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# Baw Baw Shire

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## Profile

Baw Baw Shire is a predominantly rural-based municipality, which includes rich horticultural, dairying and forestry areas.

It is also a major exurban growth area for the south-eastern suburbs of Melbourne, the focus of which is on Drouin and Warragul.

Primary industry is a major employer and industry sector within Baw Baw and includes dairy and beef cattle, pome fruits (apples), vegetables, potatoes, cool climate grapes, maize, soft fruits (berries and currants), fresh flowers, seedlings and plants, hydroponic tomatoes and timber.

There is also a significant and growing value-adding sector taking advantage of the primary produce grown in the area. Organic production is also increasing significantly.

Baw Baw is part of the Large Shire council grouping and can be compared with similar councils. More information on council groupings can be found [here](https://knowyourcouncil.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0009/29439/DOC-15-313642-Victorian-Local-Government-Comparator-Groups-2015-FINAL.pdf).

### Victoria in Future Profile

[Baw Baw - Victoria in Future 2016](http://www.planning.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0015/11445/Baw_Baw_VIF_2016_One_Page_Profile_Output.pdf)

### Aboriginal Community Profile

[Baw Baw Aboriginal Community Profile (includes Aboriginal organisations)](http://www.maggolee.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/LGA-Profile-Final-Baw-Baw.pdf)

## Localities

Aberfeldy, Ada, Allambee, Allambee Reserve, Allambee South, Amor, Athlone, Baw Baw, Baw Baw Village, Bona Vista, Boola, Brandy Creek, Bravington, Buln Buln, Buln Buln East, Caringal, Childers, Cloverlea, Coalville, Coopers Creek, Crossover, Darnum, Delburn, Driffield, Drouin, Drouin East, Drouin South, Drouin West, Ellinbank, Erica, Ferndale, Fumina, Fumina South, Gainsborough, Gentle Annie, Glengarry North, Hallora, Hallston, Heath Hill, Hernes Oak, Hill End, Icy Creek, Jacob Creek, Jericho, Jindivick, Labertouche, Lardner, Lillico, Loch Valley, Longwarry, Longwarry North, Mirboo South, Modella, Moe, Moe South, Moondarra, Mountain View, Narracan, Nayook, Neerim, Neerim East, Neerim Junction, Neerim North, Neerim South, Nilma, Noojee, Nyora, Piedmont, Poowong East, Poowong North, Rawson, Ripplebrook, Rokeby, Seaview, Shady Creek, Strzelecki, Tanjil, Tanjil Bren, Tanjil South, Tetoora Road, Thaloo, Thomson, Thorpdale, Thorpdale South, Toombon, Toongabbie, Toorongo, Trafalgar, Trafalgar East, Trafalgar South, Trida, Vesper, Walhalla, Warragul, Warragul South, Warragul West, Westbury, Willow Grove, Yallourn North, Yarragon and Yarragon South.

For a detailed map showing shire boundaries and locality names, visit [VICNAMES](http://maps.land.vic.gov.au/lassi/VicnamesUI.jsp).

## Community Satisfaction

[Baw Baw Shire Council Local Government Community Satisfaction Survey Results](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/About-Council/Publications-and-Policies/Our-Performance/Community-Satisfaction-Survey?BestBetMatch=community%20satisfaction%20survey%7Cd13b95b2-5146-4b00-9e3e-a80c73739a64%7C4f05f368-ecaa-4a93-b749-7ad6c4867c1f%7Cen-AU)

## Annual Report

[Baw Baw Shire Council Annual Report 2019/20](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au/About-Council/Publications-and-Policies/Our-Performance/Annual-Report)

## Elections

For further information regarding Local Government elections visit:

* [Local Government Victoria](http://www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au/council-governance/candidate-training)
* [Victorian Electoral Commission](http://www.vec.vic.gov.au/)

## Councillors

9 Councillors elected in October 2020.

Central - Cr Joe Gauci

Central - Cr Jazmin Tauru

Central - Cr Danny Goss - Mayor

East - Cr Peter Kostos

East - Cr Michael Leaney - Deputy Mayor

East - Cr Darren Wallace

West - Cr Tricia Jones

West - Cr Ben Lucas

West - Cr Annemarie McCabe

## Population data

Estimated resident population. Source: Victoria in Future 2016 - Population and Household Projections to 2031

* **2016**47,548
* **2021**54,318
* **2026**61,296
* **2031**67,743

## Finances

Source: Victoria Grants Commission.  
The figures in the bottom two rows of the table show combined one-off and ongoing funding received by council from both the Federal and State Governments. It is important to note that this amount can change significantly from year to year as individual government funding programs change and natural events such as fires and floods occur.

Data shows the amount allocated in respect of the relevant financial year. In some years, that amount will vary from the payments received that year, as a result of the Commonwealth "bringing forward" some payments.

2018-19

2017-18

2016-17

2015-16

2014-15

2013-14

2012-13

2011-12

2010-11

2009-10

Recurrent Expenditure ($)

82.255m

73.076m

70.524m

67.559m

64.390m

63.858m

69.011m

66.698m

58.199m

51.544m

Recurrent Revenue ($)

90.758m

85.746m

84.776m

75.928m

79.133m

71.159m

71.190m

71.650m

56.421m

55.367m

- Rates and Charges

57.204m

53.809m

51.314m

49.137m

46.848m

44.11m

41.284m

35.058m

31.535m

28.990m

- VGC Grants

9.105m

8.987m

8.646m

8.602m

8.256m

8.379m

8.087m

8.009m

7.542m

7.134m

Non-Recurrent Government Grants

9.034m

3.281m

5.931m

6.501m

9.172m

3.054m

12.358m

2.704m

6.254m

Recurrent Government Grants

13.524m

15.001m

22.213m

12.907m

6.333m

6.347m

11.136m

5.489m

6.342m

5.412m