

Bellingen Shire Council: local government area

Area	1 602 km ²
Localities	Bellingen, Bielsdown Hills, Bostobrick, Brierfield, Brinerville, Cascade, Darkwood, Deer Vale, Dorrigo, Dorrigo Mountain, Fernbrook, Fernmount, Gleniffer, Kalang, Megan, Mylestom, Never Never, North Dorrigo, Raleigh, Repton, Spicketts Creek, Thora, Urunga, Valery
Surrounding councils	Armidale Dumaresq, Clarence Valley, Coffs Harbour, Nambucca
Regional area	Mid-North Coast
Wards	Undivided council - no wards
Mayor	Mark Troy
Councillors	Gordon Braithwaite, Kerry Child, Jillian Cranny, Margaret Gundry, Ralph Lynch, David Scott

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2004 NSW Local Government Election summary

Enrolment	8 399
Voter Participation	88.6%
Formal votes	7 242
Informal votes	200

Local government area profile

Source: 2006 Australian Bureau of Statistics census data

Age	Number	%	NSW %
0-17	3 078	24.8	24.0
18-29	942	7.6	15.7
30-44	2 227	17.9	21.7
45-59	3 088	24.9	19.9
60-74	2 041	16.4	12.0
75 or over	1 041	8.4	6.7
Total	12 417	100.0	100.0

Weekly individual income

Negative/Nil	656	7.1	8.6
\$1-\$399	4 702	51.1	37.0
\$400-\$799	2 509	27.2	25.4
\$800-\$1 299	920	10.0	16.4
\$1 300-\$1 599	246	2.7	5.1
\$1 600-\$1 999	93	1.0	3.0
\$2 000 or more	87	0.9	4.5
Total	9 213	100.0	100.0

Schooling: highest year completed

Did not go to school	45	0.5	1.25
Year 8 or equivalent or below	816	8.9	7.4
Year 10 or equivalent or below	4 355	47.8	37.6
Year 11 or equivalent	671	7.3	6.6
Year 12 or equivalent	3 245	35.5	47.1
Total	9 132	100.0	100.0

Birthplace

Australia	10 311	88.0	74.4
Overseas	1 404	12.0	25.6
Total	11 715	100.0	100.0

Top 5 birthplaces other than Australia

1. United Kingdom	682	5.8	4.4
2. New Zealand	167	1.4	1.8
3. Germany	96	0.8	0.5
4. Netherlands	52	0.4	0.3
5. United States of America	41	0.3	0.4

Language spoken at home

English only	11 656	97.6	78.7
Speaks language other than English	290	2.4	21.3
Total	11 946	100.0	100.0

Top 5 languages other than English

1. German	79	0.7	0.4
2. Dutch	25	0.2	0.1
3. Cantonese	18	0.2	2.1
4. French	16	0.1	0.2
5. Spanish	14	0.1	0.8

Religion: top 5 responses

1. No Religion	3 224	29.2	0.6
2. Anglican	3 096	28.0	24.2
3. Catholic	2 162	19.6	31.3
4. Uniting Church	960	8.7	5.1
5. Presbyterian and Reformed	356	3.2	3.7