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SOCIO-ECONOMIC
PROFILE

Overberg District Municipality

2021



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Overberg: At a Glance

Demographics

Population Estimates, 2021; Actual households, 2020



Population

304 963



Households

87 777

Education

2020



Matric Pass Rate 80.4%

Learner retention 68.9%

Learner-Teacher Ratio 30.1

Poverty

2020



Gini Coefficient 0.63

Human Development Index 0.75

Health

2020/21



Primary Health Care Facilities

19

excl mobile/satellite

Immunisation Rate

83.3%

Maternal Mortality Ratio (per 100 000 live births)

22.1

Teenage Pregnancies - Delivery rate to women U/18

14.0%

Safety and Security

Actual number of reported cases in 2020/21



Residential Burglaries

2 511

DUI

309

Drug-related Crimes

2 643

Murder

118

Sexual Offences

300

Access to Basic Service Delivery

Percentage of households with access to basic services, 2020



Water

97.2%

Refuse Removal

82.8%



Electricity

90.1%



Sanitation

88.6%



Housing

79.9%



Road Safety

2020/21

Fatal Crashes

47

Road User Fatalities

70

Labour

2020

Unemployment Rate (narrow definition)

10.9%



Socio-economic Risks

Risk 1

High crime levels

Risk 2

Low learner retention

Risk 3

Low skills levels

Largest 3 Sectors

Contribution to GDP, 2019

Wholesale & retail trade, catering and accommodation

20.2%

Finance, insurance, real estate and business services

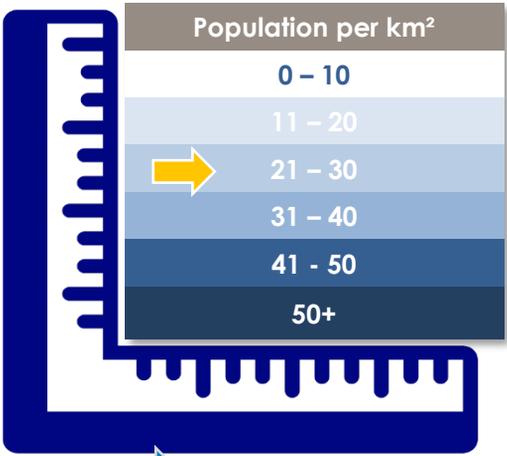
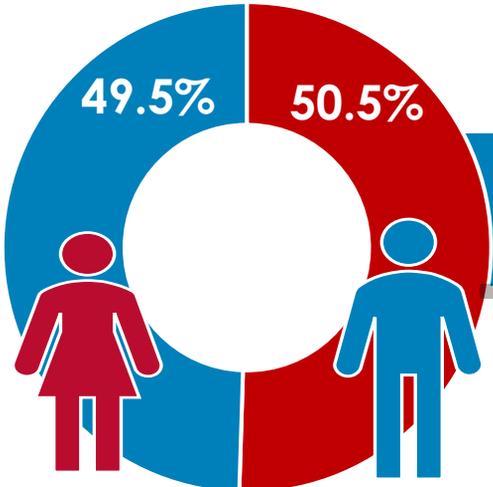
20.0%

Manufacturing

14.2%

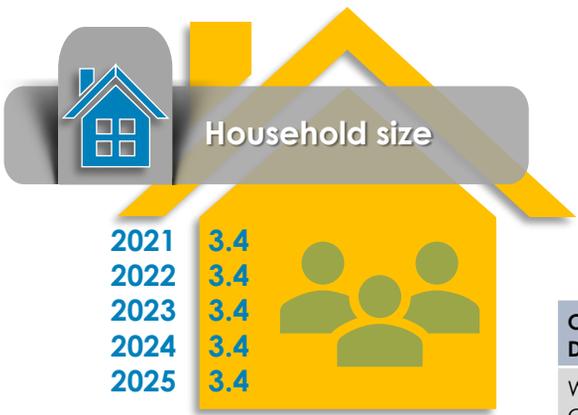
Overberg District

DEMOGRAPHICS



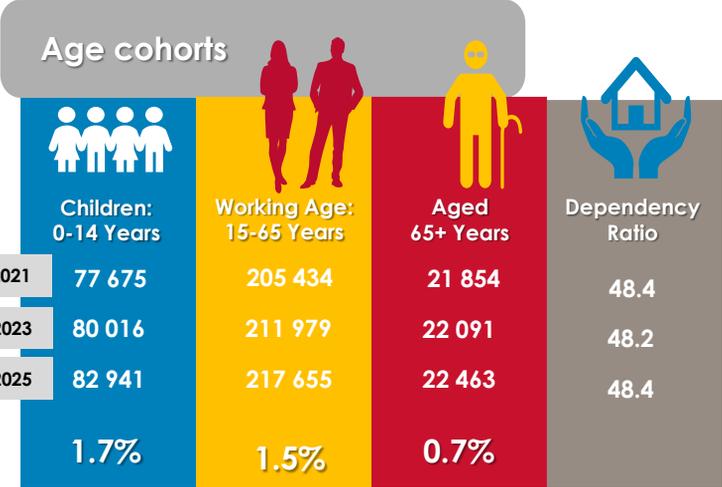
2021 2022 2023 2025 2025

	2021	2022	2023	2025	2025
Western Cape	97.5	98.2	98.5	98.8	99.1
City of Cape Town	98.1	98.9	99.3	99.6	100.0
West Coast	98.0	98.6	98.9	99.1	99.3
Cape Winelands	97.4	98.0	98.1	98.3	98.4
Overberg	102.0	102.6	102.7	102.8	102.8
Garden Route	91.6	92.2	92.4	92.5	92.7
Central Karoo	89.4	89.8	89.8	89.8	89.8

