

Mansfield, Queensland

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Mansfield Brisbane , Queensland		
Population:	9,355 (2001 census)	
Established:	1967 (gazetted)	
Postcode:	4122	
Area:	6 km ² (2.3 sq mi)	
Location:	11 km (7 mi) from Brisbane	
LGA:	City of Brisbane	
State District:	Mansfield	
Federal Division:	Bonner	
Suburbs around Mansfield:		
Carina Heights	Carindale	Belmont
Mount Gravatt East	Mansfield	Mackenzie
Upper Mount Gravatt	Wishart	Rochedale

Mansfield is a suburb of [Brisbane](#), [Australia](#), situated approximately 11 kilometres south-east of the [CBD](#). It is located in the region of the city which is now colloquially known as the "Bible Belt" due to the large number of people who have settled there to be close to Fundamentalist [Christian](#) schools and churches. It was named in 1967, after the [Queensland](#) governor of the time [Sir Alan Mansfield](#). The suburb has a moderate Greek presence with over 3% of the population speaking [Greek](#) as a first language.

History

The suburb has an [agricultural](#) past, consisting mainly of dairy cattle and sheep grazing. Original fencelines can still be found in remaining pockets of [bushland](#). There was also light development of industries related

to agriculture, such as wool processing and scouring. Also the quarry once located on Ham and Wecker Roads, excavated large amounts of sandstone used throughout some of the historic landmarks of [Brisbane](#), such as the [Brisbane City Hall](#).

Recently reopened, the "Rock Arena" at the Mansfield Tavern was in its heyday a popular venue for touring musical acts and has starred such acts as [The Offspring](#), [Hunters & Collectors](#), [Madness](#), [Hoodoo Gurus](#), [The Angels](#) and great British rock band [The Cult](#).^{*[citation needed]*}

Housing and land use

Large portions of Mansfield were originally constructed as government housing estates, however these have progressively been replaced by more modern private residences. Due the increasing unavailability and expense of land closer to the CBD, the area is currently experiencing a period of socio-economic growth and renewal.

There is a medium-sized [industrial estate](#) situated in the northern part of the suburb, in which an [Australia Post](#) mail delivery centre is located.

Education

There are three schools within Mansfield; Mansfield State Primary School, [Mansfield State High School](#) and Christian Outreach College. The first of these schools to open was Mansfield State Primary School in 1970 and [Mansfield State High School](#) in 1974.

Transport

Mansfield has regular bus services to the CBD and to the [Westfield Garden City shopping centre](#) at [Upper Mount Gravatt](#).

Parks

Arguably the greatest asset of the Mansfield area is its remaining pockets of bushland and parklands. The largest [public park](#) in Mansfield, Broadwater Park, is a reasonably large open space with [barbecue](#) areas and children's play equipment. Adjoining this parkland is a large bushland reserve which follows the course of [Bulimba Creek](#) (a tributary of the [Brisbane River](#)).