

# Live your lifestyle

Coffs Harbour is a vibrant regional business hub offering great lifestyles, a beautiful climate and the perfect work/life balance...

## BUSINESS IN COFFS

A great climate and lifestyle and our proximity to Sydney have already seen some of the best in the business move here, so don't assume that your required levels of expertise and services will suffer in a transition to a regional city. Make the move and we're sure you will be pleasantly surprised. The workforce is a relaxed, friendly and talented bunch that manages to put time aside for a surf, cycle or jog in the morning and still make it to work on time.

## More reasons to choose Coffs as your workplace:

- Short commute and no traffic jams.
- Regional hub for business and government.
- Capital cities? All just a short flight away.
- Growing economy and rising working population.
- Excellent business networks with active members.

## WELL-PLANNED FUTURE

Coffs Harbour works hard to pursue and facilitate major infrastructure projects that attract and stimulate investment. In early 2009, the NSW Government officially recognised Coffs Harbour as a 'Centre of Strategic Growth'. Our city is only the second major centre in NSW, outside the

greater metropolitan area, to be the subject of this strategic planning approach – an indication of Coffs Harbour's economic and social importance to NSW. Together with Coffs Harbour City Council, the State Government is building upon the already thriving business hub by revitalising the city's CBD and boosting job-creating investments.

## SMART, HEALTHY & SUSTAINABLE

When you move to Coffs, you can rest assured that the city is prepared for a population boost, with a local Council that is very forward thinking when it comes to strategic planning and environmental management. Through award-winning initiatives that ensure a long-lasting healthy environment for its residents and future generations, Coffs Harbour shows the world that it takes sustainability very seriously.

## Water Supply:

Excellent rainfalls and a state-of-the-art Regional Water Supply Scheme combine to meet our water demands well into the future, while a new water filtration plant guarantees the quality of our drinking water. Reclaimed water is increasingly used to irrigate sporting fields, farms, plantations and nurseries.

## Waste & Recycling:

Since the introduction of a regional three-bin waste collection system in 2006, up to 80% of household waste is now being recovered. The high-tech waste management and recycling system is an Australian first and recovers more than 230 tonnes of recyclable materials each week, while turning organic and mixed waste into resources such as fuel and compost. Our green credentials are boosted further by an innovative new scheme to harvest environmentally harmful gases from the existing landfill site to use as an alternative energy source.

## LOOKING FOR WORK?

Before moving here, register your skills online to see if they're in demand. 'Coffs Coast Jobs' is a free regional skills matching website that puts prospective employees in touch with local employers who are searching

for particular skills and experience. Log on, and if there's a match, you'll be put in touch with that business to discuss job opportunities. Visit [www.coffscostjobs.com.au](http://www.coffscostjobs.com.au)

## FAST FACTS

- **COFFS HARBOUR POPULATION:** 70,000
- **COFFS COAST POPULATION:** (COFFS HARBOUR, BELLINGEN, NAMBUCCA): 100,000
- **BY ROAD:** SYDNEY 527KM, BRISBANE 433KM
- **DIRECT FLIGHTS PER WEEK:** SYDNEY 42, BRISBANE 16, MELBOURNE 1
- **AVERAGE TEMPERATURES:**  
 SPRING - MIN 11 / MAX 25  
 SUMMER - MIN 19 / MAX 27  
 AUTUMN - MIN 12 / MAX 26  
 WINTER - MIN 7 / MAX 19



crisp, *clean* air  
 warm *sunny* days  
*al fresco* anything  
*sparkling* oceans  
*welcoming* community  
*space* to breathe  
*live* coffs harbour



The Coffs Coast is one of the fastest growing and most dynamic areas within NSW, with the City of Coffs Harbour as its vibrant regional business hub.

## WE'VE GOT THE WELCOME COVERED

Once you've arrived, don't forget to register for the next 'Welcome Night' for all our new residents. It's a great way to meet others and make new friends. (02) 6648 4086.



## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

[www.livecoffsharbour.com.au](http://www.livecoffsharbour.com.au)  
 or contact Coffs Harbour City Councils  
 Economic Development Unit at:  
[www.movecoffsharbour.com.au](http://www.movecoffsharbour.com.au)

**Economic Development Unit.....(02) 6648 4086**  
**Coffs Harbour City Council..... (02) 6648 4000**  
**Local employment..... www.coffscostjobs.com.au**  
**Tourism & Events..... www.coffscost.com.au**

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# Make the change...

Coffs Harbour offers a great mix of country and city, relaxation and excitement, spectacular nature and great shopping and restaurants.

## YOUR LIFE. YOUR LIFESTYLE.

What makes people pack up their busy lives and move to Coffs? "Lifestyle" is the overwhelming response of our new residents. Living here means being able to enjoy a relaxed lifestyle that city dwellers can only dream of, without having to compromise on big city conveniences. Capital cities are still just a short flight away and you'll enjoy the best of both worlds, but in a cleaner and less stressful environment.

## A GREAT NIGHT OUT

Like to be entertained? We have plenty of places where you can enjoy a top night out. See the latest blockbusters in our modern cinema complex or catch an art house film in a retro environment at Sawtell's historic First Avenue Cinema. When it comes to dining, you'll find that our incredible range of restaurants really put Australia's multicultural tastes on show. Coffs also has a great variety of clubs and hotels featuring bars, beer gardens and dance floors, with cutting edge DJs, local performers and touring musicians drawing in the crowds.

