

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

## JABIRU

<b>NAME[S] OF COMMUNITY:</b>	<b>JABIRU</b>
Outstations:	13
Name or number of clan/groups:	Ask when in the town / outstation
Languages Spoken:	Town: English Out stations: Kunwinjku; Gundjehmi
Population (Region):	
• Non-Indigenous	1500
• Indigenous	500
Permit required:	Town & Outstations: No
Name of local council:	Jabiru Township: Jabiru Town Council
Name of local Aboriginal Associations:	Djabulukgu Association Gagudju Association Gundjehmi Aboriginal Corporation Warnbi Aboriginal Corporation
<b>COMMUNITY HISTORY:</b>	Jabiru was established on the lands traditionally owned by the Bininj people. The town was built in 1982 to accommodate the workers of the Ranger Uranium Mine. The town has steadily grown since then due to the increasing publicity for Kakadu National Park, which Jabiru lies within. The town therefore operates as a large tourist centre during the dry season months.
<b>ACCESS TO COMMUNITY:</b>	250 km to Darwin
<b>Road:</b>	Yes
• All year access?	Some short-term closures of Arnhem Highway during Wet season
• Bitumen, dirt, 4WD or 2WD	Outstations: some short-term closures during Wet Season Bitumen into Jabiru; 4WD & 2WD Outstations: bitumen & dirt; 4WD & 2WD

<b>Boat/barge:</b>	N/A
<b>Plane:</b>	Yes
• Name of airline(s)	No scheduled service; charter flights only-
• Cost per adult	Price on enquiry
• Frequency	On demand
RFDS/AirMed access	Full AirMed access

**TYPES OF FUEL AVAILABLE:**

• Diesel, leaded, unleaded, gas:	All
• Conditions of availability:	In Kakadu National Park, only in Jabiru, South Alligator, and Cooida.
• Any mechanics available locally:	Two mechanical repair shops

**ALCOHOL:**

• Conditions/restrictions on sale of alcohol/bringing alcohol into community:	No. Cannot buy take-away unless a member of the Golf Club.
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**SHOPS:**

• Shop(s) available:	Supermarket (inc. butcher, deli), childcare centre, post office, hair/beauty, café, fishing shop, video, Westpac Bank, bakery
• Hours of opening:	9 - 5.30 M-F, 9-1 Sat/Sun
• What is for sale (general overview):	Groceries and good supply of most things
• Fresh fruit/veg/milk/meat available:	Yes

**COMMUNICATIONS: Clinic**

• Phone access?	Yes. Mobile phone access only in Jabiru
• Is there internet/email access? Any constraints on use?	Yes. No constraints
• Is there a satellite dish? If so, who can access.	Yes at the Clinic.

## **COMMUNICATIONS: Home Kakadu Health Service GP**

- Phone access? Yes. Mobile phone access only in Jabiru
- Is there internet/email access? Any constraints on use? Yes. No constraints
- Is there a satellite dish? If so, who can access. No

## **LOCAL INDUSTRY/EMPLOYMENT:**

- Is there a local industry? Tourism and mining
- List any employment options for spouses of GPs: Limited. Would be in the areas of tourism, mining, Town Council, Parks Australia North

## **SCHOOL:**

What schooling options are available locally?

- Primary Yes
- Secondary and for what years of secondary school - Yes to Year 10. Some tutorial support provided for students enrolled in open learning in Years 11 and 12.
- If the school is bilingual, can non-indigenous students attend? Both indigenous and non-indigenous students are enrolled.

## **RECREATION/SPORTING:**

What recreation and sporting opportunities/facilities are there?

Golf course, netball, tennis, swimming, gym, judo, aqua aerobics, football, rugby, soccer

## **MEDICAL:**

- Health Service operated by: Jabiru Community Health Centre is a combined service provided by the Department of Health & Community Services and Kakadu Health Service
- GP employed by: Kakadu Health Service
- GP hours: 8.00 am – 5.00 pm Monday to Friday
- Clinic hours of operation: 8.00 am - 4.00 pm Monday to Friday
- On-call: Nursing staff provide an after-hours

emergency service. GPs are required to provide limited after-hours support for nursing staff. No weekends

### **Staffing at the clinic:**

- number of GP's: 2 GPs. A GP Registrar and Junior Doctor when available
- number of RN's: 4 in Wet Season. 5 in Dry Season
- number of Aboriginal Health Workers: 3

### **Visiting health professionals**

- type of service (eg dental) There are a range of specialist services that visit the clinic, from time to time, throughout the year including:
- frequency and duration of visits

General Surgeon  
Obstetrician & Gynaecologist  
Paediatrician  
Children's hearing service  
Eye Specialists  
Medical Imaging  
Remote Mental Health Team  
Speech Therapist  
Physiotherapist

## **GP ACCOMMODATION:**

- Type of housing available: A fully air-conditioned house is available
- Furnished – yes, no, partially: Yes
- Are whitegoods supplied, if yes, what: Yes: fridge, freezer, washing machine, microwave
- Other facilities supplied [eg. TV,radio]: Yes
- Linen & bedding: Yes
- Electricity: Yes
- Water: Yes
- Laundry facilities: Yes
- Telephone/fax/ email/internet: Telephone
- Air-conditioning: Yes

## **GP VEHICLE**

- A well maintained 4x4 vehicle is supplied

## **RELIGION**

Church services available in the community:

Uniting Church and Catholic services are held on alternating Sundays

## **OTHER THINGS FOR THE INCOMING GP AND FAMILY TO CONSIDER:**

- Ask the GP & the clinic staff of any dominant local health & social issues to be aware of.
- On arrival in the community, ask an appropriate person to advise you of locations to avoid [eg sacred sites].