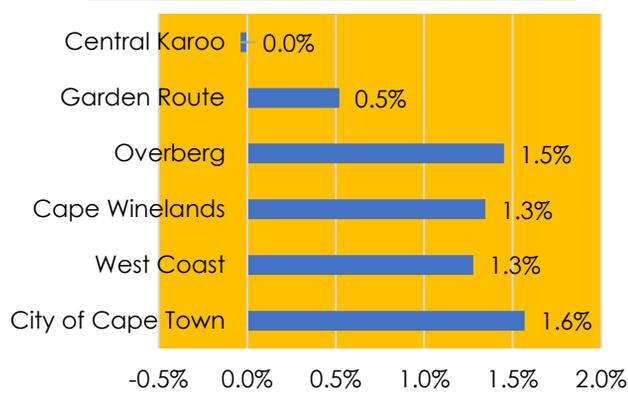


2021 2022 2023 2024 2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Overberg District	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4
Western Cape	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4



Population growth 2021 - 2025



Demographics

Population

The population size of Overberg consists of 304 963 people in 2021. This total is expected to grow to 323 058 by 2025, equating to an average annual growth rate of 1.5 per cent for the period.

Sex Ratio

The overall sex ratio (SR) depicts the number of males per 100 females in the population. The data indicates that there is slightly more males (50.5 per cent) than females (49.5 per cent) in the region. The SR for Overberg increases slightly year on year towards 2025 which 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 District.

Age Cohorts

Between 2021 and 2025, higher population growth is estimated for children, with expected growth for the period reaching an average annual rate of 1.7 per cent. Similar growth is estimated for the working aged population, growing at 1.5 per cent over the same period, while slower growth (0.7 per cent) is expected for the 65+ aged group. The predicted growth decreases the dependency ratio slightly from 48.4 in 2021 to 48.2 in 2023, and then back up to 48.4 in 2025.

Household size

Household size refers to the number of people per household. The average size of households in Overberg region is estimated at 3.4 people per household between 2021 and 2025.

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 2021, the population density of the Overberg District was 25 persons per square kilometre. In order of highest to lowest, the various local municipal areas in the Overberg District compare as follows:

- Overstrand 63 people/km²
- Theewaterskloof 38 people/km²
- Cape Agulhas 10 people/km²
- Swellendam 10 people/km²

EDUCATION

Educational facilities

82

Number of schools

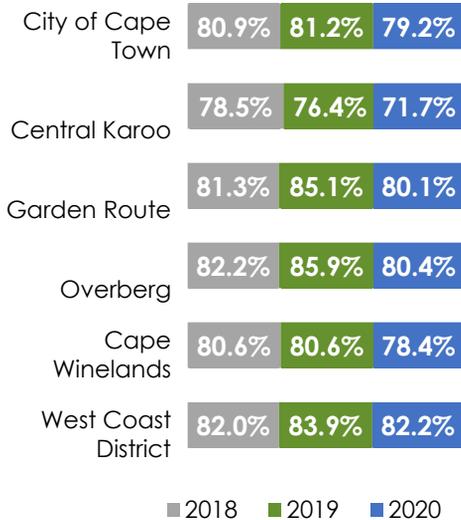
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Number of no-fee schools

