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COMMUNITY
PROFILE

2025

Community Profile for Georges River Life Church Catchment

(Council and Peakhurst, Riverwood and Oatley suburbs, and Liverpool Council and Chipping Norton, Moorebank and Wattle Grove suburbs)

Derived from 2021 census data

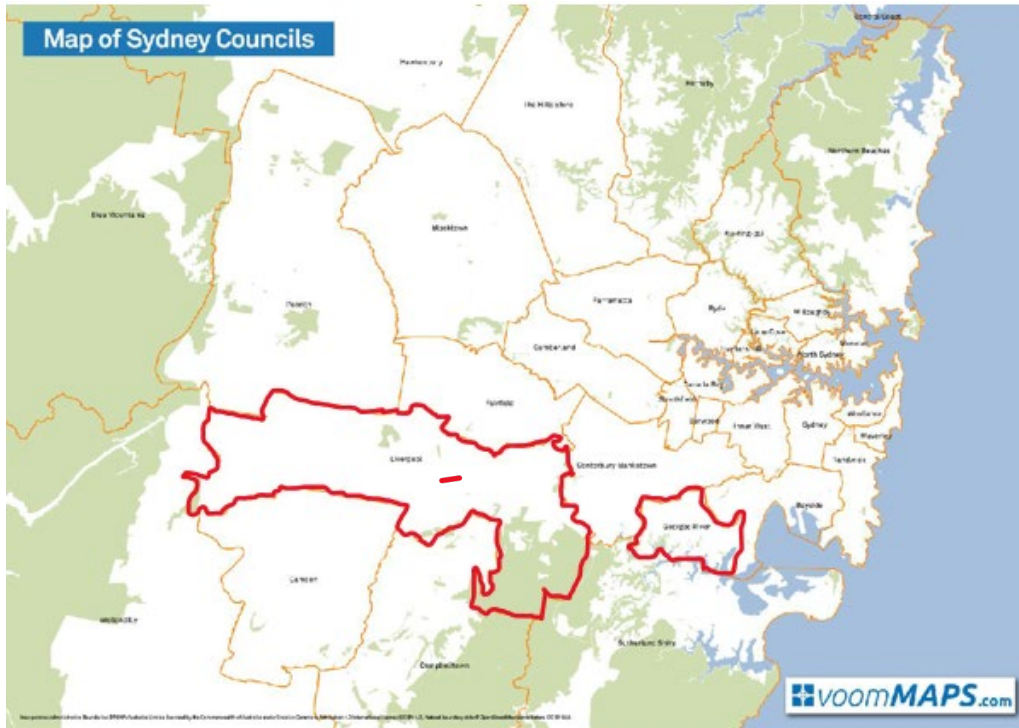
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Location and Demographics

| | Georges River Region | Peakhurst | Liverpool Region | Chipping Norton |
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| Population | 158,411 | 20,220 | 236,403 | 9,412 |

