



How are shopping centres classified in LIS:

LIS uses the following guidelines base upon Shopping Centre Council classifications codes:

City Centre

This is usually located within a major CBD location and has a gross lettable area (GLA) of 1,000 sqm or more.

Key features:

- Dominated by specialty shops
- Does not include a supermarket
- Co-exist with a large department store

Regional Centre

This shopping centre include at least one full line department store, full line discount department store, one or more supermarket/s and more than 100 specialty shops. Typically has a GLA greater than 30,000 sqm.

Key features:

- Extensive coverage of a broad range of retail needs
- Contains a combination of full line department stores, full line discount department stores, supermarkets, banks, chains and other specialty retailers.
- Provides a broad range of shopper facilities and amenities.

Sub Regional Centres

This is usually a medium sized centre with at least one full line discount department store and at least one supermarket, and 40 or more specialty shops. Total GLA ranges from 10,000 to 30,000 sqm.

Key features:

- Typically located in residential areas
- Service immediate residential neighborhood
- Usually have extended trading hours
- Cater for basic day-to-day retail needs

Neighborhood Centres

This is a local shopping centre with a supermarket and 35 or more specialty shops. Total GLA will be less than 10,000 sqm.

Key features:

- Located in residential areas
- Service immediate residential neighbourhood
- Usually have extended trading hours
- Cater for basic day-to-day retail needs

Bulky Goods Centres

This is a special form of centre which has a different zoning permitting the retailing of bulky items such as furniture, white goods and other homewares. These centres are medium to large sized shopping centres dominated by bulky goods retailers, occupying large areas to display merchandise, and contain a small number of specialty shops

Key feature:

- Located adjacent to large regional centres or in non-traditional retail locations.
- May be located in an industrial / commercial zone permitting bulky goods retail.

References:

In compiling this report, we have used information prepared by the Shopping Centre Council of Australia, submission to the Productivity Commission July 2007.