

# OUR NEIGHBOURHOODS AT A GLANCE

# CARLTON

## Overview of Carlton

Carlton is a diverse suburb, well-known for the Italian cafes and restaurants of Lygon Street, its Victorian heritage streets and buildings, and its leafy parks and gardens.

Carlton is home to the second largest population of our municipality, with a significant proportion of residents born overseas, mostly in India, east and south-east Asia. Many of Carlton's residents are local and international students, who attend the nearby University of Melbourne and RMIT University.

Carlton takes on a distinct character to the west of Swanston Street in the 'City North' precinct, where warehouses mix with larger university and office buildings.

As well as entertainment, cultural and leisure activities, Carlton has educational, business, retail and residential facilities. Carlton Gardens contain the contemporary Melbourne Museum and the domed 19th century Royal Exhibition Building that has World Heritage status.

## Carlton in the City of Melbourne



## Features of Carlton

### Population



Residential population

**18,702**



Number of businesses

**1,107**

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### Residents



Age (median years)

**26**



Youth (12-25 years)

**51%**



Older (60+ years)

**7%**



Born overseas

**63%**



Main overseas country  
of birth: China

**23%**



Speaks a language  
other than English  
(LOTE) at home

**57%**



Main non-English  
language spoken:  
Mandarin

**26%**



Attending a tertiary  
education institution

**45%**



Main occupation:  
Professionals

**46%**



Main work travel  
method: Walked only

**28%**

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## Households



Occupied private dwellings

**8,138**



Average household size (persons)

**2**



Weekly household income (median)

**\$790**



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

**48%**



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

**13%**



Family households

**30%**



Lone person households

**30%**



Renting

**78%**



Living in a flat or apartment

**83%**

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## Top Three Employment Types



Education and Training

**4,113**  
**24%**



Health Care and Social Assistance

**3,079**  
**18%**



Food and Beverage Services

**1,875**  
**11%**

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](https://melbourne.vic.gov.au/about-melbourne/research-and-statistics/city-economy/census-land-use-employment/Pages/clue.aspx)

## Jobs by Status



Full time

**10,369**  
**60.6%**



Part time

**4,305**  
**25.2%**



Casual

**1,896**  
**11.1%**



Contract

**533**  
**3.1%**

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## Land Use (Percentage of total neighbourhood – list not exhaustive)



Office

**6.6%**



Residential  
apartment

**16.1%**



Parking - Commercial  
and Private

**8.7%**



Public  
Open Space

**7.7%**



Sports and  
Recreation - Outdoor

**0%**



Indoor  
Entertainment

**2.1%**



Retail

**1.4%**



Commercial  
Accommodation

**1.4%**



Educational /  
Research

**8%**



Storage /  
Wholesale

**0.3%**



Performances, Conferences,  
Ceremonies

**0.7%**

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## Development Activity (major new commercial and residential property development)

### Under construction



Developments

5



Residential dwellings

242



Student accommodation

1,801



Hotel/serviced apartments

0

### Approved



Developments

28



Residential dwellings

735



Student accommodation

2,072



Hotel/serviced apartments

286

### Under construction (Area sqm)



Office space

62



Retail space

1,181

### Approved (Area sqm)



Office space

27,471



Retail space

2,070

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/](https://developmentactivity.melbourne.vic.gov.au/)

# Services in Carlton

## Community Facilities and Local Amenities (list not exhaustive)

### Childcare services

Family Services @ Carlton Baths  
Central Carlton Children's Centre  
Central Family Day Care  
Co As It Tomaso Fiaschi Child Care Centre  
Lemon Tree Children's Centre  
Melbourne University Family Club Co-Operative  
Queensberry Children's Centre  
RMIT City Campus Children Centre  
University Of Melbourne Child Care

### Libraries and Community Spaces

Kathleen Syme Library and Community Centre  
Multicultural Hub  
The Drum Youth Services

### Recreation Parks and Open Spaces

Argyle Square  
Canning & Palmerston Streets Reserve  
Canning Street Reserve  
Carlton Gardens North  
Carlton Gardens South  
Keppel Street Park  
Lincoln Square  
MacArthur Square  
Murchison Square  
Station Street Open Space  
Palmerston Reserve  
Reese Street Park  
Palmerston Street Reserve  
University Square

### Museums and Cultural spaces

Melbourne Museum  
Royal Exhibition Building  
La Mama

### Primary Healthcare Facilities

AV & FL Gallichio Medical Practice  
Carlton Family Medical  
Dr CK Cheung  
Lygon Court Medical Clinic  
My Health Medical Centre Carlton

### Educational Institutions

Melbourne Business School  
Melbourne Dental Clinic and School  
Royal Melbourne Institute Of Technology  
The University of Melbourne  
Carlton Gardens Primary School  
Trinity College

### Sporting and Physical Recreation Venues

Carlton Baths

### Transport links

Tram routes along Lygon, Swanston and Nicholson St  
Multiple bus routes

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# Council investments in Carlton

## Recently completed

- Carlton Central Learning Precinct - a new early learning and family services centre

## Coming soon

- Lincoln Square redevelopment - park expansion and a new play space
- University Square master plan - early concept work for northern end, associated with Metro Tunnel project
- Cycle infrastructure - new bike lanes

## Further information

Lincoln Square Concept Plan: [melbourne.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/urban-planning/local-area-planning/Pages/lincoln-square.aspx](https://melbourne.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/urban-planning/local-area-planning/Pages/lincoln-square.aspx)

City North Structure Plan: [melbourne.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/urban-planning/local-area-planning/Pages/city-north-structure-plan.aspx](https://melbourne.vic.gov.au/building-and-development/urban-planning/local-area-planning/Pages/city-north-structure-plan.aspx)

University Square Master Plan: [participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au/universitysquare](https://participate.melbourne.vic.gov.au/universitysquare)

*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.*

