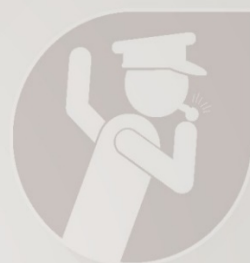




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2020



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Garden Route District: At a Glance

Demographics

Population Estimates, 2020; Estimated households, 2019



Population

621 245



Households

172 792

Education

2019



Matric Pass Rate	85.1%
Gr 12 Drop-out Rate	37.1%
Learner-Teacher Ratio	30.1

Poverty

2018



Gini Coefficient	0.61
Human Development Index	0.77

Health

2019



Primary Health Care Facilities

40

Immunisation Rate

67.7%

Maternal Mortality Ratio (per 100 000 live births)

33.4

Teenage Pregnancies - Delivery rate to women U/18

15.6%

Safety and Security

Actual number of reported cases in 2019/20



Residential Burglaries

4 856

DUI

1 940

Drug-related Crimes

5 814

Murder

205

Sexual Offences

975

Access to Basic Service Delivery

Percentage of households with access to basic services, 2019



Water

95.2%

Refuse Removal

86.5%



Electricity

90.7%



Sanitation

85.2%



Housing

82.9%



Road Safety

201/9/20

Fatal Crashes 102

Road User Fatalities 131

Labour

2019

Unemployment Rate (narrow definition)

15.6%



Socio-economic Risks

- Risk 1** Slow economic growth
- Risk 2** Growing unemployment
- Risk 3** High school drop-out rate

Largest 3 Sectors

Contribution to GDP, 2018

Finance, insurance, real estate and business services

25.0%

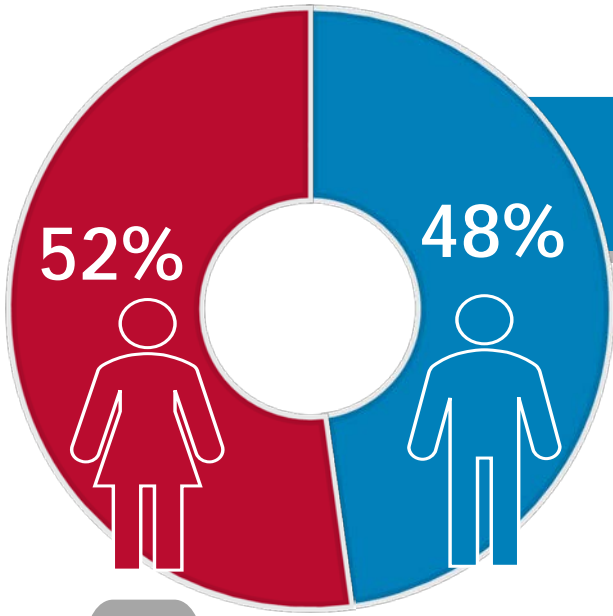
Wholesale and retail trade, catering and accommodation

18.3%

Manufacturing

14.5%

DEMOGRAPHICS

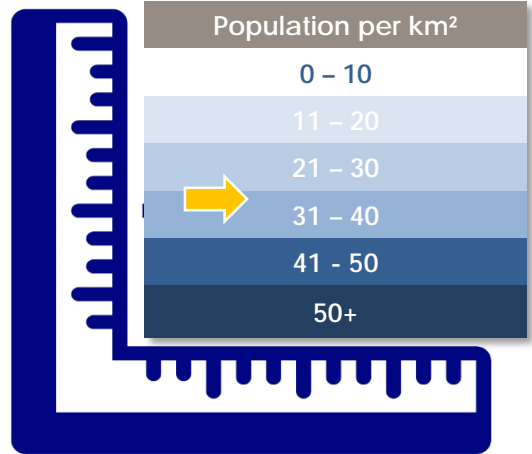


52%

48%



Number of males per 100 females



	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Cape Metro	97.9	98.6	99.0	99.4	99.7
West Coast	97.8	98.4	98.7	99.0	99.3
Cape Winelands	97.3	97.8	97.9	98.0	98.1
Overberg	101.9	102.4	102.6	102.8	102.9
Garden Route	91.5	92.0	92.2	92.4	92.6
Central Karoo	93.0	93.5	93.7	93.9	94.0
Western Cape	97.3	97.9	98.2	98.6	98.9

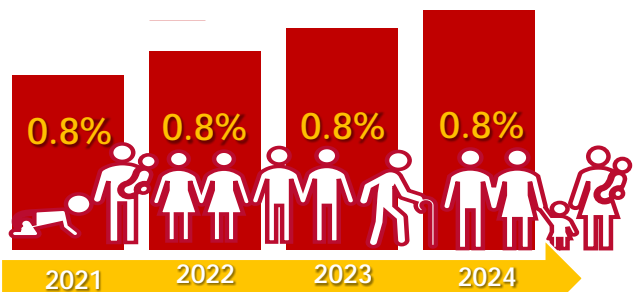


Household size

2020	3.5
2021	3.5
2022	3.5
2023	3.5
2024	3.4



Population growth



Age cohorts



Children:
0-14 Years



Working Age:
15-65 Years



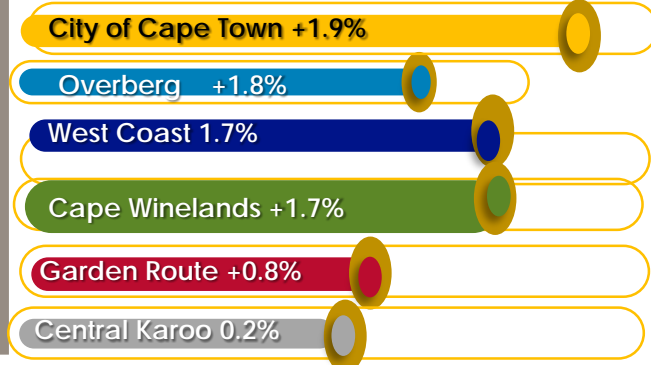
Aged
65+ Years



Dependency
Ratio

	Children: 0-14 Years	Working Age: 15-65 Years	Aged 65+ Years	Dependency Ratio
2020	160 428	404 914	55 903	53.4
2023	160 587	417 432	57 923	52.3
2026	162 275	426 528	61 376	52.4
	+0.2%	+0.9%	+1.6%	

