

OUR NEIGHBOURHOODS AT A GLANCE

THE CENTRAL CITY

Overview of The Central City

The central city, sometimes referred to as the CBD, or the Hoddle Grid, is the heart of Melbourne and the economic and cultural capital of Victoria. Laid out in 1837, it encompasses the area from the Yarra River Birrarung to Victoria Street, and Spencer Street to Spring Street.

The central city is the centre of the highest density of jobs and activity in Victoria, where over 900,000* people come to live, work and visit every day.

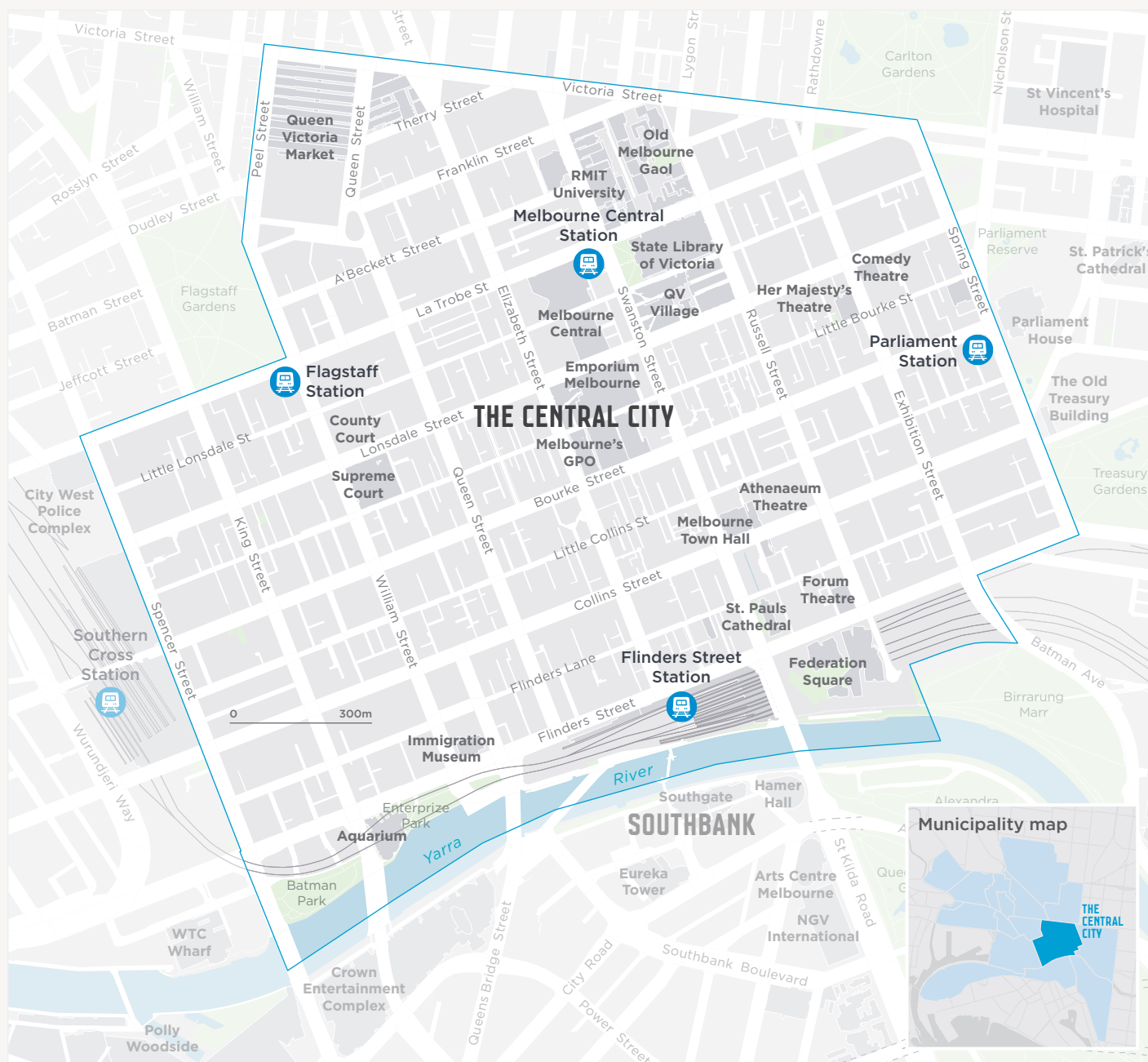
It is home to Melbourne's famed laneways, arcades and café culture, a distinct blend of contemporary and Victorian

architecture and a diversity of events, shopping, dining, and nightlife. It is a truly mixed use area with a number of different character areas within it, including the Little Bourke Street Chinatown precinct.

