

# **Mount Liebig**

Central Region



## **Community Profile**

**Pronunciation:** Mount Lee-big

Alternate name: Anturgunu, Amunturrunga, Amunturangu

and Watiyawanu

Location: 310km west of Alice Springs

**NT Region:** Central

Population: Approx. 200 residents

Access: By road and air

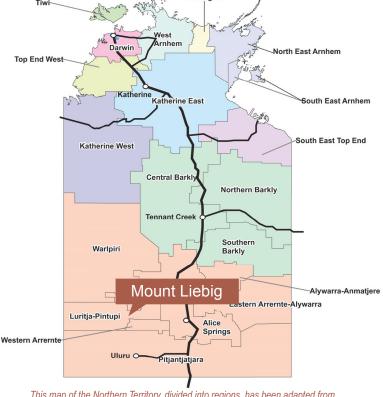
Language groups: Pintubi, Warlpiri

and Arrernte

Phone: 4G Telstra

Internet: Limited use of internet in

the clinic



This map of the Northern Territory, divided into regions, has been adapted from the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) Program Management and Implementation Section (2008) Map of the Northern Territory

## Climate (Central)

Season	Description	Temp. Range
Winter (June to August)	Cooler and dry	-7°C to 32°C
The temperature can drop below 0°C overnight in winter. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes.  Humidity Range 20% – 50%	Fine weather with minimal rain is the norm with the possibility of getting quite cold by Territory standards between the June to July period. Spring (Sept-Nov) and Autumn (Mar-May) in Central Australia see warm days and cool evenings.	
Summer (December to February)	Hot and dry	16°C to 45°C
The temperature can rise above 40°C in summer. Please ensure you are equipped for these extremes.  Humidity Range 30% – 95%	Central Australia has a semi-arid climate. In the summer months, the days are generally hot, sometimes very hot. If rain is to fall, it is more likely in the summer months, which may lead to road closures.	

#### Infrastructure, facilities and services

Community Church: Yes

Community halls or sheds: Yes

Workforce skills or training facilities: Yes

School: Yes, Primary school.

Library: No

Council Office: Yes
Women's Centre: No
Childcare Centre: Yes

**Aged Care Centre:** Yes, with a public laundry available. **Community Safety:** Yes, Community Care Program

Banking: Yes, ATM at community store.

Recreational/other facilities: Yes, Mount Liebig has an arts centre, football oval,

basketball court, soft ball diamond and a children's play park.

Community store Amundurrngu Mount Liebig Community Store Te

Telephone (08) 8956 8591

Basic fresh fruit and vegetables are available although prices are higher due to transportation. Frozen meat and vegetable are also often available.

It is advisable to bring specialty products/items required.

Opening hours Monday – Friday 9:00am – 12:30pm

1:30pm – 5:00pm

Saturday 9:00am – 12:00pm

Sunday Closed

Other food outlets No

Food orders may be placed online with Coles or Woolworths in Alice Springs.

Please check with clinic staff regarding collection/delivery.

Commercial MacDonnell Regional Council Telephone (08) 8956 8588 accommodation

Limited donga style accommodation is available. Please contact the local council for more information.

Fuel Opal and Diesel fuel available in the community.

Police station Papunya Police Station (65km from Mount Liebig) Telephone (08) 8956 8510

Community Safety Yes, night patrol service.

Other police contract Police assistance line Telephone 131 444

## Telephone/internet/mail

Mobile phone<sup>1</sup>/phone 4G Telstra

Internet Yes, personal use is available.

Mail No post office – mail collection via council office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Telstra 3G/Next G are typically the only mobile services that work in more remote parts of the Northern Territory. See link – <a href="http://telstra.com.au/mobile-phones/coverage-networks/our-coverage/">http://telstra.com.au/mobile-phones/coverage-networks/our-coverage/</a>

Access				
Road	Travel North from Alice Springs on the Stuart Highway and turn left onto Tanami Road until Papunya turnoff, through to Mount Liebig. It is recommended to allow a drive time of four hours.			
Air	Mount Liebig has an unsealed Aerodrome 3km from the Community.			
Regular passenger transport	Centre Bush Bus travels to Mount Liebig twice a week from Alice Springs.  Telephone (08) 8953 0127			
Health centre				
Health service <sup>2</sup>	Amunturngu (Mt Liebig) Commu Health Centre		Telephone (08) 8956 8595 Web www.health.nt.gov.au mtliebig.clinicmgr@nt.gov.au	
	Opening hours	Monday – Friday		
		Saturday – Sunday	2:00pm – 4.30pm Closed	
	Facilities Two consulting rooms and one en	nergency room.		
On-call services	Yes, 24/7 on-call service			
Medical Records System <sup>3</sup>	PCIS			
Vehicles	The Health Centre maintains a Toyota Troop Carrier that has been converted for use as an ambulance. No vehicle is provided for personal use. NT DoH has a strict policy on vehicle use; any non-clinical use is not permitted. **Note: All Troop Carriers are 4WD, manual and take DIESEL fuel.			
GPs	Visiting Service.			
Visiting services	Visiting services include dietetics, midwifery, podiatry, dental services, mental health services, women's health services, audiology, ENT nutritionist and exercise physiologist.			
Acute care	MRaCC			
Other	Birthing women birth in Alice Springs.			
Alcohol				
Alcohol <sup>4</sup>	This community is a dry community, no alcohol is permitted. This applies to everyone, including visitors.			
Governance				
Local Government	The local council is the McDonnell Shire Council. The land council is the Central Land Council (CLC).			
Outstations	None			

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For more detailed description of the health centre and their services, please contact the Health Service directly.
 <sup>3</sup> Training should be arranged before your arrival in the community.
 <sup>4</sup> It is an offence to consume or bring alcohol into a dry community in the Northern Territory.

### Other tips and relevant information

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Be prepared for the variable standard of accommodation in communities. A sleeping bag sheet insert is a good idea for protection against biting insects.

Whenever possible, avoid being on the road from dusk till dawn. Apart from the unfenced cattle station, the region has a population of feral horses, donkeys, dogs and the occasional camel along with a native population of Kangaroos and Dingoes. All of which are a significant road hazard.

On arrival, please check with the Health Centre to understand any health or social issues within the community. They can also let you know of any sacred sites to avoid.

#### Disclaimer

This information is prepared in good faith and to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing. However, Aboriginal communities, like any community, can change as the population shifts and people move on. Please contact the RAHC Regional Coordinator or the Health Centre Manager to confirm any key issues or concerns you may have ahead of your RAHC placement. RAHC also values any input you can provide to improve our Community Profiles.

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