Advanced manufacturing for clean technologies

Port Stephens





Location snapshot



Manufacturing powerhouse



Available industrialzoned lands



Proximity to Port of Newcastle and Newcastle Airport



Within Hunter-Central Coast REZ and close to Central-West Orana REZ



Large and qualified workforce



Ideal conditions

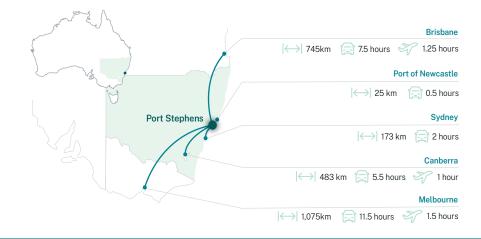
Port Stephens is well located to serve the spectrum of clean energy markets across Australia, including both the Hunter-Central Coast and Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zones (REZ). Already home to several established and growing manufacturers related to clean technologies (including Ampcontrol, 3ME, LAVO and Energy Renaissance), these operators benefit from the region's connectivity to ports and air, as well as rail connections that enable export opportunities.

Businesses can also take advantage of the research and networks created by the Newcastle Institute of Energy and Resources (NIER) and CSIRO Energy Centre, while also tapping into a vast workforce trained in heavy and high-tech industries.

Connected

Port Stephens is only 2 hours from Sydney and immediately north of Newcastle. The location just off the Pacific Highway – which connects Brisbane and Sydney – ensures strong road connectivity, and the Main North Railway Line provides excellent passenger and freight rail connections.

The region is home to Newcastle Airport, providing daily flights to Australia's major markets. This, coupled with the nearby Port of Newcastle (the largest bulk shipping port on the Australian East Coast), ensures the region is truly an international trade gateway.



About Port Stephens



>\$5 billion

annual value of manufacturing output



185,000

strong workforce within 1-hour drive



2 hours

north of Sydney by road

Choice of location

Port Stephens has a range of industrial land, depending on the requirements of your business. Key industrial land is provided at Heatherbrae and Tomago, where vacant and infill E4 General Industrial zoned sites are available.

Serviced industrial and commercial land close to Newcastle Airport is also available, including office and industrial build-to-spec options for lease.

Workforce

A large workforce of 185,000 resides within a 1-hour drive of Port Stephens. This workforce specialises in manufacturing, with nearly 11,000 workers employed across the sector. Furthermore, globally-ranked University of Newcastle provides a strong graduate pipeline of 35,000 students.

Also helping to feed this future workforce pipeline is the Port Stephens P-Tech program (Pathways In Technology), which provides pathways for students into advanced manufacturing, mechanical engineering and aviation.

Industry outlook

Concern for the environment is driving investment in projects that shift away from fossil fuels. Manufacturers of inputs designed for wind, solar and hydroelectricity generation are increasingly in demand.

NSW is set to attract more than \$37 billion in renewable energy investment by 2030.

Enviable lifestyle

From powder-soft sands to turquoise waters, Port Stephens picturesque location is complemented by world-class health and education facilities, and a flourishing food, arts and culture scene.

The liveability of Port Stephens provides a competitive edge for businesses when recruiting highly skilled staff, who can enjoy an enviable lifestyle just a short drive from Sydney and a short flight from Brisbane and Melbourne.



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