46

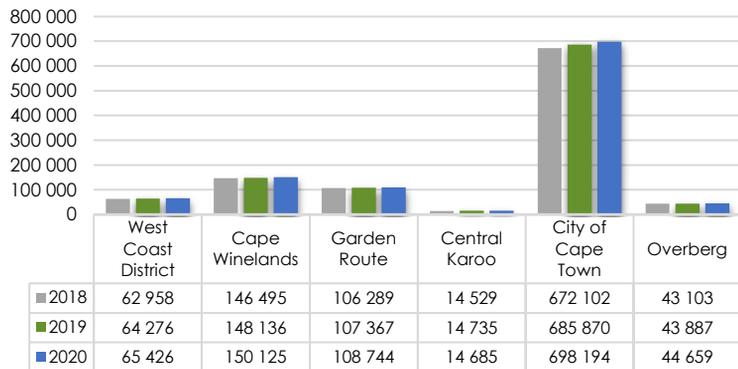
Number of schools with libraries

Education outcomes



■ 2018 ■ 2019 ■ 2020

Learner enrolment

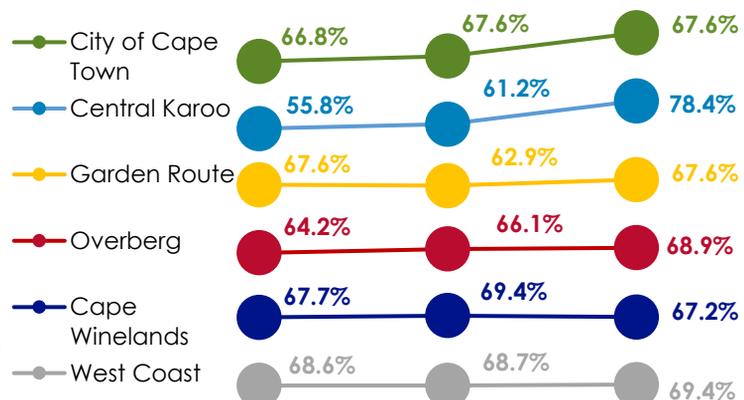


Learner-Teacher Ratio

2018 2019 2020

West Coast District	30.7	30.9	31.0
Cape Winelands	27.9	28.1	27.8
Overberg	30.7	30.1	30.1
Garden Route	30.1	30.2	30.1
Central Karoo	30.7	30.8	30.8
City of Cape Town	32.8	32.7	33.0

Learner retention



Education

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

Learner enrolment in the Overberg region increased from 43 887 in 2019 to 44 659 in 2020 . The learner-teacher ratio remained unchanged at 30.1 for the same period.

With an average learner retention rate of 68.9 (2020) for the Overberg 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 2020, the Overberg region area had a total of 82 public ordinary schools, down by one from 2019.

Number of no-fee schools

In 2020, 80.5 per cent of schools in the region were no-fee schools; this translates into a total of 66 of schools being registered with the Western Cape Department of Education as no-fee schools.

Schools with libraries

Schools with libraries were recorded at 46. Libraries can contribute towards improvement in the overall quality of education. There is considerable scope for the extension of libraries to more schools in the region.

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 engagement in the labour market, policy choices and decisions in the sphere of education play a critical role in determining the extent to which future economic and poverty reduction plans can be realised. Overberg's matric pass rate was 80.4 per cent in 2020 and was the second highest in the Province when compared to the other Districts.

HEALTH



Tuberculosis

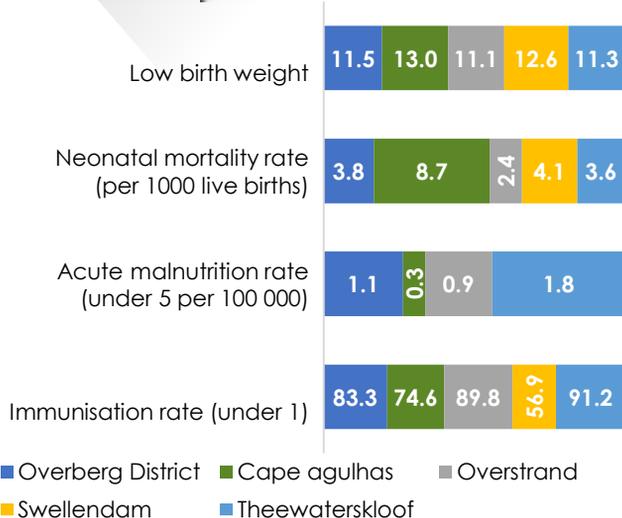


Maternal health

	0.77		Delivery rate to women under 20 years		Termination of pregnancy rate	
	2019/20	2020/21	2019/20	2020/21	2019/20	2020/21
Cape Agulhas	0.0	0.0	15.0	12.8	0.3	0.3
Overstrand	0.0	0.0	11.5	10.5	0.7	0.9
Swellendam	0.0	0.0	14.5	16.8	0.5	0.5
Theewaterskloof	0.0	51.6	13.7	16.5	0.6	0.6
Overberg District	0.0	22.1	13.1	14.0	0.6	0.7



Child health



Healthcare facilities

Facility Type	Overberg District	Cape Agulhas	Overstrand	Swellendam	Theewaterskloof
Regional hospitals	0				
District hospitals	4	1	1	1	1
Community Day Centres	1	0	1	0	
Community Health Centres	1	0	1		
PHC Clinics (Satellite and mobile)	25	4	5	3	13
PHC Clinics (Fixed)	17	3	4	5	5



Emergency medical services

Health Indicator	Overberg District	Cape Agulhas	Overstrand	Swellendam	Theewaterskloof
EMS Operational Ambulances	25	3	5	4	13
No of operational ambulances per 10 000 people	1.2	1.3	2.0	1.0	0.9



HIV/AIDS

Area	Total Registered patients receiving ART		Number of new ART patients	
	2019/20	2020/21	2019/20	2020/21
Cape Agulhas	951	964	109	97
Overstrand	6 000	5 997	639	388
Swellendam	1 174	1 148	151	96
Theewaterskloof	5 587	5 381	648	469
Overberg District	13 712	13 490	1 547	1 050

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 2020/21, the Overberg region municipal area had 19 primary healthcare facilities, which comprised of 17 fixed clinics, 1 community day centre and 1 community health centre; there were also 25 mobile/satellite clinics. In addition to these primary healthcare facilities, there are also 4 district hospitals.

HIV/AIDS

The Overberg region's total registered patients receiving antiretroviral treatment decreased by 222 patients, from 13 712 in 2019/20 to 13 490 in 2020/21. The number of new antiretroviral patients also decreased significantly from 1 547 in 2019/20 to 1 050 in 2020/21. This could be as a result of the imposed COVID-19 lockdown and actions taken to avoid any potential health risk. It could also be an indication that the prevalence of HIV is decreasing or an indication that less people are being tested and receiving access to HIV treatment.