Population growth 2020 - 2024



Demographics

Population

The population of the Garden Route District is 621 245 people in 2020, making it, outside of the metro, the second most populated district in the Province. This total is expected to grow to 640 723 by 2024, equating to an average annual growth rate of 0.8 per cent.

Sex Ratio

The overall sex ratio (SR) depicts the number of males per 100 females in the population. The data indicates that there are more females than males in the Garden Route District municipal area with a ratio of 91.5 males per 100 females in 2020, rising to 92.6 males per 100 females in 2024. The increasing SR for the Garden Route District municipal area could be attributed to a wide range of factors such as an increase in female mortality rates as well as the potential inflow of working males to the municipal area.

Age Cohorts

Between 2020 and 2026, the highest population growth is estimated for the 65+ aged cohort, with expected growth for the period reaching an average annual rate of 1.6 per cent. For the same period, the working age population is expected to grow at an average annual 0.9 per cent. The predicted growth decreases the dependency ratio towards 2026.

Household size

Household size refers to the number of people per household. In the Garden Route District municipal area, no change in household size is expected between 2020 and 2023, with the actual size of households is estimated to remain at 3.5 persons per household. Average household size is expected to drop marginally in 2024 to 3.4 persons per household.

Population density

Amidst rapid urbanisation across the Western Cape, population density figures will aid public sector decision makers to mitigate environmental, individual health and service delivery risks. In 2020, the population density of the Garden Route District (GRD) was 27 persons per square kilometer. In order of highest to lowest, the various local municipal areas in the GRD compare as follows:

- Bitou 68 people/km²
- Knysna 68 people/km²
- Mossel Bay 47 people/km²
- George 42 people/km²
- Oudtshoorn 26 people/km²
- Hessequa 9 people/km²
- Kannaland 5 people/km²