Many of Melbourne's most iconic landmarks are located here, including the State Library of Victoria and Federation Square, Melbourne's major public square and cultural events space, situated opposite Flinders Street Station, the centre of Melbourne's public transport network.

*Based on pre-covid data.

The Central City in the City of Melbourne



Features of The Central City

Population



Residential population

37,112



Number of businesses

9,444

Data was sourced from the 2016 Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Census of Population and Housing. To learn more about this data, including definitions, visit: abs.gov.au/census/guide-census-data

Residents



Age (median years)

26.3



Youth (12-25 years)

47%



Older (60+ years)

4%



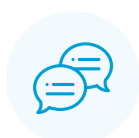
Born overseas

74%



Main overseas country
of birth: China

25%



Speaks a language
other than English
(LOTE) at home

67%



Main non-English
language spoken:
Mandarin

31%



Attending a tertiary
education institution

39%



Main occupation:
Professionals

37%



Main work travel
method: Walked only

37%

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Households



Occupied private dwellings

16,205



Average household size (persons)

2



Weekly household income (median)

\$979



Low income households (less than \$650 p.w.)

37%



High income households (more than \$2,500 p.w.)

13%



Family households

35%



Lone person households

37%



Renting

70%



Living in a flat or apartment

98%

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Top Three Employment Types



Business Services

53,510
22.2%



Finance and Insurance

38,046
15.8%



Public Administration and Safety

27,680
11.5%

Data was sourced from the 2019 City of Melbourne Census of Land Use and Employment (CLUE). To learn more about this data, including definitions, visit: melbourne.vic.gov.au/about-melbourne/research-and-statistics/city-economy/census-land-use-employment/Pages/clue.aspx

Jobs by Status



Full time

165,126
68.7%



Part time

30,571
12.7%



Casual

25,152
10.5%



Contract

19,604
8.1%

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Land Use (Percentage of total neighbourhood - list not exhaustive)



Office

24%



Residential
apartment

14%



Parking - Commercial
and Private

11.7%



Public
Open Space

0.5%



Sports and
Recreation - Outdoor

0%



Indoor
Entertainment

3.3%



Retail

3.5%



Commercial
Accommodation

4.5%



Educational /
Research

3.2%



Storage /
Wholesale

0.7%



Performances, Conferences,
Ceremonies

1.2%

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Development Activity (major new commercial and residential property development)

Under construction



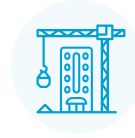
Developments

24



Residential dwellings

7,090



Student accommodation

2,544



Hotel/serviced apartments

2,729

Approved



Developments

107



Residential dwellings

11,380



Student accommodation

4,569



Hotel/serviced apartments

6,999

Under construction (Area sqm)



Office space

107,423



Retail space

20,254



Office space

383,674



Retail space

70,228

Approved (Area sqm)



Office space

383,674



Retail space

70,228

Data was sourced from the November 2020 City of Melbourne's Development Activity Monitor (DAM).
To learn more about this data, including definitions, visit: developmentactivity.melbourne.vic.gov.au/

Services in The Central City

Community Facilities and Local Amenities (list not exhaustive)

Childcare services

Genius Childcare
Goodstart Childcare
Guardian Early Learning Centre Collins St
Kids On Collins
Little Stars At Bourke Children Centre
Melbourne City Childcare and Kindergarten
Melbourne City Child Care Centre
Only About Children
QV Children's Centre

Libraries and Community Spaces

Caroline Chisholm Library Incorporated
City Library
Swanston Library
The Melbourne Athenaeum Library
Melbourne Visitor Centre
Melbourne Visitor Hub
Multicultural Hub
Melbourne Town Hall
Drill Hall

Recreation Parks and Open Spaces

Batman Park
Common Reserve
Customs Square
Enterprize Park
La Trobe and Exhibition Street Reserve
Merritts Place Reserve

