

# Australia's Cities: Sydney & Beyond — Knowledge Organiser

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## Key facts

- Most Australians live in cities near the coast, not in the dry interior.
- Sydney is the largest city, famous for its Harbour Bridge and Opera House.
- Melbourne is the second largest, known for sport and the arts.
- Other major cities include Brisbane, Perth, Adelaide and the capital, Canberra.

## Key vocabulary

- Urban — to do with towns and cities.
- Population — the number of people living somewhere.
- Coast — land beside the sea.
- Landmark — a famous, easily recognised feature or building.

## Why the coast?

The coast has a milder climate, more rainfall and good harbours for trade, while the interior is hot and dry. That is why Australia's cities cluster around the edges of the continent.

## Sydney landmarks

The Sydney Opera House, with its sail-like roofs, and the Sydney Harbour Bridge are two of Australia's most recognised landmarks.