



Karratha calling – could Karratha be your new home?

Can you see yourself living and working in one of the world's most scenic places? Make that dream a reality by joining the team at the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's regional Karratha office in the Pilbara.

Karratha means "good country" or "soft earth" in Aboriginal language, with Karratha and the West Pilbara Coast of WA being traditional land of the Ngarluma and Yindjibarndi People. Karratha and surrounds host the incredible and highly accessible islands and coral reefs of the Dampier Archipelago with the world's largest Aboriginal rock art site extending over the nearby Burrup Peninsula and Murujuga National Park. With the recent completion of the Manuwarra Red Dog Highway, the gorges, springs and river pools of Millstream-Chichester National Park are just over an hour away and the spectacular waterfalls, pools and gorges of Karijini National Park are within easy reach. The wonders of Exmouth, Coral Bay and Ningaloo reef also make for weekends away.

Karratha itself is a fast-growing town, with incredible facilities and modern services. Karratha is a fantastic place for kids, and a work-life balance is easy to achieve.

Educational and health services

- Karratha Health Campus – a modern hospital with visiting specialists, allied health support and remote support for patients needing to travel for services not available locally.
- Two high schools – Karratha Senior High School (secular) and St Luke's College (Catholic) both service Year 7–12.
- Primary Schools – Choice of five Government and one Catholic primary school.
- Childcare services – 11 services to choose from.



Sports, leisure and adventure

- Karratha's updated Leisureplex is a multipurpose community recreation facility, offering room and oval/reserves hire, in addition to servicing a wide range of sports and activities.
- Red Earth Arts Precinct is a modern art and community facility, also servicing a 450-seat theatre, outdoor amphitheatre, library and rooftop event space with panoramic views.
- The Pilbara University complex provides a hub facility for students to connect with their centrally based campuses.
- Pitter Pat Productions is a locally owned theatre company which offers interactive classes, workshops and performance opportunities to locals and visitors.
- Discover Karratha's backyard through numerous lookouts around the various fishing and camping sites. There are also sheltered coves, Rock Art tours, Pilbara bird tours, 4WD charters, helicopter scenic flights, heritage trails, Staircase to the Moon, and diving tours.
- Travel a little further and see breathtaking waterfalls, scenic natural pools and exciting bush trails surrounded by native plants and wildflowers.

Regional allowances and entitlements

The State Government provides generous incentives to attract people to work in the North West region, including:

- housing – staff can be provided with government housing at heavily subsidised rent, or can potentially access a Home Ownership Subsidy scheme which provides \$350/week towards a personal mortgage
- generous power subsidy in the summer months to cover air-conditioning
- district allowance of about \$7,500 for the employee and one other family member
- an additional week of North West annual leave
- flexible working arrangements including flexi-time and the possibility of working from home
- an annual travel subsidy to fly a family to a destination of choice (capped at the equivalent value of flights to Perth).

Karratha is the place to live, work, and play.
Why not join us?

