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Developing a sense of place:  
Interviewing for community  
perspectives.

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# Project Overview

- In partnership with the ACT Government, the research team of six includes a GIS specialist, ANU senior research fellow, and PhD's working as RA's
- "Retrofitting and revitalising low density suburbs and town centres for long term sustainability"
- Mixed methods approach – GIS, qualitative interviews, and desktop analysis
- Using the ACT's most southern residential district as the case study (Tuggeranong)

# Tuggeranong District

Population: 86,000

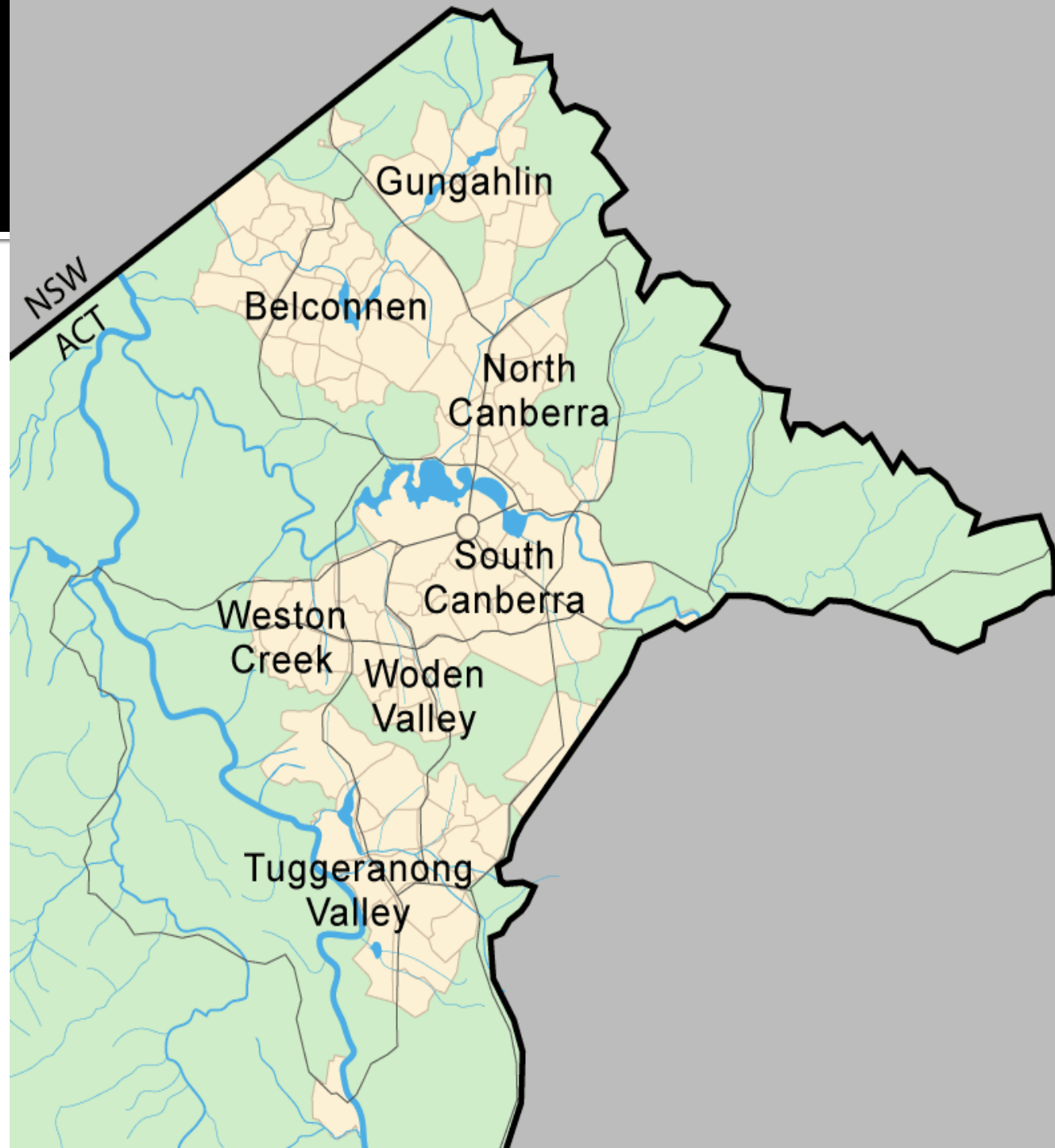
Total suburbs: 19

Though settled for rural purposes previously, the first suburb of Kambah was completed in the early 1970's

Lake Tuggeranong was purpose built in the late 1980's, neighbouring the town centre