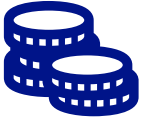
Educational facilities

171

Number of schools

129

Number of no-fee schools

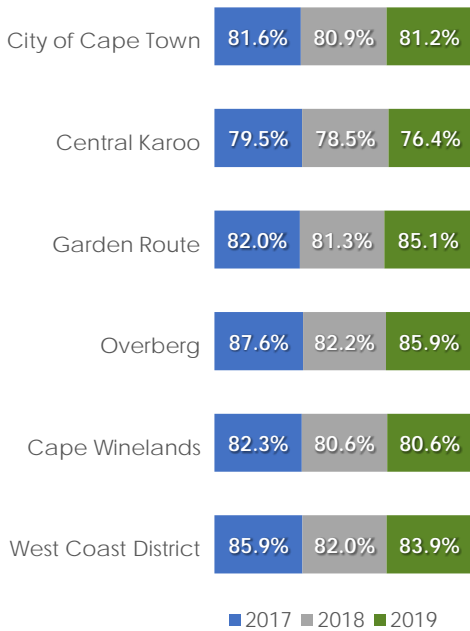


99

Number of schools with libraries



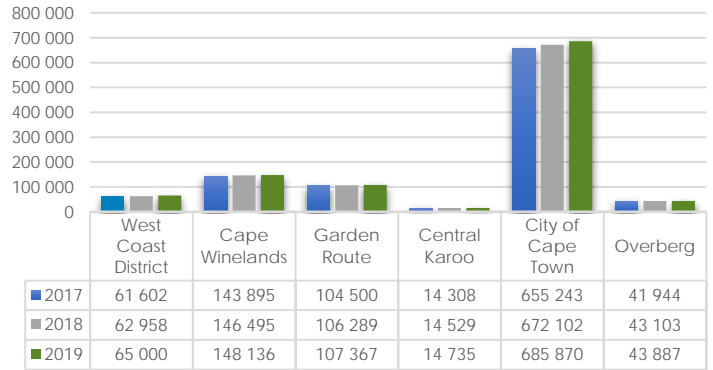
Education outcomes



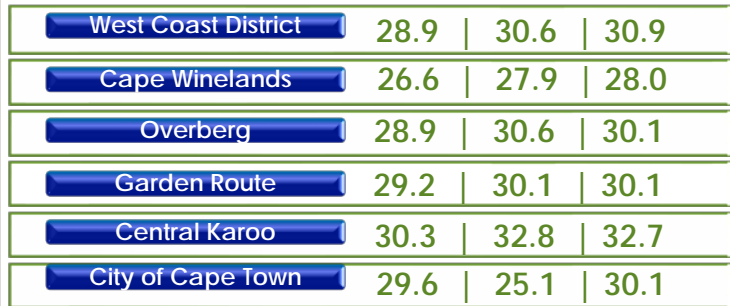
EDUCATION



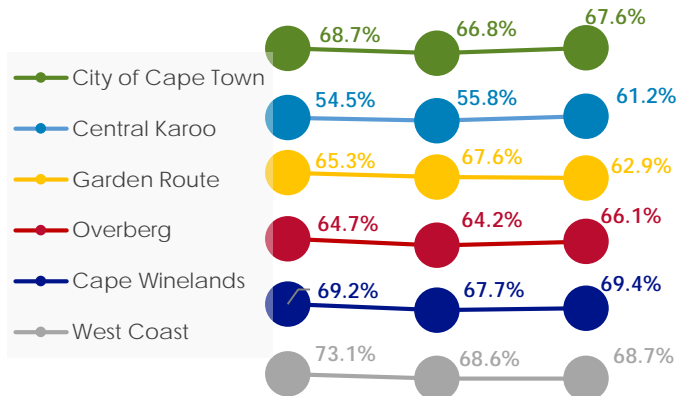
Learner enrolment



Learner-Teacher Ratio



Learner retention



Education

Learner enrolment, the learner-teacher ratio and learner retention rate

Learner enrolment in the Garden Route District municipal area increased from 106 289 in 2018 to 107 367 in 2019. The same period also saw the learner-teacher ratio remaining constant at 30.1 learners per teacher.

With an average learner retention rate of 62.9 for the Garden Route area, learner retention is a challenge across the District. The learner retention rate is influenced by a wide array of factors, including economic influences such as unemployment, poverty/very low household income/indigent households, as well as social concerns such as teenage pregnancies. Retention rates should be kept in mind when considering education outcomes/results, as low retention rates are likely to skew outcomes, as drop-outs are automatically excluded from any outcomes/results. Being able to retain learners is essential for overall positive education outcomes.

Number of schools

In 2019, the Garden Route District municipal area had a total of 171 public ordinary schools. The number of schools has declined from 174 in 2017 to 169 in 2018, then increased by 2 again in 2019.

Number of no-fee schools

The number of no-fee schools followed a similar trend, declining from 132 in 2017 to 126 in 2018, increasing to 129 again in 2019. This translates into a total of 75.4 per cent of schools being registered with the Western Cape Department of Education as no-fee schools.

Schools with libraries and media centres

The number of schools with libraries/media centres has declined from 107 in 2017 to 103 in 2018, declining even further to 99 in 2019. Given that the number of schools has increased the same between 2018 and 2019, it indicates that in 2019, although there are 2 additional schools, those with library/media centre facilities have declined by 4, which means some of the schools have lost such facilities. At only 99 of the 171 (57.9 per cent in 2019) schools in the Garden Route District area with such facilities, there is considerable scope for the extension of such facilities to other schools in the area.

Education outcomes (matric pass rate)

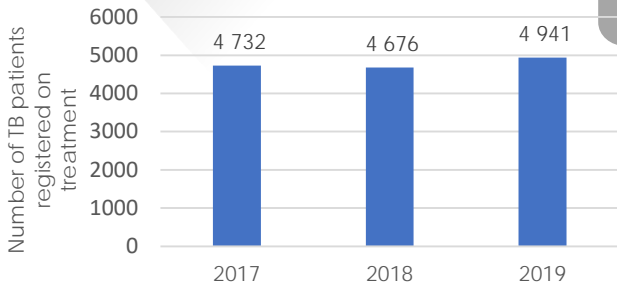
Education remains one of the key avenues through which the state is involved in the economy. In preparing individuals for future engagements in the labour market, policy decisions and choices in the sphere of education play a critical role in determining the extent to which future economic and poverty reduction plans may be realised.

The Garden Route District's matric outcomes increased from 81.3 per cent in 2018, to 85.1 per cent in 2019. This particular statistic is vital as it impacts learner access to higher education institutions in order to broaden access employment opportunities.

HEALTH



Tuberculosis



Healthcare facilities

Regional hospitals	1
District hospitals	6
PHC facilities (Fixed clinics, CHCs and CDCs)	40
Community Day Centres	7
PHC Clinics (Satellite and mobile)	37
PHC Clinics (Fixed)	33

■ Garden Route



Maternal health

	Maternal Mortality Rate		Delivery rate to women under 20 years		Termination of pregnancy rate	
	2018	2019	2018	2019	2018	2019
Garden Route	57.6	33.4	15.9	15.6	0.6	0.6

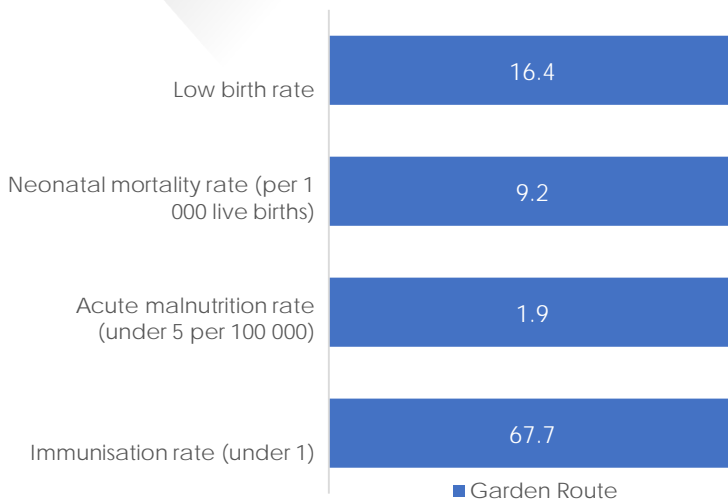


Emergency medical services

Health Indicator	Garden Route
No of operational ambulances per 10 000 people	2.1



Child health



HIV/AIDS (per 100 000)

Area	Registered patients receiving ART		Number of new ART patients	
	2018	2019	2018	2019
Garden Route	23 317	25 738	3 009	2 576

Health

Healthcare facilities

According to the 2019 Inequality Trend report by Statistics South Africa, in 2017, 75.1 per cent of households in South Africa usually use public healthcare facilities when a household member gets ill, compared to 24.9 per cent who use private healthcare facilities. This is associated with the low proportion of households with access to medical aid, which in 2017 was approximately 17 per cent for South Africa and 25 per cent for the Western Cape.

