Census as a regioncommunications campaign including radio, television, wide evaluation and measurement tool to allow a deep print and social media. Incentives including supermarket, understanding of people's wellbeing, activity levels and bike store and sports store vouchers were offered to preferences, and increase the effectiveness of investment maximise the response rate. in infrastructure and programs.

Through the Healthy Heart of Victoria initiative, Loddon Shire Council is building a local prevention system to respond to the prevalence of obesity, chronic disease and high-risk health behaviours in the community, and encourage more people to be more active, more often.

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The Process undertaken

The 2019 Active Living Census survey was designed and managed by Healthy Greater Bendigo in consultation with the Social Research Centre on behalf of Healthy Heart of Victoria. A copy of the survey document can be found as an appendix to the Active Living Census Topline Report on our website.

A hard copy version of the Census was sent to each household across the municipality, and an online version was also made available.

Survey responses were received from 20 May to 16 June, 2019, and were accepted from residents aged three and over. Adults were required to complete the 2019 ALC on behalf of children aged three to thirteen years.

In total, 24,549 individual responses were received for the 2019 ALC, including 812 from Loddon Shire Council.

In some cases, we have been unable to report on certain findings due to the small number of responses within our municipality. Additional information for groups from across the Loddon Campaspe region can be found in the Loddon Campaspe region report at https://www.rdv.vic. gov.au/regional-partnerships/loddon-campaspe/projects. These groups can include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people who identify as LGBTQIA+ and people who speak a language other than English.

Project management

Healthy Greater Bendigo is a locally funded partnership working together to make it easier for our community to eat well and move more.

Project funding

The 2019 Active Living Census was funded by Healthy Heart of Victoria – a Victorian State Government-funded initiative aimed at improving health outcomes across the Loddon Campaspe region.



How the findings can be used

- · Provide a snapshot of current data as a benchmark for evaluating the success of local initiatives
- Ascertain residents' current and future health and wellbeing needs to inform future planning and improve decision making and investments by local bodies
- Increase coordination between groups across the community, and a heightened focus on evidence-based priorities
- · Increase opportunities to attract projects and initiatives to the region
- Allow for analysis to draw comparisons between different demographics
- · Provide data for researchers for use in their own work, which often leads to new opportunities.

The purpose of this document and how to use it

This document supplements the Loddon Shire 2019 Active Living Census Topline Report. It has been created to make the findings of the 2019 ALC easier to understand and use by a wide-ranging audience including individuals, groups and organisations in the Loddon Shire region and beyond.

Information about group activities and locations of interest has been drawn from the 2019 ALC Topline Report and collated to enable fast location and easy understanding of the report highlights.

The following sections of this document highlight 2019 ALC findings relevant to:

- Loddon population overall
- · Local Groups:
 - o Gender
 - o Children and adolescents, 3 17
 - o Older adults, 70+
 - o Disability
- Each town/suburb in Loddon
 - o Localities were summarised into 3 standard regions within Loddon
- . The 10 activities with the highest rate of yearly or more participation

Some sections of this report include results that have a high (>5%) margin of error, due to small sample sizes. Where you see an asterisk (*), interpret findings with caution. Please refer to the Loddon Shire Topline Report if you are looking for results that are not reported here due to an insufficient sample size.

For further information about any of the findings, activities, locations or groups of interest, please see the Topline Report.

2019 Active Living Census **Summary Findings**



To assist ease of browsing, information from this point on is broken down according to:

- Summary findings (page 4 15)
- Groups of interest (page 16 19)
- Municipalities (page 20 31)
- 10 most popular physical activities (page 32 51)

Further information on any of the findings can be found in the Topline report.





This section summarises the findings from the 2019 ALC for Loddon Shire.

The health and wellbeing profile includes results for all adults (18+) in Loddon Shire relating to general wellbeing (overall life satisfaction and feeing valued by society), general health status, overweight and obesity, consumption of fruit, vegetables, water, sugary drinks and alcohol, smoking rates and gambling habits.

The physical activity profile includes results from all Loddon Shire residents (3+) relating to exercise, barriers to participation, use of public open spaces and facilities, most popular types of physical activity, ratings of the facilities where these activities take place, how people get there and how far people travel.

Where possible key findings are compared against recent data specific to Victoria (Victorian Population Health Survey 2016) and the Loddon Campaspe Region (2019 ALC).

These summary results are followed by detailed 2019 ALC findings specific to males and females, children aged 3-17, suburbs and towns in Loddon Shire and Loddon Shire's most popular physical recreation activities.



Feeling satisfied with life and valued by society are indicators of a person's general wellbeing.

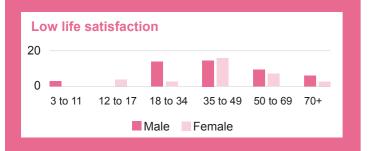


Life satisfaction

People were asked how satisfied they feel about life in general.

Most people have high or very high life satisfaction.

The graph below focusses on low life satisfaction.



Valued by society

People were asked whether they feel valued by society.

Most people "sometimes" or "definitely" feel valued by society.

The graph below focusses on those who do not feel valued by society.



When people do not feel satisfied with life or valued by society, they are less likely to feel healthy, eat well or participate in physical activities and are more likely to engage in unhealthy behaviours like smoking. Low income and food insecure households are more likely to report lower wellbeing than those from more prosperous households.

General health

Self-rated health is a common, reliable and cost-effective predictor of future health, need for health care resources and early mortality.

People responded to the statement, "In general, would you say your health is ... " by selecting one of the 5 response options: excellent, very good, good, fair, poor.

Very good or excellent health

30.1% Loddon Shire	60
44.1% Loddon Campaspe Region	40 -
44.1% Victoria	20 -
Younger residents generally report better	0

Younger residents generally report better health status than older residents. Those with higher education and incomes are more likely to report excellent or very good health.

Overweight and obesity

Adults were asked their height and weight to calculate Body Mass Index; a common and cost-effective measurement of weight status that has some limitations.

1.6%

Maintaining a healthy weight is important for health and wellbeing, reducing the risk of heart disease, stroke, diabetes, high blood pressure and some cancers.

Underweight

60

40

20

0

3 in every 4 adults in Loddon Shire are overweight or obese.

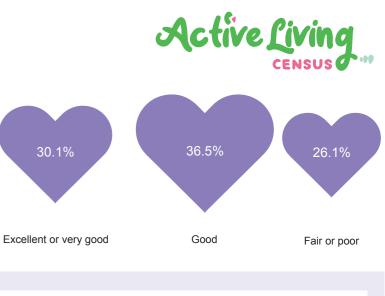
Overweight and obesity	60
72.1% Loddon Shire	40
62.5% Loddon Campaspe Region	20 —
(49.7% Victoria	0 —

People who are overweight or obese are more likely to report fair or poor general health and lower life satisfaction.

Groups to focus on:

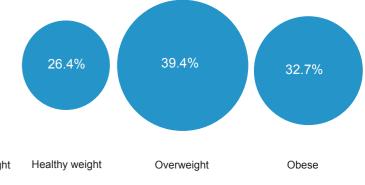
- Adults 18 to 49 years old
- Low income households
- · People with low education
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people

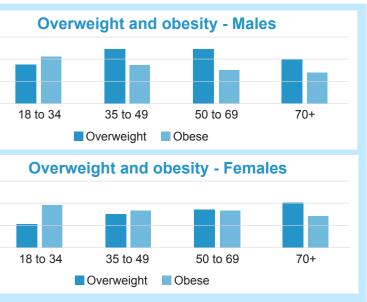
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Excellent / Very Good health status

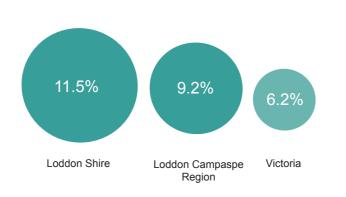




Food security

Food security exists when all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient, safe, nutritious and culturally appropriate food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life.

When people do not have enough food, it affects all aspects of daily life and can severely restrict economic, social and educational participation in the community.



Food insecurity rate

1 in 9 households in Loddon Shire are food insecure - they do not have enough to eat.

In some areas, this increases to 1 in 6 households.

Food insecurity is particularly high among specific populations such as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait islander people, unemployed people, and those with very low household incomes.





People who experience food insecurity are more likely to:

- Report poorer physical and mental health
- Be overweight
- · Have an unhealthy diet with low levels of fruit, vegetable and water consumption and high rates of sugary drink consumption



Recommended daily consump	tion	Serves of vege	tables 😝	Serves of fruit
Boys and girls 3 years		2.5	<u>v</u>	1.0
Boys and girls 4 to 8 years		4.5		1.5
Boys and girls 9 to 11 years		5.0		2.0
Adolescents				
Girls aged 12 to 18 years		5.0		2.0
Boys aged 12 to 18 years		5.5		2.0
Adults				
Women aged 19 years and over		5.0		2.0
Men aged 19 to 50 years		6.0		2.0
Men aged 51 to 70 years		5.5		2.0
Men aged over 70 years		5.0		2.0
			Not smokiDrinking let	ng ess alcohol and sugary

of fruit and veg were more likely to also report:

- · Healthier weight
- · More physical activity

Barriers to fruit and vegetable consumption

People provided reasons why they were unable to eat the recommended servings of fruit (2 per day) and vegetables (5 or more per day). Some groups were particularly

affected by certain barriers. Barriers were similar but were mentioned at different rates. For example, cost was identified at high rates by people identifying as LGBTQIA+, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and by low income households.

Cost Diet / health restrictions Guidelines

Quality / availability

Preparation / storage

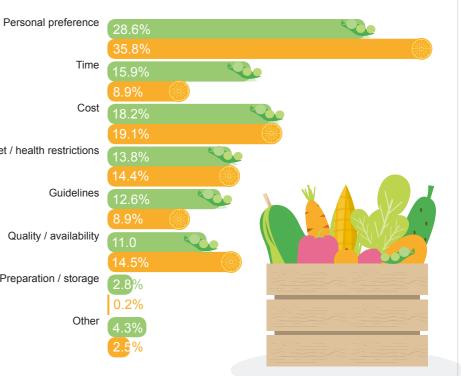
Other

A 'serve' of vegetables is 1/2 cup of cooked vegetables or 1 cup of salad vegetables and a serve of legumes or beans is 1/2 cup of cooked, dried or canned beans, peas or lentils.

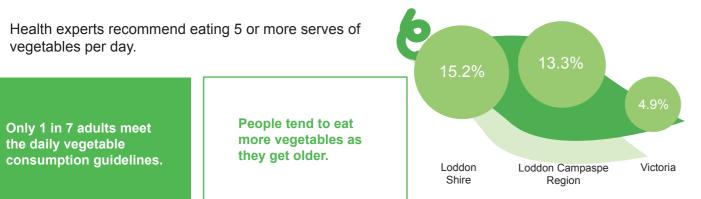
A 'serve' of fruit is 1 medium piece or 2 small pieces of fruit or 1 cup of diced pieces.



- drinks
- Drinking more water



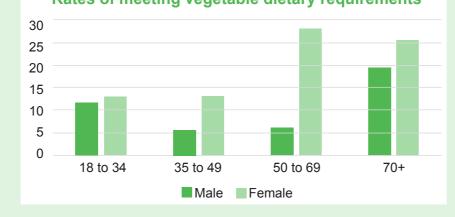
Vegetables



Rates of meeting vegetable dietary requirements

Females are more likely than males to meet the vegetable consumption guidelines (21.8%, compared to 9.7%).

