



Local Voices

May 2026

Dampier Community Survey Results

Rio Tinto has been part of the Western Australian community for 60 years. Over this time, we've made a meaningful contribution to Dampier through local employment, education and training, and partnerships with government and community organisations.

Our Local Voices community perception survey program helps us better understand the needs and priorities of residents, so we can support more vibrant and thriving communities.

Each year, confidential online surveys are conducted across the region by leading engagement science organisation Voconiq. These surveys are an important part of our commitment to listening to communities and continuously finding better ways to work together.

Here's a snapshot of the 2025 Local Voices survey results for Dampier, and how we're turning community insights into action.

What you value most



Community
commitment
and investment



Community
health, safety
and wellbeing



Protection of the
environment



Community
infrastructure
and facilities



Local
employment and
quality education

2025 Dampier community survey results and insights

Here's a snapshot of the feedback we received from Dampier residents during our 2025 Local Voices community survey:

Areas you are most and least satisfied with:



Most satisfied with...

1. Feeling safe and sense of community belonging
2. Rio Tinto supporting regional economic prosperity
3. Your standard of living

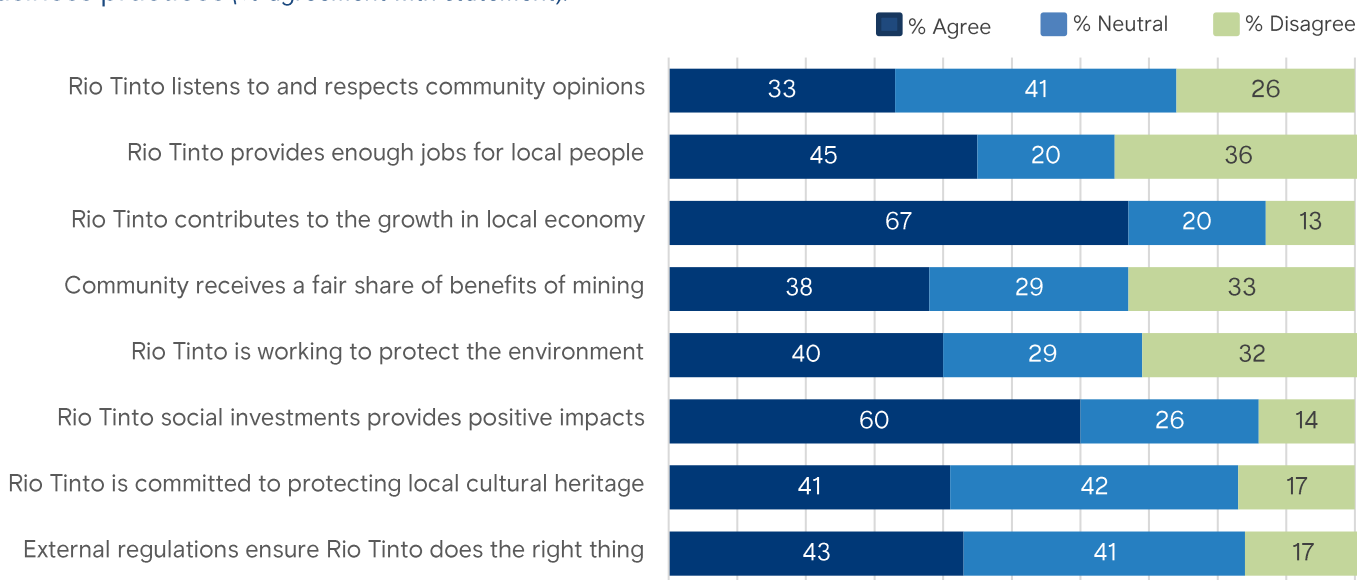


Least satisfied with...

1. Opportunities to participate in decisions that may impact the Dampier community
2. Management of dust
3. Health and wellbeing services available

What you think about Rio Tinto in Dampier...

Understanding what's important to you is important to us. Here's what you think about our current business practices (% agreement with statement):



Sharing more information about our impacts and operations

66%

of survey respondents told us they'd like more information on our current operations, impacts and plans for the future. In particular, you'd like more information on our Dampier operations, our social investment initiatives, environmental impacts, economic contributions, employment and how we're working with government to support communities across the City of Karratha.

Top 5 areas where you want us to prioritise investment:

1. Community facilities and infrastructure
2. Health and wellbeing programs
3. Local economies
4. Education and training opportunities
5. Protection of the environment

Top 5 issues and suggestions you had for us:

1. Continue to support inclusive programs and events to strengthen community cohesion.
2. Partner to support improved access to health services and facilities
3. Enhance investment in community sporting infrastructure and recreation facilities.
4. Partner with government to support quality education and more opportunities for youth
5. Decrease dust from Port operations and increase dust suppression measures

2025 Dampier community survey insights

Why is this important to us?

Local communities are at the heart of everything we do. They're where we live, work, and call home. We know our success depends on building strong relationships with the people and places that support us. That's why we're committed to listening, learning, and working together to create lasting, positive change in Dampier.

