

# MAJOR EMPLOYERS

## BARWON REGION 2024



A selection of some of the largest employers in the region based on survey responses.

Employees (FTE)

| MANUFACTURING  |      |
|--|------|
| <i>Transport, Machinery, Equipment, Metals and Engineering</i> |      |
| Ford Motor Company of Australia (design and testing)           | 695* |
| Carbon Revolution  | 570  |
| Southern Star Windows & Doors                                  | 330* |
| Thornton Engineering   | 230  |
| Air Radiators  | 115  |
| Hanwha Defence Australia                                       | 100  |
| Infrastructure Products Australia                              | 86   |
| Protex Water   | 65   |
| Viridian Glass   | 51   |
| Care Essentials  | 23   |
| <i>Chemicals, Minerals and Wood Products</i>                   |      |
| Viva Energy Australia (all refinery activities)                | 728* |
| Timbertruss Geelong  | 356* |
| AKD  | 320  |
| Boral  | 90   |
| Chemring Australia   | 73   |
| Local Mix Concrete   | 60   |
| CMPT   | 42   |
| SNF Australia  | 33   |
| <i>Food and Beverage</i>                                       |      |
| Bulla Dairy Foods  | 589  |
| MC Group   | 396  |
| Routley's Bakery   | 175  |
| Idyll Wine Co.   | 142  |
| Farm Foods Australia   | 130  |
| Meredith Dairy   | 130* |
| Cobram Estate Olives   | 72   |
| Irrewarra Sourdough  | 30   |
| <i>Textiles, Printing and Software</i>                         |      |
| Boardriders (Quiksilver International)                         | 158* |
| Godfrey Hirst Australia  | 361  |
| Rip Curl   | 218  |
| Basford Brands   | 66   |
| ANDRITZ Fabrics and Rolls                                      | 64   |

### AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHING

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Turosi Food Solutions Group | 521 |
| Boomaroo Nurseries          | 74  |
| Midway                      | 70  |

Employees (FTE)

| ELECTRICITY, GAS, WATER AND WASTE SERVICES |     |
|--|-----|
| Barwon Water                               | 365 |
| Powercor                                   | 236 |
| Cleanaway                                  | 182 |
| EnergyAustralia (customer contact centre)  | 178 |

### CONSTRUCTION

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Hamilton Group of Companies | 210 |
| Gordon McKay                | 146 |
| Wellam Constructions        | 106 |
| Drapers Civil Contracting   | 70  |
| QA Electrical               | 58  |
| Kennedys Group              | 43  |

### TRANSPORT, POSTAL AND WAREHOUSING

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| Australia Post                          | 329 |
| Geelong Taxi Network                    | 311 |
| McHarry's Buslines                      | 197 |
| McCull's Transport                      | 154 |
| Avalon Airport (all airport activities) | 125 |
| CDC Victoria                            | 115 |
| Wettenhalls                             | 92  |
| Searoad Ferries                         | 90  |
| Riordan Grains                          | 71  |
| AWH                                     | 70  |
| GeelongPort                             | 64  |

### RETAIL AND WHOLESALE TRADE

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Woolworths Supermarkets and Big W                                | 2,440^ |
| Coles Supermarkets   | 1,700^ |
| Cotton On (office, retail and warehouse)                         | 1,424  |
| Bunnings Warehouse   | 380    |
| Rex Gorell Group   | 322    |
| Kmart  | 233    |
| APCO   | 200    |
| The Petspiration Group (distribution centre and Petstock stores) | 138    |
| Fagg's Mitre 10/Belmont Timber                                   | 129    |
| Calco Trusses and Timber   | 115    |
| Target   | 83     |
| Barwon Timber and Bar-truss                                      | 79     |
| Smiths of Geelong  | 60     |
| Harvey Norman - Waurm Ponds                                      | 42     |

\* Recorded in 2022. ^ Estimated. Businesses are removed from the list after two consecutive surveys with no response.