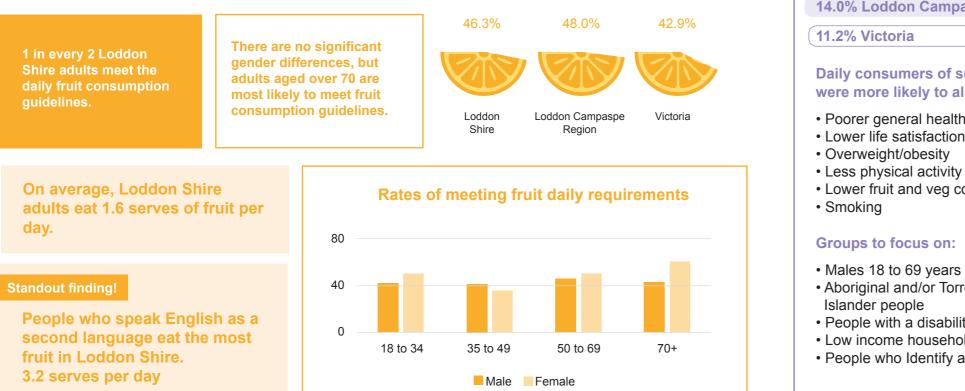
On average, Loddon Shire adults eat 3.0 serves of veg per day.



Fruit

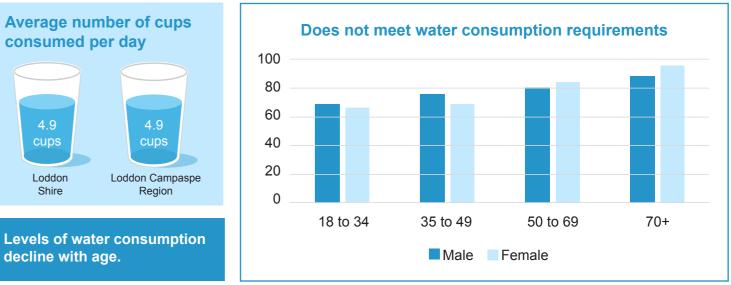
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Health experts recommend eating two serves of fruit per day.

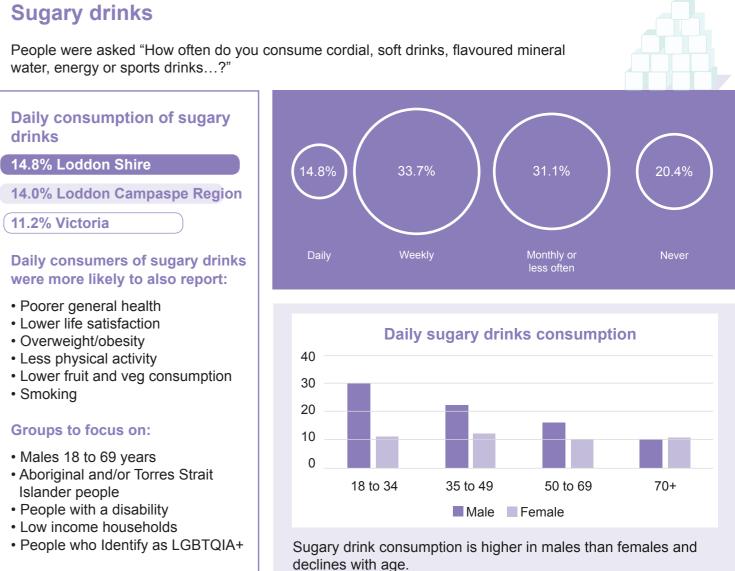


Water

Loddon Shire adults drink an average of 4.9 cups of water per day, with only 21.4% drinking 8 cups (2 litres) or more.



water, energy or sports drinks ... ?"





Alcohol

Frequency of alcohol consumption

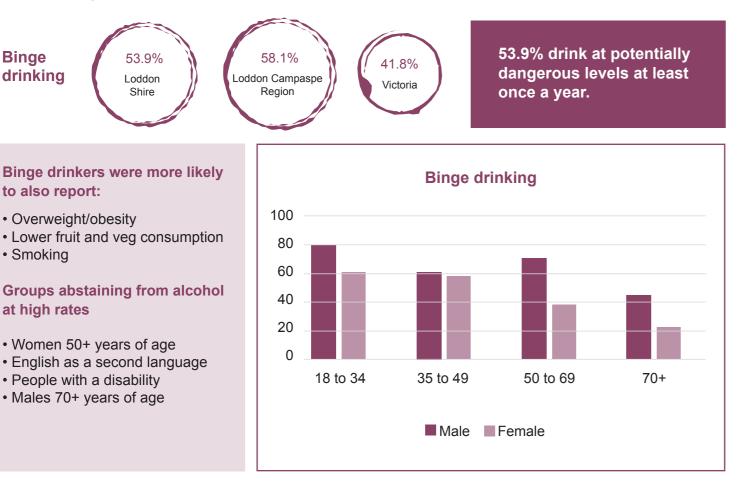
People were asked how often they consume an alcoholic drink.



Alcohol is consumed more frequently and in higher amounts by males than females and declines with age.

Binge drinking

People who reported drinking any alcohol were then asked how often they consume 4 or more standard drinks in a day.



Smoking

Current smokers include those who smoke daily or occasionally, while ex-smokers include those who used to smoke but do not currently or have tried a few times, as distinct to those who have never smoked.

12.9% current smokers	
36.6% ex-smokers	
50.8% never smoked	

Current smokers were more likely to also report:

- Poorer general health
- Lower life satisfaction
- Overweight/obesity
- · Less physical activity
- Lower fruit and veg consumption • Higher alcohol and sugary drink consumption

Groups to focus on:

- Males 18-69
- Females 50-69
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people
- People who identify as LGBTQIA+
- Low income and food insecure households
- People with a disability

Gambling

People were asked how often they gamble.

People who gamble weekly or more were also more likely to report:

Monthly or less Weekly

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rate

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- Overweight/obesity
- Lower veg consumption
- High alcohol and sugary drink consumption
- Smoking

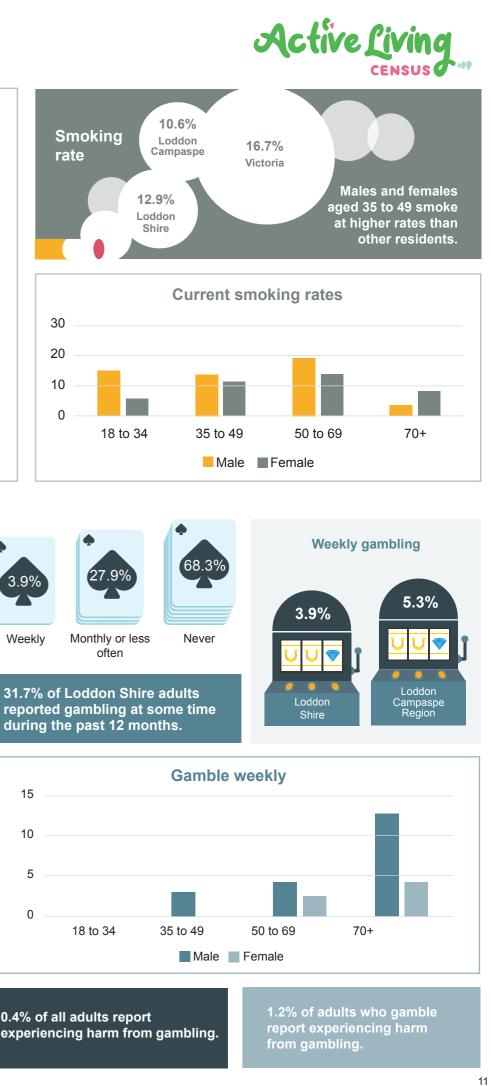
Groups to focus on

- Males 70+
- People born overseas
- People with a disability

Weekly gambling is higher among males than females and generally increases with age.

People were then asked if gambling had caused them any health problems, including stress or anxiety.

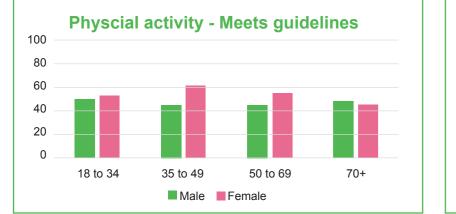
0.4% of all adults report experiencing harm from gambling.



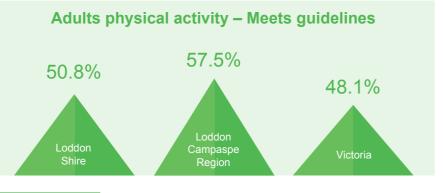
Physical activity profile – All residents



People are described as having met the physical activity guidelines if they engaged in moderate or vigorous intensity activity for sufficient time ranging from 75 minutes to 300 minutes per week depending upon the activity.



50.8% of Loddon residents meet the physical activity guidelines.



Groups to focus on:

People who identify as LBGTIQIA+

Two in every three people

who meet physical activity

guidelines report good to

excellent general health and

- People with a lower education
- Low income households
- Food insecure households

wellbeing.

· People with a disability

People in Loddon Shire want to be more active more often!

54.6% of people want to do more activity.

In particular:

with age.

• Females: 18+

For both males and females,

physical activity levels decline

- Males 18 to 69
- Low income households
- Food insecure households
- People who identify as LGBTQIA+

Barriers to participation

Some groups were particularly affected by certain barriers to participation in physical activities.

For example, cost was identified at high rates by people identifying as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and by food insecure or low-income households.

Public facilities and open spaces

People were asked about their use of public spaces including open spaces, footpaths, off-road walking and cycling tracks, and recreation facilities.

Frequency of public open space use

51.9% 58.7% Loddon Shire LCR = Region or more

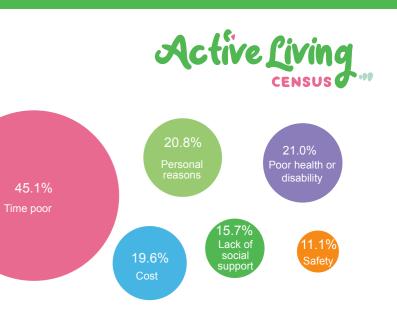
Use of public facilities

Parks rated as the highest used facility with 71.6% of people reporting using parks.

71.6%
70.0%
68.4%
67.4%
57.3%
48.5%
36.2%
34.1%
30.1%
27.2%
12.7%
8.3%

Females were more likely than males to use most of the public facilities, except sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms and skateparks or BMX facilities.





84.6% of people reported using open spaces, with 54.4% using open spaces weekly or more often.



Main recreation facilities used

(Excludes unnamed facilities such as footpaths).

1.	Little Lake Boort Trail, Boort
2.	Boort Park
3.	Donaldson Park, Wedderburn
4.	Bridgewater River Walk / Bridgewater foreshore, Bridgewater On Loddon
5.	Serpentine Recreation Reserve
6.	Boort Swimming Pool
7.	Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre, Kangaroo Flat
8.	Wedderburn Pool
9.	Bridgewater Recreation Reserve, Bridgewater On Loddon
10.	Boort Bowls, Croquet and Tennis Facility

Reasons for using public facilities and open spaces

People reported using public facilities and open spaces for a range of reasons, with social and health-related reasons most important.



