

Context 1: Population and Demographics



The population and demography domain provides information about the Australian population as context for interpreting and analysing Australia's progress. The characteristics of Australia's population influence many aspects of progress, including the demand and supply of labour in the economy, demand for services and infrastructure, and various aspects of social life. At the same time, economic and social factors influence the size and demographic makeup of the population. For example, conditions in the labour market can influence migration choices, while general levels of wellbeing can influence people's decisions to have children and raise a family.







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C 1.1 Population

C 1.1.1 Estimated resident population

The estimated resident population refers to the number of usual residents in a region. It provides a measure of the growth or decline of a region and also provides context to help interpret progress indicators.

Table C 1.1.1.a Estimated resident population by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016pr persons	2011-2016 growth	2011-2016 average annual growth rate per cent	Trend
Major Cities	14,209,061	15,684,582	17,232,190	1,547,608	1.9	
Inner Regional	3,828,009	4,111,011	4,386,461	275,450	1.3	
Outer Regional	1,927,105	2,026,464	2,088,964	62,500	0.6	
Remote	303,515	314,641	307,780	-6,861	-0.4	
Very Remote	183,276	203,326	193,658	-9,668	-1.0	
AUSTRALIA	20,450,966	22,340,024	24,210,809	1,870,785	1.6	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Regional Population Growth, 2016 (cat. no. 3218.0)

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Population estimates are final for 2006 and 2011, and preliminary for 2016.

pr Preliminary rebased estimates.

Table C 1.1.1.b Estimated resident population by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006		2011		2016 ^{pr}		2011-2016		Trend
	persons		persons		persons		growth	average annual growth rate per cent	
Greater Sydney	4,256,161		4,608,949		5,029,768		420,819	1.8	
Greater Melbourne	3,760,760		4,169,366		4,725,316		555,950	2.5	
Greater Brisbane	1,908,265		2,147,436		2,360,241		212,805	1.9	
Greater Perth	1,576,912		1,833,567		2,022,044		188,477	2.0	
Greater Adelaide	1,189,243		1,264,091		1,324,279		60,188	0.9	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	509,972		581,036		646,983		65,947	2.2	
Newcastle - Maitland	426,711		453,265		476,654		23,389	1.0	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	369,874		405,014		440,543		35,529	1.7	
Sunshine Coast	251,703		281,005		317,404		36,399	2.5	
Wollongong	265,898		281,700		295,669		13,969	1.0	
Geelong	210,899		227,957		253,269		25,312	2.1	
Greater Hobart	204,753		216,273		224,462		8,189	0.7	
Townsville	147,714		167,561		178,860		11,299	1.3	
Cairns	121,276		139,212		150,041		10,829	1.5	
Greater Darwin	113,461		129,106		145,916		16,810	2.5	
Toowoomba	118,145		126,426		134,037		7,611	1.2	
Ballarat	84,971		93,470		101,588		8,118	1.7	
Bendigo	80,804		87,340		95,587		8,247	1.8	
Albury - Wodonga	80,119		84,195		90,576		6,381	1.5	
Launceston	82,395		86,051		86,335		284	0.1	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Regional Population Growth, 2016 (cat. no. 3218.0)

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Population estimates are final for 2006 and 2011, and preliminary for 2016.

pr Preliminary rebased estimates.

Table C 1.1.1.c Estimated resident population by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016pr persons	2011-2016 growth	2011-2016 average annual growth rate per cent	Trend
New South Wales	6,742,690	7,218,529	7,739,274	520,745	1.4	
Greater Sydney	4,256,161	4,608,949	5,029,768	420,819	1.8	
Central Coast	303,051	322,657	335,309	12,652	0.8	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	204,320	218,866	235,083	16,217	1.4	
Sydney - Blacktown	281,151	314,875	350,356	35,481	2.2	
Sydney - City and Inner South	256,524	283,784	337,069	53,285	3.5	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	247,692	268,144	285,418	17,274	1.3	
Sydney - Inner South West	508,879	551,692	598,454	46,762	1.6	
Sydney - Inner West	252,768	278,878	308,268	29,390	2.0	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	367,060	395,154	424,906	29,752	1.5	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	233,600	251,696	266,344	14,648	1.1	
Sydney - Outer South West	228,215	243,751	269,272	25,521	2.0	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	285,219	297,862	314,848	16,986	1.1	
Sydney - Parramatta	367,682	413,886	467,161	53,275	2.5	
Sydney - Ryde	160,049	171,350	190,161	18,811	2.1	
Sydney - South West	349,240	376,717	421,692	44,975	2.3	
Sydney - Sutherland	210,711	219,637	225,427	5,790	0.5	
Rest of New South Wales	2,486,529	2,609,580	2,709,506	99,926	0.8	
Capital Region	203,447	215,828	224,288	8,460	0.8	
Central West	194,397	203,399	210,762	7,363	0.7	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	128,522	135,182	138,904	3,722	0.5	
Far West and Orana	117,318	117,991	116,795	-1,196	-0.2	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	232,414	251,805	269,668	17,863	1.4	
Illawarra	272,703	289,027	303,701	14,674	1.0	
Mid North Coast	197,017	208,090	216,002	7,912	0.7	
Murray	112,569	113,795	117,783	3,988	0.7	
New England and North West	176,770	182,559	185,787	3,228	0.4	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	339,782	357,562	370,182	12,620	0.7	

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006		2011		2016pr		2011-2016		Trend
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	growth	average annual growth rate per cent	
Richmond - Tweed	225,750	236,498	245,164	8,666	0.7				
Riverina	151,875	155,720	159,794	4,074	0.5				
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	133,965	142,124	150,676	8,552	1.2				
Victoria	5,061,266	5,537,817	6,179,249	641,432	2.2				
Greater Melbourne	3,760,760	4,169,366	4,725,316	555,950	2.5				
Melbourne - Inner	480,345	532,351	635,933	103,582	3.6				
Melbourne - Inner East	339,937	356,245	380,210	23,965	1.3				
Melbourne - Inner South	370,194	395,206	426,081	30,875	1.5				
Melbourne - North East	406,937	454,330	520,295	65,965	2.7				
Melbourne - North West	299,857	331,282	382,072	50,790	2.9				
Melbourne - Outer East	477,402	495,565	520,754	25,189	1.0				
Melbourne - South East	602,481	684,430	793,612	109,182	3.0				
Melbourne - West	524,142	640,336	765,986	125,650	3.6				
Mornington Peninsula	259,465	279,621	300,373	20,752	1.4				
Rest of Victoria	1,300,506	1,368,451	1,453,933	85,482	1.2				
Ballarat	138,051	148,656	159,785	11,129	1.5				
Bendigo	133,945	142,693	154,885	12,192	1.7				
Geelong	236,055	256,580	285,371	28,791	2.1				
Hume	156,105	161,335	171,651	10,316	1.2				
Latrobe - Gippsland	242,747	259,952	274,627	14,675	1.1				
North West	150,211	149,634	151,591	1,957	0.3				
Shepparton	122,334	127,002	131,776	4,774	0.7				
Warrnambool and South West	121,058	122,599	124,247	1,648	0.3				
Queensland	4,007,992	4,476,778	4,848,877	372,099	1.6				
Greater Brisbane	1,908,265	2,147,436	2,360,241	212,805	1.9				
Brisbane - East	196,655	218,728	230,746	12,018	1.1				
Brisbane - North	179,218	198,482	214,404	15,922	1.6				
Brisbane - South	296,979	328,774	356,666	27,892	1.6				
Brisbane - West	166,667	178,105	187,137	9,032	1.0				

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016pr persons	2011-2016 growth	2011-2016 average annual growth rate per cent	Trend
Brisbane Inner City	213,613	236,750	265,256	28,506	2.3	
Ipswich	248,415	291,052	333,748	42,696	2.8	
Logan - Beaudesert	270,430	300,179	328,027	27,848	1.8	
Moreton Bay - North	191,855	222,579	242,629	20,050	1.7	
Moreton Bay - South	144,433	172,787	201,628	28,841	3.1	
Rest of Queensland	2,099,727	2,329,342	2,488,636	159,294	1.3	
Cairns	209,763	232,781	247,762	14,981	1.3	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	117,110	125,260	128,622	3,362	0.5	
Central Queensland	198,975	217,123	226,314	9,191	0.8	
Gold Coast	462,573	528,766	591,570	62,804	2.3	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	154,194	171,564	173,892	2,328	0.3	
Queensland - Outback	81,082	86,631	82,452	-4,179	-1.0	
Far North	28,862	31,624	33,772	2,148	1.3	
Outback - North	32,049	34,541	30,688	-3,853	-2.3	
Outback - South	20,171	20,466	17,992	-2,474	-2.5	
Sunshine Coast	284,736	318,279	357,422	39,143	2.3	
Toowoomba	133,932	144,258	153,201	8,943	1.2	
Townsville	202,542	224,678	235,037	10,359	0.9	
Wide Bay	254,820	280,002	292,364	12,362	0.9	
South Australia	1,552,529	1,639,614	1,713,054	73,440	0.9	
Greater Adelaide	1,189,243	1,264,091	1,324,279	60,188	0.9	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	274,150	287,515	297,752	10,237	0.7	
Adelaide - North	372,190	402,307	430,776	28,469	1.4	
Adelaide - South	331,722	350,017	362,232	12,215	0.7	
Adelaide - West	211,181	224,252	233,519	9,267	0.8	
Rest of South Australia	363,286	375,523	388,775	13,252	0.7	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	104,755	108,115	113,163	5,048	0.9	
South Australia - Outback	84,204	86,850	85,842	-1,008	-0.2	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	56,478	57,707	58,473	766	0.3	

