Waverley’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Profile

In 2016, 274 Waverley residents (0.4%) identified as being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

- 10% of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population were attending primary school.
- Over 20% are degree qualified.
- 63% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander households were renting.
- 15% owned outright and 20% had a mortgage.
- 12% in separate houses.
- 39% in medium density.
- 47% in high density.
- 43% couples with no children.
- 42% couple family with children.
- 24% one parent families.

Other families in Waverley:
- 10% of these were renting public housing and the rest were renting privately.
- 10% of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population were attending primary school.
- 6% at secondary school.
- 15% at university or TAFE.

Families with at least one member being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander:
- 33% couples with no children.
- 42% couple family with children.
- 24% one parent families.

Waverley values and supports the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community through the following:

- Support of the Eastern Region Local Government Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Forum.
- Respecting and protecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and heritage.
- Celebrating culture and history through regular events, activities and education.
- Providing employment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and opportunities for Aboriginal businesses.

Incomes in Waverley are higher compared to Sydney overall. This is also the case for Waverley’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander households.

The median income was $2,312 per week.

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Professionals followed by Managers and Community and Personal Service Workers.

The most common occupation group for employed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people was Professionals, followed by Managers and Community and Personal Service Workers.

At 64%, Year 12 completion for Waverley's Aboriginal community is higher than NSW overall.

The median age is 29 compared to 35 for the total populations.

Local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents have a younger age profile than the general population in Waverley.

Only 4.4% were over 65 compared to 12.7% of Waverley's overall population.

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Waverley Council acknowledges the Bidjigal and Gadigal people, who traditionally occupied the Sydney Coast and we acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and future.