Socialising with family / friends	62.5%
For fun / enjoyment	60.5%
Exercise / health and fitness	56.9%
Unstructured physical recreation activities (e.g. going for a walk, playing ball games with friends)	44.9%
Organised sport (e.g. cricket or netball for a club)	44.8%
For time to myself	29.1%
Exercising the dog	22.3%
Getting back to nature	21.3%
Commuting (i.e. to get from a to b)	16.9%

Improvements that would encourage more regular use of public facilities and open spaces

Walking tracks / footpaths	25.1%
Exercise equipment (including sporting fields / facilities)	24.7%
Bicycle tracks / lanes and skate facilities	20.3%
Accessibility	9.5%
Toilets / change rooms	7.4%
Bins / rubbish collection / clean environment	7.6%
Lighting	6.6%
Playgrounds	6.1%
More / better facilities	5.2%
Events programming / activities	4.7%
Cover / shade / shelter	4.6%
Safety measures / restrictions (including dogs on leashes)	3.9%
More / better vegetation / trees / gardens	3.3%
Maintenance / management of spaces and facilities	2.9%
Seating	2.7%
BBQs / picnic areas	1.6%
Fencing	1.4%

Some areas suggested certain improvements at high rates, including:

Walking tracks and footpath improvements were amongst the main suggestions provided for Loddon Shire, closely followed by exercise equipment. The other common mentions for each suburb were:

Exercise equipment	Wedderburn, Boort, Pyramid Hill
Walking tracks / footpaths	Inglewood, Serpentine
Walking tracks / footpaths, bicycle tracks / lanes and skate facilities	Wedderburn
Bicycle tracks / lanes, skate facilities and playgrounds	Boort
Walking tracks/footpaths, more or better facilities	Pyramid Hill
Bins / rubbish collection / clean environment and lighting	Inglewood
Exercise equipment, bins or rubbish collection / clean environment	Serpentine

Transport - Distance to activities

On average, people of Loddon Shire travel 20.6km to get to their activity.

Residents of the East Loddon Area travel the furtherest to get to their activities.

Mode of transport



Participation in activities

The table below shows the 20 activities with the highest rates of annual participation (participating at least once per year).

It also displays the rates of weekly participation for those activities (participating at least once per week during the previous 12 months).

These tables display responses from all Loddon Shire residents who responded to the ALC 2019, including children.

	Activity	Total	Weekly	Quality (out of 5)	Accessibility (out of 5)
	Walking	19.6%	72.1%	4.0	4.2
	Swimming	9.0%	46.9%	4.1	4.1
	Active play (at playgrounds / play centre)	6.6%	54.1%	4.2	4.2
	Tennis (indoor / outdoor)	5.8%	68.6%	4.0	4.2
L	Bush walking / Hiking	5.3%	28.5%	4.1	4.0
0	Australian rules football	4.3%	83.3%	4.1	4.1
	Netball (indoor / outdoor)	3.8%	93.7%	4.2	4.3
	Lawn bowls	3.6%	62.1%	4.3	4.2
*	Fishing	3.5%	8.8%	3.6	3.7
	Golf	3.3%	42.9%	3.8	4.2
51	Fitness: Gym	3.1%	79.0%	4.3	4.5
Q O	Cycling: General cycling for recreation or transport	3.1%	54.3%	4.0	4.4
\wedge	Horse riding / Equestrian activities / Polo	1.9%	35.2%	4.3	4.3
0-	Fitness: Indoor group activities / Aerobics / Zumba / Yoga / Pilates	1.7%	79.7%	4.5	4.3
	Fitness: Outdoor fitness / Personal training / Group activities	1.7%	79.9%	4.3	4.6
+	Canoeing / Kayaking / Rowing / Dragon boating / Paddle boarding	1.6%	15.8%	3.9	3.9
	Water-skiing / Power boating	1.5%	8.9%	3.8	3.9
	Jogging / Running	1.4%	83.4%	3.9	4.3
\ ;	Hockey (indoor / outdoor)	1.3%	94.8%	4.2	4.1
X	Martial Arts / Tai Chi	1.3%	75.3%	4.1	4.4



Facility quality and accessibility

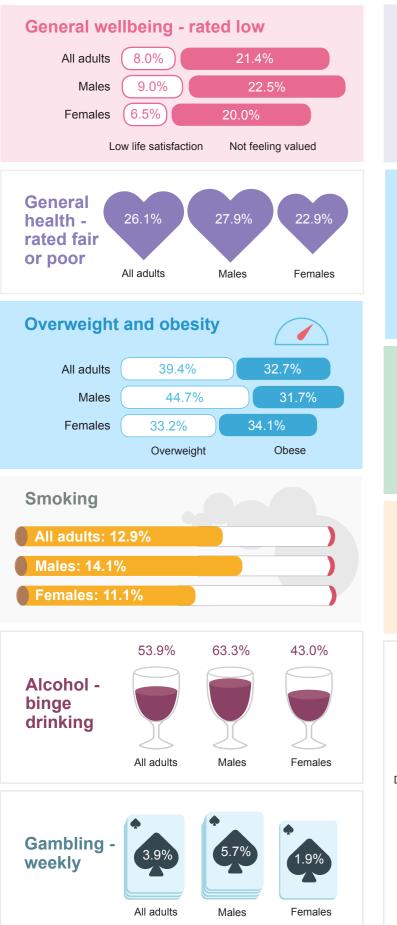
The table below shows participants' ratings of the quality and accessibility of the facility where they did each activity.

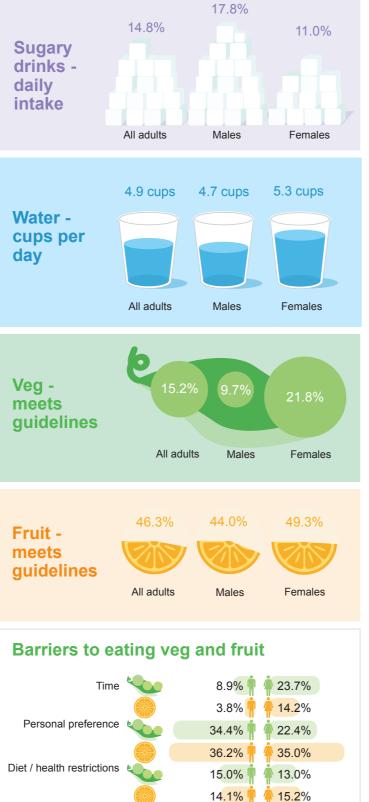
Facilities were rated on a 5-point scale where 1 = very poor, 2 = poor, 3 = average, 4 = good, 5 = excellent.

Gender

Health and wellbeing profile - Adults

Each member of the household was asked what gender best represents them. The section on gender summarises findings from 345 males and 447 females including 274 adult males and 349 adult females. A further 3 residents in Loddon Shire selected 'gender diverse / non-binary / self-described' (number too low to report)





18.1%

18.4%

13.4%

7.9%

Males Females

17.1%

19.0%

12.1%

10.2%

Cost

Guidelines

Physical activity profile - All residents

Most popular activities

(Percentage of residents aged 3 and over participating once or more a year)

Ŵ	Male participation	
	Walking	16.5%
	Swimming	8.1%
0	Australian rules football	8.0%
	Active play	6.4%
\mathbf{P}	Tennis	6.1%
L	Bushwalking / Hiking	5.1%
	Lawn bowls	4.9%
	Fishing	4.9%
	Golf*	4.8%
0 O	Cycling for recreation or transport*	3.7%

Barriers to being more active

	Time Poor	Personal Reasons	Cost	Poor health / disability	Lack of social support	Safety
İ	50.1%	14.8%	16.8%	23.2%	14.1%	8.4%
†	42.2%	27.5%	21.6%	19.9%	17.4%	14.6%

Public facilities and open spaces - rate of use

Facility	Male	Female	Adults physical activity – meets guidelines
Parks	70.5%	73.1%	All adults: 50.8%
Halls / community centres	66.2%	71.3%	Males: 46.8% Females: 54.7%
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms	65.0%	70.5%	
Footpaths	64.7%	76.1%	
Off-road walking and cycling tracks	52.9%	62.4%	Wants to be more active Males: 53.3%
Swimming pools / splash parks	41.3%	55.6%	more often Females: 55.7%
Community gardens	33.6%	34.9%	
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)	30.6%	42.8%	42.9% of male and
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres	23.2%	37.1%	52.3% of female residents use
Playgrounds	21.3%	33.7%	public open
After hours usage of education facilities	10.4%	15.2%	spaces weekly
Skateparks / BMX	9.8%	6.7%	or more.

Female participation

11	Walking	22.2%
	Swimming	9.7%
	Active play	6.7%
\mathbf{P}	Tennis	5.5%
	Bushwalking / Hiking	5.6%
0	Australian rules football	1.0%
	Netball	6.6%
	Lawn bowls*	2.5%
	Fishing*	2.3%
	Golf*	2.0%
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Active Living

General health - rated fair or poor

22.1%

All residents



This section summarises findings from 121 children aged from 3 to 17 years old. This includes 66 children aged 3 to 11, who made up 8.2% of the sample, and 55 children aged 12 to 17, who made up 6.8% of the sample (before weighting). Parents were able to fill in the survey for all children over the age of 3 years old, and children aged 14 and over were able to fill in the survey themselves, if their parents agreed. The extent to which children were involved in responding to the survey questions may have differed within and between households. Results for males and females aged 3 to 11 and 12 to 17 can be found in the Loddon-Campaspe report (numbers too low to report for Loddon Shire).

3.2%

Children, aged

3 to 17

Sugary drinks - daily intake

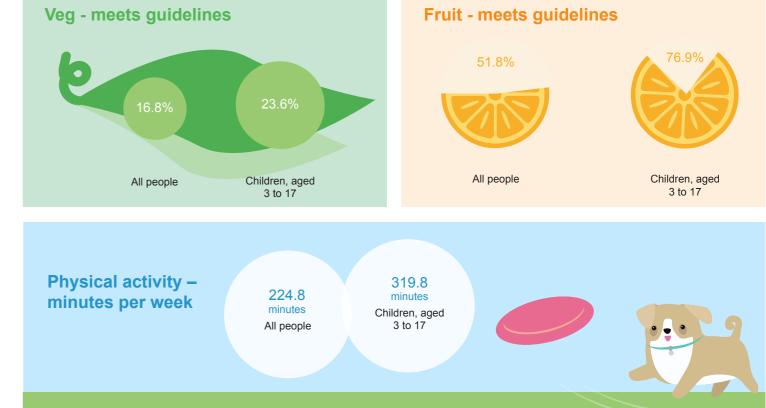
4.6%

Children, aged

3 to 17

12.9%

All residents









G Boort and Surrounds

Health and wellbeing profile - Adults

Boort and Surrounds includes Appin South aport, Barraport West, Boort, Borung, Canary Island, Catumnal, Durham, Ox, Fernihurst, Glenloth East, Gredgwin, Kinypanial, Lake Marmal, Leaghur, Meering West, Minmindie, Mysia, Terrappee and Yando

Findings for Boort and Surrounds are based on 140 responses from residents, or approximately 12.8% of the local population.

