



Tweed Shire

The Tweed is New South Wales' northern-most regional growth centre, strategically located on the border with South East Queensland, creating a dynamic economic growth zone. Proximity to the Gold Coast Airport and ports of Brisbane, position the Tweed perfectly to play an integral part in the future growth of this coastal region. Population-driven economic growth is providing significant opportunities for investors and businesses looking to establish or relocate to this evolving, maturing region. (Source: www.tedc.com.au)

Summary of Results

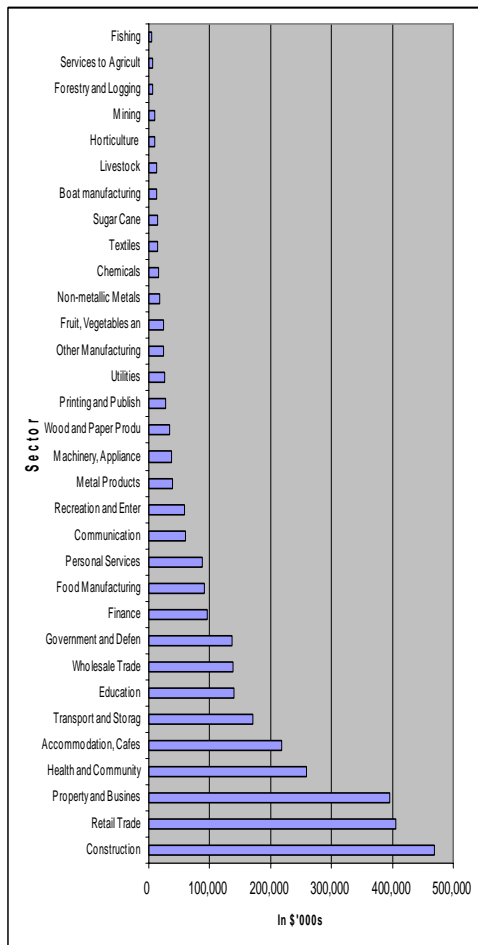
Industry Output

In 2004/5, total production of goods and services in the Tweed region was valued at over \$3.1 billion. Service industries dominate and account for almost 87% of the total gross output for the region.

Contribution to Industry Output

Agriculture	\$89,963,745	2.93%
Manufacturing	\$317,297,327	10.33%
Services	\$2,664,524,263	86.74%
Total	\$3,071,784,335	100.00%

Industry Output, Tweed Shire, \$m, 2004/5



Value Added

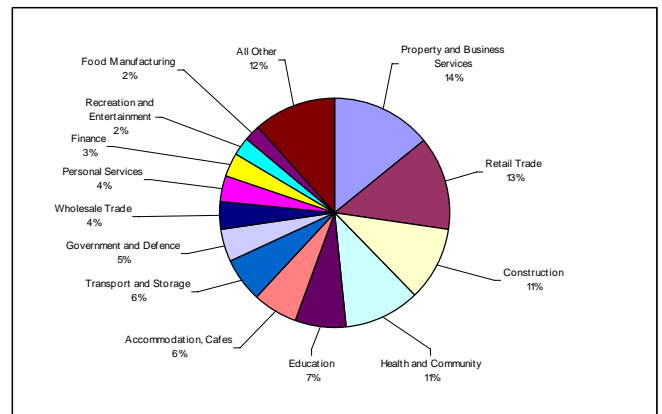
Value adding is the primary measure of the economic worth of the region. For practical purposes it is defined as that measure of payments to factors of production (labour and capital), including net taxes on production

The total value added in the Tweed economy in 2004/5 was \$1.244 billion, of which the services sector contributed about 88%.

Contribution to Gross Regional Product

Agriculture	\$41,193,317	3.31%
Manufacturing	\$108,101,613	8.69%
Services	\$1,094,751,938	88.00%
Total	\$1,244,046,867	100.00%

Industry Contribution to the Value Adding of the Tweed Shire, 2004/5



Service sectors, such as property & business services, retail trade, construction, and health & community services, contribute 88% to the region's value added. Manufacturing, of which food processing is the largest at 2%, contributes almost 9%, while primary industries contribute only 3%.

Employment and Labour Force

The estimated resident population of the Tweed Shire in 2004/5 was 80,935, which is approximately 1.2% of the NSW population.