Georges River and Liverpool Council regions



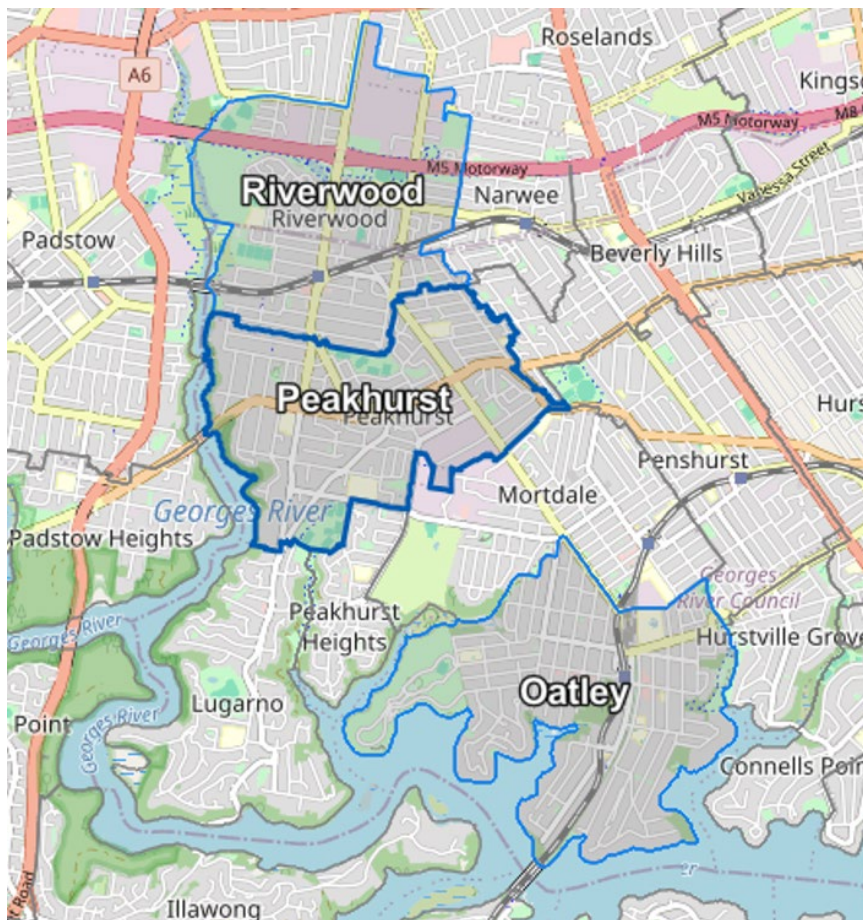
Georges River region

Population 158,411



Peakhurst, Riverwood, Oatley

Population 35,516 (12079, 12793, 10664)



