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# MARKET OUTLOOK

# **RHODES**

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## **LOCATION & ACCESSIBILITY**

Rhodes residents benefit from waterfront living and high-quality amenities, with excellent transport connectivity throughout the Greater Sydney region.

Rhodes is a Sydney suburb located approximately 8km east of the Parramatta CBD and 12km north-west of the Sydney CBD. Located on the foreshore of the Parramatta River, the area is easily accessible via public transport, with Rhodes train station providing services on the Northern Transport Line. The area is well-serviced by major arterial roads. such as Concord Road, Homebush Bay Drive and the M4 Western Motorway, providing ongoing connection to the broader Sydney Road network.

With the proposed development of a Rhodes ferry wharf, the development of the Sydney Metro West, and increased cyclist and pedestrian links, Rhodes is set to benefit from increased connectivity to the Sydney CBD and Greater Parramatta and Olympic Peninsula Corridor. respectively.

Rhodes is serviced by multiple major hospitals. including Concord Hospital, Ryde Hospital and Westmead Health Precinct. Residents can access many nearby primary and high schools in Rhodes, Concord, and Strathfield. Rhodes is also set to benefit from substantial upgrades to its schools and hospitals, with plans for modern facilities and expanded educational resources, ensuring Rhodes residents have access to topnotch healthcare and educational services within their community.

Rhodes residents have access to multiple nearby retail, dining and public space offerings, including Rhodes Waterside, Rhodes Central, DFO Homebush and McIlwaine Park, providing residents with an attractive lifestyle.

#### THE SUBURB OF RHODES WILL **CONTINUE TO ATTRACT SUBSTANTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC AMENITY INVESTMENT IN LINE WITH** THE RHODES PLACE STRATEGY.



Source: Deicorp

## **INFRASTRUCTURE**

Major current and proposed infrastructure investment includes:



#### SYDNEY METRO WEST

Over \$18 billion, 2030

The Sydney Metro West network will provide frequent transport services to Rhodes residents seeking convenient access to Parramatta and neighbouring suburbs of Sydney Olympic Park, Burwood and North Strathfield.



#### **LEEDS STREET MIXED USE PRECINCT**

\$200 million, 2029

Early planning for a mixed-use precinct on Leeds Street is underway, comprising 6,000 sq.m. of open public space, retail and dining as part of the proposed Leeds Street foreshore renewal.



#### **CONCORD HOSPITAL** REDEVELOPMENT

\$32 million, 2024

A new five-storey carpark is under construction as part of the multi-stage Concord Hospital redevelopment, with Stage 1 having delivered a clinical services building, veteran's health service, cancer centre and aged care rehabilitation services.



#### RYDE HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT STAGE 1

\$479 million, 2026

A proposed redevelopment and refurbishment of current hospital facilities, including a new and expanded emergency department, intensive care unit, operating theatres, and other specialised medical services.



#### **RHODES EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL** \$37 million, 2025

Proposed development of a new primary school in Rhodes East with modern, fitfor-purpose learning spaces and facilities. The new primary school is part of the NSW Government's commitment to invest \$8.6 billion in school infrastructure over the next four years.

## **POPULATION & DEMOGRAPHICS**

Rhodes is home to highly skilled and educated residents who benefit from modern public infrastructure and excellent access to growing employment and transport connectivity.

For the purpose of our analysis, we have defined the study area to be the suburb of Rhodes. The population of Rhodes is forecast to grow steadily and above forecasted Greater Sydney per annum growth, to 16,309 in 2039.

The population of Rhodes is characterised by young and educated residents, with a high proportion aged between 25-39 and either completing or possessing tertiary qualifications. The proportion of white-collar, highly skilled residents is significantly higher than the Greater Sydney average, highlighting the attractiveness of Rhodes amongst young and emerging professionals seeking convenient access to major employment and educational institutions. Household incomes have experienced significant growth as a result of this increasing affluence, averaging annual growth of 6.3% between 2016 to 2021.