In 2019, the Garden Route District municipal area had 40 primary healthcare facilities, which comprised of 33 fixed clinics and 7 community day centres; there were also 37 mobile/satellite clinics. In addition to these primary healthcare facilities, there are also 6 district hospitals and one regional hospital.

HIV/AIDS

The Garden Route District's total registered patients receiving antiretroviral treatment increased by 2 421 between 2018 and 2019. The number of new antiretroviral patients declined slightly, from 3 009 in 2018 to 2 576 in 2019. This could be an indication that the prevalence of HIV is declining or an indication that less people are being tested and receiving access to HIV treatment.

In 2019, a total of 25 738 registered patients received antiretroviral treatment in the Garden Route District.

Child health

Even after a small increase from 65.7 per cent in 2018 to 67.7 per cent in 2019, the immunisation rate in the Garden Route District area remains relatively low. The number of malnourished children under five years (per 100 000) in District in 2019 was 1.9, a slight deterioration from the 1.5 in 2018. The neonatal mortality rate (per 1 000 live births) in the Garden Route area also worsened marginally from 9.0 in 2018 to 9.2 in 2019, while the low birth-weight indicator was recorded at 16.4 in 2019, same as recorded in 2018.

Maternal health

The maternal mortality rate in the Garden Route District recorded 33.4 deaths per 100 000 live births in 2019, decreasing from 57.6 in 2018.

The delivery rate to women under 20 years in the Garden Route District municipal area was recorded at 15.6 per cent in 2019, while the termination of pregnancy rate remained constant at 0,6 per cent between 2017 and 2019 for the Garden Route District area.

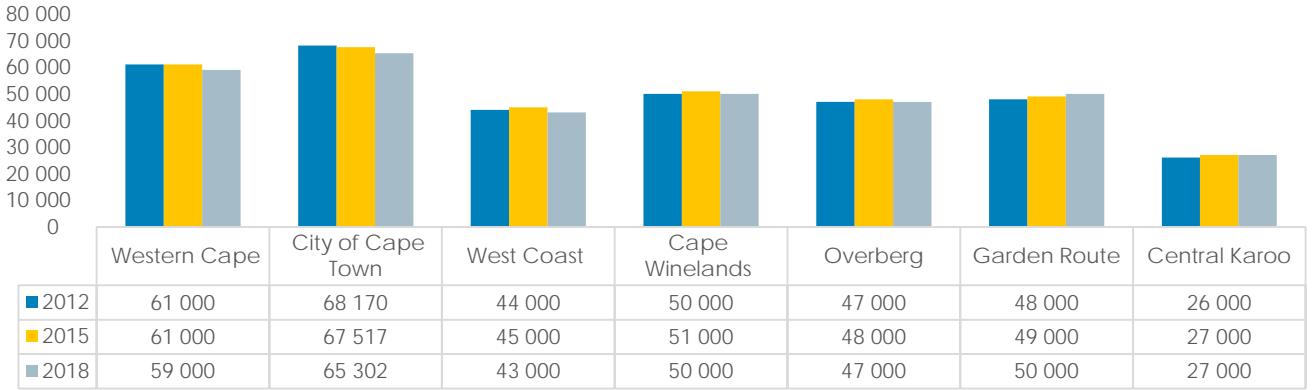
Emergency medical services

The provision of more operational ambulances can provide greater coverage of emergency medical services. The Garden Route District area 2.1 ambulances per 10 000 people in 2019, up slightly from 2.0 in 2018. It is worth noting that this number only refers to Provincial ambulances and excludes all private service providers.

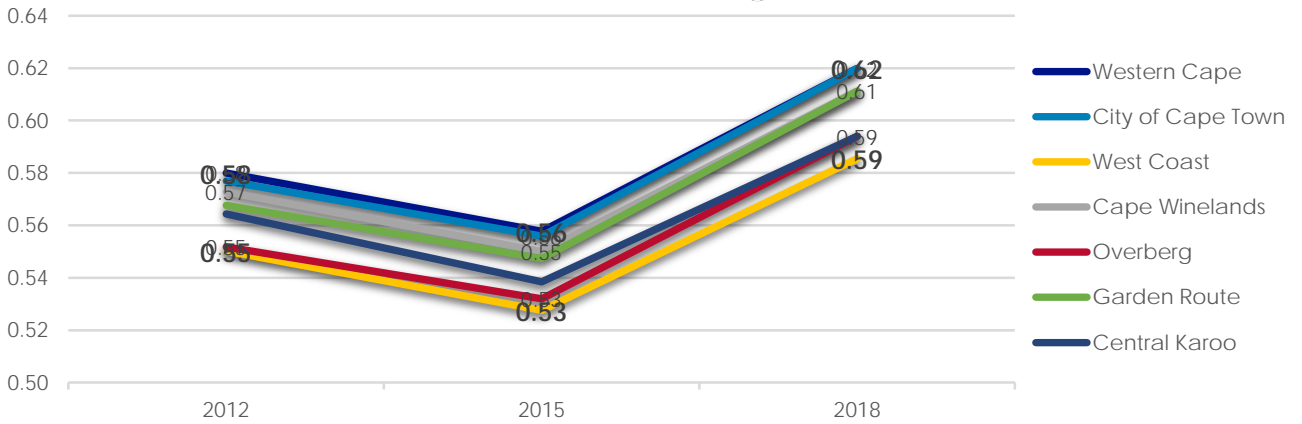
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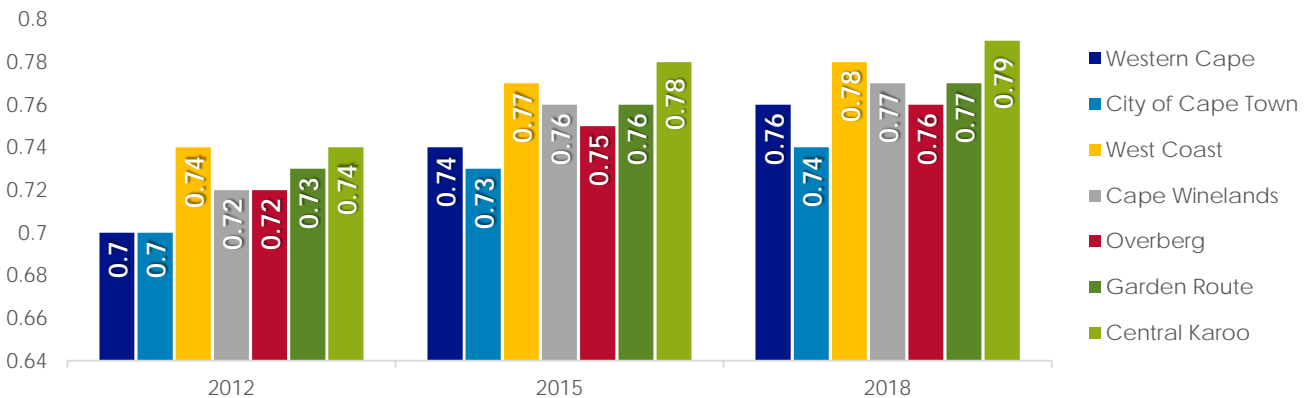
GDP per capita