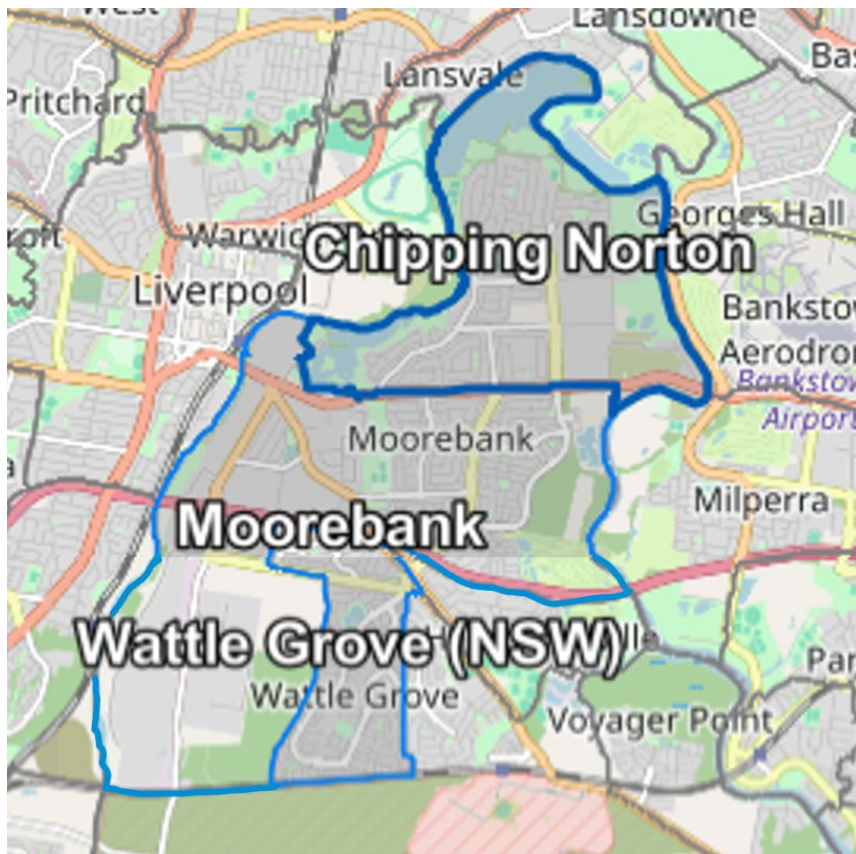
Liverpool region

Population 236,403



Chipping Norton, Moorebank, Wattle Grove

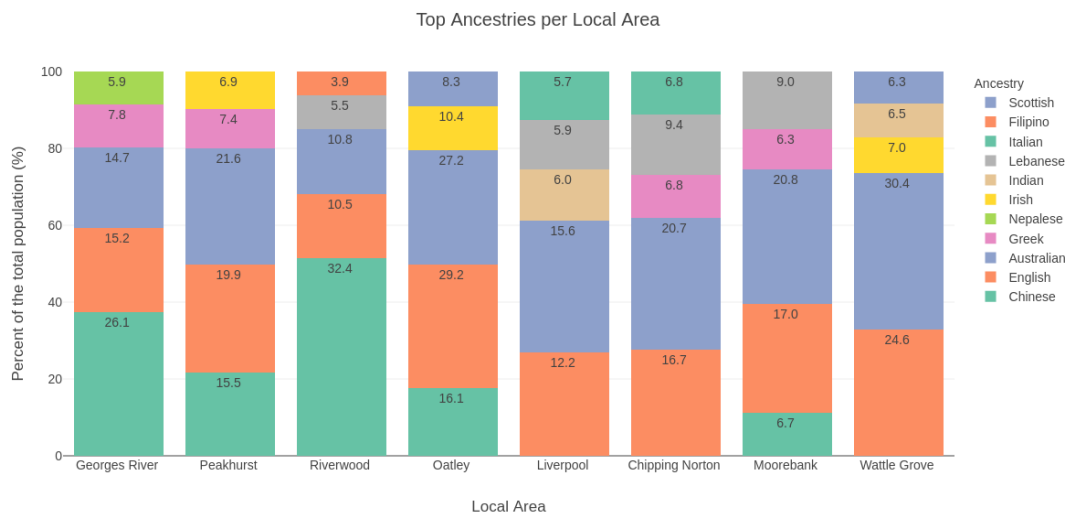
Population 29,706 (9412, 11408, 8886)



Ethnic Diversity

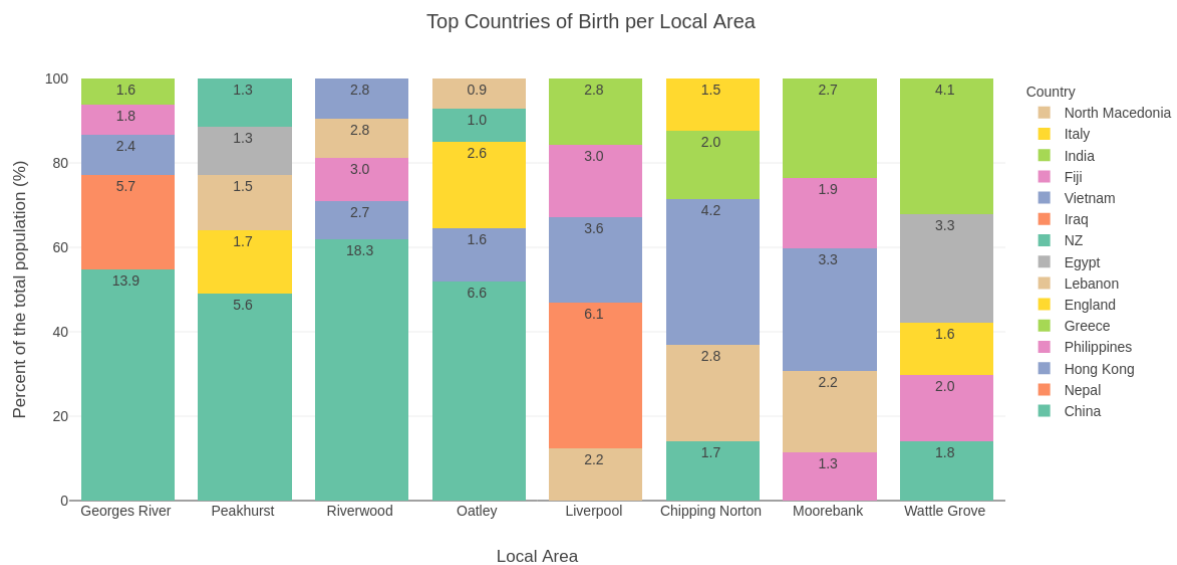
Ancestry

The figures recorded below represent percentages of the proportion of the total population in the area, including those who did not specify and ancestry, with the top five responses displayed.



