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## Home and Away farewells Irene with ratings winner

- **Highest broadcast audience since October 2021**
- **Biggest ever streaming audience on [7plus](#)**
- **Home and Away's audience up 9% year-on-year**

The Seven Network's **Home and Away** recorded its highest rated episode of 2025 last night as viewers farewelled Lynne McGranger, who called Summer Bay home as Irene Roberts for an incredible 33 years.

Last night's episode of **Home and Away** reached more than 1.6 million Australians, with an average national total TV audience of 1.1 million. On broadcast only, it was the most-watched episode since October 2021. About 173,000 people also watched last night's episode on [7plus](#), a record number for the series.

Monday's episode of **Home and Away** reached 1.42 million Australians, with an average national total TV audience of 956,000. About 151,000 tuned in on [7plus](#).

**Home and Away** continues to gain new fans in 2025, with the audience up 9% year-on-year and viewing on [7plus](#) also up 37%.

Lynne McGranger, who recently took home the coveted Gold Logie for Most Popular Personality on Australian Television and the Silver Logie for Best Lead Actress in a Drama Series at the **65th TV WEEK Logie Awards**, announced in February that she had made the decision to leave **Home and Away**.

Seven's Director of Content, Scripted, Julie McGauran, said: "Viewers have given Irene the perfect send off from **Home and Away**, with her final farewell our highest rated episode this year, and thousands of fans sending in messages for Lynne as part of our 'Goodbye Irene' campaign.

"For 33 years, Lynne brought warmth, wit and wisdom to Summer Bay as Irene Roberts, and left a lasting mark on Australian pop culture with her iconic catchphrases and charm. We wish Lynne all the best for the future and thank her for the incredible impact she's had on our beloved show."

Lynne said: "After almost 33 years in my dream role and working every day with people who I love, respect and whom I now consider family, it's bittersweet to be closing the chapter on what has been the best and longest gig of my life.

"I am forever grateful to the best production crew in the world and to our genius writers –

whose doors are always open – for everything they have done for Irene over the past 33-odd years, and I am so proud of the storyline which will see Irene out of the Bay. Above all, a massive, heartfelt thank you to the fans for your continued love and support.”

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*Source: TVMAP VOZ 5.0, Overnight data including spill. Home and Away Average audience and Reach 19-08-25 and 2025 Cal YTD vs same time last year. Total People.*