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016pr persons	2011-2016 growth	2011-2016 average annual growth rate per cent	Trend
Outback - North and East	27,726	29,143	27,369	-1,774	-1.2	
South Australia - South East	174,327	180,558	189,770	9,212	1.0	
Western Australia	2,050,581	2,353,409	2,558,951	205,542	1.7	
Greater Perth	1,576,912	1,833,567	2,022,044	188,477	2.0	
Mandurah	70,623	87,424	99,405	11,981	2.6	
Perth - Inner	149,886	167,974	178,859	10,885	1.3	
Perth - North East	204,322	232,384	259,908	27,524	2.3	
Perth - North West	439,108	513,107	557,581	44,474	1.7	
Perth - South East	393,581	458,751	506,665	47,914	2.0	
Perth - South West	319,392	373,927	419,626	45,699	2.3	
Rest of Western Australia	473,669	519,842	536,907	17,065	0.6	
Bunbury	145,440	163,450	180,142	16,692	2.0	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	128,927	133,414	137,448	4,034	0.6	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	83,475	98,568	97,827	-741	-0.2	
Kimberley	34,062	36,791	36,392	-399	-0.2	
East Pilbara	21,751	27,916	26,001	-1,915	-1.4	
West Pilbara	27,662	33,861	35,434	1,573	0.9	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	115,827	124,410	121,490	-2,920	-0.5	
Esperance	15,710	16,069	16,289	220	0.3	
Gascoyne	9,469	9,674	9,757	83	0.2	
Goldfields	39,205	43,356	40,317	-3,039	-1.4	
Mid West	51,443	55,311	55,127	-184	-0.1	
Tasmania	489,302	511,483	517,588	6,105	0.2	
Greater Hobart	204,753	216,273	224,462	8,189	0.7	
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Rest of Tasmania	284,549	295,210	293,126	-2,084	-0.1	
Launceston and North East	139,284	143,631	143,537	-94	0.0	
South East	35,167	37,495	38,023	528	0.3	
West and North West	110,098	114,084	111,566	-2,518	-0.4	

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016pr persons	2011-2016 growth	2011-2016 average annual growth rate per cent	Trend
Northern Territory	209,057	231,292	245,740	14,448	1.2	
Greater Darwin	113,461	129,106	145,916	16,810	2.5	
Rest of Northern Territory	95,596	102,186	99,824	-2,362	-0.5	
Northern Territory - Outback	95,596	102,186	99,824	-2,362	-0.5	
Alice Springs	39,727	41,023	39,718	-1,305	-0.6	
Barkly	6,110	6,563	6,241	-322	-1.0	
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	15,651	18,099	18,216	117	0.1	
East Arnhem	14,872	16,101	14,802	-1,299	-1.7	
Katherine	19,236	20,400	20,847	447	0.4	
Australian Capital Territory	335,170	367,985	403,468	35,483	1.9	
Australian Capital Cities	13,344,725	14,736,773	16,235,494	1,498,721	2.0	
Australian Rest of States	7,103,862	7,600,134	7,970,707	370,573	1.0	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Regional Population Growth, 2016 (cat. no. 3218.0)

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Population estimates are final for 2006 and 2011, and preliminary for 2016.

pr Preliminary rebased estimates.

C 1.1.2 Population projections

Population projections provide a measure of the expected population growth trajectory for a region. Substantial increases in population can create pressures on existing services and infrastructure, and generate demand for new services and infrastructure. Population growth projections are a key input into the prioritisation of infrastructure investment.

Table C 1.1.2.a Population projections by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2012*	2017	2022	2027
	persons	persons	persons	persons
Major Cities	15,976,612	17,653,123	19,349,566	21,021,981
Inner Regional	4,161,029	4,401,124	4,625,009	4,825,339
Outer Regional	2,047,585	2,186,054	2,318,326	2,439,370
Remote	319,029	351,443	385,464	419,346
Very Remote	206,108	229,103	251,884	274,208
AUSTRALIA	22,710,363	24,820,847	26,930,249	28,980,243

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, National Aged Care Data Clearing House, Population projections, 2012 (base) to 2027 for all states and territories at Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) by sex and age.

Remoteness Area classification and Australian totals are based on the 2011 ASGS.

Population projections use medium growth scenario.

* 2012 base year for this dataset has been superseded by more recent population estimates (refer to ABS 3218.0).

Table C 1.1.2.b Population projections by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2012*	2017	2022	2027
	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>
New South Wales	7,301,134	7,812,546	8,313,246	8,788,971
Greater Sydney	4,672,619	5,083,303	5,498,029	5,903,269
Central Coast	325,295	341,838	356,704	369,224
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	221,496	236,489	250,205	263,039
Sydney - Blacktown	320,133	353,126	384,833	415,361
Sydney - City and Inner South	289,300	316,485	346,637	377,613
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	271,242	298,735	330,925	364,935
Sydney - Inner South West	558,918	610,019	661,621	711,807
Sydney - Inner West	282,881	311,463	342,647	373,981
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	400,256	433,982	469,431	504,979
Sydney - Northern Beaches	254,847	276,830	300,514	324,541
Sydney - Outer South West	247,361	268,874	287,955	305,382
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	300,540	325,418	349,285	371,807
Sydney - Parramatta	423,523	469,250	515,743	561,823
Sydney - Ryde	174,148	187,188	200,364	212,969
Sydney - South West	382,129	415,305	445,229	472,875
Sydney - Sutherland	220,550	238,301	255,936	272,933
Rest of New South Wales	2,628,515	2,729,243	2,815,217	2,885,702
Capital Region	217,513	227,182	235,018	241,594
Central West	205,599	216,107	225,551	233,702
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	135,155	137,400	138,927	139,669
Far West and Orana	118,293	122,773	126,593	129,645
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	256,399	274,032	290,792	306,369
Illawarra	290,616	299,869	307,869	314,467
Mid North Coast	209,415	212,989	214,445	214,553
Murray	114,169	119,836	124,906	128,860
New England and North West	183,756	192,044	200,230	207,440
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	360,882	376,212	390,660	403,251
Richmond - Tweed	237,544	243,323	247,482	250,346
Riverina	156,057	162,438	168,074	172,621
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	143,116	145,037	144,669	143,184
Victoria	5,629,122	6,157,359	6,682,490	7,187,419
Greater Melbourne	4,248,344	4,707,842	5,169,169	5,619,988
Melbourne - Inner	545,199	609,545	680,856	754,319
Melbourne - Inner East	358,634	389,469	420,148	449,674
Melbourne - Inner South	399,419	436,130	474,760	512,925
Melbourne - North East	465,125	518,400	572,685	625,859
Melbourne - North West	336,754	374,240	410,647	445,469
Melbourne - Outer East	497,077	545,678	592,208	636,001
Melbourne - South East	700,454	776,795	848,676	916,867
Melbourne - West	663,361	750,115	836,718	922,470
Mornington Peninsula	282,319	307,468	332,469	356,402
Rest of Victoria	1,380,778	1,449,517	1,513,321	1,567,431
Ballarat	150,788	158,332	165,633	172,179
Bendigo	144,535	152,176	159,074	164,620
Geelong	260,228	274,796	289,224	302,528
Hume	162,625	170,845	178,342	184,441

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Population projections by sub-state region (continued)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	2012*	2017	2022	2027
	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>
Latrobe - Gippsland	262,285	273,255	282,691	290,184
North West	149,840	157,390	164,690	170,708
Shepparton	127,982	134,464	140,177	144,964
Warrnambool and South West	122,495	128,259	133,490	137,807
Queensland	4,565,529	5,048,596	5,536,277	6,016,912
Greater Brisbane	2,192,065	2,442,852	2,700,010	2,956,952
Brisbane - East	221,958	243,326	264,342	284,780
Brisbane - North	201,802	225,740	252,071	279,141
Brisbane - South	334,548	375,759	420,711	466,912
Brisbane - West	180,733	199,509	218,975	238,413
Brisbane Inner City	241,264	269,534	300,768	333,295
Ipswich	299,955	337,174	374,026	410,147
Logan - Beaudesert	306,375	344,047	380,263	415,369
Moreton Bay - North	227,127	247,153	266,027	283,780
Moreton Bay - South	178,293	200,599	222,815	245,101
Rest of Queensland	2,373,464	2,605,744	2,836,267	3,059,960
Cairns	236,328	260,417	283,181	304,717
Darling Downs - Maranoa	126,530	139,195	151,402	162,689
Central Queensland	223,187	248,647	274,975	301,504
Gold Coast	539,890	590,056	639,626	687,861
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	176,079	196,348	217,490	238,904
Queensland - Outback	87,573	99,019	110,776	122,603
<i>Far North</i>	31,928	36,501	41,005	45,377
<i>Outback - North</i>	35,143	39,593	44,360	49,371
<i>Outback - South</i>	20,506	22,930	25,416	27,860
Sunshine Coast	324,266	349,904	374,874	398,787
Toowoomba	146,547	162,334	178,684	194,629
Townsville	229,210	254,100	278,965	303,365
Wide Bay	283,833	305,701	326,271	344,875
South Australia	1,656,299	1,738,553	1,818,290	1,890,958
Greater Adelaide	1,278,432	1,351,567	1,423,590	1,491,229
Adelaide - Central and Hills	290,487	303,608	316,445	328,209
Adelaide - North	407,945	436,524	463,674	489,168
Adelaide - South	353,243	372,950	392,119	410,125
Adelaide - West	226,757	238,485	251,352	263,727
Rest of South Australia	377,867	386,986	394,700	399,729
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	108,819	111,250	113,569	115,138
South Australia - Outback	87,333	90,488	93,734	96,687
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	58,071	60,067	62,114	63,866
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	29,262	30,421	31,619	32,821
South Australia - South East	181,714	185,247	187,396	187,903
Western Australia	2,432,706	2,862,002	3,300,055	3,741,901
Greater Perth	1,899,999	2,272,962	2,654,699	3,042,195
Mandurah	91,211	106,989	122,392	137,450
Perth - Inner	172,072	204,210	238,878	274,996
Perth - North East	240,616	288,160	335,822	383,508
Perth - North West	531,430	638,413	748,546	861,211
Perth - South East	476,469	571,529	668,745	767,273