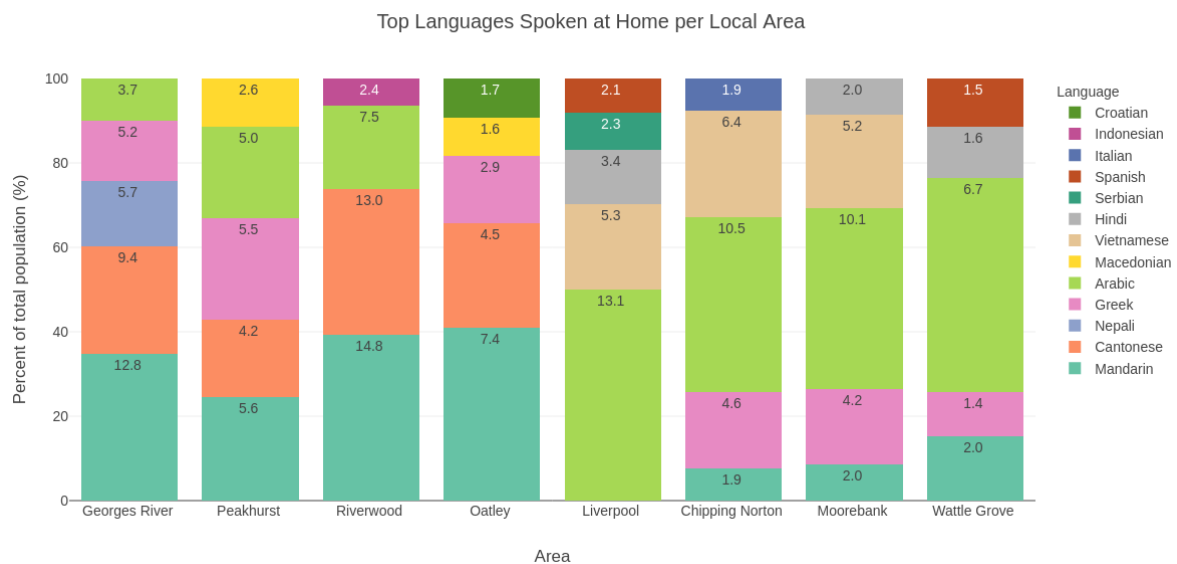
Country of Birth other than Australia

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Language spoken at home other than English

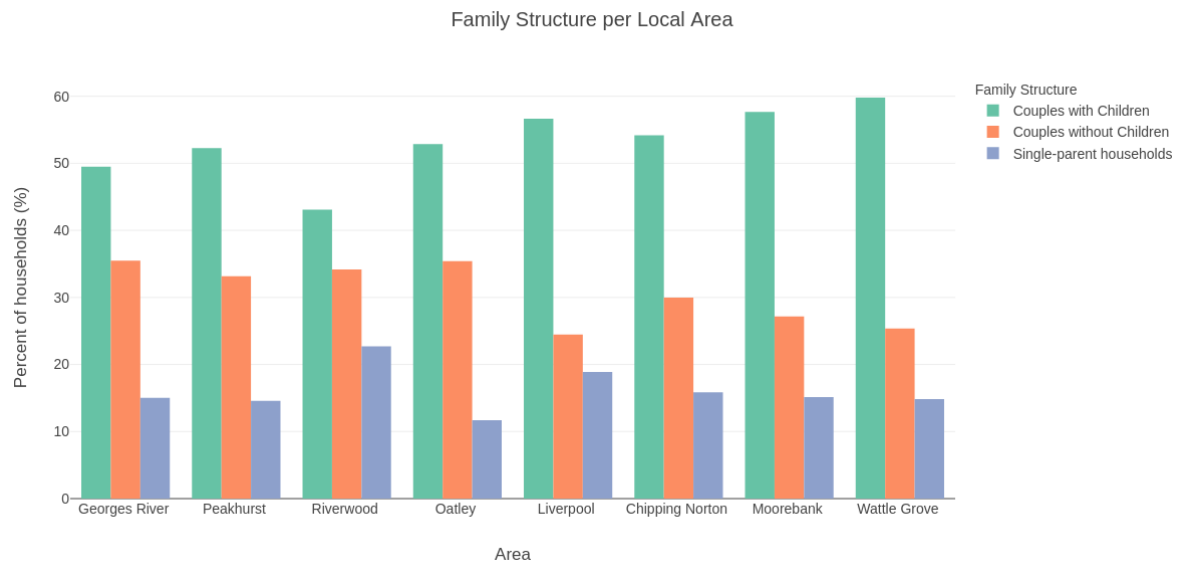
The figures recorded below represent percentages of the proportion of the total population in the area, with the top five responses displayed.