Income inequality



Human development



Poverty

GDPR per capita

An increase in real regional gross domestic product (GDPR) per capita, i.e. GDPR per person, is experienced only if the real economic growth rate exceeds the population growth rate. Even though real GDPR per capita reflects changes in the overall well-being of the population, not everyone within an economy will earn the same amount of money as estimated by the real GDPR per capita indicator.

At a per capita GDPR of R50 000 000 in 2018, the Garden Route District's per capita GDPR remains significantly below that of the Province's R59 000.

Income inequality

The National Development Plan (NDP) has set a target of reducing income inequality in South Africa from a Gini coefficient of 0.7 in 2010 to 0.6 by 2030. However, between 2015 and 2018, income inequality has worsened in Garden Route area, with the gini-coefficient increasing from 0.55 in 2015 to 0.61 in 2018. Worsening income inequality could also be seen across the Western Cape (0.56 in 2015 and 0.62 in 2018).

Human development

The Human Development Index (HDI) is a composite indicator reflecting on education levels, health, and income. It is a measure of peoples' ability to live a long and healthy life, to communicate, participate in the community and to have sufficient means to be able to afford a decent living. The HDI is represented by a number between 0 and 1, where 1 indicates a high level of human development and 0 represents no human development. The United Nations uses the Human Development Index (HDI) to assess the relative level of socio-economic development within countries.

There has been a general increase in the HDI for the Garden Route area, from 0.73 in 2012 to 0.77 in 2018. There has been a similar upward trend for the Western Cape from 0.70 in 2012 to 0.76 in 2018.

BASIC SERVICE DELIVERY



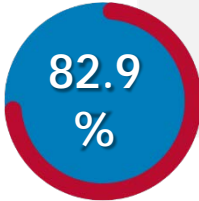
Total number of households

172 792

Garden Route District (GRD)

1 900 345

Western Cape



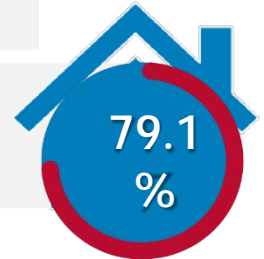
Formal main dwelling

143 241

Garden Route District

1 503 998

Western Cape



75.2% Garden Route
61.4% Western Cape

House/brick structure on separate stand/yard



0.7% Garden Route
0.5% Western Cape

Traditional dwelling



6.2% Garden Route
16.3% Western Cape

Flat/simplex/duplex/triplex or room/flat on shared property

1.2% Garden Route
1.0% Western Cape

Other/Unspecified



1.5% Garden Route
1.5% Western Cape

House/flat/room in backyard



6.2% Garden Route
6.8% Western Cape

Informal dwelling in backyard



9.1% Garden Route
12.6% Western Cape

Informal dwelling not in backyard



Piped water inside dwelling/within 200m

Garden Route 95.2%

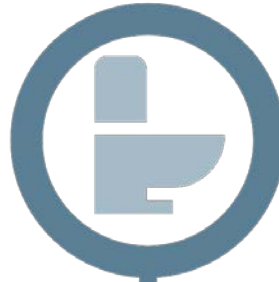
Western Cape 96.6%



Electricity as primary source of lighting

Garden Route 90.7%

Western Cape 93.1%



Flush/chemical toilet

Garden Route 85.2%

Western Cape 90.1%

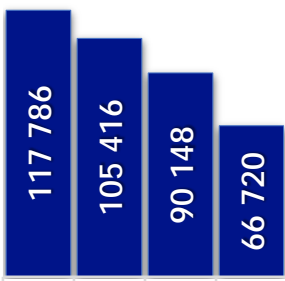


Refuse removed at least once a week

Garden Route 86.5%

Western Cape 89.8%

Free basic water



2015 2016 2017 2018

Free basic electricity



2015 2016 2017 2018

Free basic sanitation



2015 2016 2017 2018

Free basic refuse removal



2015 2016 2017 2018

Basic Service Delivery

The Constitution stipulates that every citizen has the right to access to adequate housing and that the state must take reasonable legislative and other measures within its available resources to achieve the progressive realisation of this right. Access to housing also includes access to services such as potable water, basic sanitation, safe energy sources and refuse removal services, to ensure that households enjoy a decent standard of living.