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Population projections by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2012* <i>persons</i>	2017 <i>persons</i>	2022 <i>persons</i>	2027 <i>persons</i>
Perth - South West	388,201	463,661	540,316	617,757
Rest of Western Australia	532,707	589,040	645,356	699,706
Bunbury	168,189	183,658	198,428	212,190
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	135,339	148,851	162,582	175,566
Western Australia - Outback (North)	101,905	114,880	128,061	141,329
<i>Kimberley</i>	37,957	43,014	48,024	53,013
<i>East Pilbara</i>	28,820	32,388	36,071	39,802
<i>West Pilbara</i>	35,128	39,478	43,966	48,514
Western Australia - Outback (South)	127,272	141,648	156,282	170,618
<i>Esperance</i>	16,361	17,926	19,457	20,859
<i>Gascoyne</i>	9,826	11,037	12,345	13,621
<i>Goldfields</i>	44,648	50,420	56,345	62,293
<i>Mid West</i>	56,437	62,265	68,135	73,845
Tasmania	512,333	524,091	537,089	547,299
Greater Hobart	216,981	223,878	232,048	239,178
Rest of Tasmania	295,352	300,213	305,041	308,121
Launceston and North East	143,584	145,778	147,748	148,851
South East	37,657	38,386	39,106	39,660
West and North West	114,111	116,049	118,187	119,610
Northern Territory	235,182	260,493	285,950	311,187
Greater Darwin	131,938	145,331	158,281	170,791
Rest of Northern Territory	103,244	115,162	127,669	140,396
Northern Territory - Outback	103,244	115,162	127,669	140,396
<i>Alice Springs</i>	41,271	45,869	50,851	56,040
<i>Barkly</i>	6,659	7,308	7,882	8,380
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	18,334	20,682	23,153	25,671
<i>East Arnhem</i>	16,200	17,893	19,582	21,279
<i>Katherine</i>	20,780	23,410	26,201	29,026
Australian Capital Territory	374,912	413,945	453,474	492,096
Australian Capital Cities	15,015,290	16,641,680	18,289,300	19,915,698
Australian Rest of States	7,691,927	8,175,905	8,637,571	9,061,045

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, National Aged Care Data Clearing House, Population projections, 2012 (base) to 2027 for all states and territories at Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) by sex and age.

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Population projections use medium growth scenario.

* 2012 base year for this dataset has been superseded by more recent population estimates (refer to ABS 3218.0).

C 1.1.3 Internal migration

Internal migration is a measure of the movement of people between different regions of Australia. Internal migration is an important component of population change, alongside natural increase through births and deaths and overseas migration. The movement of people between areas in Australia has been a major driver of the changes in the demographic profile of regions.

Table C 1.1.3.a Internal migration matrix by remoteness class

Remoteness Class (Usual Residence 2016)	Remoteness Class (Usual Residence Five Years Ago)				
	Major Cities	Inner Regional	Outer Regional	Remote	Very Remote
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons
Major Cities	12,603,705	334,398	129,353	25,989	11,113
Inner Regional	444,154	2,967,789	145,832	14,860	6,992
Outer Regional	111,097	150,990	1,346,667	29,806	11,837
Remote	20,647	10,021	40,665	140,698	7,538
Very Remote	13,362	5,592	8,069	12,733	99,673

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS.

Data based on place of usual residence, and place of usual residence five years ago.

Table C 1.1.3.b Internal migration by sub-state region

<i>Sub-State Region (Usual Residence 2016)</i>	<i>Arrivals</i>	<i>Departures</i>	<i>Net Internal Migration</i>
	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>
Central Coast	38,626	31,412	7,214
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	37,792	35,558	2,234
Sydney - Blacktown	45,351	49,363	-4,012
Sydney - City and Inner South	62,532	66,651	-4,119
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	35,172	45,078	-9,906
Sydney - Inner South West	50,262	74,370	-24,108
Sydney - Inner West	49,208	58,952	-9,744
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	54,249	60,548	-6,299
Sydney - Northern Beaches	25,260	27,896	-2,636
Sydney - Outer South West	33,680	29,269	4,411
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	39,165	39,222	-57
Sydney - Parramatta	53,194	77,827	-24,633
Sydney - Ryde	31,182	34,626	-3,444
Sydney - South West	36,879	41,967	-5,088
Sydney - Sutherland	22,688	24,928	-2,240
Capital Region	32,026	28,906	3,120
Central West	22,412	21,884	528
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	17,289	15,954	1,335
Far West and Orana	10,801	14,937	-4,136
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	35,284	29,039	6,245
Illawarra	27,113	22,539	4,574
Mid North Coast	29,700	21,883	7,817
Murray	16,669	15,739	930
New England and North West	19,118	21,249	-2,131
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	40,603	35,291	5,312
Richmond - Tweed	31,598	26,129	5,469
Riverina	15,774	18,423	-2,649
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	23,894	17,584	6,310
Melbourne - Inner	113,417	108,989	4,428
Melbourne - Inner East	50,654	61,543	-10,889
Melbourne - Inner South	55,886	58,038	-2,152
Melbourne - North East	56,131	47,661	8,470
Melbourne - North West	41,940	37,463	4,477
Melbourne - Outer East	50,382	59,309	-8,927
Melbourne - South East	73,812	77,412	-3,600
Melbourne - West	69,148	61,885	7,263
Mornington Peninsula	39,843	32,453	7,390
Ballarat	19,394	14,420	4,974
Bendigo	18,698	14,481	4,217
Geelong	31,507	19,817	11,690
Hume	24,338	21,290	3,048
Latrobe - Gippsland	28,786	23,605	5,181
North West	13,887	17,399	-3,512
Shepparton	12,743	14,527	-1,784
Warrnambool and South West	10,528	12,397	-1,869
Brisbane - East	33,582	31,261	2,321

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Internal migration by sub-state region (continued)

	Arrivals	Departures	Net Internal Migration
<i>Sub-State Region (Usual Residence 2016)</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>	<i>persons</i>
Brisbane - North	41,887	39,204	2,683
Brisbane - South	55,757	65,135	-9,378
Brisbane - West	36,260	38,551	-2,291
Brisbane Inner City	64,580	59,852	4,728
Ipswich	48,654	40,217	8,437
Logan - Beaudesert	45,665	45,726	-61
Moreton Bay - North	40,670	32,488	8,182
Moreton Bay - South	42,288	33,407	8,881
Cairns	27,891	30,230	-2,339
Darling Downs - Maranoa	18,401	21,150	-2,749
Central Queensland	26,395	32,177	-5,782
Gold Coast	76,569	57,697	18,872
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	20,258	29,070	-8,812
Queensland - Outback	11,261	18,148	-6,887
Sunshine Coast	58,168	36,780	21,388
Toowoomba	22,260	20,731	1,529
Townsville	30,596	31,516	-920
Wide Bay	40,436	37,417	3,019
Adelaide - Central and Hills	40,235	45,936	-5,701
Adelaide - North	40,750	42,950	-2,200
Adelaide - South	35,898	37,004	-1,106
Adelaide - West	30,235	32,042	-1,807
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	13,793	12,723	1,070
South Australia - Outback	7,405	11,324	-3,919
South Australia - South East	20,846	19,684	1,162
Mandurah	18,552	12,058	6,494
Perth - Inner	31,838	34,749	-2,911
Perth - North East	40,843	36,817	4,026
Perth - North West	54,427	60,330	-5,903
Perth - South East	57,304	63,504	-6,200
Perth - South West	54,874	46,994	7,880
Bunbury	22,732	17,992	4,740
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	18,412	20,254	-1,842
Western Australia - Outback (North)	22,793	23,500	-707
Western Australia - Outback (South)	14,750	21,120	-6,370
Hobart	18,749	17,971	778
Launceston and North East	11,302	12,556	-1,254
South East	6,277	6,099	178
West and North West	8,249	10,190	-1,941
Darwin	24,489	26,225	-1,736
Northern Territory - Outback	10,182	15,977	-5,795
Australian Capital Territory	47,026	43,276	3,750
Other Territories	588	797	-209

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS).

Data based on place of usual residence, and place of usual residence five years ago.

