

SUBURB PROFILE | REDBANK PLAINS

Redbank Plains is a residential suburb located in the local government area of Ipswich City Council, 29.9km west of the Brisbane CBD and 12.7km east of Ipswich CBD. The size of Redbank Plains is approximately 18 square kilometer. Residents of the area benefit from close proximity to both Ipswich and Brisbane CBD, with many residents commuting or utilizing public transport to Ipswich for work, while some work in Brisbane City.

The region is very popular with families of school age children due to its close proximity to a vast array of primary & secondary schools, including Collingwood Park state School in Collingwood Park. Redbank state School, Redbank State School, Redbank Plains state High School and Staines Memorial College, this coupled with affordable prices the suburb is becoming increasingly attractive to young families, first home buyers and investors.

The area also contains around ten child care centres and pre-schools. The University of Southern Queensland is located ten minutes from Redbank Plains within Springfield together with the Bremer Institute of TAFE. The University of Queensland's Ipswich Campus is also within close proximity, accessible by both private car and public transport.

Throughout Redbank Plains and its surrounds are a plethora of parklands, sporting and recreational clubs. The Redbank Plains Recreational Reserve is one of the largest parklands in the area and houses the Rebels Softball and Teeball Club, the Westminster Soccer Club, a Rugby field, and a Skate park together with a children's playground and barbeque areas. There are several additional parks within the area, all containing children's playgrounds and barbeque areas. Redbank Plains has its own golf course in addition to the world-class, Greg Norman designed golf course located at nearby Brookwater.

Residents of Redbank Plains have four medical centres on their doorstep; within a ten minute drive is the state-of-the-art Springfield Medical Centre and an additional three medical centres. Not to mention Redbank Plains is extremely well serviced by both recreational and retail amenities. There are three shopping centres within the immediate vicinity; Redbank Plains Shopping Centre and Redbank Plaza which offers a range of retailers including Coles, Kmart and the Reading Cinemas. The Redbank Plains Shopping Centre has recently under gone a multi-million dollar upgrade which has seen the likes of Big W, Aldi and Best and Less join the retail mix.

The area is well serviced by public transport with regular bus services and a new train station, vastly opening access to the South East Queensland Region. Improvements and upgrades to the Ipswich Motorway have recently been completed and have already significantly improved travel times and access to the greater Brisbane area and the Gold Coast. The Queensland government injected more \$1 .95 Billion into the Ipswich Motorway upgrade. Investing in Ipswich has already proven to be prosperous, as Ipswich city valuations have increased from \$2.12 Billion in 2004 - 2005 to \$12.16 billion in 2011- 2012.

The culmination of infrastructure investment will result in continued demand for residential dwellings across Ipswich stemming from new residents moving to the area in support of the area's economic growth and significant job creation opportunities.