14.8%

Loddon

4.9 cups

Loddon

Loddon

46.3%

Loddon

Boort and

Surrounds

14.0%

Region

4.9 cups

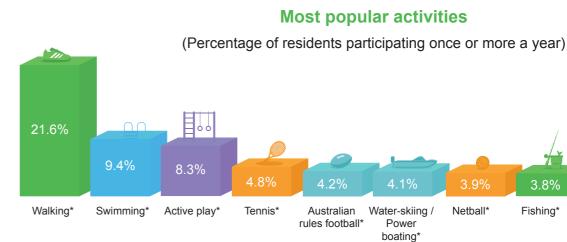
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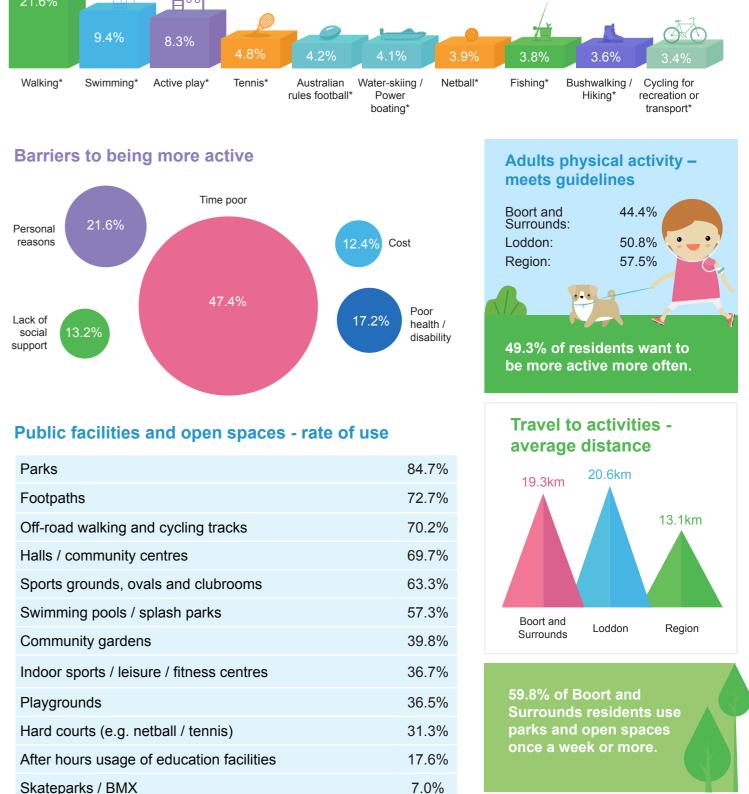
Region

48.0%

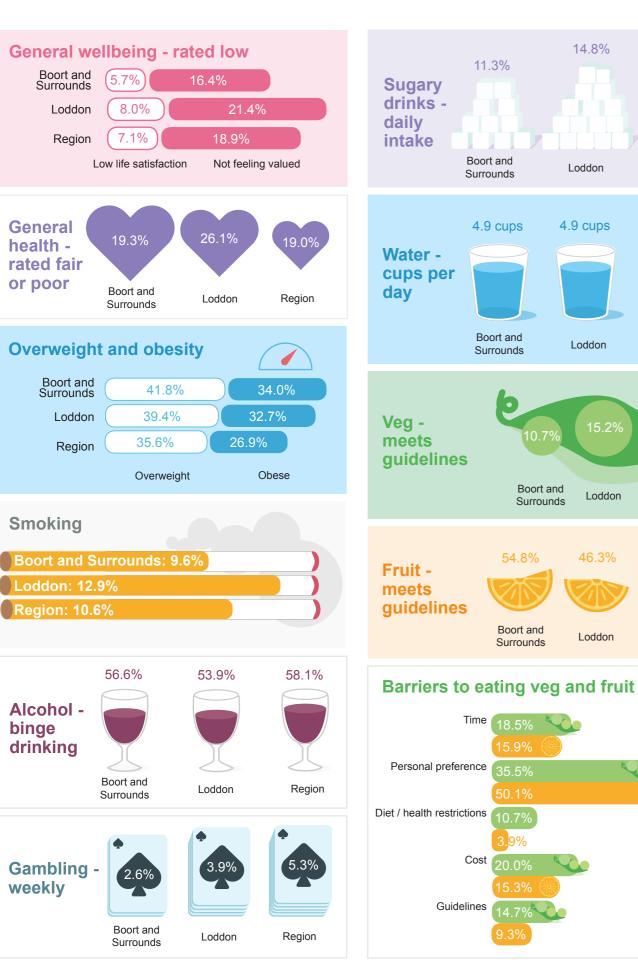
Region

Physical activity profile - All residents





Parks
Footpaths
Off-road walking and cycling tracks
Halls / community centres
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms
Swimming pools / splash parks
Community gardens
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres
Playgrounds
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)
After hours usage of education facilities
Skateparks / BMX



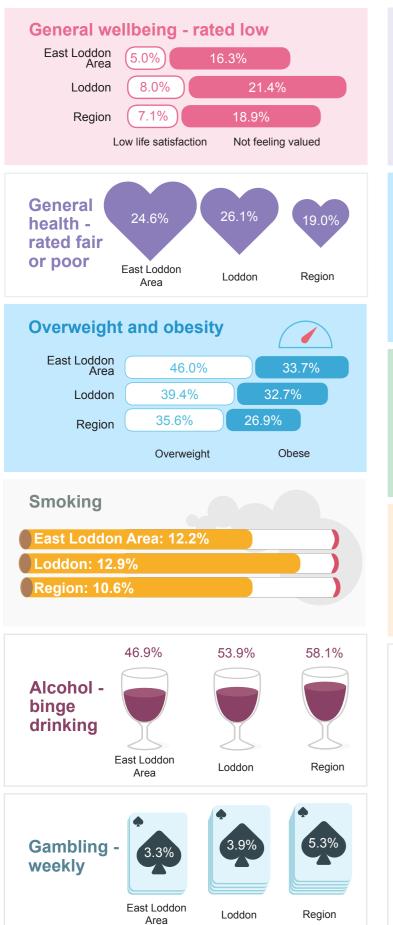


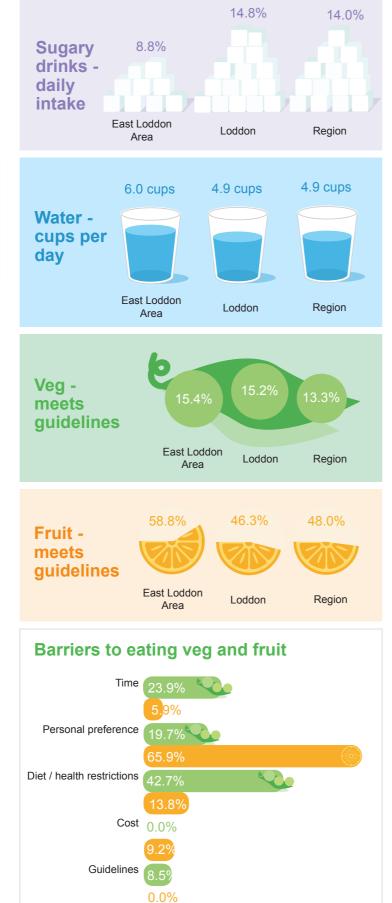
G East Loddon Area

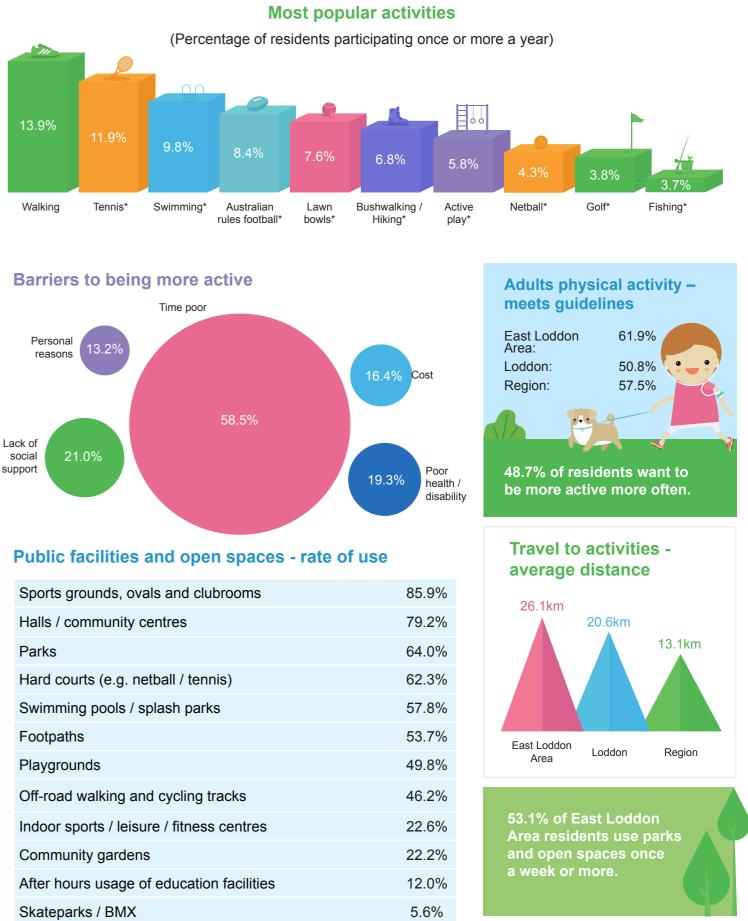
Health and wellbeing profile - Adults

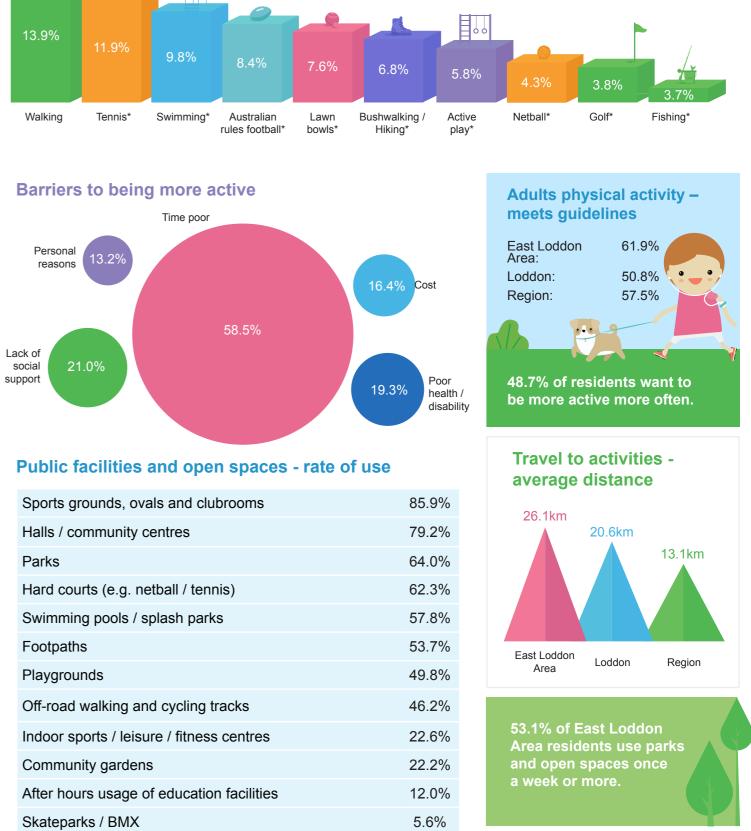
East Loddon Area includes, Bears Lagoon, Calivil Dingee, Jarklin, Kamarooka, Kamarooka North, Mitiamo, Pompapiel, Prairie, Raywood, Sebastion, Serpentine, Tandarra, Terrick Terrick and Terrick Terrick East. Findings for East Loddon Area are based on 81 responses from residents, or approximately 7.8% of the local population

Physical activity profile - All residents









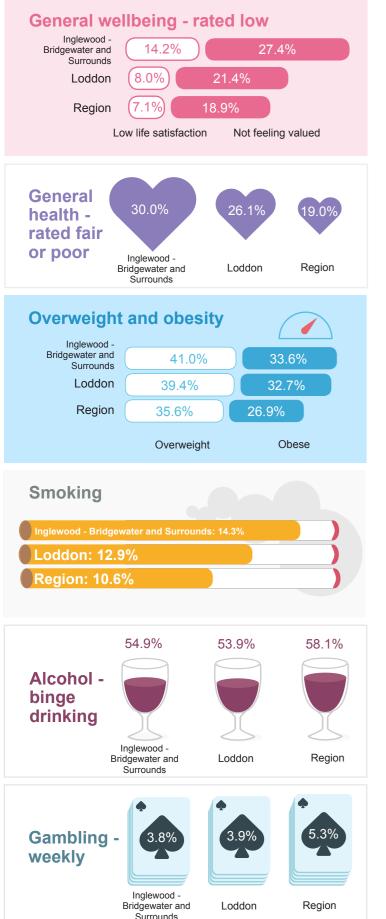
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms
Halls / community centres
Parks
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)
Swimming pools / splash parks
Footpaths
Playgrounds
Off-road walking and cycling tracks
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres
Community gardens
After hours usage of education facilities
Skateparks / BMX

