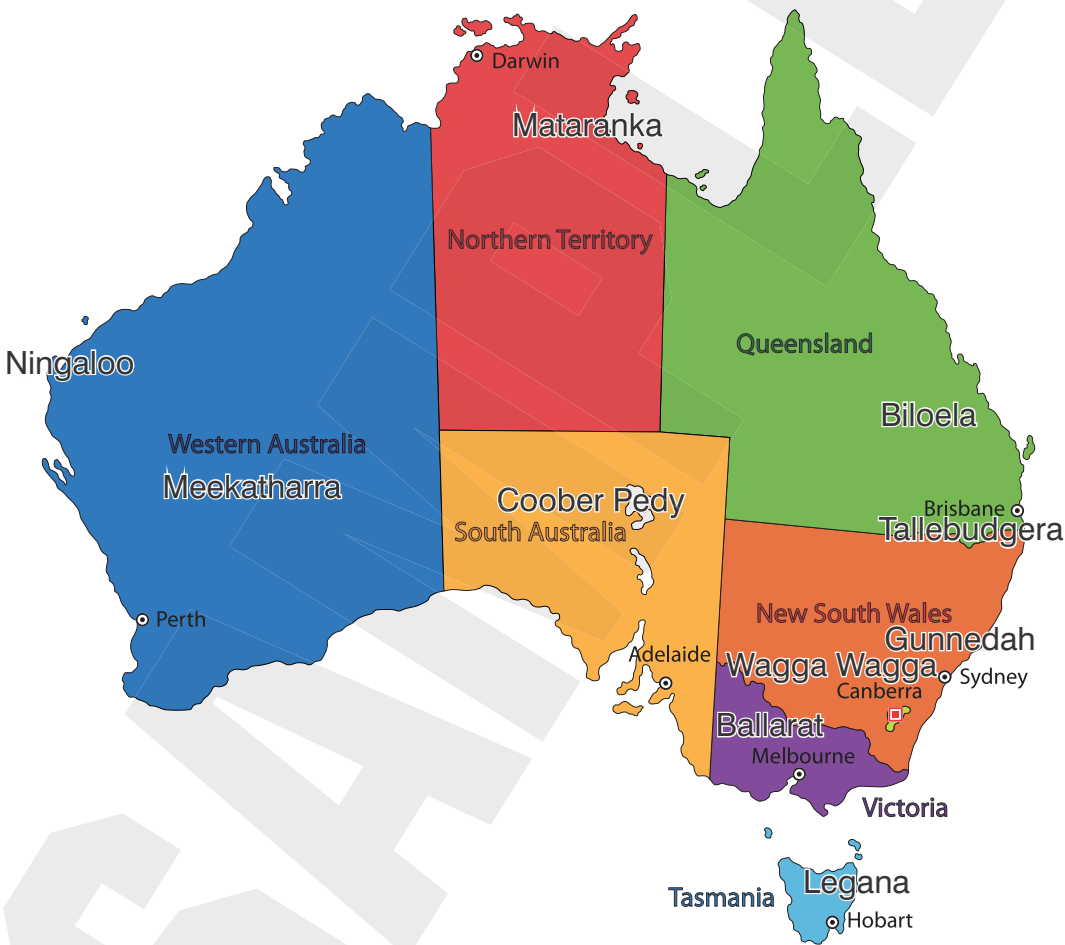


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The Gold Coast in Queensland has many Aboriginal suburb names. Tallebudgera is one of them and home to the Yugambeh people. It means “**good fish**”.



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