C 1.1.4 Overseas arrivals

The number of overseas born arrivals in the last five years provides a measure of the inward migration of people from overseas. This does not include people leaving Australia. Overseas migration is an important component of population change, alongside natural increase and net internal migration.

Some regions of Australia receive a greater share of recent overseas arrivals than other regions. As a result these regions may have a growing demand for services and infrastructure, and may also receive a greater share of the skills and diversity that recent overseas migrants bring.

Table C 1.1.4.a Number of overseas born recent arrivals by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016 persons	2006 - 2016 change persons	Trend
Major Cities	673,957	1,046,864	1,182,708	508,751	
Inner Regional	44,907	74,344	76,030	31,123	
Outer Regional	26,035	48,480	46,917	20,882	
Remote	5,318	10,520	9,749	4,431	
Very Remote	2,076	5,047	4,400	2,324	
AUSTRALIA	756,054	1,190,322	1,324,426	568,372	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Data based on place of usual residence.

Counts provided for Census years include the previous five calendar years, and the months in a Census year prior to the date of the Census. Therefore, a portion of counts provided for Census years have been included in two periods.

Table C 1.1.4.b Number of overseas born recent arrivals by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016 persons	2006 - 2016 change persons	Trend
Greater Sydney	233,974	301,462	379,584	145,610	
Greater Melbourne	182,486	292,680	356,641	174,155	
Greater Brisbane	82,838	138,976	133,124	50,286	
Greater Perth	83,398	159,932	160,405	77,007	
Greater Adelaide	38,997	71,817	69,756	30,759	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	24,323	36,459	31,704	7,381	
Newcastle - Maitland	4,883	7,649	8,842	3,959	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	11,203	21,164	27,291	16,088	
Sunshine Coast	8,438	11,364	9,496	1,058	
Wollongong	4,990	7,599	8,883	3,893	
Geelong	3,526	5,711	6,767	3,241	
Greater Hobart	3,795	5,922	6,445	2,650	
Townsville	3,259	6,266	5,059	1,800	
Cairns	4,121	6,753	6,447	2,326	
Greater Darwin	3,113	7,869	10,944	7,831	
Toowoomba	3,126	4,025	4,340	1,214	
Ballarat	1,130	1,668	1,778	648	
Bendigo	649	1,401	1,550	901	
Albury - Wodonga	780	1,802	1,789	1,009	
Launceston	1,526	2,480	2,673	1,147	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Data based on place of usual residence.

Counts provided for Census years include the previous five calendar years, and the months in a Census year prior to the date of the Census. Therefore, a portion of counts provided for Census years have been included in two periods.

Table C 1.1.4.c Number of overseas born recent arrivals by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016 persons	2006 - 2016 change persons	Trend
New South Wales	260,561	341,459	424,733	164,172	
Greater Sydney	233,974	301,462	379,584	145,610	
Central Coast	3,604	4,574	4,684	1,080	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	6,551	8,098	9,477	2,926	
Sydney - Blacktown	15,632	21,372	23,021	7,389	
Sydney - City and Inner South	24,645	34,517	53,284	28,639	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	19,989	25,615	31,295	11,306	
Sydney - Inner South West	31,302	39,934	52,101	20,799	
Sydney - Inner West	19,436	25,053	32,046	12,610	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	25,375	31,570	35,021	9,646	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	11,130	13,590	13,580	2,450	
Sydney - Outer South West	4,807	6,614	8,171	3,364	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	4,440	5,431	6,475	2,035	
Sydney - Parramatta	33,429	44,355	57,613	24,184	
Sydney - Ryde	11,737	14,868	20,308	8,571	
Sydney - South West	18,265	21,484	28,006	9,741	
Sydney - Sutherland	3,646	4,394	4,494	848	
Rest of New South Wales	25,630	38,883	43,888	18,258	
Capital Region	1,767	2,938	3,074	1,307	
Central West	1,168	1,922	2,227	1,059	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	1,215	2,062	2,398	1,183	
Far West and Orana	684	1,110	1,396	712	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	1,819	3,095	2,692	873	
Illawarra	5,034	7,679	8,943	3,909	
Mid North Coast	1,191	1,451	1,594	403	
Murray	811	1,692	1,828	1,017	
New England and North West	1,375	2,208	3,154	1,779	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	4,456	6,758	7,945	3,489	
Richmond - Tweed	2,935	3,646	3,216	281	
Riverina	2,016	3,152	3,888	1,872	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	1,159	1,180	1,532	373	
Victoria	196,856	316,242	381,130	184,274	
Greater Melbourne	182,486	292,680	356,641	174,155	
Melbourne - Inner	40,670	57,384	83,166	42,496	
Melbourne - Inner East	19,451	26,722	32,543	13,092	
Melbourne - Inner South	18,140	25,315	27,291	9,151	
Melbourne - North East	13,408	24,790	30,403	16,995	
Melbourne - North West	9,781	17,622	24,215	14,434	
Melbourne - Outer East	10,716	16,509	18,358	7,642	
Melbourne - South East	39,880	64,696	72,726	32,846	
Melbourne - West	25,338	52,407	61,922	36,584	
Mornington Peninsula	5,098	7,238	5,999	901	
Rest of Victoria	13,631	22,556	23,608	9,977	
Ballarat	1,363	2,028	2,126	763	
Bendigo	943	1,798	2,065	1,122	
Geelong	3,659	5,995	6,986	3,327	

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Number of overseas born recent arrivals by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016 persons	2006 - 2016 change persons	Trend
Hume	1,329	1,904	1,955	626	
Latrobe - Gippsland	1,988	3,419	2,829	841	
North West	1,619	2,893	2,763	1,144	
Shepparton	1,636	2,926	3,237	1,601	
Warrnambool and South West	1,105	1,594	1,636	531	
Queensland	139,689	230,164	212,468	72,779	
Greater Brisbane	82,838	138,976	133,124	50,286	
Brisbane - East	7,383	10,770	7,288	-95	
Brisbane - North	5,493	11,938	10,629	5,136	
Brisbane - South	20,227	32,725	32,936	12,709	
Brisbane - West	10,200	13,643	13,345	3,145	
Brisbane Inner City	14,120	24,089	26,990	12,870	
Ipswich	7,007	14,027	13,788	6,781	
Logan - Beaudesert	9,721	15,574	14,931	5,210	
Moreton Bay - North	4,132	7,608	5,966	1,834	
Moreton Bay - South	4,559	8,605	7,248	2,689	
Rest of Queensland	55,851	89,830	78,087	22,236	
Cairns	5,292	8,779	8,464	3,172	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	868	2,045	1,978	1,110	
Central Queensland	3,056	6,681	5,777	2,721	
Gold Coast	23,663	35,439	30,825	7,162	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	2,983	6,477	4,664	1,681	
Queensland - Outback	972	2,097	1,706	734	
Far North	177	365	370	193	
Outback - North	624	1,394	1,075	451	
Outback - South	180	340	259	79	
Sunshine Coast	9,043	12,077	10,010	967	
Toowoomba	3,467	4,950	5,441	1,974	
Townsville	3,703	6,960	5,570	1,867	
Wide Bay	2,801	4,319	3,662	861	
South Australia	42,494	77,988	75,264	32,770	
Greater Adelaide	38,997	71,817	69,756	30,759	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	12,358	20,104	20,739	8,381	
Adelaide - North	8,802	19,610	20,792	11,990	
Adelaide - South	9,665	16,676	14,200	4,535	
Adelaide - West	8,170	15,433	14,018	5,848	
Rest of South Australia	3,251	5,936	5,269	2,018	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	574	878	807	233	
South Australia - Outback	830	1,562	1,087	257	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	477	896	632	155	
Outback - North and East	352	667	449	97	
South Australia - South East	1,847	3,492	3,371	1,524	
Western Australia	93,527	183,158	179,579	86,052	
Greater Perth	83,398	159,932	160,405	77,007	
Mandurah	1,840	4,794	4,752	2,912	
Perth - Inner	10,767	19,000	19,502	8,735	
Perth - North East	6,629	14,298	15,571	8,942	

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Number of overseas born recent arrivals by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons	2011 persons	2016 persons	2006 - 2016 change persons	Trend
Perth - North West	28,449	48,404	43,570	15,121	
Perth - South East	21,929	46,224	49,372	27,443	
Perth - South West	13,777	27,219	27,637	13,860	
Rest of Western Australia	9,513	22,204	18,628	9,115	
Bunbury	2,768	6,339	5,494	2,726	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	2,032	3,842	3,174	1,142	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	1,867	5,659	5,064	3,197	
<i>Kimberley</i>	397	1,187	1,207	810	
<i>East Pilbara</i>	692	1,916	1,555	863	
<i>West Pilbara</i>	779	2,561	2,300	1,521	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	2,842	6,370	4,895	2,053	
<i>Esperance</i>	286	477	350	64	
<i>Gascoyne</i>	194	297	367	173	
<i>Goldfields</i>	1,714	3,740	2,569	855	
<i>Mid West</i>	645	1,857	1,613	968	
Tasmania	6,825	10,408	10,763	3,938	
Greater Hobart	3,795	5,922	6,445	2,650	
Rest of Tasmania	2,997	4,410	4,265	1,268	
Launceston and North East	1,889	2,888	3,016	1,127	
South East	239	395	295	56	
West and North West	870	1,124	958	88	
Northern Territory	4,855	11,049	14,331	9,476	
Greater Darwin	3,113	7,869	10,944	7,831	
Rest of Northern Territory	1,639	2,995	3,194	1,555	
Northern Territory - Outback	1,639	2,995	3,194	1,555	
<i>Alice Springs</i>	1,166	2,163	2,250	1,084	
<i>Barkly</i>	45	97	158	113	
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	99	160	233	134	
<i>East Arnhem</i>	181	262	151	-30	
<i>Katherine</i>	147	318	402	255	
Australian Capital Territory	11,187	19,759	25,973	14,786	
Australian Capital Cities	639,788	998,417	1,142,872	503,084	
Australian Rest of States	112,512	186,814	176,939	64,427	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Data based on place of usual residence.