Occupied by the Ngunnawal peoples for over 21,000 years

Urban development in Tuggeranong can be categorised as low density, residential suburban living of relatively older housing stock in most areas



# Stage 1:

## Understanding Tuggeranong

- GIS data analysis (ABS and SEIFA datasets)
- Mapping the following key attributes:
  - Demographic Profile
  - Dwellings and Land use
  - Social and Economic Analysis
  - Population and Residential Density
  - Employment & Transport Analysis
- Grounded by interviews with community leaders and representatives
- Stage 2 commencing in March – focus groups with residents

# Understanding Tuggeranong: Social and Economic Analysis

SA1 Level  
ABS 2011

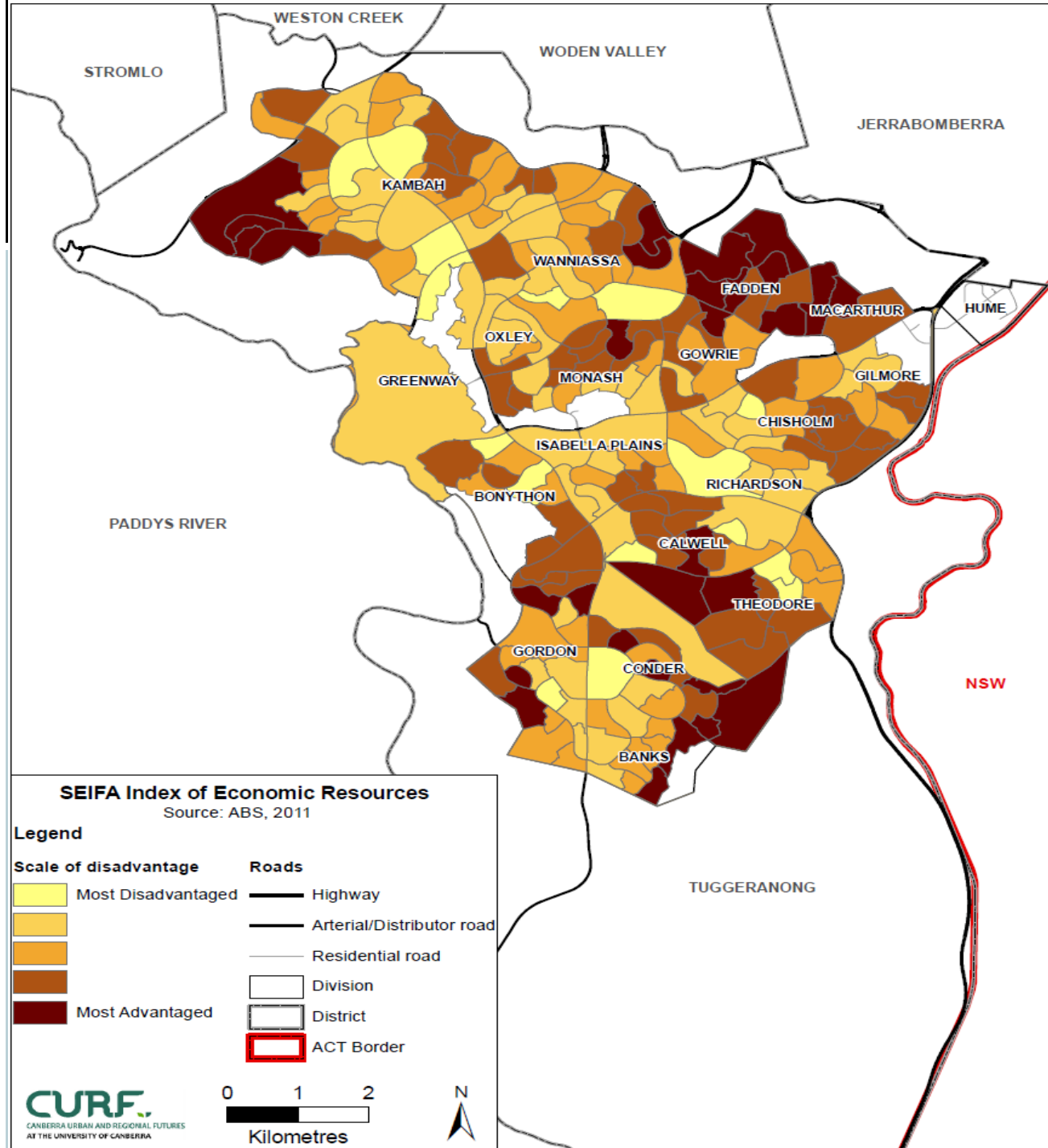
Median weekly incomes

Personal:

Tuggeranong: 900  
ACT: 917

Family:  
Tuggeranong: 2,203  
ACT: 2,277

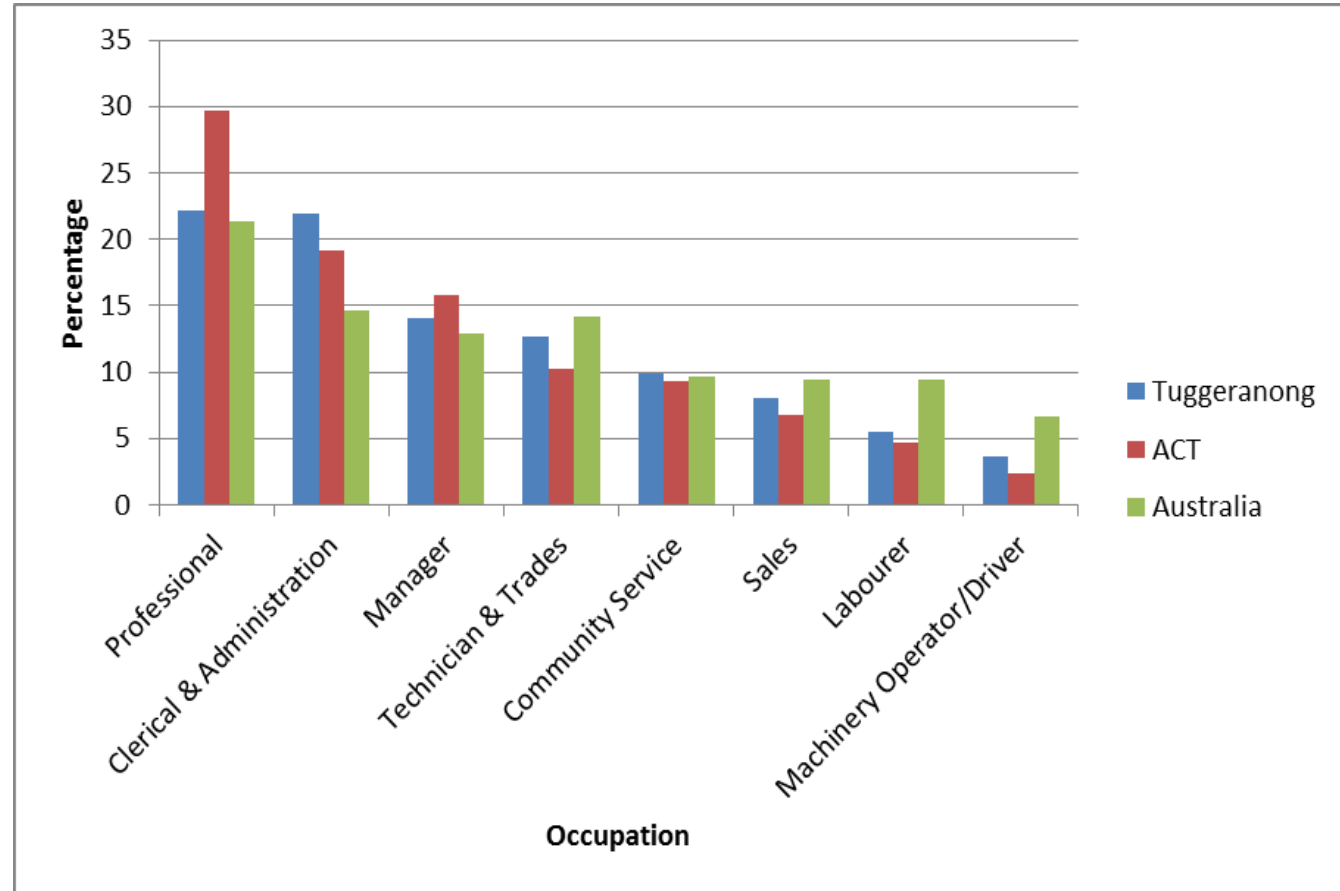
Household:  
Tuggeranong: 1,962  
ACT: 1,920