Across the regions, 40-57% of households speak a language other than English, reflecting a significant presence of Chinese, Greek, Indian, Arabic, and Vietnamese communities.

Family Structure

These regions are predominantly family-focused, with high rates of couples with children. The below table represent the percentage of families in family households in the area.



Geographical Overview

Georges River Region

Established in 2016 when the former Kogarah and Hurstville City Councils amalgamated. The merger aimed to create a more efficient and cohesive local government area to serve the diverse communities along the Georges River. The council covers an area of 38 square kilometres, spanning suburbs like Hurstville and Kogarah, it is a well-connected region with vibrant commercial hubs and major transport links.

Peakhurst

Located 21 kilometres southwest of the Sydney central business district (CBD) and lies within the Georges River Region, Peakhurst features a mix of flat and hilly terrain, with residential areas interspersed with parks and green spaces. It is known for its parks and family-friendly environment.

Liverpool Region

Established as an agricultural centre to support Sydney's growing population, it is a rapidly growing area in southwest Sydney, boasting a mix of residential, commercial, and industrial zones, with green spaces like the Georges River corridor. It is a significant local government area encompassing a diverse range of urban, suburban, and rural landscapes, making it a dynamic and rapidly growing region. Liverpool Hospital is one of the largest hospitals in NSW providing comprehensive healthcare services.

The Georges River forms the eastern boundary of the region, providing scenic riverfront areas and recreational opportunities.

Chipping Norton

Nestled along the Georges River, Chipping Norton is located approximately 27 kilometres southwest of the Sydney central district (DBS). This suburb has a mix of residential and industrial areas, with Chipping Norton Lake as a focal point for community events and recreation.

Cultural and Religious Context

Georges River Region

This area is home to several heritage-listed sites, including historic buildings, parks, and monuments that showcase its development over time.

Major Religions: Catholicism and Buddhism, with a significant rise in those identifying as having no religion. Ethnic Communities are predominantly Chinese and Greek.

Peakhurst

Today, Peakhurst is a diverse community, reflecting a blend of cultures and backgrounds. The Georges River Council promotes this diversity through various community programs and events.

Major Religions are Catholic (25.4%), No Religion (23.5%), Eastern Orthodox (11.8%), and Anglican (10.8%).

Liverpool Region

Liverpool contains numerous heritage sites, such as the Liverpool Courthouse, St Luke's Anglican Church, and Collingwood House. These landmarks highlight the city's historical significance and architectural heritage, with efforts made to preserve them for future generations.

Major Religions are Catholic (23.8%), No Religion (16.5%), Islam (15.8%), and Hinduism (7.4%). There is a strong Middle Eastern, South Asian, and Southeast Asian cultural presence.

Moorebank - Chipping Norton

Moorebank – Chipping Norton is renowned for its picturesque settings and family-friendly environment, nestled amidst beautiful parklands and waterways. It boasts a strong sense of community and a range of recreational facilities, including parks and lakes that host various local events.

Major Religions are Catholic (29.7%), No Religion (17%), Islam (10.4%), Eastern Orthodox (9.8%), and Anglican (8.7%). There is a strong Lebanese and Vietnamese cultural presence.

Riverwood

Riverwood is home to a strong and growing community. It offers easy access to public transport and open space.

Major religions are No Religion (30.9%), Catholic (19.1%), Islam (10.4%) and Buddhism (7.2%)

Oatley

Oatley is an up-market, beautiful, peaceful waterfront suburb surrounded on three sides by the Georges River. It is widely known as the Garden Suburb.

