# TUMBARUMBA

Tumbarumba Shire is located on the western side of the Snowy Mountains in NSW, approximately half way between Sydney and Melbourne. Covering an area of almost 440,000 hectares, the Shire rises from 400 metres elevation in the north-west to 2230 metres at the top of Mount Kosciusko in the south-east. Tumbarumba is the Shire's main town with a population of around 2,500 people. Other towns in the Shire include Khancoban, Rosewood Laurel Hill, Jingellic and Tooma.

Tumbarumba Shire has a rich heritage in gold, timber, agriculture, and as a support area to the Snowy Mountains Scheme. The forestry and timber processing industries are key employers in the Shire, combining with agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, correctional centre and tourism, to provide employment and economic growth.

In 2001 Hyne and Son purchased the Boral Timber Mill, an investment of \$120 million to upgrade and expand the Mill has secured employment for 180 staff at the site. The mill plans to double its current output of 600,000m<sup>3</sup> of timber per annum in the near future.

The Shire has become increasing renown for its "Cool Climate Wines", in particular its Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir.

Tourism is also a major attraction for the Shire, the powerful combination of snow- capped mountains, forest slopes, rolling green pastures, together with numerous creeks and steams, makes for a perfect tourist destination for the day tripper or more adventurous walker or camper, with ample accommodation to suit all preferences.

With a well established retail centre, excellent health, aged care and educational facilities, and recent developments of land for housing development the Shire is an ideal location for country style living at its best.

# **Key Industries**

### **Timber Processing and Plantation**

Softwood Timber processing and plantation are major Industries in the Region, with the Hyne and Sons Timber Mill currently processing in excess of 700,000 cubic meters of timber per annum. The Mill currently employs 180 staff.

A Number of major private softwood plantation operators have a presence in the Region.

#### Tourism

The tourism Industry is a vital part of the economy of the Region. With attractions such as the Snowy Mountains Scheme, Mt. Selwyn Ski field, Koscuiszko National Park, Hume and Hovell Walking Track, 4 wheel driving trails and bike trails all a part of the local Tourist attractions.

#### Viticulture, Agriculture and Horticulture

Traditional agriculture still plays a major part in the Regions economy. This has been supplemented over recent years with a strong "Cold Climate" wine industry, and the development of a Blueberry and Strawberry producing Industry.

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| Population   | 2,500  | To Khancoban   | 8okm   |
| DISTANCE:    |        | To Wagga Wagga | 111km  |
| To Sydney    | 500 km | To Albury      | 154km  |
| To Melbourne | 465 km | To Thredbo     | 155km  |
| To Canberra  | 250 km | To Jindabyne   | 185km  |







# **Employment Opportunities**

With a strong Industry base and a vibrant commercial business area, employment opportunities in the Region are substantial. The ongoing expansion of the Timber Industry will see additional work opportunities created.

# **Health and Education**

A new Medical Centre is situated in Tumbarumba, and houses 2 Doctors, pathology, part time optician, and, a part time podiatrist. A third Doctor also has a practise in the town.

A hospital, nursing home and aged care units are also available, with plans to extend the aged care facilities in the near future.

The town has a High school and two infants and Primary Schools, together with a number of pre school facilities.

# **Leisure and Lifestyle**

Tumbarumba is a vibrant and growing Country Town, with a strong Economic base supporting the Region. The Town has a thriving Commercial Centre, with 2 Supermarkets, 2 Motels, Caravan Park, Cinema, a number of B&Bs, numerous Restaurants and Cafes.

The town is host to the annual Tumbafest Festival, a celebration of Music, Food, Wine and Culture, as well as the Tumbarumba Rodeo, Tumbarumba Show and Tumbarumba Gold Cup Races.

# Housing

There are a number of new housing developments taking place in Tumbarumba and Regional towns.

With the steady growth in population and a demand for additional housing, a number of property investors are looking to Tumbarumba as a development opportunity.

## **Transport**

Positioned between Wagga Wagga, Albury, and Tumut, travel time to each of these Cities and Towns is between 45 minutes and 75 minutes, on all sealed roads.

A CountryLink Bus service also operates 3 days a week to Tumbarumba.

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