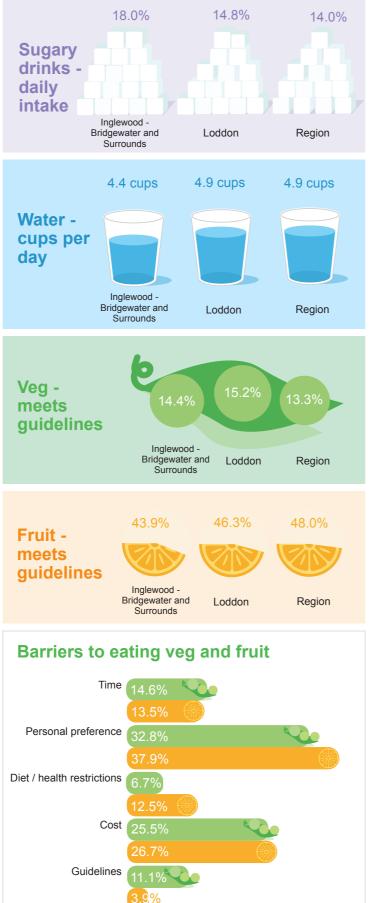


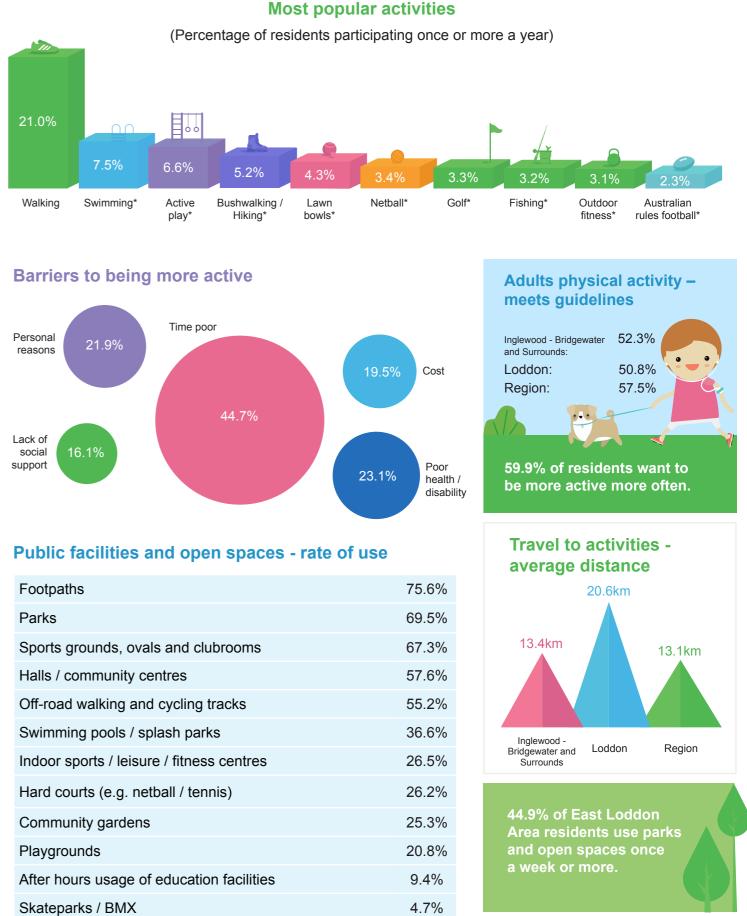
Physical activity profile - All residents

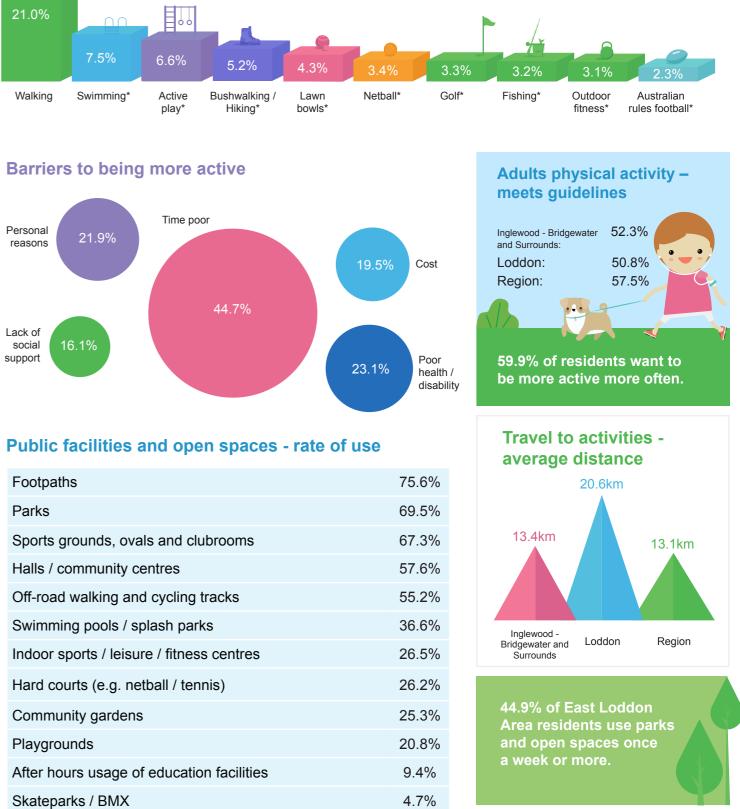
Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds includes Arnold, Arnold West, Brenanah, Bridgewater, Bridgewater North, Bridgewater On Loddon, Campbells Forest, Derby, Inglewood, Kingower, Kurting, Leichardt, Powlett Plains, Salisbury West and Yarraberb. Findings for Inglewood / Bridgewater & Surrounds are based on 164 responses from res idents, or approximately 11.0% of the local population

Health and wellbeing profile - Adults









Footpaths
Parks
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms
Halls / community centres
Off-road walking and cycling tracks
Swimming pools / splash parks
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)
Community gardens
Playgrounds
After hours usage of education facilities
Skateparks / BMX

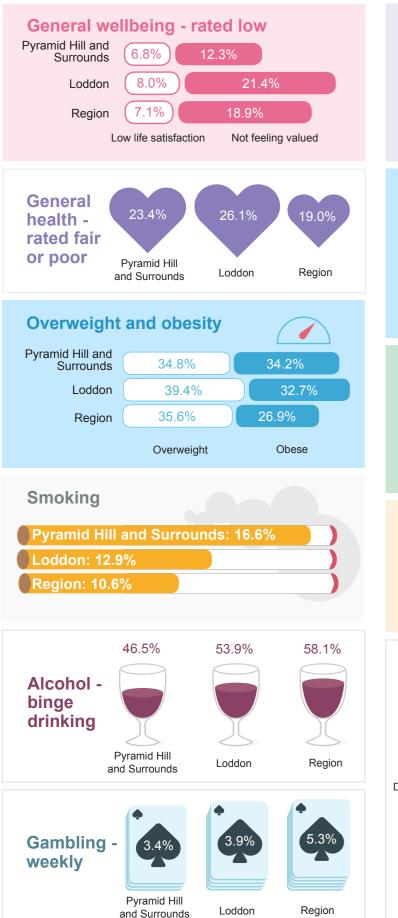


Pyramid Hill and Surrounds

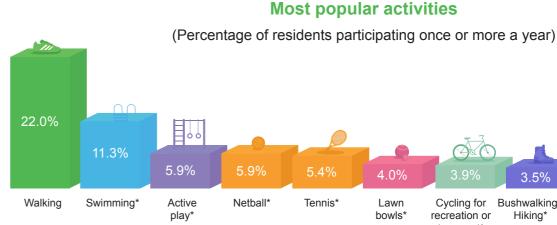
Health and wellbeing profile - Adults

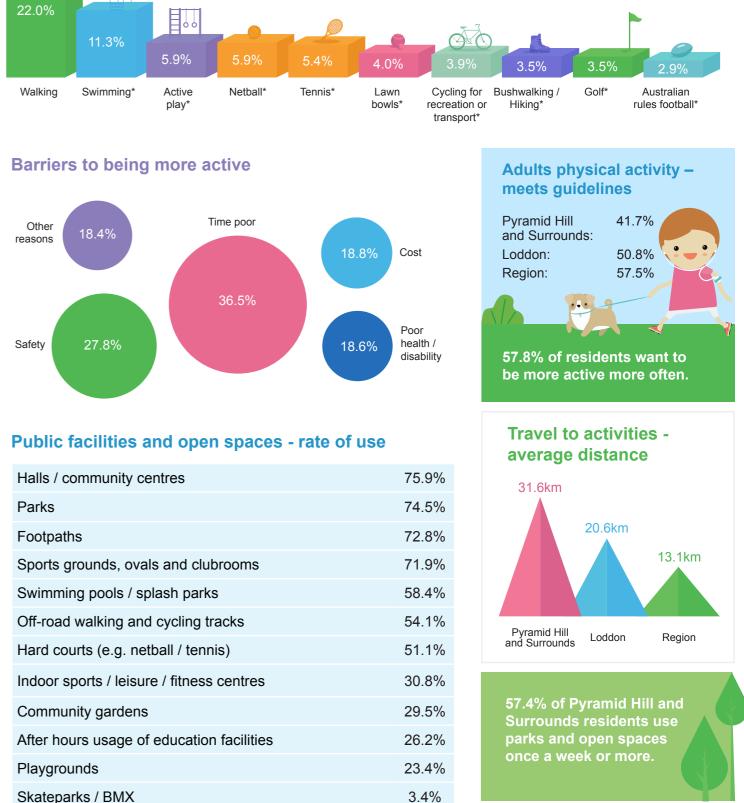
Pyramid Hill and Surrounds includes Gladfield, Loddon Vale, Macorna, Mincha, Mincha West, Mologa, Pyramid Hill, Sylvaterre and Yarrawalla Findings for Pyramid Hill and Surrounds are based on 117 responses from residents, or approximately 16.9% of the local population.

Physical activity profile - All residents









Halls / community centres
Parks
Footpaths
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms
Swimming pools / splash parks
Off-road walking and cycling tracks
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres
Community gardens
After hours usage of education facilities
Playgrounds
Skateparks / BMX

