

# Diamantina Shire

## Local Government Area



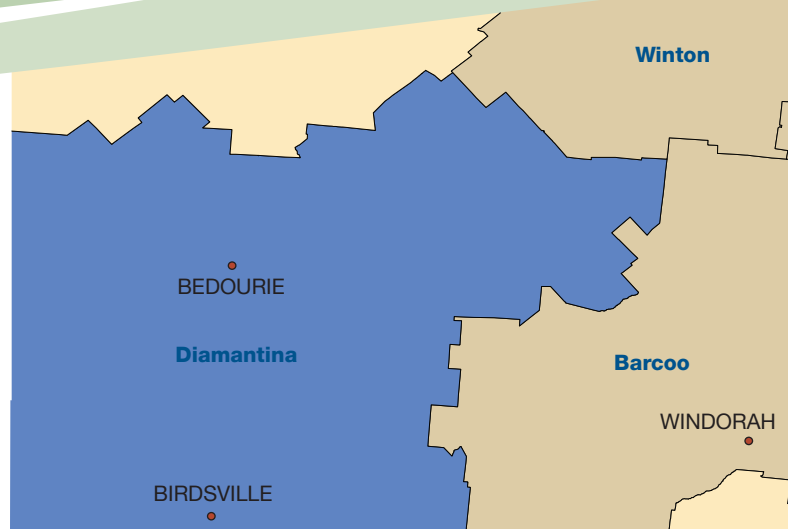
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### Main Townships

Bedourie  
Birdsville  
Betoota

### Tourism

Birdsville races  
Desert Edge tours  
Big Red  
Cacoory Ruins  
Deons lookout  
Birdsville track



## 2011 – Population and Housing Census (Australian Bureau of Statistics)

### Demographics

Size: 94,870.6 km<sup>2</sup>  
Temperature: 16.4 – 31.3 °C  
Annual Rainfall: 194 mm

Population: 283  
ATSI: 70  
Children under 19 years: 66  
Median Age: 37 years

Ancestry: Australian  
English  
Irish  
Scottish  
German

Country of Birth: Australia  
Ireland  
New Zealand  
England  
Italy

Emergency Services:  
Police Stations: 2  
Ambulance Stations: 1  
Fire Stations (QFS): 0  
Hospitals: 0

Schools: 2

Early Childhood/Daycare: 0

Aged Care Services: 0

### Employment

There were 189 people who reported being in the labour force (aged 15 years and over) in the week before Census night in Diamantina Shire.

- » 80.4% were in full time employment
- » 9.5% were in part time employment
- » 3.2% were unemployed

There were 57.0% of people aged 15 years and over involved in unpaid domestic work in the week before the Census night in Diamantina Shire.

The top industry subgroups that people in Diamantina Shire were employed in:

- » Sheep, Beef Cattle and Grain Farming – 62 people
- » Local Government Administration – 37 people
- » Accommodation – 16 people
- » Cafes, Restaurants and Takeaway Food Services – 5 people
- » Electricity Distribution – 4 people

### Median weekly incomes:

- » Personal – \$679
- » Family – \$1,196
- » Household – \$1,083

### Volunteers:

- » 27.4% of the population participated in volunteer hours

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### Housing

#### Private Dwelling Occupancy:

- » 17 people owned outright
- » 6 people owned with a mortgage
- » 75 people rented
- » 5 people had other arrangements or were unstated

Median weekly rent: – \$116

Median monthly mortgage repayment: – \$780

#### Household Compositions:

- » 57.4% family households
- » 38.6% single households
- » 4.0% group households

### Families

#### Family Composition:

- » 44.8% were couples without children
- » 44.8% were couples with children
- » 5.2% were single parent families

#### Employment Status of Families:

- » 36.5% couple families where both employed full time
- » 5.8% couple families where both employed part time
- » 11.5% couple families had one employed full time and the other part time
- » 5.8% couple families had one employed full time and the other not working

### Priority Areas

#### Social:

- » 400 km fibre optic telecommunications from Boulia to Birdsville via Bedourie
- » Funding for Diamantina Health Service
- » Fully seal the Bedourie-Windorah Road
- » Housing shortage in Birdsville and Bedourie

#### Economic:

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### National Parks

- » Munga-Thirri
- » Diamantina

### Highways

- » Eyre Development Road
- » Diamantina Development Road
- » Birdsville Development Road

### Transport

- » Birdsville Airstrip
- » Bedourie Airstrip

SOURCE: Australian Bureau of Statistics – 2011 Population and Housing Census (usual residents).  
Queensland Office of Economic and Statistical Research (OESR) – Regional Profiles 2013.