# Understanding Tuggeranong: Employment Analysis

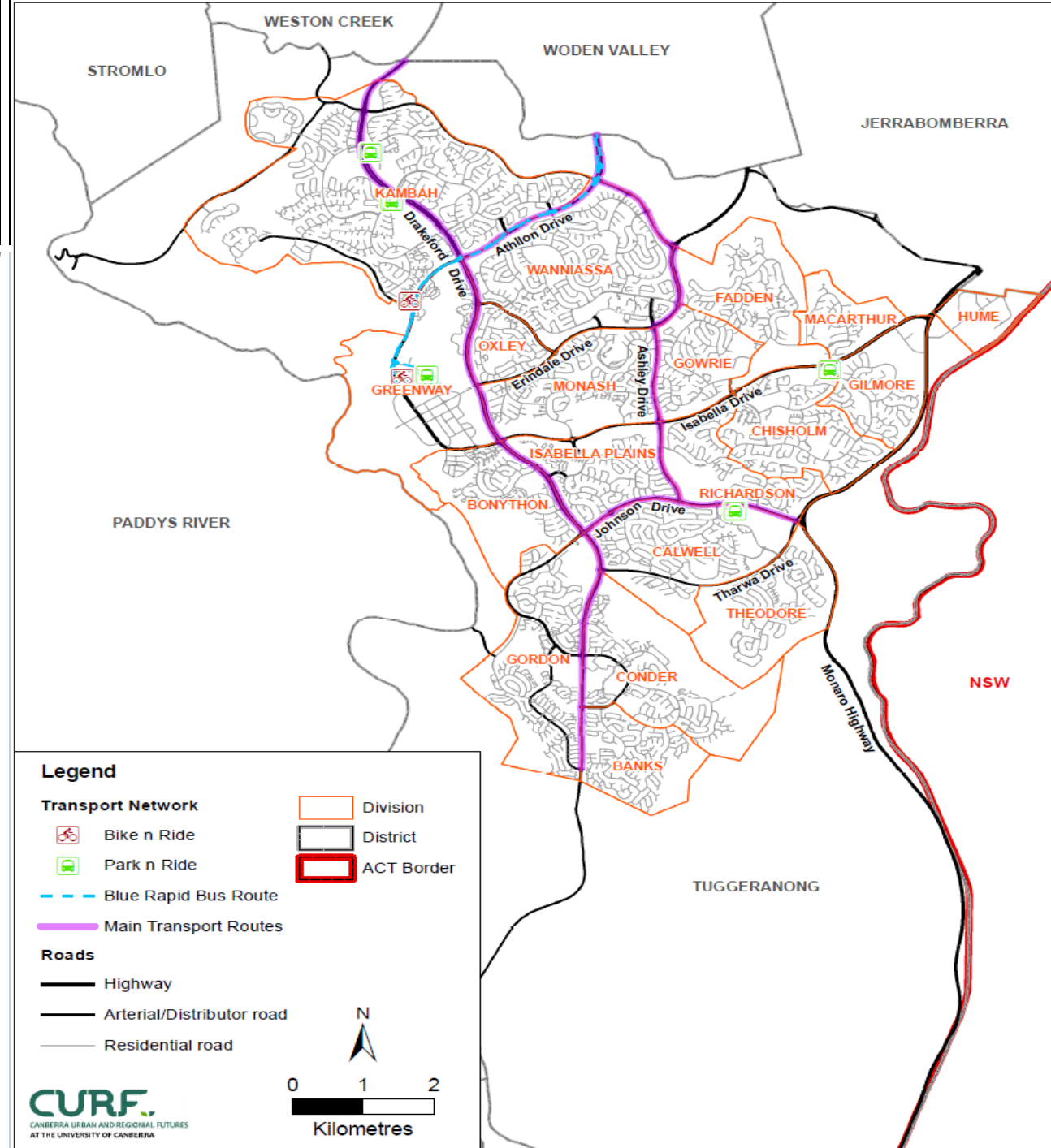
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Place of Work	Tuggeranong residents
Tuggeranong	23.8
South Canberra	23.8
North Canberra	19.3
Woden Valley	14.5
Other ACT	5.5
Belconnen	4.2
Queanbeyan	2.5
Majura	2.4
Weston Creek	1.9
Gungahlin	1.1



# Understanding Tuggeranong: Transport Analysis

## Transport Corridors



# The interviews

- A bottom-up analysis to understand the Tuggeranong Community's perceptions
- (some) Key community representatives
  - Community groups
  - Elected officials
  - Business owners and managers



# The questions

- Q1. Can you define what revitalisation means to you?
- Q2. Can you define what retrofitting means to you?
- Q3. Can you define what long term sustainability means to you?
- Q4. What are your perceptions of current Tuggeranong Town, Group and Local centres?
- Q5. What do you value about Tuggeranong?
- Q6. What is your vision for Tuggeranong?
- Q7. What action could be taken to achieve this vision?
- Q8. Who needs to be involved in achieving this vision?
- Q9. Is there anybody else we should talk to?