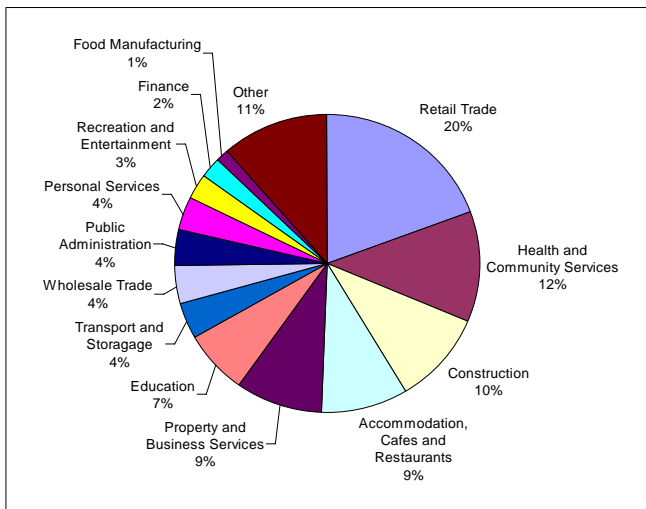
In 2004/5, an estimated 25,329 people were employed in fulltime equivalent (FTE) positions in the Tweed.

The manufacturing sector employed 7% of the workforce and the primary sector 4%.

Contribution to FTE Employment

Agriculture	1,037	4.09%
Manufacturing	1,864	7.36%
Services	22,428	88.55%
Total	25,329	100.00%

Industry Employment, Tweed Shire, 2004/5



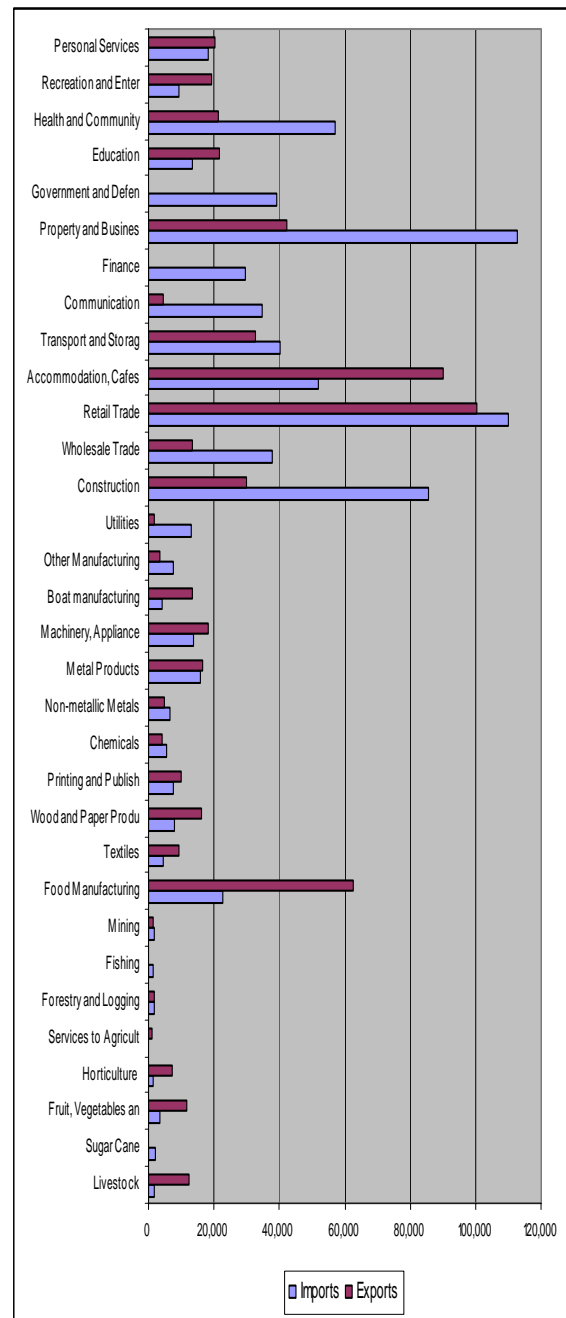
Retail trade employed 4,850 FTE or almost 20% of the workforce, with *health & community services* 12% and *construction, accommodation, cafes & restaurants* and *property & business services* employing about 10% each.

Trade

The Tweed region is a net importer, with an industry trade deficit of approximately \$171 million in 2004/5. Imports totalled \$763 million and exports \$591 million.

The largest exporting industries are *retail trade* and *accommodation, cafes & restaurants*, reflecting the strong tourism base of the economy. Other strong exporting industries include *food processing, machinery, appliances & equipment* and *property and business services*.

Imports and Exports by Industry, Tweed Shire, \$m, 2004/5



Imports comprise 25% of the total value of production, whereas 19% of goods and services produced in the Tweed are exported.

Contribution to Imports and Exports

	Imports	Exports
Agriculture	2%	6%
Manufacturing	13%	27%
Services	86%	67%