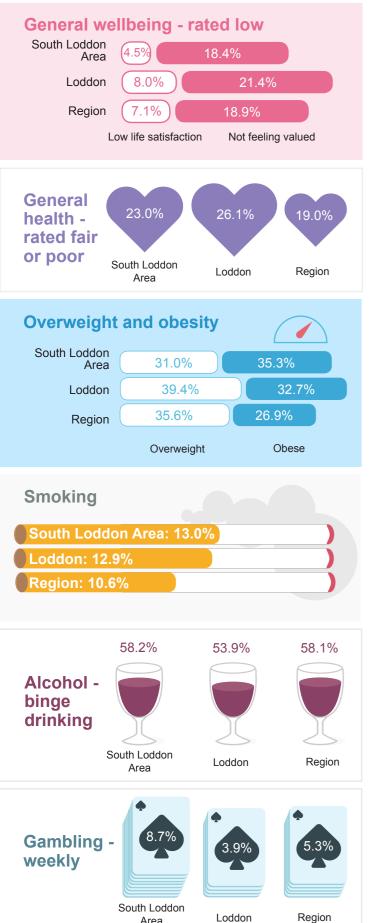


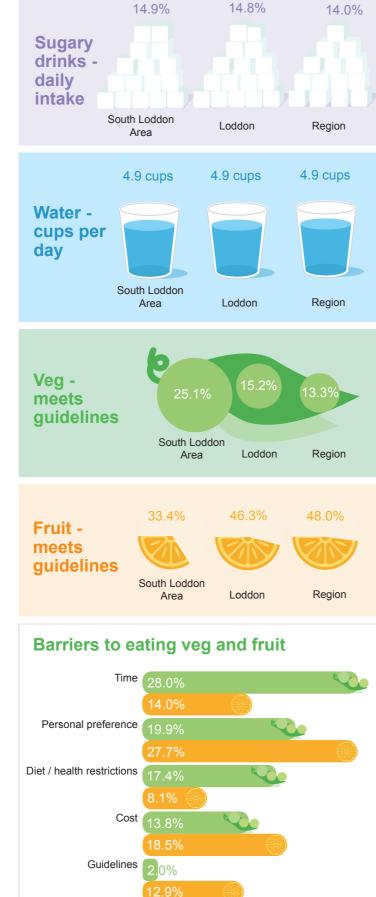
South Loddon Area

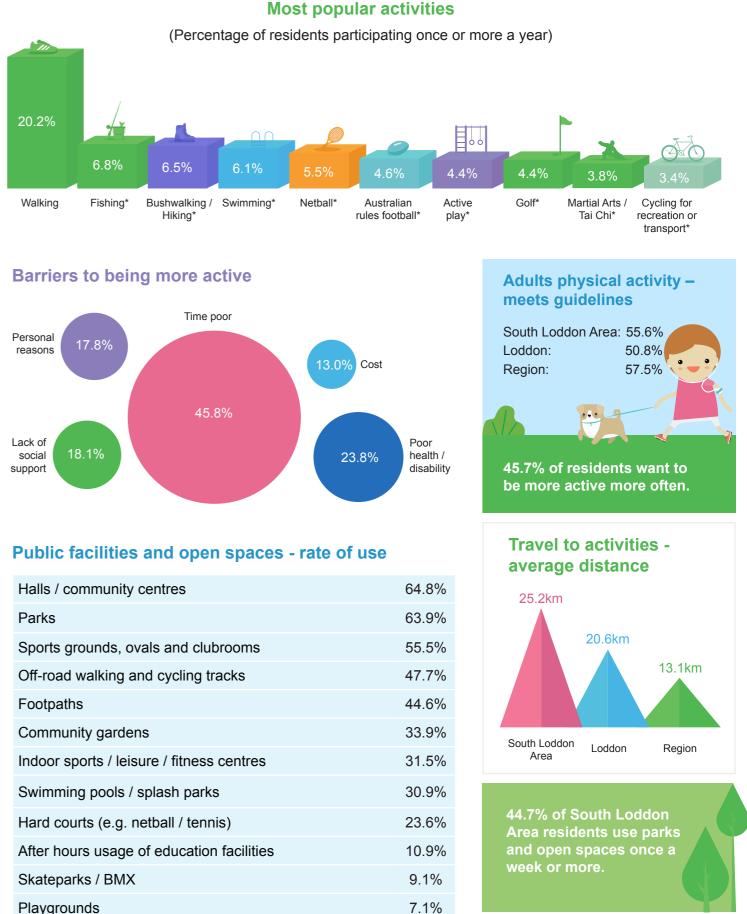
Health and wellbeing profile - Adults

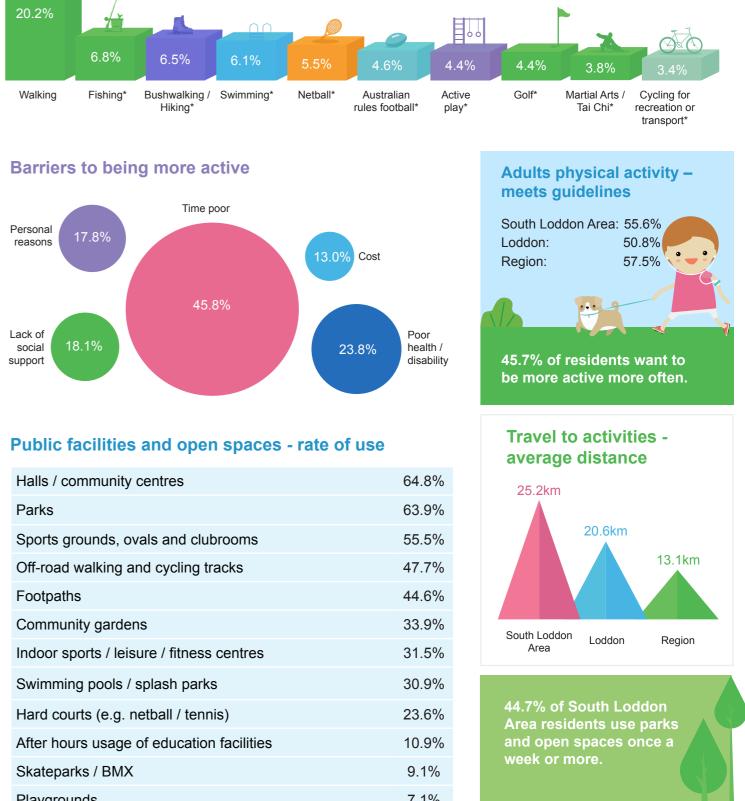
South Loddon Area includes, Burkes Flat, Cochranes Creek, Dunolly, Eastville, Eddington, Inkerman, Laanecoorie, Llanelly, Mcintyre, Moliagul, Murphys Creek, Newbridge, Painswick, Rheola, Shelbourne, Tarnagulla, Waanyarra, Woodstock On Loddon and Woodstock West Findings South Loddon Area are based on 80 responses from residents, or approximately 4.1% of the local population

Physical activity profile - All residents









Halls / community centres
Parks
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms
Off-road walking and cycling tracks
Footpaths
Community gardens
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres
Swimming pools / splash parks
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)
After hours usage of education facilities
Skateparks / BMX
Playgrounds

Area



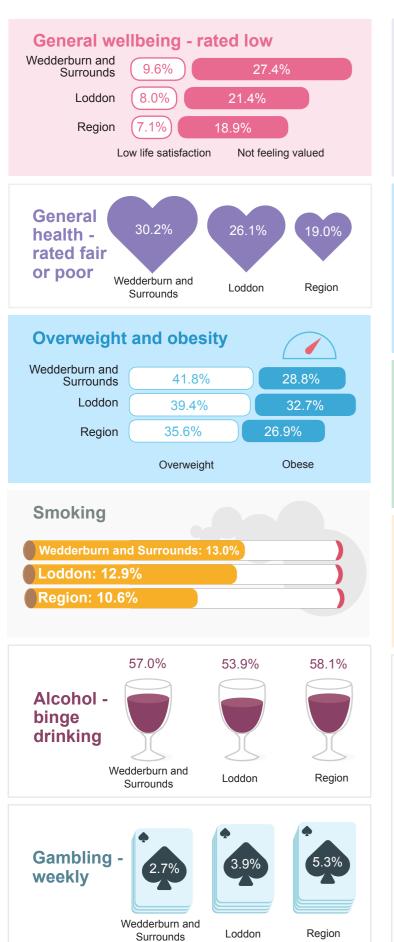
Physical activity profile - All residents

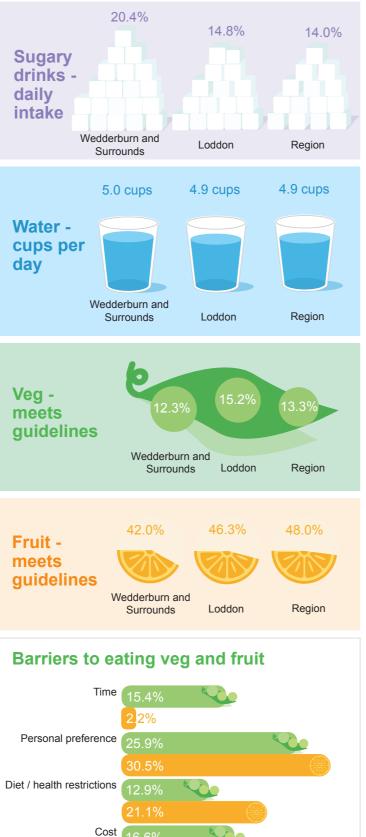
Wedderburn and Surrounds includes Berrima nyule, Coonooer Bridge, Emu, Fentons Creek, Buckraba Fiery Flat, Glenalbyn, Gowareast, Korong Vale. Kurraca. Kurraca West, Logan, Nine Mile, Richmond Plains Skinners Flat Wedderburn, Wedderburn Junction, Wehla, Woosang,

Wychitella, Wychitella North and Yeungroon. Findings Wedderburn and Surrounds based on 189 responses from residents, or approximately 14.5% of the local population

Wedderburn and Surrounds

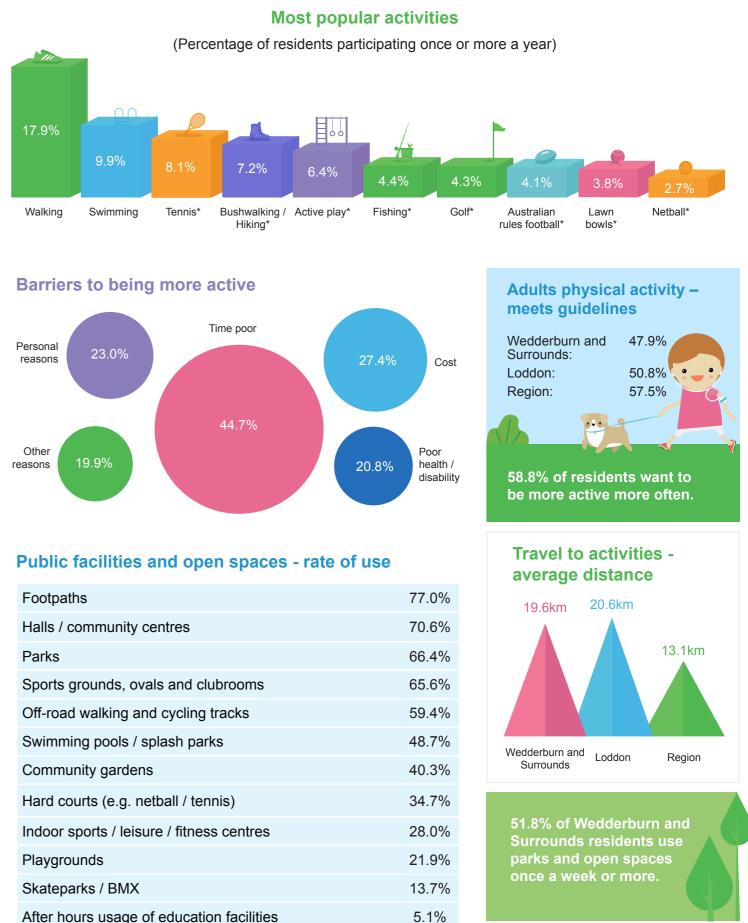
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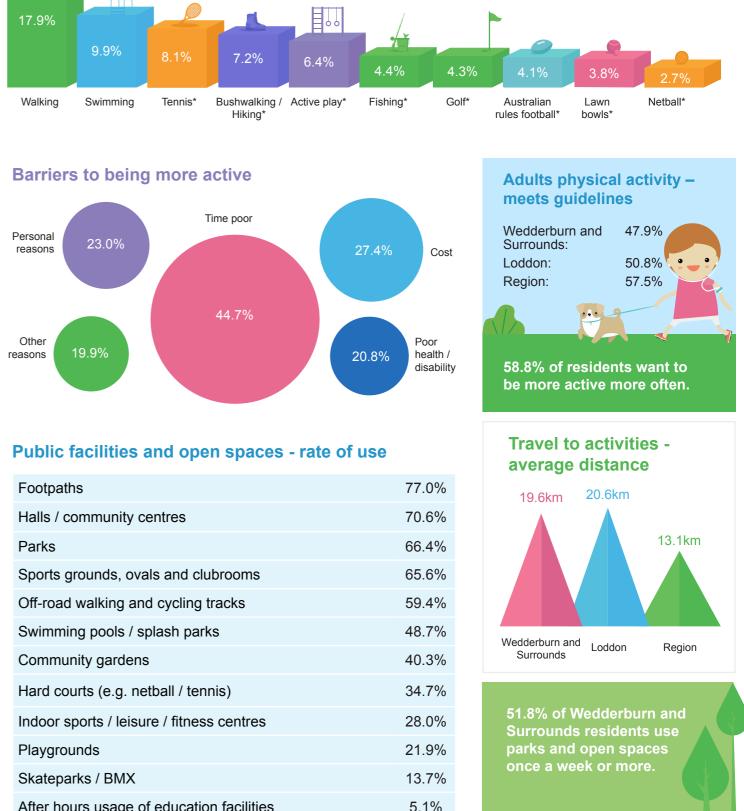




Guidelines

18.2%





Footpaths
Halls / community centres
Parks
Sports grounds, ovals and clubrooms
Off-road walking and cycling tracks
Swimming pools / splash parks
Community gardens
Hard courts (e.g. netball / tennis)
Indoor sports / leisure / fitness centres
Playgrounds
Skateparks / BMX
After hours usage of education facilities



Walking in Loddon

Participation in walking

Walking is the most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 19.6% of the population reporting that they walked for exercise in the previous 12 months.