Counts provided for Census years include the previous five calendar years, and the months in a Census year prior to the date of the Census. Therefore, a portion of counts provided for Census years have been included in two periods.

C 1.1.5 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

The proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the total population is measured by comparing the number of people who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander to those who do not.

Information on the proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders living in a region can provide important context to interpret regional variation in progress indicators where there is a recognised gap between the outcomes for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians, for example on health outcomes and living conditions.

Table C 1.1.5.a Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Major Cities	1.2	1.3	1.5	0.3	
Inner Regional	2.7	3.2	3.9	1.2	
Outer Regional	5.6	6.4	7.0	1.4	
Remote	13.5	14.5	15.6	2.1	
Very Remote	45.6	44.0	47.3	1.7	
AUSTRALIA	2.4	2.7	3.0	0.6	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Data based on place of usual residence.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.1.5.b Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Greater Sydney	1.1	1.3	1.5	0.4	
Greater Melbourne	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.2	
Greater Brisbane	1.9	2.1	2.5	0.6	
Greater Perth	1.6	1.7	1.7	0.1	
Greater Adelaide	1.2	1.3	1.5	0.3	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	1.4	1.6	2.1	0.7	
Newcastle - Maitland	2.6	3.4	4.8	2.2	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	1.4	1.7	1.9	0.5	
Sunshine Coast	1.3	1.5	2.0	0.7	
Wollongong	1.9	2.4	3.0	1.1	
Geelong	0.7	0.9	1.1	0.4	
Greater Hobart	3.0	3.4	4.1	1.1	
Townsville	5.8	6.8	7.8	2.0	
Cairns	8.4	9.8	9.8	1.4	
Greater Darwin	10.7	10.2	9.8	-0.9	
Toowoomba	3.0	3.7	4.2	1.2	
Ballarat	1.1	1.3	1.5	0.4	
Bendigo	1.2	1.5	1.9	0.7	
Albury - Wodonga	1.9	2.3	2.9	1.0	
Launceston	2.8	2.9	3.4	0.6	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Data based on place of usual residence.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.1.5.c Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
New South Wales	2.2	2.6	3.1	0.9	
Greater Sydney	1.1	1.3	1.5	0.4	
Central Coast	2.3	3.0	4.0	1.7	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.4	
Sydney - Blacktown	2.7	2.8	2.9	0.2	
Sydney - City and Inner South	1.7	1.6	1.5	-0.2	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	0.8	1.0	1.1	0.3	
Sydney - Inner South West	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.1	
Sydney - Inner West	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.1	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.3	
Sydney - Outer South West	2.4	3.0	3.6	1.2	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	2.2	2.9	3.9	1.7	
Sydney - Parramatta	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.0	
Sydney - Ryde	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.1	
Sydney - South West	1.0	1.2	1.2	0.2	
Sydney - Sutherland	0.6	0.9	1.2	0.6	
Rest of New South Wales	4.1	4.9	5.9	1.8	
Capital Region	2.7	3.2	3.9	1.2	
Central West	4.5	5.6	7.0	2.5	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	4.1	4.8	5.8	1.7	
Far West and Orana	14.5	16.6	18.4	3.9	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	3.1	4.1	6.1	3.0	
Illawarra	1.9	2.4	3.0	1.1	
Mid North Coast	4.5	5.6	6.7	2.2	
Murray	2.7	3.1	3.7	1.0	
New England and North West	8.2	9.4	11.1	2.9	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	2.4	3.0	4.0	1.6	
Richmond - Tweed	3.4	3.9	4.4	1.0	
Riverina	4.2	4.9	5.8	1.6	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	3.1	3.9	4.7	1.6	
Victoria	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.3	
Greater Melbourne	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.2	
Melbourne - Inner	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.1	
Melbourne - Inner East	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	
Melbourne - Inner South	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	
Melbourne - North East	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.2	
Melbourne - North West	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.2	
Melbourne - Outer East	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.2	
Melbourne - South East	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.1	
Melbourne - West	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.2	
Mornington Peninsula	0.6	0.8	1.0	0.4	
Rest of Victoria	1.3	1.5	1.8	0.5	
Ballarat	0.9	1.1	1.5	0.6	
Bendigo	1.0	1.3	1.6	0.6	

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Geelong	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.3	
Hume	1.0	1.3	1.7	0.7	
Latrobe - Gippsland	1.3	1.6	1.7	0.4	
North West	2.1	2.6	2.9	0.8	
Shepparton	2.4	2.8	3.0	0.6	
Warrnambool and South West	1.1	1.4	1.6	0.5	
Queensland	3.5	3.8	4.2	0.7	
Greater Brisbane	1.9	2.1	2.5	0.6	
Brisbane - East	1.7	2.0	2.4	0.7	
Brisbane - North	1.8	1.9	2.2	0.4	
Brisbane - South	1.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	
Brisbane - West	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.3	
Brisbane Inner City	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.0	
Ipswich	3.3	3.7	4.3	1.0	
Logan - Beaudesert	2.6	3.0	3.5	0.9	
Moreton Bay - North	2.3	2.9	3.9	1.6	
Moreton Bay - South	1.4	1.6	2.2	0.8	
Rest of Queensland	4.9	5.3	5.9	1.0	
Cairns	9.8	11.0	11.0	1.2	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	4.4	5.0	5.9	1.5	
Central Queensland	4.9	5.3	6.2	1.3	
Gold Coast	1.1	1.3	1.8	0.7	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	4.0	4.4	5.4	1.4	
Queensland - Outback	32.5	32.8	36.5	4.0	
Far North	55.4	55.0	57.9	2.5	
Outback - North	25.3	24.7	27.4	2.1	
Outback - South	10.2	12.0	11.9	1.7	
Sunshine Coast	1.3	1.6	2.0	0.7	
Toowoomba	2.9	3.5	4.1	1.2	
Townsville	6.9	7.5	8.5	1.6	
Wide Bay	3.4	4.2	5.0	1.6	
South Australia	1.8	2.0	2.1	0.3	
Greater Adelaide	1.2	1.3	1.5	0.3	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.2	
Adelaide - North	1.7	1.9	2.1	0.4	
Adelaide - South	0.9	1.1	1.2	0.3	
Adelaide - West	1.5	1.6	1.7	0.2	
Rest of South Australia	3.7	4.2	4.4	0.7	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	1.6	1.9	2.3	0.7	
South Australia - Outback	10.2	10.9	11.3	1.1	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	5.3	6.0	6.1	0.8	
Outback - North and East	20.3	21.0	22.8	2.5	
South Australia - South East	2.0	2.4	2.6	0.6	
Western Australia	3.2	3.3	3.3	0.1	
Greater Perth	1.6	1.7	1.7	0.1	
Mandurah	1.6	2.0	2.3	0.7	

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Perth - Inner	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.2	
Perth - North East	2.4	2.6	2.6	0.2	
Perth - North West	1.1	1.2	1.1	0.0	
Perth - South East	2.1	2.1	2.0	-0.1	
Perth - South West	1.5	1.6	1.8	0.3	
Rest of Western Australia	8.9	9.1	9.3	0.4	
Bunbury	2.1	2.3	2.5	0.4	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	4.1	4.5	4.5	0.4	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	29.9	26.1	27.7	-2.2	
<i>Kimberley</i>	47.7	43.5	46.2	-1.5	
<i>East Pilbara</i>	22.3	19.5	21.4	-0.9	
<i>West Pilbara</i>	12.2	11.0	12.8	0.6	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	10.7	10.8	11.1	0.4	
<i>Esperance</i>	4.4	4.1	4.4	0.0	
<i>Gascoyne</i>	16.8	16.2	15.2	-1.6	
<i>Goldfields</i>	13.0	12.8	13.7	0.7	
<i>Mid West</i>	9.8	10.5	10.5	0.7	
Tasmania	3.7	4.1	4.9	1.2	
Greater Hobart	3.0	3.4	4.1	1.1	
Rest of Tasmania	4.2	4.7	5.6	1.4	
Launceston and North East	2.7	3.0	3.5	0.8	
South East	6.2	6.3	7.4	1.2	
West and North West	5.3	6.2	7.7	2.4	
Northern Territory	30.4	29.2	28.3	-2.1	
Greater Darwin	10.7	10.2	9.8	-0.9	
Rest of Northern Territory	54.6	53.9	56.0	1.4	
Northern Territory - Outback	54.6	53.9	56.0	1.4	
<i>Alice Springs</i>	41.1	38.9	40.1	-1.0	
<i>Barkly</i>	66.8	68.7	67.7	0.9	
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	74.7	72.0	73.6	-1.1	
<i>East Arnhem</i>	62.5	63.5	71.1	8.6	
<i>Katherine</i>	56.5	55.1	56.3	-0.2	
Australian Capital Territory	1.3	1.5	1.7	0.4	
Australian Capital Cities	1.2	1.3	1.5	0.3	
Australian Rest of States	4.7	5.2	5.8	1.1	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Data based on place of usual residence.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

C 1.2 Age structure

C 1.2.1 Age profile

The age profiles of Australia's regions are quite different, with some regions having older age profiles than others. This indicator provides a guide to the differences in the age makeup of regions, which can influence the demand for infrastructure and services into the future.