This section considers to what extent this has been achieved by reflecting on the latest available information from Quantec Research for 2019. The latest official statistics was collected by Statistics South Africa for the 2016 Community Survey; the 2021 Census will provide the updated official statistics. The information on free basic services is obtained from Statistics South Africa's Non-Financial Census of Municipalities survey findings.

Housing and Household Services

With a total of 172 792 households in the Garden Route District municipal area, 82.9 per cent had access to formal housing, which is just above the Provincial average of 79.1 per cent. Informal housing is a particular challenge in the Bitou and Knysna municipal areas, with 25.4 and 25.5 per cent of informal dwellings in these municipal areas respectively.

Service access levels were significantly higher than access to formal housing, with access to piped water inside/within 200m of the dwelling at 95.2 per cent, access to electricity (for lighting) at 90.7 per cent, the removal of refuse at least weekly by local authority at 86.5 per cent and access to a flush or chemical toilet at 85.2 per cent of households. These access levels were however below the Provincial averages for all services.

Free Basic Services

Local municipalities also provide a package of free basic services to households who are financially vulnerable and struggle to pay for services. The number of households receiving free basic services in the Garden Route District municipal area has shown mixed trends for the different services between 2015 and 2018. However, the stressed economic conditions are anticipated to exert pressure on household income levels, which is in turn likely to see the number of indigent households and the demand for free basic services increase.

SAFETY AND SECURITY



MURDER		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Actual Number	Garden Route District	183	215	205
	Western Cape	3 729	3 974	3 975
Per 100 000	Garden Route District	30	35	33
	Western Cape	55	58	57

SEXUAL OFFENCES		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Actual Number	Garden Route District	1 046	1 059	975
	Western Cape	7 075	7 043	7 303
Per 100 000	Garden Route District	171	172	157
	Western Cape	105	102	104



DRUG-RELATED OFFENCES		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Actual Number	Garden Route District	10 814	7 330	5 814
	Western Cape	117 154	81 342	62 705
Per 100 000	Garden Route District	1 771	1 190	936
	Western Cape	1 735	1 182	895

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Actual Number	Garden Route District	1 741	1 747	1 940
	Western Cape	12 775	12 561	12 339
Per 100 000	Garden Route District	285	284	312
	Western Cape	189	183	176



ROAD USER FATALITIES		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
	Garden Route District	137	128	131
	Western Cape	1379	1395	1429



RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Actual Number	Garden Route District	5 211	5 171	4 856
	Western Cape	42 658	39 415	36 053
Per 100 000	Garden Route District	853	839	782
	Western Cape	632	573	515

Safety and Security

Murder

Murder is defined as the unlawful and intentional killing of another person.

Within the Garden Route area, the number of murders decreased from 215 in 2018/19 to 205 in 2019/20. The District's murder rate (per 100 000 people) also declined slightly from 35 in 2018/19 to 33 in 2019/20, while the comparative Provincial murder rate was significantly higher at 57 (per 100 000 people) in 2019/20.

Sexual offences

Sexual offences include rape (updated to the new definition of rape to provide for the inclusion of male rape), sex work, pornography, public indecency and human trafficking.

In 2019/20, there were 975 sexual offences in the Garden Route District municipal area. When comparing this to the Province, the Garden Route's 2019/20 incidence of sexual offences per 100 000 population was notably higher than that of the Western Cape, at 157 and 104 for the Garden Route District and Western Cape respectively.

Drug-related offences

Drug-related crimes refer to the situation where the perpetrator is found to be in possession of, under the influence of, or selling illegal drugs.

Drug-related crime within the Garden Route area decreased significantly from 7 330 cases in 2018/19 to 5 814 cases in 2019/20. The Western Cape's drug-related offences also decreased sharply from 81 342 to 62 705 over the same period. When comparing Garden Route area and the Province's rate per 100 000 people, with 936 drug related offences per 100 000 people in 2019/20, the Garden Route area's figure is above that of the Province's 895.

Driving under the influence (DUI)

A situation where the driver of a vehicle is found to be over the legal blood alcohol limit.

The number of cases of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs in the Garden Route municipal area shows an increase of 193, from 1 747 in 2018/19 to 1 940 in 2019/20. This translates into a rate of 312 per 100 000 people in 2019/20, which is significantly above the Province's 176 per 100 000 people in 2019/20.

Residential burglaries

The unlawful entry of a residential structure with the intent to commit a crime, usually a theft.

The number of residential burglaries in the Garden Route area decreased from 5 171 in 2018/19 to 4 856 in 2019/20. The District's rate of 782 per 100 000 population was markedly higher than that of the Province's rate of 515 per 100 000 population for 2019/20.

