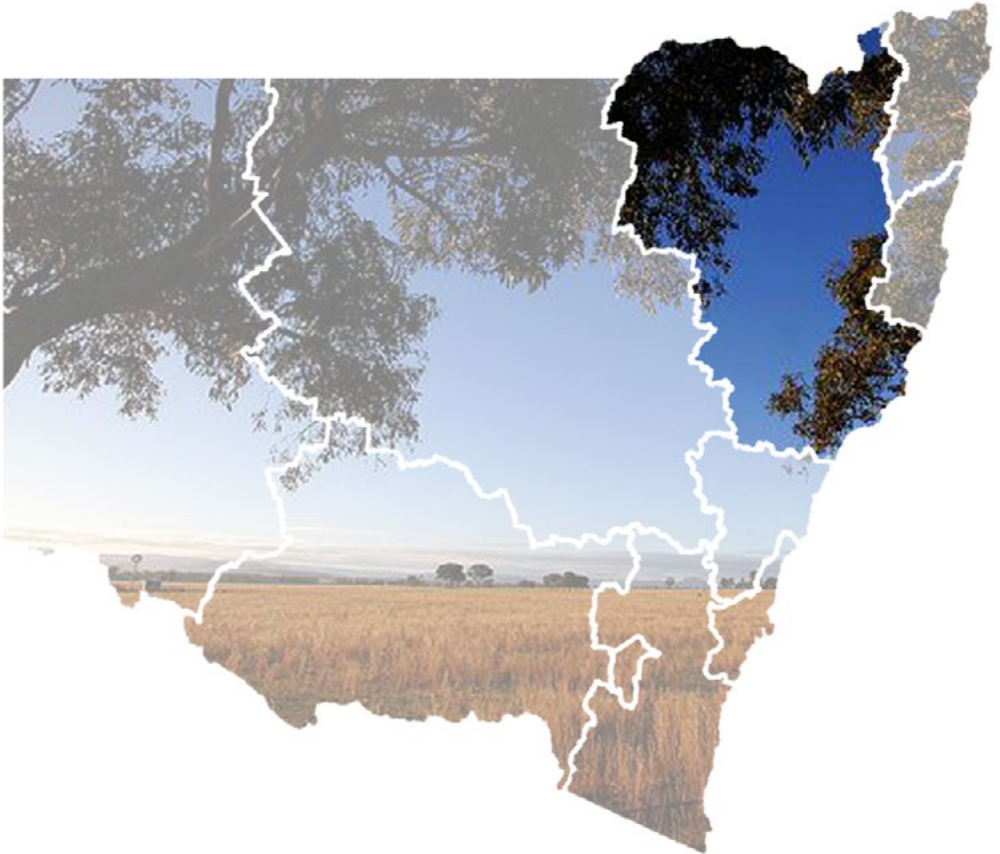


Hunter New England LHD

Hunter New England Health provides a range of public health services for more than 850,000 people. It has a staff of 15,500, including 1500 medical officers and 1600 volunteers. Hunter New England has a major metropolitan centre, several large regional centres and many smaller rural and remote communities.



Tamworth

Tamworth is home to over 50,000 people. It is the major business centre of the region and has a thriving cultural scene with art galleries, museum, theatres and the Tamworth Regional Conservatorium of Music.

Tamworth Hospital

Number of beds:	282
Hospital type:	Rural Referral Hospital
Same day admissions approx.:	10,000
Overnight admissions approx.:	12,000

Tamworth Hospital is a rural referral hospital with a 24-hour emergency department, high level surgical and medical services, including a diagnostic and interventional cardiac catheterization laboratory, intensive care, coronary care, rehabilitation services (including brain injury), Diabetes Centre, mental health unit, renal services, paediatrics, maternity, oncology, radiology and pathology. Outpatient clinics link the New England area with specialist tertiary hospitals in Newcastle and Sydney. Tamworth Hospital is currently undergoing a \$220 million redevelopment, building a new state-of-the-art multi-level hospital.