

# Animal biosciences

## Dubbo



### Location snapshot



Home to **Taronga Western Plains Zoo**



**Established**  
market participants  
and initiatives



**Access**  
to a variety of livestock



Large and qualified  
**Workforce**

### Ideal ecosystem

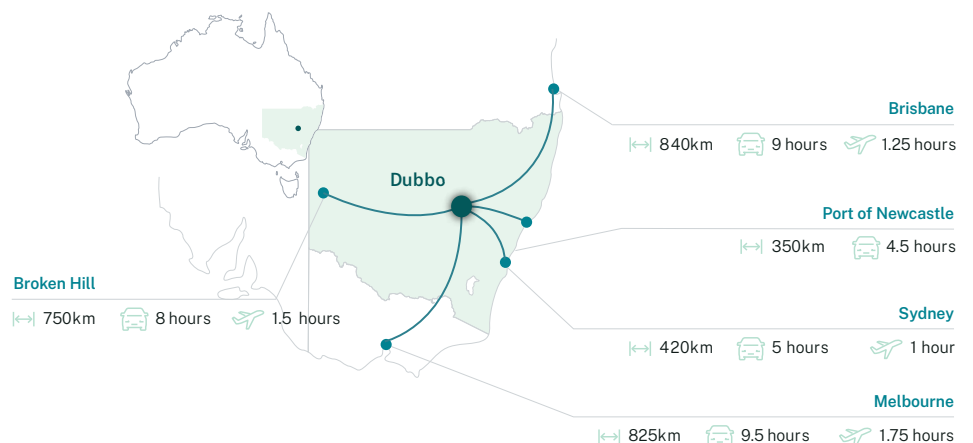
Dubbo provides the ideal ecosystem for a thriving animal biosciences industry. Maverick Biosciences, a globally-recognised biosciences business, already calls the city home, with Dubbo's famous Taronga Western Plains Zoo playing a pivotal role in environmental sciences and conservation.

With the quantity and variety of livestock available, and the ability to leverage Australia's reputation as a producer of high-quality and disease-free animal products, Dubbo is ideally placed to play an important part in the animal biosciences sector.

### Connected

Dubbo is centrally located between Melbourne and Brisbane (five hours north-west of Sydney), at the junction of three major highways – Newell Highway, Golden Highway and Mitchell Highway. This major service centre benefits from regular rail passenger and freight travel as it is located on the Main Western Railway line, which connects Dubbo to the East Coast cities and ports.

Dubbo Regional Airport offers daily flights to Australia's major markets, including Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane, ensuring strong domestic and global connectivity.



## About Dubbo



**9.5m**

livestock production in Central-West Orana



**30,000**

strong workforce within 1-hour drive



**400km**

north-west of Sydney

## North Dubbo Industrial Precinct

Located just minutes to the north of Dubbo CBD, and spanning nearly 1,000 hectares of industrial-zoned land, is the North Dubbo Industrial Precinct. The precinct boasts approximately 200 hectares of E4 General Industrial and 680 hectares of E5 Heavy Industrial lands, and is already home to the Dubbo Regional Livestock Markets, Fletcher International Exports (abattoir), and a rail intermodal. The site is serviced by 132 kilovolts power transmission lines, gas and potable water pipes.

## Workforce

A workforce of over 30,000 resides within a 1-hour drive of Dubbo. The region offers a workforce that specialises in professional, scientific and technical services, with over 1,100 workers already employed in this sector.

Dubbo is part of the Orana DAMA (Designated Area Migration Agreement), which provides skills matching and migration support to employers and new Australians.

## Industry outlook

The Australian veterinary pharmaceutical manufacturing industry is estimated to be worth close to one billion dollars per year. The annual projected growth rate of 2.5 percent over the 2023-28 period is being driven by greater regulation, increased animal health monitoring, and the rising prevalence of both animal and zoonotic diseases.

## Enviably lifestyle

Dubbo boasts many of the advantages of its metropolitan cousins, such as high-end cafes, theatres, cultural experiences, and education and training facilities. A popular tourist destination, Dubbo attracts over 1.3 million visitors per year thanks to major attractions such as Taronga Western Plains Zoo, Dubbo Regional Botanic Garden and the Old Dubbo Gaol.

This friendly and affordable (median house price one-third of Sydney) community is ideal for anyone looking for metropolitan living in a regional location.



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