

Distribution Priority Area Workforce Shortage for Specialists

Stanthorpe is a rural community well known for its wine, orchards and farm land. It is classified as MMM5 and falls within the Southern Downs Regional Council. 47% of the population are employed. Average household income is \$970 which is \$154 below the national average.

Health Services

Stanthorpe falls within the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service and is part of the Darling Downs and West Moreton PHN. It has a 20 bed hospital and is 216km from major hospitals in Brisbane. Stanthorpe is well serviced with medical and allied health services. Stanthorpe has an ambulance service.

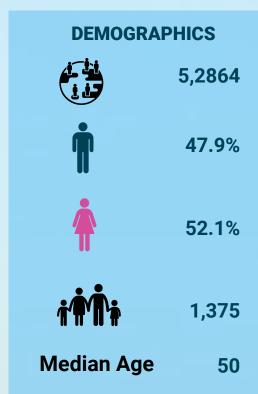


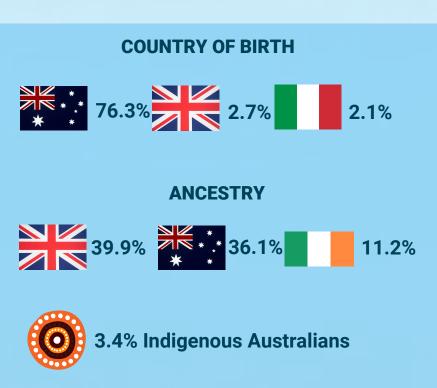
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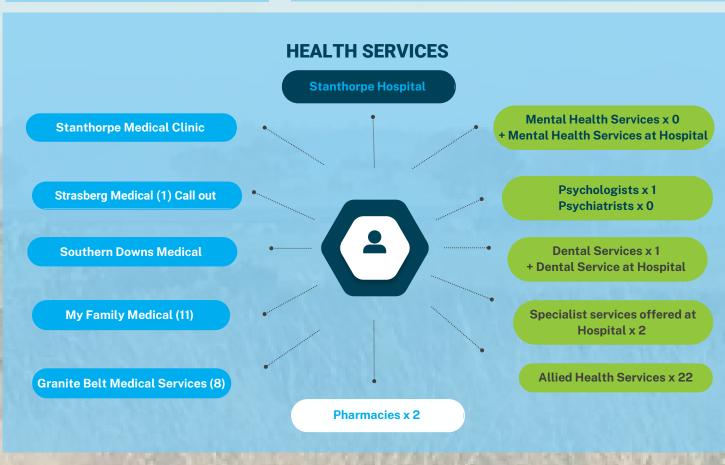
Accommodation options are varied in Stanthorpe and prices vary from \$100-\$400 per night. There is an aerodrome in Stanthorpe but there are no commercial flights into Stanthorpe. There are numerous food options in Stanthorpe.

Access to GP

Health practitioners in Stanthorpe have access to a number of GP services. They also have the option to travel to Warwick which is 60km away. The two respondents in our survey rate their own health as average. They receive their own healthcare from a local doctor from another practice and rate the care as five out of five. In addition to GP services, one had a procedure in the last twelve months. One felt that continuity of care was being offered and the other was unsure. One was interested in finding out more about the doctor exchange program.







Heart Disease 6.4% Asthma 9.1% Diabetes 7.2% Arthritis 14.8%