Child health

Even after an improvement from 76.2 per cent in 2019/20 to 83.3 per cent in 2020/21, the immunisation rate in the Overberg area is still less than ideal. The number of malnourished children under five years in the Overberg area was 1.1 (per 100 000 people) in 2020/21, an improvement from the 2.1 in 2019/20. The neonatal mortality rate (per 1 000 live births) in the Overberg region improved from 6.1 in 2019/20 to 3.8 in 2020/21, while the low birth-weight indicator was recorded at 11.5 in 2020/21, an improvement from the 13.6 recorded in 2019/20.

Maternal health

The maternal mortality rate in the Overberg area recorded 22.1 deaths per 100 000 live births in 2020/21. The delivery rate to women under 20 years in the Overberg District was recorded at 14.0 per cent while the termination of pregnancy rate increased slightly to 0.7 per cent for 2020/21 for the Overberg District.

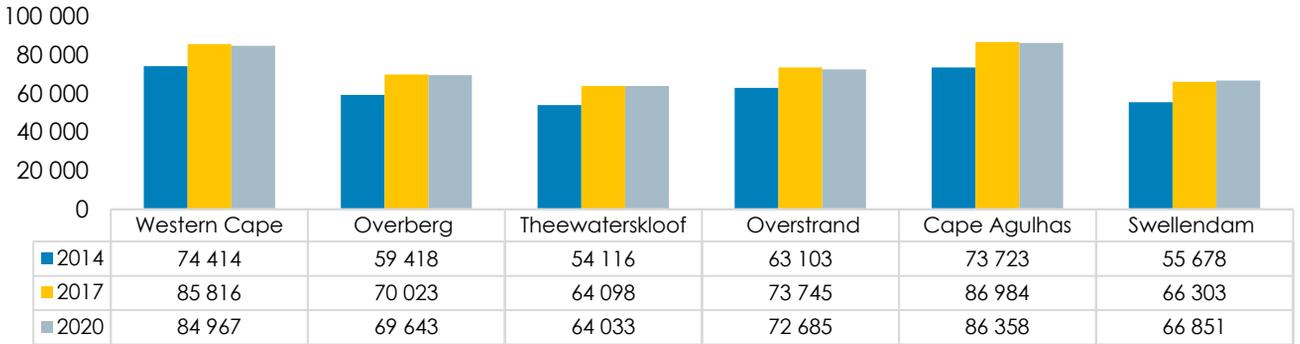
Emergency medical services

The provision of more operational ambulances can provide greater coverage of emergency medical services. The Overberg region has a total of 25 ambulances servicing the region, which translates into 1.2 ambulances per 10 000 people in 2020/21. It is worth noting that this number only refers to Provincial ambulances and excludes all private service providers.

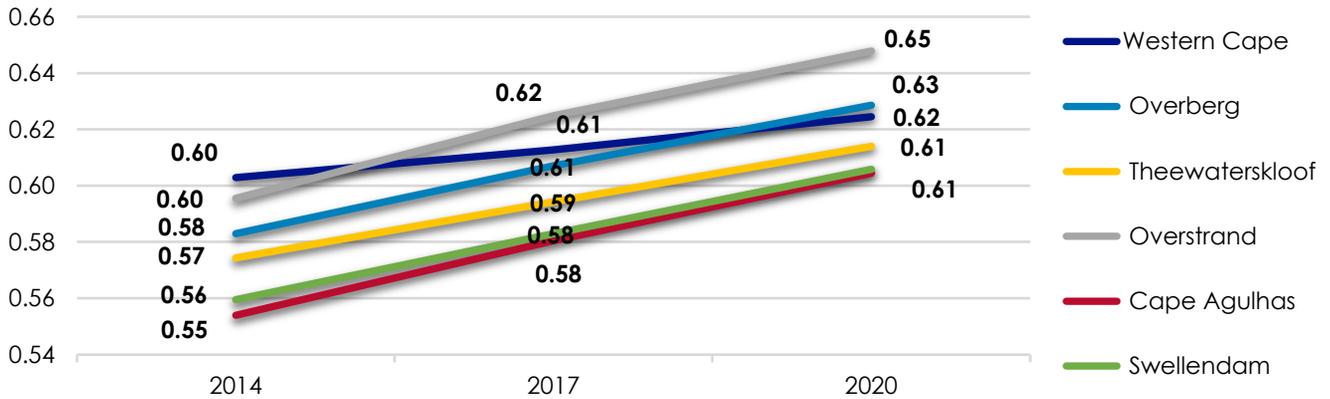
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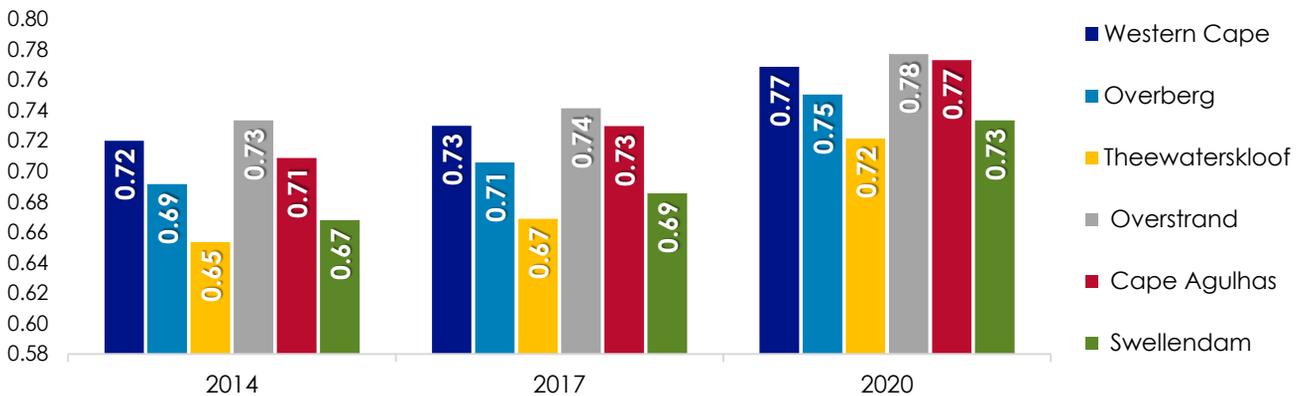
GDP per capita