Factors that influence your trust and acceptance of us

You told us the top factors are:



Our business following regulations and being held to account



Listening and responding to community feedback



Distributing a fair share of benefits and community satisfaction



Good environmental management



Protection of local cultural heritage



Providing positive economic impacts

Managing our local environment and minimising impacts

We are committed to embedding sustainability into everything we do. Our local teams are focused on minimising impacts while maximising opportunities to protect the environment.

Here's what you told us about our impacts and what areas you think we should prioritise investment in.

Top perceived environmental impacts in Dampier

1. Increased dust
2. Increased noise
3. Visual amenity impacts
4. Decreased water quality

Where do you think we should prioritise investment?

1. Coastal environments
2. Threatened flora and fauna species
3. Regional conversation management
4. Cultural heritage programs

76%

think it is important for us to invest in initiatives to reduce climate impacts. **33%** are unaware of our investments to reduce these impacts.

Contacting us

57% said they know how to contact us in Dampier, while 43% don't.

73% rated their experience when meeting with people from Rio Tinto as positive, 20% neutral, 7% negative.

Social media is the preferred channel for updates on our operations, followed by email and direct engagement with employees.

Dampier 2025 survey demographics:

76

Surveys completed

100+

Comments provided

26%

Employees/contractors

40%

Lived locally for 10+ years

15.8%

Business owners

7.9%

Indigenous respondents

Turning community insights into action

We're listening, learning and making changes

We are committed to turning survey insights into action! Here's some examples of where recent community feedback through local consultation, engagement or Local Voices surveys has stimulated action.

What you told us and what we're doing in Dampier...



You want us to protect the local environment – The Pilbara Wildlife Carers Association plays an essential role in rescuing, rehabilitating and releasing native wildlife across the Pilbara. Our partnership enables a network of trained volunteers to provide frontline emergency care, helping improve survival outcomes for native species.



For 22 years we've partnered with Parks and Wildlife Service to support turtle monitoring off the coast of Dampier through the West Pilbara Turtle Program, strengthening marine turtle protection through a collaborative, community-led approach.



You have concerns about water usage and security – earlier this year we entered into a joint venture with the Western Australian Government to complete both Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the Dampier Seawater Desalination Plant. Once fully operational, the plant will deliver 8GL of desalinated water per year to the West Pilbara Water Supply Scheme, reducing pressure on regional aquifers and securing a sustainable, climate-independent water supply for the West Pilbara.



You want us to continue our support for local events – We've entered a two-year partnership with the Dampier Community Association to support Twilight Tunes, a series of free, family-friendly music events. The initiative provides inclusive, accessible opportunities for people to come together, showcase local musicians and support local business.



You want more funding and support for local community groups – last year we provided 10 Dampier community groups with over \$49,000 in funding through our Rio Tinto Community Giving Grants. The program supported initiatives such as the Dampier Squash Club Mural, DCA Awards and maintenance of a new green at the Dampier Bowling Club.



You want new infrastructure for families – The Dampier Land Transfer Project is a long-term collaboration between Rio Tinto and the City of Karratha to transfer the ownership of 10 land packages in Dampier from Rio Tinto to the City, creating more opportunities for future community infrastructure & amenities.



You want us to protect local cultural heritage – We've supported the Murujuga Land and Sea Unit (MLSU) Ranger Program to strengthen Aboriginal-led cultural heritage management and the application of Traditional ecological knowledge on Murujuga. The program builds ranger capability through on-Country cultural heritage protection, land and sea management, and intergenerational knowledge transfer. We also proudly support the Murujuga Rock Art Program.



You have concerns and want greater transparency around dust – we're actively seeking better ways to control dust and continuously monitor dust levels across Dampier. We've established a public dust portal that presents live dust level recordings that all residents can view. In the event of elevated levels, we escalate our dust control responses, such as increasing the intensity of water sprays. You can view live dust data at: <https://rtio.vexillum.benchmarkmonitoring.com.au/public-site>.

What we're doing with your feedback

We share these survey results and insights across our business to ensure we all have a clear understanding of the needs and priorities of the Dampier community. Your feedback informs our planning, investment and decision-making.

Community feedback is highly valued and helps us prioritise where we need to make changes, increase support, reduce impacts, and build new partnerships to enhance benefits across the community.

Your feedback, gathered through Local Voices surveys and other engagement programs, also helps shape our Social Impact Management Plans.

How local community groups benefit

As a thank you for completing the 2025 survey, participants could nominate a Dampier community group of their choice to receive a cash donation through the Local Voices Rewards program.

Five not-for-profit community groups in Dampier shared \$1,300 as a result of community participation in our 2025 survey.

2025 survey results and our 2026 survey

To view the 2025 survey results, participate in our 2026 survey or to seek more information, go to www.voconiqlocalvoices.com/riotinto/pilbara

Your feedback is always welcome

We welcome feedback from Dampier residents throughout the year. You can call in or contact our team at the:

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