Museums and Cultural spaces

Sea Life Aquarium
ANZ Banking Museum
Chapter House Lane
Chinese Museum
First Site Gallery
Hellenic Museum
Ian Potter Centre NGV Australia
Immigration Museum
Magnet Galleries Melbourne Inc
Mailbox Art Space
NGV Studio
Old Melbourne Gaol Crime & Justice Experience
RMIT Gallery
Top Arts
West Space Inc
Working Heritage
Australian Centre For The Moving Image (ACMI)
Princess Theatre
Athenaeum Theatre
Comedy Theatre
The Edge
Forum Theatre
Her Majesty's Theatre
Open House Melbourne Inc
Regent Theatre
Victorian Opera
Zinc at Federation Square

Primary Healthcare Facilities

Aim Health Medical Centre
CBD Doctors Melbourne
Chase Medical Centre
City Medical
CoHealth community health service
Collins GP
Collins Place Medical Clinic
Collins Street Medical Centre
Emporium Melbourne Medical Centre
Galleria Medical Centre
Little Bourke St Medical Clinic
Medical One Pty Ltd
Melbourne City Medical Centre
Mid-Town Medical Clinic
My Clinic Bourke St Mall
MyClinic Melbourne
Paramount Medical Clinic
SMG Health
Sonic Health
Swanston Street Medical Centre
The Melbourne Sports Medicine Centre
The Town Medical Centre
William Street Clinic

Educational Institutions

Australian Catholic University
La Trobe University
RMIT University
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
The Australian National University
Vic Institute of Business
Victoria University
City Cite
Eltham College of Education City Campus
Centre for Adult Education
Chisholm Institute
Melbourne Institute of Technology
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
Southern Cross University
Victoria University
Victoria University of Technology
William Angliss Tourism & Hospitality Training Centre

Police Services

Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission
Australian Federal Police
Victoria Police - Bourke Street
Victoria Police - Kiosk Flinders Street
Victoria Police - Spencer Street

Sporting and Physical Recreation Venues

Melbourne City Baths

Transport links

Flagstaff train station
Melbourne central train station
Parliament station
Flinders Street Station
Bus routes 200, 207, 216, 220, 232, 234, 235, 236, 237, 250, 251, 302, 303, 304, 305, 309, 318, 350, 546, 603, 604, 605, 684, 905, 906, 941, 944, 945, 951, 952, 955, 961, 966, 969
Skybus - airport link
Tram routes 1, 3, 5, 6, 11, 12, 16, 19, 30, 35, 48, 57, 58, 59, 64, 67, 70, 72, 75, 86, 96, 109 and City circle

Council investments in The Central City

Recently completed

- Enterprize Park
- Hardware Lane streetscape improvements
- Melbourne Town Hall ground floor refurbishment works, including a new Customer Service Centre
- Smoke Free Areas

Coming soon

- Riverslide Skate Park
- Queen Victoria Market Renewal
- City Baths refurbishment works
- A new park off Market Street
- Elizabeth Street - design and construction of streetscape improvements
- Improved pedestrian priority in Little Streets
- New protected bike lanes along Exhibition Street
- Cycle infrastructure - new bike lanes

Further information

Melbourne Design Guide: s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/hdp.au.prod.app.com-participate.files/9015/4882/4707/Central_Melbourne_Design_Guide_November_2018.pdf

Elizabeth Street Strategic Opportunities Plan: s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/hdp.au.prod.app.com-participate.files/9215/8225/6801/Elizabeth_St_Opps_Plan_summary_FINAL_21022020.pdf

Queen Victoria market Precinct Renewal melbourne.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/urban-planning/local-area-planning/queen-victoria-market-precinct-renewal-plan/pages/queen-victoria-market-precinct-renewal-plan.aspx

Market Street Park: melbourne.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/shaping-the-city/city-projects/Pages/new-park-market-street.aspx

Metro Tunnel Project: metrotunnel.vic.gov.au/construction/cbd

Please note this profile contains information that was collected prior to the COVID-19 event and may not represent the current situation. The information does, however, provide a baseline which shows where the population was at the time it was collected. Refer to each category to see the source of the data and when the information presented was collected.