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 R69 643 in 2020 (current prices), the Overberg municipal area remains significantly below the Province's R84 967. Within the region, Cape Agulhas stands out with a per capita GDPR of R86 358, even higher than that of the Province.

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 2014 and 2020, income inequality in the Overberg area has worsened, with the Gini-coefficient increasing from 0.58 in 2014 to 0.63 in 2020.

Worsening income inequality could also be seen across the Western Cape Province (0.60 in 2014 and 0.62 in 2020).

Human Development

The HDI (Human Development Index) 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 Overberg area, from 0.69 in 2014 to 0.75 in 2020. There has been a similar upward trend for the Western Cape from 0.72 in 2014 to 0.77 in 2020.

BASIC SERVICE DELIVERY



Total number of households

87 777

Overberg District (OVBD)

1 945 891

Western Cape

Formal main dwelling

79.9%

70 169

Overberg District

1 537 538

Western Cape

79.0%



72.4% Overberg
61.3% Western Cape

House/brick structure on separate stand/yard



1.3% Overberg
0.5% Western Cape

Traditional dwelling



6.3% Overberg
16.3% Western Cape

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

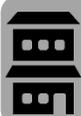
1.9% Overberg
1.0% Western Cape

Other/Unspecified



1.2% Overberg
1.5% Western Cape

House/flat/room in backyard



5.7% Overberg
6.8% Western Cape

Informal dwelling in backyard



11.1% Overberg
12.7% Western Cape

Informal dwelling not in backyard



Piped water inside dwelling/within 200m

Overberg 97.2%

Western Cape 96.6%



Electricity as primary source of lighting

Overberg 90.1%

Western Cape 93.0%



Flush/chemical toilet

Overberg 88.6%

Western Cape 90.0%



Refuse removed at least once a week

Overberg 82.8%

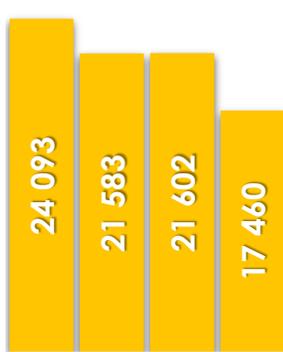
Western Cape 89.8%

Free basic water



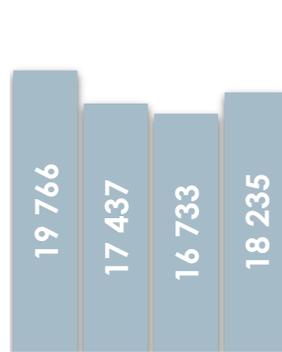
2016 2017 2018 2019

Free basic electricity



2016 2017 2018 2019

Free basic sanitation



2016 2017 2018 2019

Free basic refuse removal



2016 2017 2018 2019

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 2020. The latest official statistics was collected by Statistics South Africa for the 2016 Community Survey; the 2022 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 87 777 households in the Overberg District municipal area, 79.9 per cent had access to formal housing, which is roughly on par with the Provincial average of 79.0 per cent. Informal housing is generally high in the District (16.8 per cent informal dwellings), with particular challenges in the Overstrand (19.4 per cent) and Theewaterskloof (17.5 per cent) municipal areas.

All service access levels were higher than access to formal housing, with access to piped water inside/within 200m of the dwelling at 97.2 per cent, access to electricity (for lighting) at 90.1 per cent, access to a flush or chemical toilet at 88.6 per cent and the removal of refuse at least weekly by local authority at 82.8 per cent.

Free Basic Services

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 water and electricity services in the Overberg District region has shown an overall decrease between 2016 and 2019; free basic sanitation and refuse removal services have also showed overall declines between 2016 and 2018, but picked up again in 2019. However, the stressed economic conditions continue to exert pressure on household income levels, which in turn could see the number of indigent households and the demand for free basic services increase.

