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- relating to a municipality, an area outlined for the purposes of local government and the facilities within it.



Did you know?

ACCORDING to the Australian Bureau of Statistics 2016 Census, 'Greater Adelaide' has a population of 1,295,714.

Where in the world is... Adelaide?



IN THE NEWS

End of an era

THE city of Adelaide lost an important part of its identity this year.

On October 19, the last car rolled off the production line in Holden's Elizabeth factory in Adelaide's northern suburbs.

The Elizabeth facility opened in 1958, initially building car bodies before becoming a vehicle assembly line in 1965.

Hundreds of Holden workers were on hand to witness the end of production at the plant, with more than 1000 Holden fans pulling up outside the factory, many driving some of the manufacturer's most iconic models, in tribute to the Lion's history.

The last vehicle to come off the line shortly after midday was a red Holden Commodore, which will become a museum item. It was the 7,687,675th vehicle to be produced by the company.

The historic occasion marks the end of almost a century of automotive manufacturing for the nation, and 69 years for Holden.

CHECK IT OUT

Highlights

WATCH the video showing the city of Adelaide.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTaUIShldFI

Here is a list of 10 things to do and see.

- ★ Adelaide Botanic Garden
- ★ Adelaide Oval
- ★ Adelaide Central Market
- ★ Glenelg Tram
- ★ South Australia Art Gallery and Museum
- ★ The Rundle Mall Pigs
- ★ North Terrace
- ★ Himeji Garden
- ★ Victoria Square/ Tarntanyangga
- ★ Light's Vision at Montefiore Hill

SURROUNDED by hills to its east and over 70 kilometres of coastline to the west, is Australia's fifth largest city and the capital of South Australia... Adelaide.

Nestled in the foothills of the Mount Lofty Ranges and situated on Gulf St. Vincent, Adelaide is located on the traditional lands of the Kurna people, the first inhabitants of the area, who called it Tandanya, 'place of the red kangaroo'.

In the early 1830s, the British drew up plans to settle in the area - a new colony for free settlers, not convicts.

In December 1836, Surveyor-General Colonel William Light selected the site for the capital of the new colony in South Australia.

Light laid out the city close to the River Torrens, in a grid pattern, with five squares in the city centre, encircled by park lands.

The first governor of the new colony was Captain John Hindmarsh, who arrived on December 28, 1838, proclaiming the commencement of colonial government in South Australia.

In 181 years, the tiny colony has grown in to a vibrant city, to become recognised internationally as a thriving creative and cultural centre, acclaimed for its unique architectural history and heritage.

These, alongside education and infrastructure, are some of the reasons Adelaide was this year ranked the world's fifth most liveable city.

INTERESTING FACTS

- The city was named after Queen Adelaide, wife of the British King William IV, and is the only Australian capital to be named after a woman.
- Adelaide has been nicknamed the City of Churches - the Holy Trinity Anglican Church is the oldest, built in 1838.
- The first municipal/local government in Australia was established in 1840 in Adelaide.
- The geographic land area of Adelaide is 3,257.7sq km.
- Adelaide's population density ranks second in Australia, just after Melbourne, with 404.205 people per square kilometre.
- Australia is divided into three time zones. Adelaide comes under Australian Central Standard Time (ACST).
- The famous Adelaide Oval hosted its first cricket match in 1873.
- The University of Adelaide became the first in Australia to open its doors to women in 1880.
- In 1929, the city began operating electric trams to Glenelg Beach. The tram line is still in operation.
- The Adelaide Fringe Festival is the largest arts festival in the southern hemisphere and second largest worldwide.

NEXT WEEK: Howzat - the game of Test cricket (a five-part special)



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