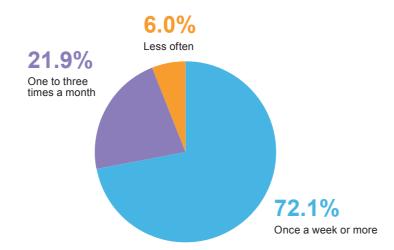
Walking is most popular among residents of:





How often?

Most people who walked for exercise in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



Who?

People of all ages and genders walk for exercise. Males aged 70 plus reported the highest rates of walking.

	Male	Ages	Female		
	7.2%	3 - 11	10.7%		
	5.3%	12 - 17	8.0%		
	9.7%	18 - 34	22.2%		
	10.9%	35 - 49	23.4%		
	26.4%	50 - 69	29.7%		
	30.6%	70+	27.3%		

How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to their walking activity is 12.4km ranging from 1.2km in Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds to 39.2km in Pyramid Hill and Surrounds.



How do people get there?

Most people who walk for exercise do not use any other form of transport for their walking activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.



How do people rate walking facilities?

Nearly 74% of residents who reported walking for exercise rated the walking facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and over 81% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Wedderburn and Surrounds 3.4km

Surrounds

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Boort and Surrounds	81.9%
Pyramid Hill and Surrounds	81.4%

Lowest quality

Wedderburn and Surrounds 55.0%

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 91.0% Boort and Surrounds 90.2%

Lowest accessibility

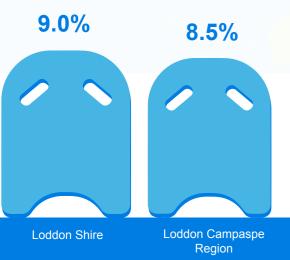
Wedderburn and Surrounds 65.2%



Swimming in Loddon

Participation in swimming

Swimming is the second most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 9.0% of the population reporting that they went swimming for exercise in the previous 12 months.



Swimming is most popular among residents of:

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Pyramid Hill and Surrounds
11.3%*
Wedderburn and Surrounds East
9.9%
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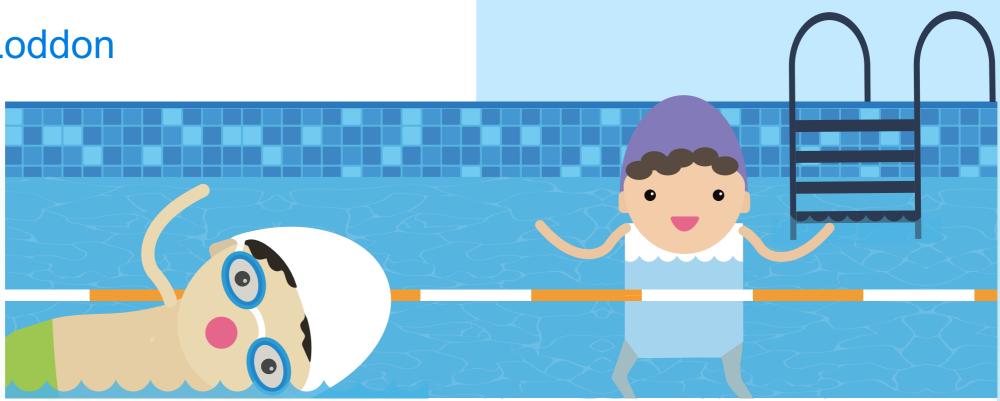
Loddon Area

9.8%*

Swimming is least popular among residents of:

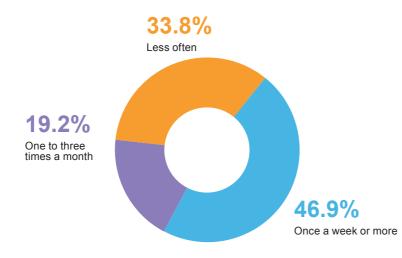
South Loddon Area

Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds



How often?

Almost half of residents who went swimming in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



Who?

Swimming is popular amongst all age groups and genders. Males aged 3 to 11 reported the highest rates of swimming followed by females aged 3 to 11.

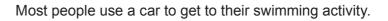
18.1% 3 - 11 17.5% 7.6% 12 - 17 8.2% 9.7% 18 - 34 9.8%		Male	Ages	Female		
		18.1%	3 - 11	17.5%		
9.7% 18 - 34 9.8%		7.6%	12 - 17	8.2%		
		9.7%	18 - 34	9.8%		
5.5% 35 - 49 10.0%		5.5%	35 - 49	10.0%		
6.7% 50 - 69 8.0%		6.7%	50 - 69	8.0%		
2.9% 70+ 5.2%		2.9%	70+	5.2%		

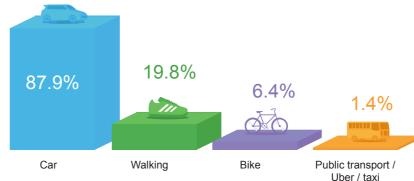
How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their swimming activity is 17.7km ranging from 10.2km in Wedderburn and Surrounds to 41.4km in South Loddon Area.



How do people get there?





Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate swimming facilities?

Nearly 80% of residents who reported swimming for exercise rated the swimming facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and over 75% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

and Surrounds

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Boort and Surrounds Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 98.2%*

Lowest quality

Wedderburn and Surrounds 49.1%

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 82.4%* Wedderburn and Surrounds 80.9%

Lowest accessibility

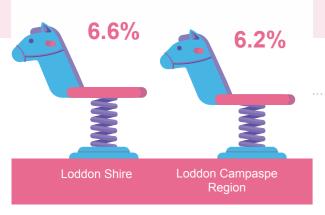
South Loddon Area

55.2%*

Active play in Loddon

Participation in active play

Active play is the third most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 6.6% of the population reporting that they engaged in active play for exercise in the previous 12 months.



Active play is most popular among residents of:

Boort and Surrounds



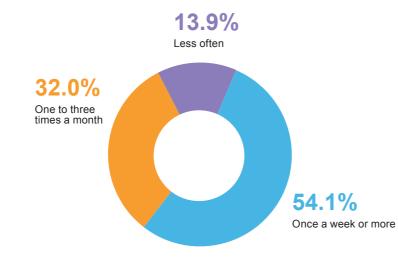
Active play is least popular among residents of:





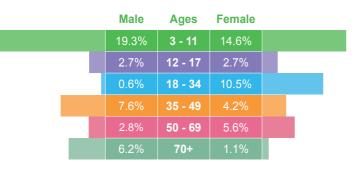
How often?

Most residents who participated in active play for exercise in the past 12 months did so once a week or more often.



Who?

Active play is popular amongst all ages and genders. Males aged 3 to 11 had the highest participation rate.



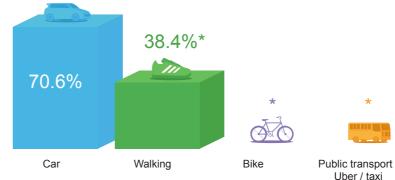
How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their active play activity is 14.8km ranging 9.2km in South Loddon Area to 24.0km in Wedderburn and Surrounds.



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their active play activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate active play facilities?

Over 78% of residents who reported active play for exercise rated the facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and 85.4% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds * 94.3%* Boort and Surrounds

Lowest quality

South Loddon area

29.7%*

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 82.4%* Wedderburn and Surrounds 80.9%*

Lowest accessibility

South Loddon area

50.8%*

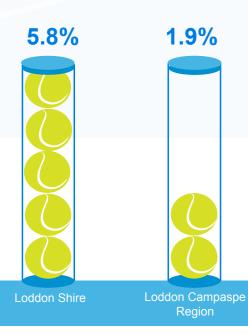




Tennis in Loddon

Participation in tennis

Tennis is the fourth most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 5.8% of the population reporting that they played tennis for exercise in the previous 12 months.



Tennis is most popular among residents of:

East Loddon Area

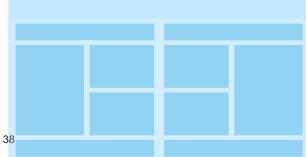
11.9%*

Tennis is least popular among residents of:

Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds

2.1%*

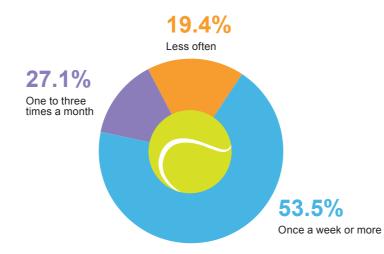






How often?

Most residents who played tennis for exercise in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



Who?

People of all ages and genders play tennis. Females aged 12 to 17 reported the highest participation rate followed by males aged 12 to 17.



How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their tennis activity is 10.5km ranging from 6.9km in Pyramid Hills and Surrounds to 17.8km in Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds.



How do people get there?

Most people used a car to get to their tennis activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate tennis facilities?

Overall 82.0% of residents who reported playing tennis rated the tennis facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and nearly 91% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

South Loddon Area	*
Pyramid Hill and Surrounds	96.4%*
Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds	94.0%*

Lowest quality

East Loddon Area

62.6%*

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds * Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds

South Loddon Area

Lowest accessibility

Boort and Surrounds



TENNIS

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Bushwalking / Hiking in Loddon

Participation in bushwalking / hiking

Bushwalking / hiking is the fifth most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 5.3% of the population reporting that they played bushwalked / hiked for exercise in the previous 12 months.



Bushwalking / hiking is most popular among residents of:

Wedderburn and Surr	rounds
7.2%*	
East Loddon Area	
6.8%*	
South Loddon Area	

Bushwalking / hiking is least popular among residents of: Boort and Surrounds

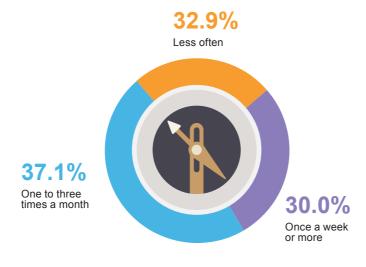
6.5%*





How often?

Most residents who went bushwalking / hiking for exercise in the past 12 months did so one to three times a month.



Who?

Bushwalking is popular amongst most age groups and genders. The highest rates of bushwalking / hiking were reported by females aged 35 to 49.

Male	Ages	Female	
2.4%	3 - 11	3.9%	
1.2%	12 - 17	6.4%	
0.0%	18 - 34	3.4%	
7.7%	35 - 49	9.2%	
7.8%	50 - 69	5.7%	
6.6%	70+	3.1%	

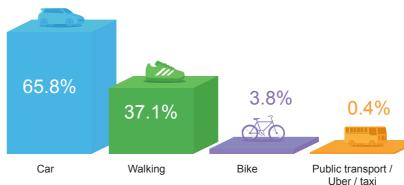
How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their bushwalking / hiking activity is 22.0km ranging from 10.5km in South Loddon Area to 37.6km in East Loddon Area.