SAFETY AND SECURITY



MURDER		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Actual Number	Overberg District	113	137	118
	Western Cape	3 959	3 962	3 803
Per 100 000	Overberg District	38	46	39
	Western Cape	57	56	53

SEXUAL OFFENCES		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Actual Number	Overberg District	359	303	300
	Western Cape	7 082	7 325	6 430
Per 100 000	Overberg District	122	101	98
	Western Cape	103	104	90



DRUG-RELATED OFFENCES		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Actual Number	Overberg District	3 515	2 643	2 643
	Western Cape	81 015	62 453	44 441
Per 100 000	Overberg District	1 194	880	867
	Western Cape	1 176	890	625

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Actual Number	Overberg District	702	737	309
	Western Cape	12 510	12 290	3 746
Per 100 000	Overberg District	239	245	101
	Western Cape	182	175	53



Fatal Crashes	Overberg District	69	78	47
Road User Fatalities	Overberg District	80	102	70



RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Actual Number	Overberg District	3 471	3 055	2 511
	Western Cape	39 294	35 935	27 172
Per 100 000	Overberg District	1 179	1 017	823
	Western Cape	571	512	382

Safety and Security

Murder

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

Within the Overberg area, the number of murders increased from 113 in 2018/19 to 137 in 2019/20, dropping again to 118 in 2020/21. The murder rate (per 100 000 people) increased from 38 to 46, and back down again to 39 for the same reporting period. The murder rate per 100 00 is below that of the Western Cape's 53 for the 2020/21 year.

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 2020/21, there were 300 sexual offences in the Overberg region. When comparing this to the Province, the Overberg area's incidence of sexual offences per 100 000 population was slightly above that of the Western Cape, at 98 compared to the Province's 90.

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 Overberg area decreased significantly from 3 515 cases in 2018/19 to 2 643 cases in both 2019/20 and 2020/21. The Province's drug-related offences decreased sharply from 81 015 in 2018/19 to 44 441 in 2020/21. When comparing the Overberg area and the Province's rate per 100 000 people, with 867 drug related offences per 100 000 people in 2020/21, the Overberg District area is significantly above that of the Province's 625.

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 Overberg municipal area shows a significant decrease from 737 in 2019/20, to 309 in 2020/21. This translates into a rate of 101 per 100 000 people in 2020/21, which is well above the Province's 53 per 100 000 people.

Road user fatalities

Road users that died in or during a crash i.e. drivers, cyclists, passengers, pedestrians.

The number of road user fatalities in the Overberg region decreased from 102 in 2019/20 to 70 in 2020/21. The number of fatal crashes decreased from 78 to 47 for the same reference period.

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 Overberg District municipal area decreased from 3 055 in 2019/20 to 2 511 in 2020/21. However, the Overberg District's rate of 823 per 100 000 population was still well above that of the Province's 382 for 2020/21.

ECONOMY AND LABOUR MARKET PERFORMANCE

SECTOR	GDP			Employment		
	R Million value 2019	Trend 2015 – 2019	Real GDP growth 2020e	Number of jobs 2019	Average annual change 2015 - 2019	Net change 2020e
PS Primary Sector	1 800.0	-4.2	11.2	27 670	403	-1 410
Agriculture, forestry & fishing	1 777.9	-4.3	11.5	27 643	403	-1 407
Mining & quarrying	22.2	0.8	-18.9	27	-1	-3
SS Secondary sector	5 051.5	1.4	-11.1	18 977	220	-1 682
Manufacturing	3 010.2	2.5	-7.6	10 315	232	-576
Electricity, gas & water	547.5	-0.8	-6.6	361	3	-10
Construction	1 493.8	-0.2	-21.2	8 301	-14	-1 096
TS Tertiary sector	14 283.2	2.1	-5.7	85 890	2 108	-4 607
Wholesale & retail trade, catering & accommodation	4 262.6	2.0	-9.6	31 099	997	-1 939
Transport, storage & communication	2 340.5	2.1	-14.5	5 489	172	-190
Finance, insurance, real estate & business services	4 235.1	3.0	-2.2	21 441	737	-879
General government	1 973.5	0.2	0.2	10 328	-3	98
Community, social & personal services	1 471.4	1.7	-2.0	17 533	205	-1 697
Overberg	21 134.8	1.2	-5.1	132 537	2 731	-7 699

Skill Levels Formal employment	Skill Level Contribution 2020 (%)	Average growth (%) 2016 - 2020	Number of jobs	
			2019	2020
Skilled	17.5	1.1	16 408	15 844
Semi-skilled	42.8	0.4	40 988	38 743
Low-skilled	39.7	-0.9	38 151	35 887
TOTAL	100.0	0.0	95 547	90 474

Unemployment rates	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Number of informal jobs	34 107	33 935	34 500	36 677	37 444	40 409	37 390	38 946	38 347	36 990	34 364
% of Total Employment	32.0	31.4	30.7	31.3	31.5	31.5	29.2	29.8	29.0	27.9	27.5