Table C 1.2.1.a Age profile by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	0-14 years	15-24 years	25-64 years	65-84 years	85 years and over
	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
2016					
Major Cities	18.7	13.6	53.7	12.1	1.9
Inner Regional	19.1	11.9	49.8	16.7	2.3
Outer Regional	19.4	11.6	51.6	15.6	1.9
Remote	21.3	11.0	54.5	11.4	1.2
Very Remote	23.0	13.5	55.9	7.1	0.6
AUSTRALIA	18.9	13.1	52.8	13.2	2.0

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia, 2016 (cat. no. 3235.0)
Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.
Population estimates are preliminary for 2016.

Table C 1.2.1.b Age profile by major urban area

Major Urban Area	0-14 years	15-24 years	25-64 years	65-84 years	85 years and over
	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
2016					
Greater Sydney	18.8	13.3	54.3	11.7	1.9
Greater Melbourne	18.4	13.7	54.2	11.7	1.9
Greater Brisbane	19.7	14.3	53.0	11.3	1.6
Greater Perth	19.1	13.3	54.1	11.7	1.7
Greater Adelaide	17.7	13.4	52.2	14.2	2.5
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	18.2	12.9	51.9	14.7	2.3
Newcastle - Maitland	19.0	13.3	50.9	14.4	2.4
Canberra - Queanbeyan	18.9	14.3	54.6	10.6	1.5
Sunshine Coast	18.2	11.3	50.4	17.5	2.6
Wollongong	18.7	14.0	50.3	14.7	2.4
Geelong	18.8	13.1	50.7	14.8	2.5
Greater Hobart	18.4	12.8	51.6	14.9	2.3
Townsville	20.7	16.5	51.7	9.9	1.2
Cairns	20.6	12.4	55.0	10.8	1.2
Greater Darwin	20.0	12.5	59.9	7.2	0.4
Toowoomba	20.7	13.8	49.0	14.1	2.3
Ballarat	19.5	14.4	49.5	14.3	2.3
Bendigo	19.6	14.2	49.3	14.4	2.5
Albury - Wodonga	19.9	13.8	50.1	13.8	2.3
Launceston	18.1	14.5	49.8	15.1	2.5

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia, 2016 (cat. no. 3235.0)
The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.
Population estimates are preliminary for 2016.

Table C 1.2.1.c Age profile by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	0-14 years	15-24 years	25-64 years	65-84 years	85 years and over
	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
2016					
New South Wales	18.8	12.9	52.6	13.6	2.1
Greater Sydney	18.8	13.3	54.3	11.7	1.9
Central Coast	18.9	12.0	49.0	17.1	3.0
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	20.9	13.8	51.3	12.4	1.7
Sydney - Blacktown	23.0	13.9	53.1	9.0	1.0
Sydney - City and Inner South	9.7	16.3	64.6	8.4	1.1
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	15.2	13.5	57.3	11.7	2.3
Sydney - Inner South West	18.7	13.6	53.5	12.0	2.2
Sydney - Inner West	15.8	12.8	58.2	11.2	2.0
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	18.5	11.5	54.7	12.8	2.4
Sydney - Northern Beaches	19.7	10.9	53.1	13.7	2.6
Sydney - Outer South West	22.4	14.0	52.0	10.3	1.2
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	20.6	13.5	52.5	12.0	1.4
Sydney - Parramatta	19.7	13.0	55.7	9.9	1.6
Sydney - Ryde	17.1	14.1	54.1	12.1	2.6
Sydney - South West	21.2	14.8	52.4	10.3	1.3
Sydney - Sutherland	19.3	12.1	52.2	13.8	2.6
Rest of New South Wales	18.8	12.0	49.5	17.2	2.6
Capital Region	18.1	10.8	51.2	17.5	2.3
Central West	20.4	12.3	48.7	16.3	2.4
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	18.0	10.7	49.1	19.3	2.9
Far West and Orana	20.4	11.8	49.8	15.6	2.3
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	20.7	12.3	50.2	14.9	1.9
Illawarra	18.6	14.0	50.2	14.8	2.4
Mid North Coast	16.9	9.8	46.5	23.2	3.6
Murray	19.0	11.8	48.7	17.9	2.7
New England and North West	20.2	12.5	48.5	16.5	2.3
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	18.0	13.3	50.7	15.3	2.6
Richmond - Tweed	17.6	10.5	50.3	18.5	3.2
Riverina	20.4	13.1	49.2	14.8	2.5
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	17.2	10.4	47.1	22.3	3.0
Victoria	18.5	13.3	53.2	13.0	2.1
Greater Melbourne	18.4	13.7	54.2	11.7	1.9
Melbourne - Inner	11.5	16.1	61.7	9.2	1.5
Melbourne - Inner East	16.6	15.0	51.2	14.3	2.9
Melbourne - Inner South	18.4	12.3	53.1	13.2	3.0
Melbourne - North East	19.5	13.0	54.0	11.7	1.7
Melbourne - North West	20.7	13.4	52.7	11.5	1.7
Melbourne - Outer East	18.6	12.8	53.0	13.5	2.0
Melbourne - South East	20.0	14.7	52.4	11.2	1.7
Melbourne - West	21.4	13.1	55.3	9.1	1.1
Mornington Peninsula	18.3	11.7	50.5	17.0	2.6
Rest of Victoria	18.6	11.9	49.9	17.0	2.6
Ballarat	18.8	12.8	50.0	16.1	2.3
Bendigo	18.9	12.5	50.1	16.0	2.5

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Age profile by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	0-14 years	15-24 years	25-64 years	65-84 years	85 years and over
	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent	per cent
2016					
Geelong	18.9	12.8	50.7	15.2	2.5
Hume	18.3	11.3	50.0	17.8	2.6
Latrobe - Gippsland	18.1	11.0	49.5	18.9	2.6
North West	18.3	11.6	49.4	17.6	3.1
Shepparton	19.2	11.9	48.9	17.3	2.7
Warrnambool and South West	18.4	11.8	49.6	17.4	2.8
Queensland	19.7	13.4	52.2	13.0	1.8
Greater Brisbane	19.7	14.3	53.0	11.3	1.6
Brisbane - East	19.7	12.4	52.0	13.9	2.0
Brisbane - North	18.2	12.7	54.5	12.3	2.4
Brisbane - South	18.0	15.4	54.7	10.1	1.8
Brisbane - West	19.1	17.2	50.2	11.6	1.9
Brisbane Inner City	13.9	16.9	59.7	8.2	1.3
Ipswich	22.8	14.1	51.6	10.3	1.2
Logan - Beaudesert	22.7	14.2	51.2	10.8	1.1
Moreton Bay - North	19.7	12.5	49.5	16.3	2.1
Moreton Bay - South	23.1	13.3	52.5	10.0	1.1
Rest of Queensland	19.6	12.5	51.5	14.5	1.9
Cairns	20.2	11.8	53.4	13.2	1.5
Darling Downs - Maranoa	20.9	11.5	49.2	16.3	2.1
Central Queensland	22.0	12.8	52.6	11.2	1.4
Gold Coast	18.4	13.1	52.5	14.0	2.0
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	21.1	12.1	54.8	10.8	1.2
Queensland - Outback	23.7	13.5	52.8	9.2	0.8
<i>Far North</i>	25.8	14.5	51.4	7.8	0.5
<i>Outback - North</i>	24.0	13.6	54.3	7.7	0.4
<i>Outback - South</i>	19.5	11.3	52.9	14.5	1.8
Sunshine Coast	18.1	11.2	50.5	17.6	2.5
Toowoomba	20.6	14.0	49.2	14.0	2.2
Townsville	20.3	15.2	51.3	11.7	1.4
Wide Bay	18.1	10.6	48.0	20.9	2.3
South Australia	17.8	12.8	51.7	15.1	2.6
Greater Adelaide	17.7	13.4	52.2	14.2	2.5
Adelaide - Central and Hills	16.2	14.3	51.5	15.0	2.9
Adelaide - North	19.8	13.6	52.2	12.6	1.8
Adelaide - South	17.6	12.8	51.8	15.1	2.7
Adelaide - West	15.5	13.1	53.7	14.5	3.1
Rest of South Australia	18.1	10.8	50.0	18.4	2.6
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	17.8	10.4	49.6	19.4	2.8
South Australia - Outback	19.9	11.6	52.5	14.1	1.9
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	19.9	11.3	51.3	15.2	2.3
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	19.9	12.2	54.9	11.8	1.2
South Australia - South East	17.5	10.7	49.2	19.7	2.9
Western Australia	19.4	12.9	54.2	11.9	1.6
Greater Perth	19.1	13.3	54.1	11.7	1.7
Mandurah	18.4	11.6	48.3	19.3	2.4