## COFFS' PERFECT MIX

- Excellent choice of educational opportunities and health services
- Clean, fresh water and air
- 'City' and 'country' benefits all rolled into one
- Friendly residents who make time for socialising
- Spectacular natural wonders
- Subtropical climate, mild summers and winters
- Unlimited sport and leisure opportunities
- Short drives, free parking and no traffic jams
- Unspoilt beaches, mountains, rivers and national parks
- Award-winning cafés and restaurants
- Easy access to capital cities
- Modern Council with smart environmental strategies
- Affordable lifestyle in a multicultural setting

## RECREATION PARADISE

With near perfect weather across all seasons, Coffs is a dream come true for everyone who loves sport and the outdoors. If you're into scuba diving or skydiving, mountain biking or bushwalking, surfing or white water rafting – or you're thrilled at being close to Australia's 'most beautiful golf course' – just think of yourself as a kid in a candy store in Coffs. You'll find a massive range of sports and leisure activities here plus hundreds of sporting clubs and associations you can join. Our top-class BCU International Stadium is where a lot of the prime action takes place throughout the year, including key events such as pre-season NRL games and various state and national championships. And thousands of our residents simply enjoy a regular round of golf, a daily surf, a swim around the jetty, or a hike up onto Muttonbird Island or any of our headlands – exercise and fun at the same time!

## AFFORDABLE HOMES

We know you're thinking about it – that's why you're reading this brochure. You need a change... Whether you're looking for a 'sea change' or a 'tree change', Coffs is sure to have a change you'll love and a beautiful home you'll be able to afford. From beachside houses and city apartments to suburban blocks and secluded hinterland properties, the choice is yours. As in any city, different suburbs and towns provide different

lifestyle options. The best thing is, no matter where you choose to live, you'll always be only a short drive away from a beautiful beach, the city centre and the airport (for when the relatives call in for a visit). In recent years there have been significant land releases in the northern beaches areas. These blocks are just minutes from the beach and/or rural bushlands and only a 10–20 minute trip by car from the Coffs CBD. Why not jump online now to take a peek at what's available? And if you're not quite ready to buy, you'll also find plenty of rental homes to suit all budgets.

## FESTIVALS GALORE

Coffs loves to party and the crowds turn up in droves for art openings, touring shows, local festivals, visiting musicians, film nights and other special events. The region's exciting calendar of events includes major annual festivals such as:

- Coffs Harbour International Buskers & Comedy Festival
- World music festival 'Global Carnival'
- Bellingen Jazz & Blues Festival
- Woolgoolga's Curryfest
- Jazz in the Botanic Garden
- Camp Creative in Bellingen
- Sawtell's Chillli Festival
- Dorriggo Folk & Bluegrass Festival
- Coffs Harbour Gold Cup Carnival
- Various Food & Wine festivals

Check out the events calendar for dates plus loads more on [www.coffsc Coast.com.au](http://www.coffsc Coast.com.au)

## CITY OF ARTS

When you move to Coffs, there's no need to feel culturally isolated. With a large number of resident musicians, writers, painters, actors, dancers, sculptors and photographers, Coffs has a thriving arts scene, including plenty of



“Coming to Coffs Harbour from Ireland in December 2007 to finish my specialist training in radiation oncology, I have found it a privilege to work in such a technologically advanced area. My family and I enjoy the beaches and shopping and we've been really impressed with the way the community has taken us to heart.”

Dr Noel Aherne

beautiful galleries with ever-changing exhibitions. The Jetty Memorial Theatre presents a wide variety of local performances and national touring productions. You'll also be able to join numerous music, dance, theatre and visual arts groups and attend classes and workshops.

## RETAIL THERAPY

If you like to shop, you're in luck, as we have some excellent shopping experiences to offer. While the City Centre and surrounding villages like Sawtell and Woolgoolga offer charming boutique-style shopping,

several major shopping plazas cater very well to those seeking national franchises and all the big names. On the smaller side of retail, we are truly spoilt with a wonderful assortment of regular markets that are overflowing with local arts and crafts, fresh local produce and terrific live music.

## REGIONAL HEALTH HUB

Coffs Harbour's excellent medical facilities form the basis for our strongly developing health industry. At the heart of our health services is the Coffs Harbour Health

Campus, which incorporates our 208-bed public hospital and various allied health services. These include accident and emergency and critical care, general surgery, obstetrics and gynaecology, paediatrics, medical imaging, mental health centre, rehabilitation and a wide range of clinical support services. More facilities have recently been added, such as a new coronary angiography unit, renal dialysis centre and integrated cancer care units (including oncology services, breast screening and radiotherapy

service providers and practitioners of complementary and alternative medicines. Increasing numbers of doctors, nurses and specialists are moving to our city in search of a better work/life balance and a special website has been set up to encourage even more of them to make the move:

[www.coffsc Coasthealth.net.au](http://www.coffsc Coasthealth.net.au)

## WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION

A move to Coffs Harbour spells out 'choice' when it comes to educational options – from pre-school to high school, TAFE and University as well as adult and community education courses.



The Coffs Harbour Education Campus (CHEC) offers world-class facilities and includes Southern Cross University (SCU), North Coast TAFE, Coffs Harbour Senior College and the CHEC English Language Centre. The Rural Clinical School (University of New South Wales) provides medical students from the city with diversified educational experiences in a regional setting. Also located in Coffs and part of SCU, is the National Marine Science Centre – offering perfect research environments, so close to the magnificent Solitary Islands Marine Park. We have an excellent range of public and private schools including Montessori and Steiner, and to top it off, our very own Regional Conservatorium of Music.

Request more information at: [www.movecoffsharbour.com.au](http://www.movecoffsharbour.com.au)