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their bushwalking / hiking activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate bushwalking / hiking facilities?

Nearly 83% of residents who reported bushwalking / hiking for exercise rated the bushwalking / hiking facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and over 82% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds East Loddon Area

98.1%* 91.2%*

48.4%*

Lowest quality

South Loddon Area

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

South Loddon Area

Inglewood - Bridgewater 98.1%* and Surrounds

Lowest accessibility

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 63.3%*

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds

Australian rules football in Loddon

Participation in Australian rules football

Australian rules football is the sixth most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 4.3% of the population reporting that they played Australian rules football in the previous 12 months.



Australian rules football is most popular among residents of:

East Loddon Area

8.4%*

Australian rules football is least popular among residents of:

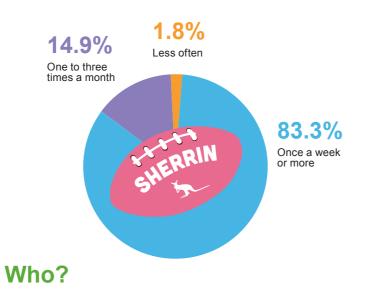
Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds





How often?

Most residents who played Australian rules football in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



Males reported playing Australian rules football at a higher rate than females. The highest participation rate reported were males aged 3 to 11.

Male	Ages	Female	
15.7%	3 - 11	0.0%	
12.9%	12 - 17	1.4%	
10.9%	18 - 34	2.8%	
9.4%	35 - 49	0.9%	
3.2%	50 - 69	0.4%	
0.0%	70+	1.3%	

How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their Australian rules football activity is 18.9km ranging from 9.5km in Pyramid Hill and Surrounds to 28.5km in East Loddon Area.



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their Australian rules football activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.



How do people rate Australian rules football facilities?

Nearly 86% of residents who reported Australian rules football for exercise rated the facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and almost 82% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility.

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds	*
South Loddon Area	*

Lowest quality

Wedderburn and Surrounds 62.8%*

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Pyramid Hill and Surround	s *
South Loddon Area	*
Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds	*

Lowest accessibility

East Loddon area

52.4%*



Bowls in Loddon

Participation in bowls

Lawn bowls is the eighth most popular physical activity among Loddon shire residents with 3.6% of the population reporting that they played lawn bowls for exercise in the previous 12 months.



3.6%

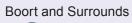


Bowls is most popular among residents of:

7.6%

East Loddon Area

Bowls is least popular among residents of:

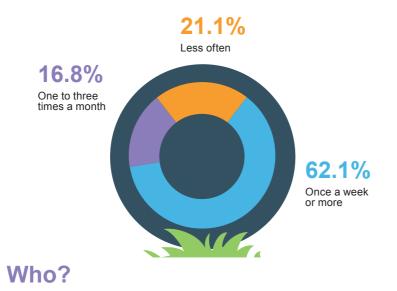






How often?

Most residents who played lawn bowls for exercise in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



Lawn bowls is only played by certain age groups but all genders. Males aged 70 plus reported the highest rates of playing lawn bowls followed by females aged 70 plus.

Male	Ages	Female	
0.0%	3 - 11	0.0%	
1.2%	12 -17	0.0%	
0.0%	18 - 34	1.4%	
4.7%	35-49	0.0%	
7.0%	50 - 69	3.2%	
14.5%	70+	12.7%	

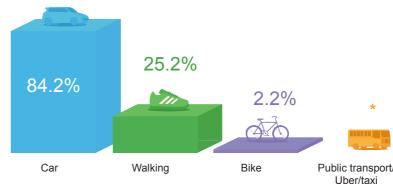
How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their lawn bowls activity is 9.2km ranging from 3.0km in Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds to 12.9km in Pyramid Hill and Surrounds.



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their lawn bowls activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate bowls facilities?

Nearly 88% of residents who reported lawn bowls for exercise rated the lawn bowls facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and almost 87% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

South Loddon

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds	*
East Loddon Area	92.8%*
Wedderburn and Surrounds	92.1%*
Pyramid Hill and Surrounds	91.5%*

Lowest quality

South Loddon Area

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds Pyramid Hill and Surrounds * East Loddon Area

92.8%*

Lowest accessibility

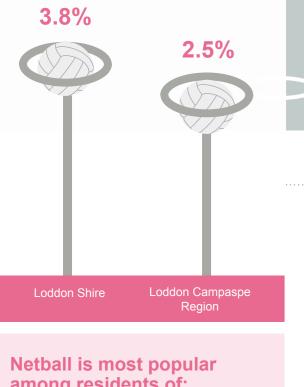
South Loddon Area



Netball in Loddon

Participation in netball

Netball is the seventh most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 3.8% of the population reporting that they played netball for exercise in the previous 12 months.



among residents of:

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds **0025.9%**

South Loddon Area

Netball is least popular

5.5%

Wedderburn and Surrounds

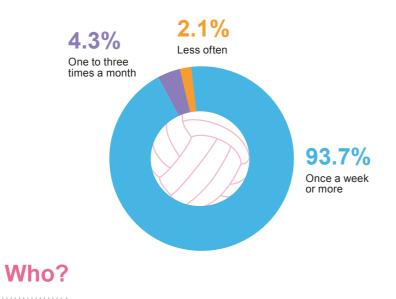
among residents of:





How often?

Most residents who played netball in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



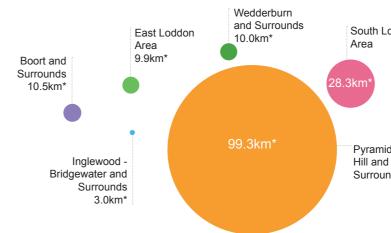
More females than males play netball. Females aged 12 to 17 reported the highest rates of playing netball.

Male	Ages	Female
1.2%	3 - 11	13.6%
0.0%	12 - 17	23.0%
0.6%	18 - 34	7.1%
1.1%	35 - 49	5.6%
0.0%	50 - 69	0.9%
0.0%	70+	0.0%

How far do people travel?

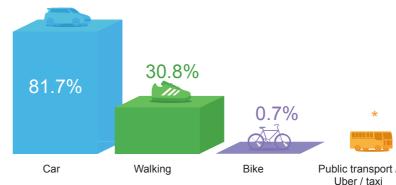
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The average distance people travel to get to their netball activity is 29.4km ranging from 3.0km in Inglewood -Bridgewater and Surrounds to 99.3km in Pyramid Hill and



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their netball activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.



How do people rate netball facilities?

Over 92% of residents who reported netball for exercise rated the netball facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and nearly 96% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility.

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

South Loddon

Pyramid Surrounds

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Boort and Surrounds		
Wedderburn and Surrounds	*	

Lowest quality

South Loddon Area	83.9%*
Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds	87.8%*

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Boort and Surrounds	*
Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds	*
Wedderburn and Surrounds	*

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds *

Lowest accessibility

South Loddon Area

69.2%*

Fishing in Loddon

2.5%

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Region

6.8%*

Participation in fishing

3.5%

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South Loddon Area

Fishing is most popular

Fishing is least popular among residents of:

Pyramid Hills and Surrounds

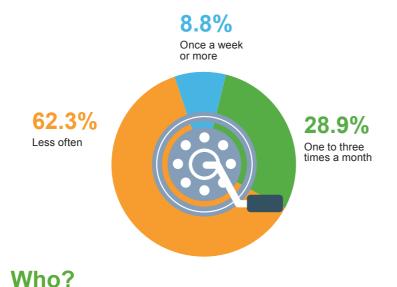
among residents of:

Fishing is the ninth most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 3.5% of the population reporting that they went fishing in the previous 12 months.



How often?

Most residents who went fishing for exercise in the past 12 months did so less than once a month.

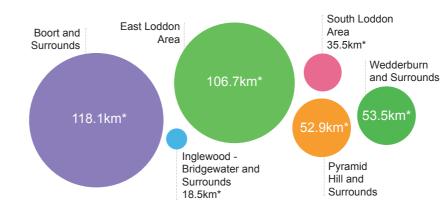


Fishing is popular amongst most age groups and both genders. More males than females reported going fishing. Males aged 35 to 49 reported the highest rates of fishing.

Male	Ages	Female	
2.4%	3 - 11	0.0%	
3.7%	12 -17	1.3%	
4.5%	18 - 34	2.2%	
7.5%	35-49	3.8%	
4.4%	50 - 69	2.5%	
6.4%	70+	2.7%	

How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to get to their fishing activity is 64.6km ranging from 18.5km in Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds to 118.1km in Boort and Surrounds.



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their fishing activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate fishing facilities?

Nearly 70% of residents who reported fishing for recreation and exercise rated the fishing spots they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and nearly 70% rate them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Pyramid Hill and Surrounds	*
South Loddon Area	86.3%*
Boort and Surrounds	83.9%*

Lowest quality

Wedderburn and Surrounds 49.3%* Inglewood - Bridgewater 57.9%* and Surrounds

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Boort and Surrounds 87.1%* Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 82.6%*

Lowest accessibility

Wedderburn and Surrounds 57.0%* East Loddon Area 61.9%*



Golf in Loddon

Participation in golf

Golf is the tenth most popular physical activity among Loddon Shire residents with 3.3% of the population reporting that they played golf for exercise in the previous 12 months.



Golf is most popular among residents of:



Wedderburn and Surrounds J 4.3%*

East Loddon Area 3.8%*

Golf is least popular among residents of:

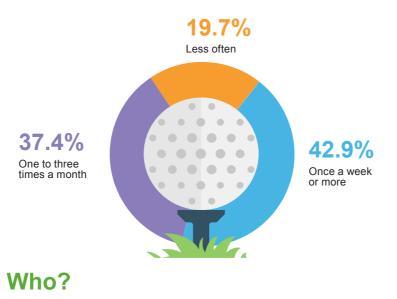
1.7%*

Boort and Surrounds



How often?

Less than half of people who participated in golf in the past 12 months did so once a week or more.



Golf is played by both sexes and most age groups. Generally, more males than females play golf although females aged 70 plus reported the highest participation rates.

	Male	Ages	Female	
	3.6%	3 - 11	0.0%	
	3.8%	12 -17	0.0%	
	1.9%	18 - 34	0.3%	
	4.4%	35-49	0.6%	
	7.0%	50 - 69	3.5%	
	5.8%	70+	7.5%	

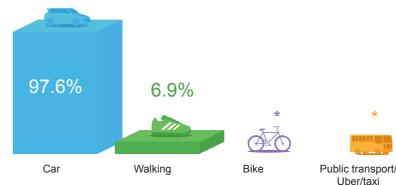
How far do people travel?

The average distance people travel to a golfing activity is 21.4km ranging from 12.5km in Boort and Surrounds to 34.5km in East Loddon Area.



How do people get there?

Most people use a car to get to their golfing activity.



Note: Numbers total over 100% as some people use multiple forms of transport.

How do people rate golf facilities?

Nearly 71% of residents who reported playing golf rated the golf facilities they use as good or excellent in terms of their quality and over 77% rated them as good or excellent in terms of their accessibility

The quality and accessibility ratings are based on the facilities used by residents, not the facilities in each township.

Facility quality rating

Highest quality

Inglewood - Bridgewater and Surrounds	80.2%*	
Wedderburn and Surrounds	75.0%*	
Pyramid Hill and Surrounds	71.4%*	

Lowest quality

South Loddon Area

39.1%*

Facility accessibility rating

Highest accessibility

Boort and Surrounds Pyramid Hill and Surrounds 90.2%* Wedderburn and Surrounds 82.5%*

Lowest accessibility South Loddon Area 49.6%*

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