Unemployment rates	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
West Coast	10.0	10.4	10.1	9.6	10.2	9.1	10.1	10.9	11.1	12.0	11.7
Cape Winelands	10.1	10.3	10.1	9.7	10.0	9.1	10.0	10.4	10.3	11.1	10.8
Overberg	9.1	9.4	9.2	8.9	9.3	8.3	9.4	9.8	9.8	10.8	10.9
Garden Route	15.0	15.0	14.7	14.3	14.3	13.9	14.8	15.2	14.9	15.9	15.4
Central Karoo	23.0	22.7	22.3	21.6	21.7	20.4	21.3	22.0	21.5	22.3	20.3
City of Cape Town	18.2	18.3	18.6	18.7	19.1	19.8	21.1	21.9	21.7	23.2	22.4
Western Cape	15.9	16.1	16.1	16.0	16.4	16.5	17.7	18.4	18.3	19.6	18.9

Economy and Labour Market Performance

Sectoral Overview

In 2019, the economy of Overberg region was valued at R21.135 billion (current prices) and employed 132 537 people. Historical trends between 2015 and 2019 indicates that the municipal economy realised an average annual growth rate of 1.2 per cent which can be attributed to the secondary and tertiary sector growth of 1.4 per cent and 2.1 per cent respectively; the primary sector contracted over this period.

In terms of 2019 sectoral contribution, the manufacturing sector (R3.010 billion in 2019 or 14.2 per cent of total GDP) with average annual growth of 2.5 per cent between 2015 and 2019, was the main driver of growth in the secondary sector. The finance, insurance, real estate and business services (R4.235 billion or 20.0 per cent), transport, storage and communication (R2.340 billion or 11.1 per cent) and wholesale and retail trade, catering and accommodation (R4.263 billion or 20.2 per cent) with average annual growth of 3.0 per cent, 2.1 per cent and 2.0 per cent respectively for the period, were the main drivers of growth in the tertiary sector. In large part due to the impact of the COVID-19 lockdown and restrictions, estimates for 2020 shows a severe contraction in the economy overall, by 5.1 per cent, with both the secondary and tertiary sectors experiencing sharp contractions of 11.1 per cent and 5.7 per cent respectively. The agriculture, forestry and fishing sector was the exception, with estimated growth of 11.5 per cent for 2020.

In line with the sharp economic contraction, large employment losses were also estimated for 2020, with almost all sectors registering a decline in employment numbers. Overall, a balance of 7 699 jobs were lost, mostly through high losses in the wholesale and retail trade, catering and accommodation (1 939), community, social and personal services (1 679), agriculture, forestry and fishing (1 407), construction (1 096), finance, insurance, real estate and business services (879) and manufacturing (576) sectors.

Formal and Informal Employment

It is estimated that Overberg region's total employed in 2020 amounts to 124 838 workers of which 90 474 (72.5 per cent) are in the formal sector while 34 364 (27.5 per cent) are informally employed.

Informal employment has been on the decline since 2017, while overall formal employment stagnated (zero growth) between 2016 and 2020. Most of the formally employed consisted of low-skilled (39.7 per cent) and semi-skilled (42.8 per cent) workers. Although the skilled category only contributed 17.5 per cent to total formal employment (2020), it outpaced the other two categories in terms of average annual growth – between 2016 and 2020, the skilled cohort grew on average by 1.1 per cent, while the semi-skilled category growing at 0.4 per cent; low skilled employment contracted at an average annual rate of 0.9 per cent over the same period. The growth in the skilled category reflects the market demand for more skilled labour and the ability to sustain and even slightly expand skilled employment even during difficult economic times. Evidently, the demand for skilled labour is on the rise which implies the need to capacitate and empower low-skilled and semi-skilled workers.

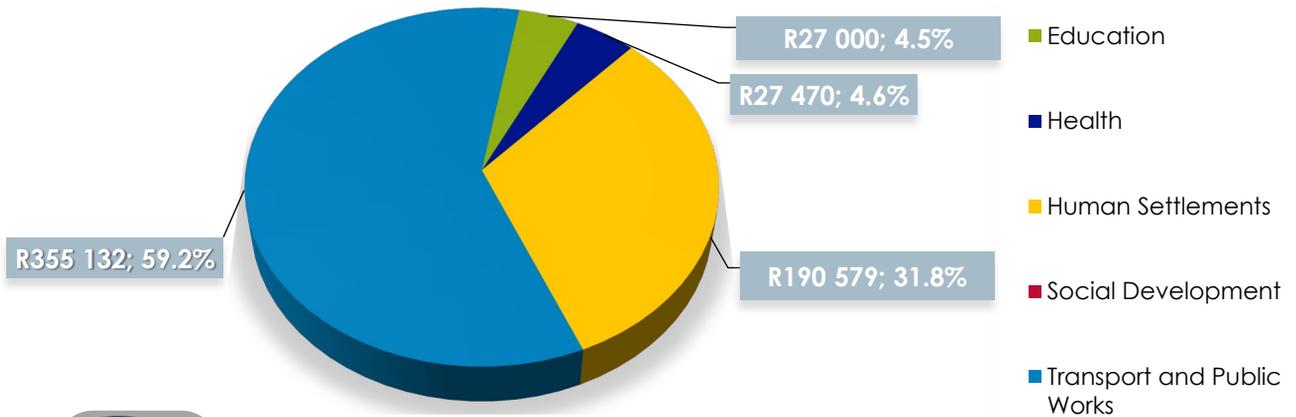
Unemployment

The Overberg District has one of the lowest (10.9 per cent) unemployment rates compared to other districts and is significantly lower than the Western Cape rate of 18.9 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).

