

## East Arnhem

This region comprises of the Local Government Areas of Nhulunbuy, Groote Eylandt, Milingimbi respectively.

Total Workforce

**3,820**

(August 2025)

**Vocational Education and Training (VET)**

(January - December 2024)

**1,620**

VET Enrolments

1% increase since 2023

**400**

VET Completions

19% increase since 2023

**Top 3 Qualifications by Enrolments**

Certificate II in Horticulture

Certificate II in Community Services

Certificate II in Conservation and Ecosystem Management

**Top 3 Occupation Pathways by Enrolments**

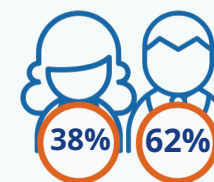
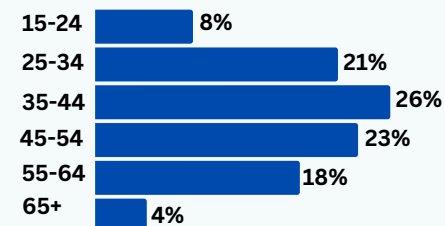
Welfare Support Workers

Sales Assistant (General)

Other Forestry and Garden Workers

## Workforce

Age (years)



Employment by Gender (June 2021)

Age Breakdown (June 2021)

**277**

Total Registered Businesses

(2024)

**9%**

Unemployment Rate

(June 2025)

**Top 5 Industries by Workforce Count (2023/24)**

**Mining**



**30%**



**Health Care and Social Assistance**

**16%**

**Public Administration and Safety**

**Retail Trade**

**Education and Training**



**13%**



**10%**



**5%**

## Resident Population (2021)

by age, gender and Indigenous status

**14,507**

Total Resident Population

Age (years)

Age (years)	Male	Female
0-24	51%	49%
25-44	48%	52%
45-64	49%	51%
65+	52%	48%



**70%**

Indigenous Population

East Arnhem's Population is expected to be 14,672 in 2031.

**Examples of Occupations in Demand for Top 5 Industries (2025)**



Baker



Bulldozer Operator



Child Care Centre Manager



Child Care Worker



Civil Engineering Draftsperson



Electrician (General)



General Clerk



Receptionist (General)



Secondary School Teacher



# Workforce Challenges



High Employee turnover



Inadequate skilled workforce



Accommodation challenges make it difficult for relocating potential workers



FIFO workers for certain occupations are expensive for the company



# Workforce Solutions



Providing in-house training and upskilling workforce



Promoting good workplace culture which identifies and promotes workers



Providing accommodation options for workers



Using employee attraction and retention strategies



Incentivising high performance workers at the workplace

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## WHAT DOES ISACNT DO

- Workforce development
- Support training package development
- Promote vocational education and training
- Provide advice and intelligence



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