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Age profile by sub-state region (continued)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	0-14 years	15-24 years	25-64 years	65-84 years	85 years and over
	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>
2016					
Perth - Inner	15.3	13.8	56.7	12.1	2.2
Perth - North East	19.4	13.0	55.0	11.1	1.4
Perth - North West	19.7	13.1	54.3	11.4	1.6
Perth - South East	19.1	14.1	54.3	11.0	1.6
Perth - South West	19.8	13.2	53.6	11.7	1.8
Rest of Western Australia	20.6	11.1	54.4	12.5	1.4
Bunbury	20.6	11.0	51.9	14.7	1.8
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	19.0	10.1	51.8	17.1	2.0
Western Australia - Outback (North)	22.3	11.3	62.7	3.6	0.2
<i>Kimberley</i>	25.0	13.2	56.0	5.5	0.3
<i>East Pilbara</i>	20.5	10.7	65.9	2.7	0.1
<i>West Pilbara</i>	20.8	9.8	67.2	2.2	0.1
Western Australia - Outback (South)	21.1	12.0	54.5	11.2	1.1
<i>Esperance</i>	20.6	11.7	51.6	14.5	1.6
<i>Gascoyne</i>	21.0	10.1	56.2	12.0	0.8
<i>Goldfields</i>	22.7	13.0	57.5	6.4	0.4
<i>Mid West</i>	20.2	11.8	52.9	13.6	1.5
Tasmania	18.1	12.3	50.9	16.5	2.2
Greater Hobart	18.4	12.8	51.6	14.9	2.3
Rest of Tasmania	17.8	12.0	50.3	17.7	2.2
Launceston and North East	17.7	12.8	50.0	17.1	2.3
South East	17.1	9.4	52.2	19.8	1.5
West and North West	18.2	11.8	50.1	17.8	2.2
Northern Territory	21.8	13.6	57.7	6.5	0.4
Greater Darwin	20.0	12.5	59.9	7.2	0.4
Rest of Northern Territory	24.5	15.1	54.6	5.5	0.3
Northern Territory - Outback	24.5	15.1	54.6	5.5	0.3
<i>Alice Springs</i>	21.5	14.2	57.6	6.3	0.4
<i>Barkly</i>	25.3	16.6	52.3	5.7	0.1
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	25.8	15.1	53.6	5.2	0.3
<i>East Arnhem</i>	28.7	16.7	51.7	2.8	0.0
<i>Katherine</i>	25.8	15.3	52.2	6.2	0.4
Australian Capital Territory	18.9	14.4	54.5	10.7	1.5
Australian Capital Cities	18.8	13.6	53.9	11.8	1.9
Australian Rest of States	19.1	12.1	50.6	15.9	2.2

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia, 2016 (cat. no. 3235.0)

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Population estimates are preliminary for 2016.

C 1.2.2 Proportion of people who are working age

This indicator measures the proportion of a region's population that is of working age. The measure is defined as those who are between the ages of 15 and 64, expressed as a percentage of the population.⁶⁴ It can provide an indication of a region's current and future labour capacity, and can be used to compare the demographic make-up of a region over time. While the measure only considers those who are of ages 15 to 64 as 'working age', those below 15 and above 64 also participate in the labour force.

Table C 1.2.2.a Proportion of people who are working age by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006-2016 change percentage points	Trend
Major Cities	68.5	68.4	67.3	-1.2	
Inner Regional	64.4	63.6	61.7	-2.7	
Outer Regional	65.2	64.7	63.2	-2.0	
Remote	66.7	68.0	65.5	-1.2	
Very Remote	67.2	68.5	69.4	2.2	
AUSTRALIA	67.4	67.2	65.9	-1.5	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia, 2016 (cat. no. 3235.0)

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Population estimates are final for 2006 and 2011, and preliminary for 2016.

Working age is defined as between 15 and 64 years old, inclusive.

⁶⁴ ABS 2015, *Australian Demographic Statistics*, Jun 2015 (cat. no. 3101.0), Canberra.

Table C 1.2.2.b Proportion of people who are working age by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006-2016 change percentage points	Trend
Greater Sydney	68.8	68.5	67.7	-1.1	
Greater Melbourne	68.9	69.0	68.0	-0.9	
Greater Brisbane	68.9	68.7	67.3	-1.6	
Greater Perth	68.8	68.9	67.5	-1.3	
Greater Adelaide	67.4	67.3	65.6	-1.8	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	66.8	66.5	64.8	-2.0	
Newcastle - Maitland	65.8	65.6	64.2	-1.6	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	71.5	71.2	69.0	-2.5	
Sunshine Coast	64.5	63.3	61.7	-2.8	
Wollongong	65.5	65.3	64.3	-1.2	
Geelong	65.3	65.3	63.8	-1.5	
Greater Hobart	66.8	66.4	64.4	-2.4	
Townsville	69.5	69.6	68.2	-1.3	
Cairns	70.0	69.0	67.4	-2.6	
Greater Darwin	72.6	73.5	72.4	-0.2	
Toowoomba	65.2	64.1	62.9	-2.3	
Ballarat	65.8	65.9	63.9	-1.9	
Bendigo	65.0	65.1	63.4	-1.6	
Albury - Wodonga	66.8	66.1	64.0	-2.8	
Launceston	65.8	65.8	64.3	-1.5	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia, 2016 (cat. no. 3235.0)

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Population estimates are final for 2006 and 2011, and preliminary for 2016.

Working age is defined as between 15 and 64 years old, inclusive.

Table C 1.2.2.c Proportion of people who are working age by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006-2016 change percentage points	Trend
New South Wales	66.9	66.5	65.5	-1.4	
Greater Sydney	68.8	68.5	67.7	-1.1	
Central Coast	61.9	62.0	61.0	-0.9	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	69.0	67.5	65.1	-3.9	
Sydney - Blacktown	67.7	67.8	67.0	-0.7	
Sydney - City and Inner South	80.8	80.9	80.9	0.1	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	72.8	72.1	70.8	-2.0	
Sydney - Inner South West	66.4	66.7	67.1	0.7	
Sydney - Inner West	71.8	71.4	71.0	-0.8	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	69.1	67.8	66.3	-2.8	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	66.8	65.4	64.0	-2.8	
Sydney - Outer South West	68.4	68.2	66.1	-2.3	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	68.4	68.0	66.0	-2.4	
Sydney - Parramatta	68.6	69.0	68.7	0.1	
Sydney - Ryde	68.4	68.6	68.2	-0.2	
Sydney - South West	67.7	68.1	67.2	-0.5	
Sydney - Sutherland	67.9	66.6	64.3	-3.6	
Rest of New South Wales	63.7	63.0	61.4	-2.3	
Capital Region	64.6	63.7	62.1	-2.5	
Central West	63.7	62.5	61.0	-2.7	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	62.6	61.9	59.8	-2.8	
Far West and Orana	62.8	62.4	61.6	-1.2	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	64.7	64.3	62.5	-2.2	
Illawarra	65.4	65.2	64.2	-1.2	
Mid North Coast	59.8	58.3	56.4	-3.4	
Murray	63.5	62.6	60.5	-3.0	
New England and North West	63.5	62.5	61.1	-2.4	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	65.7	65.4	64.0	-1.7	
Richmond - Tweed	63.1	62.4	60.7	-2.4	
Riverina	63.9	63.5	62.3	-1.6	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	60.7	59.4	57.6	-3.1	
Victoria	67.6	67.6	66.5	-1.1	
Greater Melbourne	68.9	69.0	68.0	-0.9	
Melbourne - Inner	77.5	77.8	77.8	0.3	
Melbourne - Inner East	67.1	66.8	66.1	-1.0	
Melbourne - Inner South	66.4	66.4	65.4	-1.0	
Melbourne - North East	68.4	68.5	67.0	-1.4	
Melbourne - North West	66.2	66.8	66.1	-0.1	
Melbourne - Outer East	68.3	67.7	65.8	-2.5	
Melbourne - South East	68.0	68.0	67.0	-1.0	
Melbourne - West	69.5	70.1	68.4	-1.1	
Mornington Peninsula	64.2	63.8	62.2	-2.0	
Rest of Victoria	64.0	63.6	61.8	-2.2	
Ballarat	65.2	64.9	62.8	-2.4	
Bendigo	64.5	64.4	62.6	-1.9	