Major religions are No Religion (27.7%), Catholic (23.6%), Eastern Orthodox (10.8%) and Anglican (9.2%)

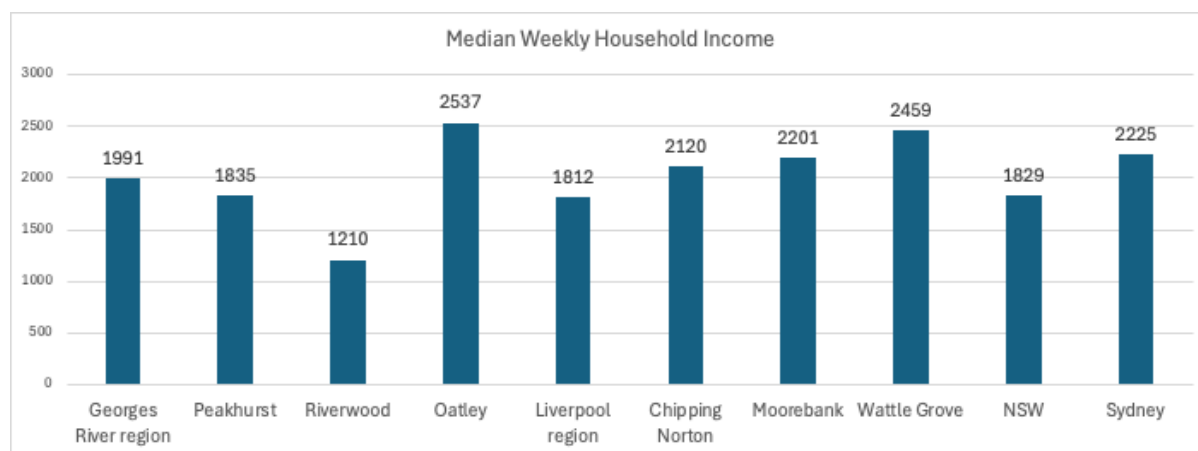
Wattle Grove

Wattle Grove is a relaxing and beautifully green place. It is supremely family friendly with quiet streets, and free standing homes away from busy roads and crowded places.

Major religions in Wattle Grove are Catholic (27%), No Religion (24.1%), Anglican (9.5%), Oriental Orthodox (6%), and Hinduism (5.1%)

Economic Overview

The below graph shows the median weekly income represented in dollars per household.



Georges River Region

A mix of high-density housing near commercial centres and family homes in suburban areas. Median household income is \$1,991, slightly above the NSW average (\$1,829) but below the Sydney median (\$2,225).

Peakhurst

Median Household Income is \$2,091 per week with large family homes, 44.2 being 4+ bedrooms. In 2021, the unemployment rate was 3.9

Liverpool Region

Median Household Income is \$1,812 per week. There is rapid urban development with a focus on affordable housing for young families and migrants.

Chipping Norton

Median Household Income is \$2,024 per week. It is made up of predominantly family homes with 56.4 being 4+ bedrooms. In 2021 the unemployment rate was 4.6.

Community Needs and Opportunities

1. Youth Engagement

- Significant youth populations in Liverpool and Chipping Norton.
- Programs like youth groups, mentorship, and recreational activities could have high impact.

2. Support for Non-English Speakers

- Multilingual services, cultural exchange programs, and English language classes can bridge gaps in these diverse communities.

3. Family and Parenting Support

- Parenting workshops, marriage enrichment, and childcare support align with the high percentage of family households.

4. Elderly Support

- Both Peakhurst and Chipping Norton have significant elderly populations requiring social programs, home visits, and practical assistance.

Cultural Celebrations

The hosting of cultural events celebrates the diverse cultural heritages of the area's diverse communities.

Government and nonprofit programs cater to community welfare, including housing and employment support. Religious institutions, advocacy, organisations, and cultural clubs are prominent and there are many opportunities for volunteerism through local events and markets.

Church Vision and Mission Alignment

Vision

Disciples wholeheartedly loving, living and revealing Jesus

Mission

Disciple-making communities growing along the Georges River and beyond revealing the love and life of Jesus for today impacting thousands of lives for eternity.



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