Economy and Labour Market Performance

SECTOR	GDP			Employment		
	R million value 2018	Trend 2014 - 2018	Real GDP growth 2019e	Number of jobs 2018	Average annual change 2014 - 2018	Net change 2019e
PS Primary Sector	2 463	-0.7	-7.6	28 421	171	-266
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	2 305	-0.8	-7.8	28 243	171	-258
Mining & quarrying	158	1.6	-2.6	178	0	-8
SS Secondary sector	10 664	0.4	-1.6	37 523	357	-1 825
Manufacturing	6 487	0.8	-0.3	20 668	172	-220
Electricity, gas & water	1 385	-0.9	-3.0	866	13	-12
Construction	2 792	-0.3	-4.6	15 989	172	-1 593
TS Tertiary sector	31 564	2.0	1.6	167 068	3 335	928
Wholesale & retail trade, catering & accommodation	8 165	1.1	-0.2	58 619	1 212	834
Transport, storage & communication	4 488	2.3	0.3	9 884	130	370
Finance, insurance, real estate & business services	11 184	3.3	3.4	41 688	1 517	277
General government	4 647	0.2	0.8	23 324	101	276
Community, social & personal services	3 080	1.3	0.8	33 553	375	-829
Garden Route	44 691	1.5	0.4	233 012	3 863	-1 163

Skill Levels Formal employment	Skill Level Contribution 2019 (%)	Average growth (%) 2015 - 2019	Number of jobs	
			2018	2019
Skilled	28.4	3.5	46 798	47 979
Semi-skilled	41.0	1.7	68 748	69 207
Low-skilled	30.5	0.5	51 346	51 513
TOTAL	100.0	1.8	166 892	168 699

Informal Employment	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Number of informal jobs	70 043	63 321	62 981	63 166	66 265	67 567	70 670	65 093	67 670	66 120	63 150
% of Total Employment	34.0	31.9	31.3	30.5	31.0	31.1	31.0	28.7	29.3	28.4	27.2

Unemployment rates	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
West Coast	8.3	9.7	10.1	9.8	9.3	9.9	8.7	9.7	10.6	10.8	11.9
Cape Winelands	8.4	9.7	9.9	9.7	9.2	9.6	8.6	9.5	9.9	9.9	10.7
Overberg	7.2	8.7	9.0	8.8	8.4	8.8	7.9	8.9	9.4	9.4	10.4
Garden Route	13.5	14.7	14.6	14.4	13.9	13.9	13.5	14.5	14.8	14.6	15.6
Central Karoo	21.7	22.6	22.4	21.9	21.2	21.4	20.1	21.0	21.7	21.3	22.0
City of Cape Town	16.5	17.9	18.0	18.3	18.4	18.7	19.4	20.7	21.6	21.4	23.1
Western Cape	14.2	15.5	15.7	15.8	15.7	16.0	16.1	17.3	18.1	18.0	19.4

Economy and Labour Market Performance

Sectoral overview

In 2018, the economy of the Garden Route District was valued at R44.691 billion (current prices) and employed 233 012 people. Historical trends between 2014 and 2018 indicate that the municipal economy realised an average annual growth rate of 1.5 per cent which, with better growth of 2.0 per cent in the tertiary sector, compared to the weaker growth of 0.4 per cent of the secondary sector, and contraction of 0.7 per cent of the primary sector.

In terms of sectoral contribution, the finance, insurance, real estate and business services (R11.184 billion or 25.0 per cent in 2018 of total GDP) and the transport, storage and communication (R4.488 billion or 10.0 per cent) sectors were the main drivers that contributed to the positive growth between 2014 and 2018 in the tertiary sector. Only the finance, real estate and business services sector managed to maintain good growth in 2019, with estimated growth at 3.4 per cent.

Employment creation for 2019 was poor overall, with most sectors registering poor employment growth or contractions in the number of jobs per sector. The construction and community and social services sectors registered the most job losses at 1 593 and 829 respectively in 2019. Overall, a balance of 1 163 jobs were lost.

Formal and Informal Employment

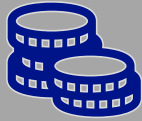
It is estimated that the Garden Route District's total employed will in 2019 amount to 231 849 workers of which 168 699 (72.8 per cent) are in the formal sector while 63 150 (27.2 per cent) are informally employed.

Most of the formally employed consisted of semi-skilled (41.0 per cent) and low-skilled (30.5 per cent) workers. Although the skilled category only contributed the least, 28.4 per cent, to total formal employment (2019), it outpaced the other two categories in terms of average annual growth – between 2015 and 2019, the skilled cohort grew on average by 3.5 per cent (albeit off a small base) while the semi-skilled and low-skilled categories grew at 1.7 and 0.5 per cent respectively. The growth in the skilled category reflects the market demand for more skilled labour. Evidently, the demand for skilled labour is on the rise which implies the need to capacitate and empower low-skilled and semi-skilled workers. Formal employment overall grew by 1.8 per cent between 2015 and 2019.

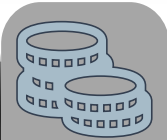
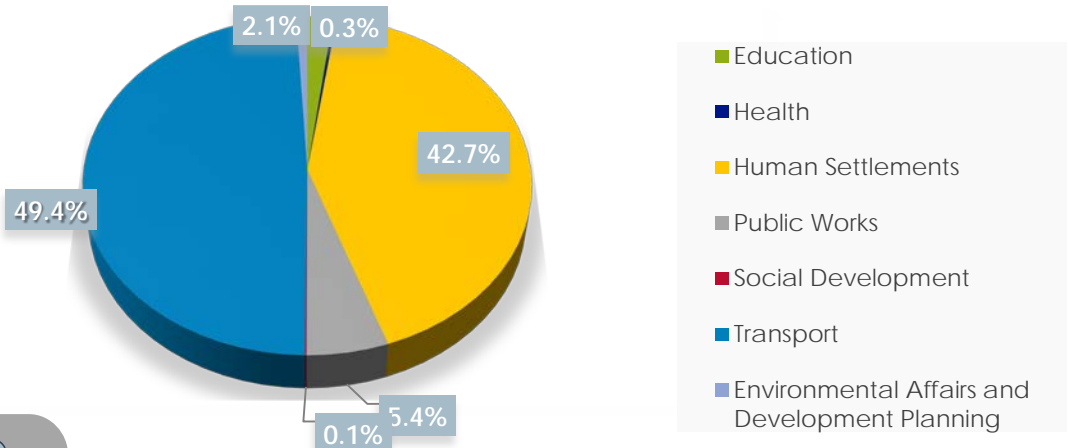
Unemployment

The Garden Route District's unemployment rate of 15.6 per cent in 2019 was slightly lower than that the Western Cape's unemployment rate of 19.4 per cent. The unemployment rates are concerning given that this estimate is based on the narrow definition of unemployment i.e. the percentage of people that are actively looking for work, but unable to find employment. In turn, the broad definition refers to people that want to work but are not actively seeking employment (excludes those who have given up looking for work).