The majority of Rhodes residents are renting, with 61% in 2021 compared to the Sydney average of 37%, providing a strong rental market for potential investors.

#### **POPULATION GROWTH, RHODES**

2024-2039



Source: ABS; TfNSW; Urbis

#### **RHODES AVERAGE ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME**

2016-2021



Source: ARS: Urbis

# WHO LIVES IN

RHODES?		2016 Rhodes	2021 Rhodes	2021 Sydney
ġ	Average Age (years)	31	34	38
0	Overseas Born (%)	80%	75%	40%
88	Residents Aged 25-39 (%)	50%	<b>52</b> %	23%
ŵ	Couple Family With Children (%)	22%	21%	36%
888	Average Household Size (Persons)	2.5	2.2	2.7
	Reside in Apartment (%)	88%	84%	28%
Pa	Renters (%)	61%	61%	37%
	White Collar Workers (%)	87%	87%	77%
<b>P</b>	Bachelor's Degree or Higher (%)	79%	79%	54%
	Undertaking Tertiary Education (%)	65%	40%	21%

Source: ABS; Urbis

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Having convenient access to growing employment centres is a key determinant of residential demand.

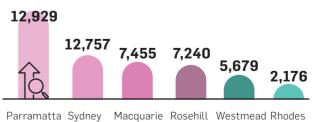
The Rhodes employment area is a dynamic hub with over 25,000 jobs in 2024 and projected to reach almost 28,000 jobs by 2039. The Rhodes Corporate Park has a significant concentration of major businesses, including CitiGroup, Nestle and DHL.

The Parramatta CBD is expected to see a significant job growth of nearly 13,000 new jobs between 2024 and 2039, with a substantial portion coming from the Financial and Insurance Services sector

Other nearby employment hubs include Sydney Olympic Park, Westmead, Macquarie Park, and Rosehill. Additionally, the future Parramatta Light Rail and Sydney Metro West will enhance connectivity to these centres from Rhodes.

#### **ADDITIONAL JOBS**

2024-2039



Source: TfNSW; Urbis

CBD

Olympic Park

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#### **RESIDENTIAL MARKET**

Rhodes experienced an increased volume of apartment sales in 2015, driven by the apartment market boom witnessed across Sydney. Median sales prices have stabilised at around \$900,000 since 2017. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the sale prices for apartments in Rhodes remained relatively resilient.

In 2023, Rhodes recorded a peak median apartment price of \$954,400, growing at an average rate of 3.8% per annum since 2013. This sale price growth has been spurred by rising demand for high-density living and strong population growth in Rhodes and Greater Sydney overall

In 2020, COVID-19 impacted Sydney rental markets, as international border restrictions stopped the typical flow of migration. Since then, the recovery of international migration has led to strong demand for high-quality housing in well-located suburbs, such as Rhodes. This reflects the suburb's strong rental growth from March 2020 to September 2023, averaging 9.5% per annum for apartments.

As at October 2023, Rhodes apartments achieved a gross rental yield of 4.6%, stronger than the 4.3% achieved across Greater Sydney. Robust rental yields, coupled with a constrained supply pipeline indicate that Rhodes's rental housing market is primed for further growth, a positive for potential investors.

#### **RHODES APARTMENT MARKET**



Note: Sales exclude off-the-plan sales yet to settle Source: Pricefinder; Urbis

#### **APARTMENT SALES PRICE**



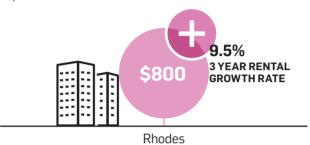
#### **APARTMENT SALES PRICE GROWTH**

2013-2023



#### **MEDIAN WEEKLY APARTMENT RENT**

September 2023



Source: NSW Communities and Justice; Urbis

#### INDICATIVE APARTMENT GROSS RENTAL YIELD (%)

October 2023



Source: Pricefinder Urbis

#### **FUTURE APARTMENT PIPELINE**

Rhodes





Source: Cordell Connect; Urbis Apartment Essentials

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