# **Narromine** Shire Council

### SNAPSHOT

Name: Narromine Shire

**Population:** 6,523 **Size of Shire:** 5,242km+

Elevation:

**Towns and Villages:** Narromine, Trangie, Tomingley **Climate:** Mean daily temperature (min – max)

Summer  $18^{\circ}\text{C} - 32.43^{\circ}\text{C}$ Winter  $5^{\circ}\text{C} - 15^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

Mean yearly rainfall 500mm 236.5 metres (Narromine)

Main Industry: Agriculture – wheat, cotton, fat lambs,

summer crops, citrus orchards

#### No. Employed **Industry** 1. Agriculture, forestry, fishing 842 2. Retail trade 255 3. Wholesale trade 168 4. Education 168 5. Health and community services 166 6. Construction 140 7. Property and business services 118 8. Transport and storage 105 9. Manufacturing 104 10. Government administration and defence 93

Labour Force	No. of People
Total employed:	2542
Total labour force:	2884
Not in labour force:	1828
Labour force participation rate:	61.2%

Employment by Occupation	(%)
Managers and Administrators	23.7
Labourers and related workers	13.2
Tradespersons and related workers	12.1
Professionals	10.4
Intermediate clerical, sales and services workers	10.0
Intermediate production and transport workers	9.6
Associate professionals	7.7
Elementary clerical, sales and services workers	6.1
Advanced clerical and services workers	3.5

**Doing Business:** Business assistance is provided by banks, a credit union, accountants and secretarial services. The Shire is serviced by the Job Network and a number of government departments are represented in the Shire. The Narromine Small Business Traders Group and Unlimited Narromine are community groups pursuing opportunities for positive growth within the Shire.

**Land Availability:** Residential land is available at affordable prices. Commercial premises are available for sale or rent. Available industrial land recently sold.

STATISTICS PROVIDED BY SHIRE COUNCIL FROM ABS DATA

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#### **PROFILE**

The Narromine Shire is ideally situated in the heart of the rich Macquarie Valley. Narromine, on the banks of the Macquarie River, offers a quality rural lifestyle and yet is just 39 kms away from the regional city of Dubbo.



The largest commercial lime orchard in Australia,

### **Industry Today**

Crops such as wheat, barley, oats, canola, soy bean, lucerne, and both dryland and irrigated cotton contribute significantly to agricultural output. Other farm enterprises include stone fruit, citrus fruit, the largest commercial lime orchard in Australia, pecan nuts, olive trees and market gardens. The Shire also produces prime lambs, cattle and poultry, and a piggery and crayfish farm add diversity. Yates have a large Seed Research Station at Narromine and an Agricultural Research Station is based at Trangie. Narromine Transplants sell tube

Narromine Transplants sell tube trees of many different species all over Australia and Swane's Rose nursery has established an export market for flowers. The newly established Narromine Iris Farm fills mail orders to three states year round. The rose nursery and iris farm are also important tourist attractions.

### Value Adding

Both Namoi Cotton and Auscott Ltd. have new cotton gins at Gin Gin and Trangie respectively. These represent an investment of some \$30 million in the Shire and combined employ around 60 people. Delta Pine has successfully established the only Australian cotton delinting plant in Narromine. The large amount of cotton produced and ginned in the Shire and the amount and variety of local produce in its

raw form is encouraging for future value adding opportunities.

### The Narromine Advantage

Narromine offers numerous opportunities to potential investors and the pro-active Shire Council will assist wherever possible. The planned future direction of the Shire is to encourage industrial development and to provide a rural quality of life with the advantages of the city. The Shire is centrally located in the State and has excellent links to the capital cities, the Newcastle port and of course the regional city of Dubbo. The Shire has a good and stable climate, an abundance of raw materials, an established irrigation industry and relatively cheap land. The Shire also has an excellent labour base including capable tradesmen in virtually every industry. The local and regional network of suppliers and support industry is also excellent.

#### **Industrial Estate**

Narromine has an established fully serviced Industrial Estate which houses a wide variety of industries including farm machinery, kitchen/cabinet maker, engineering, automotive and farm machinery repairs, flour mill, timber mill, orange juice factory, fuel depot, engine



reconditioning, transport operators and a recycling business. Narromine also has several rural industrial businesses including Narromine Seed Cleaners and Pioneer Seeds. There is no shortage of land suitable for industrial/ commercial purposes in Narromine Shire, which could be developed for industry. All services and facilities are readily available, including ample water, sewerage, and power. Recent exciting developments for the Shire bringing both economic and non economic benefits to residents, businesses and industry include the construction of the Central West/Orana natural gas pipeline which passes through Narromine and improved telecommunications with the establishment of internet access at a local call rate.

#### Narromine Aerodrome

Narromine is considered the best gliding area in Australia and one of the three best in the world and Narromine Council aims to make it the leading sports aviation centre in Australia. Pilots from many overseas countries visit Narromine every year and the State and National Championships are held here on a regular basis. The National Ultralight Federation decision to descend on Narromine for its

annual Easter FlyIn results in around two to three hundred visiting aircraft. A new Aviation Museum complex is under construction to display the history of flight in Narromine. Businesses located at the aerodrome include a radio and instrument repair service,

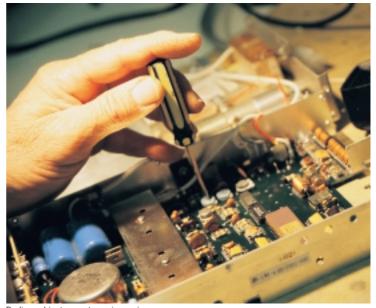


Radio and instrument repair service.

Ultralights, Crop Spraying, Charter Flights and International Gliding Business.

## Skypark Residential Development

Council has a residential Skypark at Narromine Aerodrome where pilots can build a home on Aerodrome land and hangar their aircraft in their own backyard with access directly onto the taxiway. This is a first for Australia. The residential estate is fully serviced and five lots have already been sold. Fully serviced blocks are also available in a town residential estate, a prestigious block along the Macquarie



Radio and instrument repair service

River, or three to 20 acres within three kilometres of town.

## Education and Health and Lifestyle

A relaxed rural lifestyle, stable community with very little crime make the Narromine Shire a great place to live. Schools are located in the towns of Narromine and Trangie and both towns have hospitals, aged care hostel/nursing home, community health services and the support of an extensive regional professional medical network. The Shire boasts excellent sporting fields and active sports clubs, an indoor sporting centre and gymnasium, water sports, art and cultural groups, clubs and hotels, annual shows and special events and many parks and recreation areas. In fact the Shire has everything for the family.



Rail services, Narromine.



Large grain storage facility, Narromine.