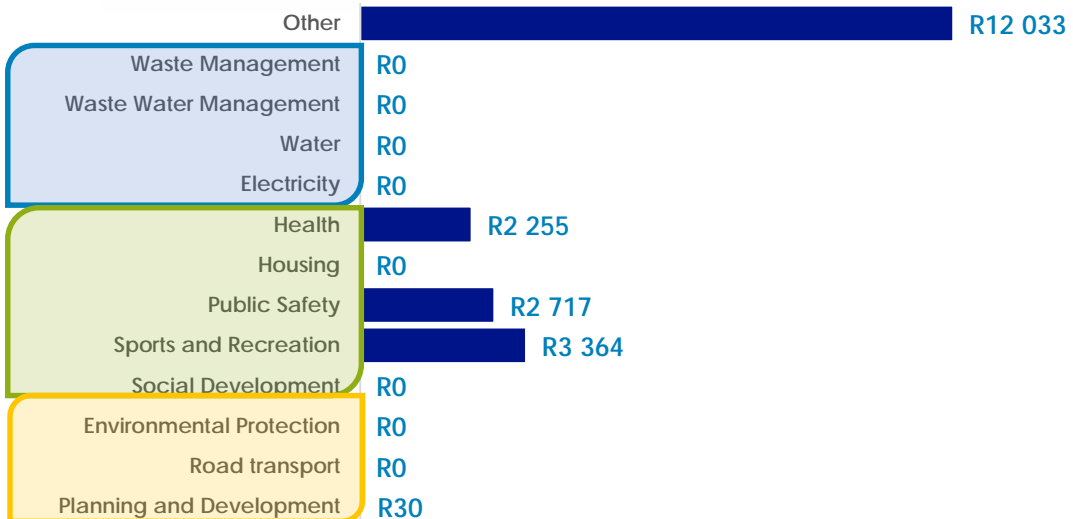
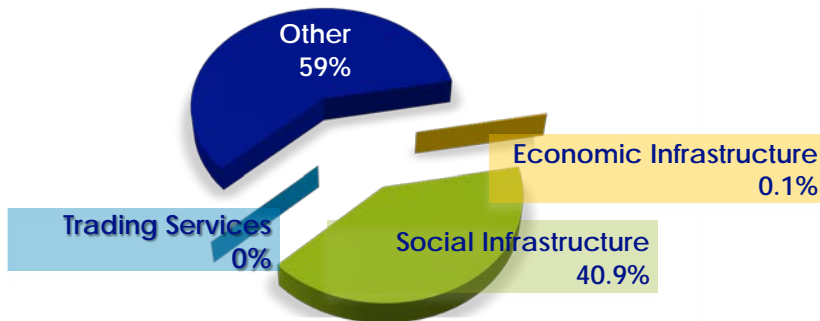
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE SPEND



Provincial infrastructure spend



Municipal infrastructure spend (R'000)



Public Infrastructure Spend (2020/21)

Spending on social infrastructure

Spending on social infrastructure aids in social development and has the spill-over effect of enabling economic growth. The Western Cape Government (WCG) will spend 45.2 per cent of its 2020/21 infrastructure budget for the Garden Route District municipal area on social infrastructure.

As displayed in the pie chart the WCG will be allocating 2.1 per cent of the budget (R22.591 million) towards Education in the Garden Route District area. Spending on education is crucial as it can serve to improve education outcomes and skills levels within a community, and more importantly alleviate poverty through increased long-term income for individuals.

A healthy and resilient community increases productivity and reduces pressures on government resources. As such 0.3 per cent (R3.171 million) has been allocated by the Department of Health for health infrastructure spending in the Garden Route area.

The majority of WCG social infrastructure spending (R469.434 million) will however be allocated towards housing and the remaining 0.1 per cent (R1.001 million) will be spent on social development. The Garden District Municipality ((not inclusive of contribution of the local municipalities) will complement the WCG social infrastructure spending by allocating 11.1 per cent (R2.255 million) of its own 2020/21 relatively small capital budget to health and 16.5 per cent (R3.364 million) on sport and recreation, serving to improve the quality of life of individuals within the region. Community safety has been prioritized by the WCG due to high levels of crime in the Western Cape. Crime has a negative impact on the quality of lives of individuals, but also on the economy by deterring private investment and causing business losses. It further creates a burden on government resources in terms of justice system costs, victim assistance and replacement of assets. The Garden Route District Municipality has allocated 13.3 per cent (R2.717 million) of its capital budget to public safety.

Spending on economic infrastructure

Economic infrastructure is defined as infrastructure that promotes economic activity. Considering the sluggish economic growth throughout the country, spending on economic infrastructure is crucial to stimulating economic activity.

The WCG allocated R612.461 million (55.7 per cent in 2020/21) towards economic infrastructure across the entire Garden Route District, more specifically towards public works (R59.688 million), road transport (R543.073 million) and environmental (R9.7 million) infrastructure. These infrastructure allocations will go a long way towards unlocking the region's economic potential, due to its position on the N2 Garden Route. As part of their economic and environmental services allocation, the Municipality has budgeted R9 000 towards planning and development.

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