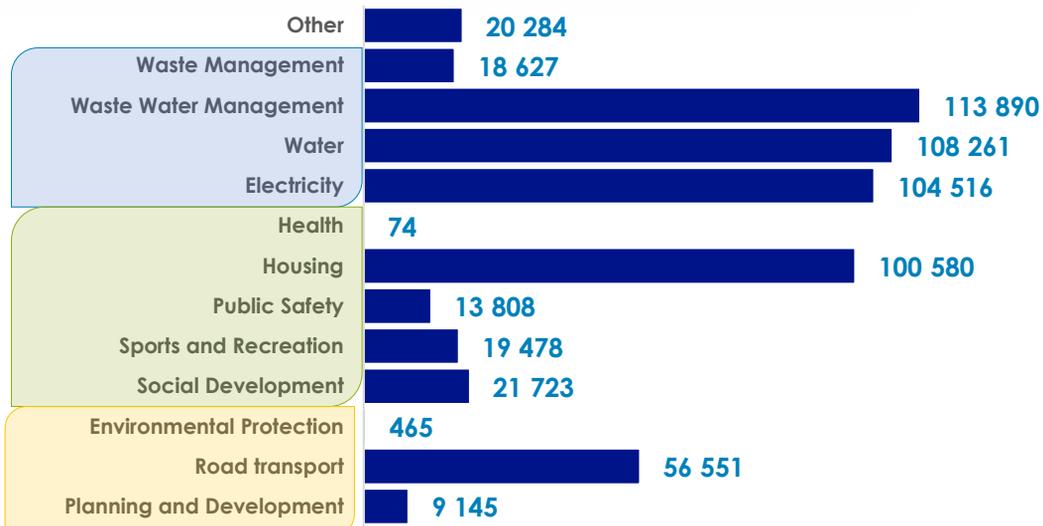
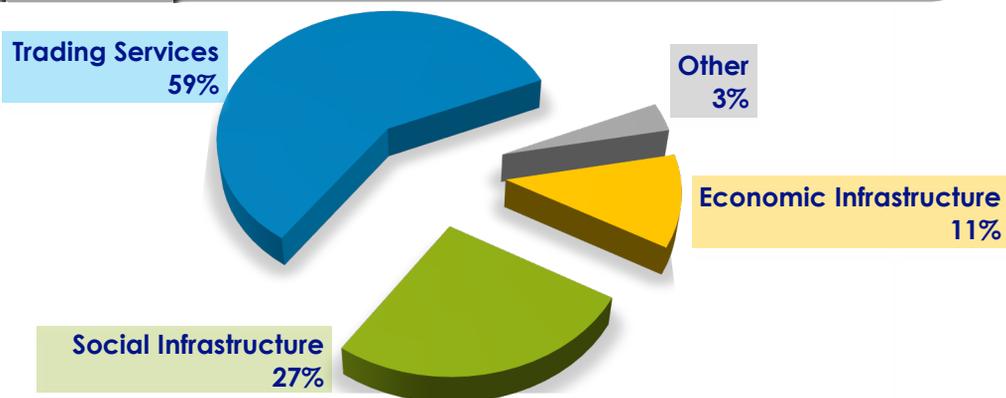
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE SPEND



Provincial infrastructure spend (R'000)



Municipal infrastructure spend (R'000)



Public Infrastructure Spend

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 40.8 per cent of the budget on social infrastructure.

As displayed in the pie chart the WCG will be allocating 4.5 per cent of the infrastructure budget (R27.000 million) towards Education in the District. 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 the Department of Health has allocated 4.6 per cent (R27.470 million) of infrastructure spending on Health in the District. In addition to this, there is a small allocation of (R24 000) for health by the Overberg District Municipality (R74 000 includes allocations by all local municipalities in the District).

The majority of the WCG social infrastructure spending (R190.579 million) has been allocated towards Human Settlements, which will aid in reducing housing backlogs in 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 Overberg District Municipality has allocated the largest portion, 63.5 per cent (R4.350 million) of its own capital budget towards public safety; together with the local municipalities, the total public safety allocation for 2021/22 totals a substantial R13.808 million. In addition to Provincial spend, the District Municipality has allocated 7.8 per cent (R565 000) of its own 2021/22 capital budget towards sport and recreation, serving to improve the quality of life of individuals within the municipal area; combined with locals, this totals R19.478 million.

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 R355.132 million (59.2 per cent) towards economic infrastructure, more specifically towards the rehabilitation and refurbishment of road infrastructure. All municipalities in the District combined allocated R56.551 million to road transport in 2021/22. Road transport infrastructure goes a long way towards unlocking the region's economic potential.

Spending on Trading Services

Basic services are crucial to improving the living conditions of citizens within the District and enabling economic activity for businesses via access to water, electricity, sanitation and refuse removal. Combined, the local municipalities within the region have made substantial allocations to the water (R108.261 million), waste water (R113.890 million), electricity (R104.516 million) and waste management (R18.627 million) services in the respectively local municipalities. The Overberg District Municipality has also allocated R255 000 towards regional waste management in 2021/22.

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