FTE is full-time equivalent employee numbers in the region (includes operations in the City of Greater Geelong, Surf Coast Shire, Borough of Queenscliffe, Golden Plains Shire and Colac Otway Shire).

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| PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND SAFETY                    |       |
|---|-------|
| City of Greater Geelong                             | 1,787 |
| Transport Accident Commission (TAC)                 | 918   |
| Barwon Prison Precinct                              | 893   |
| Australian Bureau of Statistics                     | 459   |
| Surf Coast Shire                                    | 353   |
| Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV)                          | 250   |
| Colac Otway Shire                                   | 248   |
| Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning | 214   |
| Department of Families, Fairness and Housing        | 203   |
| Golden Plains Shire                                 | 197   |
| Centrelink  | 145   |
| Australian Taxation Office                          | 111   |
| Victorian Fisheries Authority                       | 54    |
| Western Victoria Primary Health Network             | 46    |
| Geelong Magistrates' Court                          | 43    |
| Borough of Queenscliffe                             | 43    |
| Corrangamite Catchment Management Authority         | 38    |
| Country Fire Authority                              | 36    |

| EDUCATION AND TRAINING                    |       |
|---|-------|
| Department of Education and Training      | 3,981 |
| Catholic Education System - Barwon Region | 2,215 |
| Deakin University                         | 1,900 |
| The Gordon                                | 528   |
| Christian College Geelong                 | 320   |
| The Geelong College                       | 315   |
| Geelong Grammar School                    | 279   |
| Kardinia International College            | 220*  |
| Covenant College                          | 126   |
| Geelong Lutheran College                  | 99    |

| HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Barwon Health                     | 6,370 |
| genU                              | 1,706 |
| Gateways Support Services         | 704   |
| St John of God Health Care        | 602   |
| Epworth Hospital                  | 577   |
| Meli                              | 552   |
| Colac Area Health                 | 311   |
| Goodstart Early Learning          | 255   |
| Cultura                           | 247   |
| Estia Health                      | 167   |
| OC Health                         | 160   |
| Lake Imaging                      | 150   |
| Hesse Rural Health Service        | 109   |
| Bellarine Community Health        | 106   |
| MacKillop Family Services         | 87    |
| Mercy Health                      | 78    |
| Bupa                              | 75    |
| My Choice Group                   | 30    |

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| INFORMATION MEDIA AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS |     |
|--|-----|
| Geelong Regional Library                 | 122 |
| Times News Group                         | 21  |

| FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE SERVICES                                  |       |
|---|-------|
| National Disability Insurance Agency                              | 1,620 |
| WorkSafe  | 1,341 |
| GMHBA Limited (head office, Geelong stores and health businesses) | 349   |
| Bendigo and Adelaide Bank   | 210   |

| RENTAL, HIRING AND REAL ESTATE SERVICES |    |
|---|----|
| Opteon                                  | 61 |

| PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SERVICES    |     |
|--|-----|
| CSIRO - Australian Centre for Disease Preparedness | 355 |
| Findex   | 190 |
| Worley   | 100 |
| Harwood Andrews                                    | 71  |
| West Carr & Harvey                                 | 56* |
| LBW  | 56* |
| SMEC Australia                                     | 50* |
| Coulter Legal                                      | 47  |
| Davidsons  | 39* |
| Forms Express                                      | 28  |
| KPMG   | 28  |

| ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES |     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| gforce employment + recruitment     | 403 |
| Programmed Skilled Workforce        | 254 |
| Logical Property Services           | 74  |

| ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES           |    |
|---|----|
| Novotel                                   | 55 |
| Holiday Inn and Suites                    | 48 |
| 360Q / Wharf Street Pantry / Shelter Shed | 45 |
| The Grovedale Hotel                       | 44 |
| Mantra Lorne                              | 38 |
| Rydges                                    | 33 |
| Adventure Park                            | 25 |
| Quest Geelong Central                     | 16 |

| ARTS AND RECREATION SERVICES |     |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Geelong United Basketball    | 170 |
| Geelong Football Club        | 140 |
| Geelong Arts Centre          | 83  |

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