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Proportion of people who are working age by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006-2016 change percentage points	Trend
Geelong	65.1	65.0	63.4	-1.7	
Hume	64.4	63.6	61.3	-3.1	
Latrobe - Gippsland	63.6	63.0	60.4	-3.2	
North West	62.2	61.9	61.0	-1.2	
Shepparton	62.9	62.3	60.9	-2.0	
Warrnambool and South West	63.2	63.0	61.4	-1.8	
Queensland	67.5	67.1	65.6	-1.9	
Greater Brisbane	68.9	68.7	67.3	-1.6	
Brisbane - East	66.6	66.2	64.3	-2.3	
Brisbane - North	67.0	67.8	67.2	0.2	
Brisbane - South	70.1	71.0	70.1	0.0	
Brisbane - West	70.8	69.6	67.3	-3.5	
Brisbane Inner City	77.4	77.6	76.6	-0.8	
Ipswich	66.3	66.6	65.7	-0.6	
Logan - Beaudesert	68.4	67.6	65.4	-3.0	
Moreton Bay - North	64.0	63.6	61.9	-2.1	
Moreton Bay - South	68.9	68.0	65.8	-3.1	
Rest of Queensland	66.2	65.6	64.0	-2.2	
Cairns	67.8	66.9	65.2	-2.6	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	63.1	62.0	60.7	-2.4	
Central Queensland	66.6	66.8	65.4	-1.2	
Gold Coast	68.0	67.5	65.7	-2.3	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	68.8	69.1	66.9	-1.9	
Queensland - Outback	66.5	67.2	66.3	-0.2	
<i>Far North</i>	65.7	66.8	66.0	0.3	
<i>Outback - North</i>	67.9	69.2	67.9	0.0	
<i>Outback - South</i>	65.5	64.6	64.2	-1.3	
Sunshine Coast	64.5	63.3	61.7	-2.8	
Toowoomba	65.3	64.3	63.2	-2.1	
Townsville	67.9	68.0	66.6	-1.3	
Wide Bay	62.4	60.7	58.6	-3.8	
South Australia	66.6	66.3	64.5	-2.1	
Greater Adelaide	67.4	67.3	65.6	-1.8	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	68.4	67.9	65.8	-2.6	
Adelaide - North	67.5	67.4	65.7	-1.8	
Adelaide - South	67.2	66.8	64.6	-2.6	
Adelaide - West	66.2	67.2	66.8	0.6	
Rest of South Australia	63.9	63.0	60.8	-3.1	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	62.7	61.6	60.0	-2.7	
South Australia - Outback	66.0	65.9	64.0	-2.0	
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	64.8	64.4	62.6	-2.2	
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	68.5	68.9	67.1	-1.4	
South Australia - South East	63.5	62.4	59.9	-3.6	
Western Australia	68.3	68.6	67.1	-1.2	
Greater Perth	68.8	68.9	67.5	-1.3	
Mandurah	61.3	61.3	59.9	-1.4	

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Proportion of people who are working age by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006-2016 change percentage points	Trend
Perth - Inner	71.8	72.2	70.5	-1.3	
Perth - North East	68.6	69.0	68.0	-0.6	
Perth - North West	68.9	68.8	67.4	-1.5	
Perth - South East	69.8	70.1	68.4	-1.4	
Perth - South West	67.6	67.9	66.7	-0.9	
Rest of Western Australia	66.8	67.5	65.5	-1.3	
Bunbury	65.9	65.3	62.9	-3.0	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	64.5	63.5	61.9	-2.6	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	71.3	75.9	74.0	2.7	
Kimberley	69.2	70.8	69.2	0.0	
East Pilbara	73.1	79.3	76.6	3.5	
West Pilbara	72.4	78.7	76.9	4.5	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	67.5	68.0	66.5	-1.0	
Esperance	66.0	64.3	63.3	-2.7	
Gascoyne	66.7	66.7	66.3	-0.4	
Goldfields	70.5	72.2	70.5	0.0	
Mid West	65.8	66.1	64.6	-1.2	
Tasmania	65.7	65.2	63.2	-2.5	
Greater Hobart	66.8	66.4	64.4	-2.4	
Rest of Tasmania	65.0	64.3	62.3	-2.7	
Launceston and North East	65.2	64.8	62.9	-2.3	
South East	66.3	64.1	61.6	-4.7	
West and North West	64.2	63.6	61.9	-2.3	
Northern Territory	70.9	71.7	71.3	0.4	
Greater Darwin	72.6	73.5	72.4	-0.2	
Rest of Northern Territory	68.8	69.5	69.7	0.9	
Northern Territory - Outback	68.8	69.5	69.7	0.9	
Alice Springs	71.2	72.0	71.8	0.6	
Barkly	69.0	68.3	68.9	-0.1	
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	65.7	68.0	68.7	3.0	
East Arnhem	68.9	68.2	68.4	-0.5	
Katherine	66.4	67.0	67.6	1.2	
Australian Capital Territory	71.7	71.2	68.9	-2.8	
Australian Capital Cities	68.8	68.7	67.5	-1.3	
Australian Rest of States	64.8	64.4	62.7	-2.1	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Population by Age and Sex, Regions of Australia, 2016 (cat. no. 3235.0)

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C 1.3 Housing

C 1.3.1 Average household size

There are notable differences in the average number of people who live in a household across different regions. The indicator is based on the number of persons in occupied dwellings, rather than being based only on a family unit.

The average household size in a region provides useful contextual information to interpret other household-based characteristics that can vary based on the number of people typically living in households, such as average household income or net worth per household.

Table C 1.3.1.a Average household size by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 persons per dwelling	2011 persons per dwelling	2016 persons per dwelling	2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling	Trend
Major Cities	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1	
Inner Regional	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Outer Regional	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
Remote	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Very Remote	3.0	2.9	2.8	-0.2	
AUSTRALIA	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Based on occupied private dwellings, place of usual residence. This indicator varies marginally from the average household size estimate published by the ABS as it does not include an estimate of those residents temporarily absent at the time of the Census.

Table C 1.3.1.b Average household size by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 persons per dwelling	2011 persons per dwelling	2016 persons per dwelling	2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling	Trend
Greater Sydney	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1	
Greater Melbourne	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Greater Brisbane	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Greater Perth	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Greater Adelaide	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Newcastle - Maitland	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Sunshine Coast	2.4	2.3	2.4	0.0	
Wollongong	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Geelong	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Greater Hobart	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Townsville	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Cairns	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Greater Darwin	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1	
Toowoomba	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Ballarat	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Bendigo	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
Albury - Wodonga	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Launceston	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Based on occupied private dwellings, place of usual residence. This indicator varies marginally from the average household size estimate published by the ABS as it does not include an estimate of those residents temporarily absent at the time of the Census.

Table C 1.3.1.c Average household size by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 persons per dwelling	2011 persons per dwelling	2016 persons per dwelling	2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling	Trend
New South Wales	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Greater Sydney	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1	
Central Coast	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0	
Sydney - Blacktown	2.9	3.0	3.1	0.2	
Sydney - City and Inner South	2.0	2.0	2.1	0.1	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	2.2	2.2	2.3	0.1	
Sydney - Inner South West	2.7	2.8	2.8	0.1	
Sydney - Inner West	2.4	2.4	2.5	0.1	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	2.4	2.4	2.5	0.1	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1	
Sydney - Outer South West	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	
Sydney - Parramatta	2.7	2.8	2.9	0.2	
Sydney - Ryde	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1	
Sydney - South West	3.1	3.1	3.2	0.1	
Sydney - Sutherland	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Rest of New South Wales	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Capital Region	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Central West	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Far West and Orana	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Illawarra	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Mid North Coast	2.3	2.2	2.2	-0.1	
Murray	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
New England and North West	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Richmond - Tweed	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
Riverina	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
Victoria	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Greater Melbourne	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Melbourne - Inner	2.0	2.1	2.0	0.0	
Melbourne - Inner East	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Melbourne - Inner South	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Melbourne - North East	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	
Melbourne - North West	2.8	2.8	2.8	0.0	
Melbourne - Outer East	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Melbourne - South East	2.7	2.8	2.8	0.1	
Melbourne - West	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.1	
Mornington Peninsula	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Rest of Victoria	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Ballarat	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Bendigo	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	

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Average household size by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons per dwelling	2011 persons per dwelling	2016 persons per dwelling	2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling	Trend
Geelong	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Hume	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Latrobe - Gippsland	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
North West	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Shepparton	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	
Warrnambool and South West	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Queensland	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Greater Brisbane	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Brisbane - East	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Brisbane - North	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Brisbane - South	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1	
Brisbane - West	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	
Brisbane Inner City	2.1	2.2	2.2	0.1	
Ipswich	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0	
Logan - Beaudesert	2.8	2.8	2.8	0.0	
Moreton Bay - North	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Moreton Bay - South	2.8	2.8	2.7	-0.1	
Rest of Queensland	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Cairns	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	
Central Queensland	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Gold Coast	2.4	2.4	2.5	0.1	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Queensland - Outback	2.7	2.6	2.6	-0.1	
<i>Far North</i>	3.0	2.9	2.9	-0.1	
<i>Outback - North</i>	2.7	2.6	2.6	-0.1	
<i>Outback - South</i>	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
Sunshine Coast	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Toowoomba	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	
Townsville	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Wide Bay	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
South Australia	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Greater Adelaide	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
Adelaide - North	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Adelaide - South	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
Adelaide - West	2.2	2.2	2.3	0.1	
Rest of South Australia	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
South Australia - Outback	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
South Australia - South East	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
Western Australia	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Greater Perth	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Mandurah	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	

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Average household size by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 persons per dwelling	2011 persons per dwelling	2016 persons per dwelling	2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling	Trend
Perth - Inner	2.1	2.2	2.2	0.1	
Perth - North East	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Perth - North West	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1	
Perth - South East	2.4	2.5	2.6	0.2	
Perth - South West	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	
Rest of Western Australia	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Bunbury	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	2.8	2.8	2.6	-0.2	
Kimberley	2.8	2.9	2.7	-0.1	
East Pilbara	2.7	2.7	2.6	-0.1	
West Pilbara	2.7	2.6	2.6	-0.1	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Esperance	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
Gascoyne	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	
Goldfields	2.6	2.6	2.5	-0.1	
Mid West	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1	
Tasmania	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Greater Hobart	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
Rest of Tasmania	2.4	2.3	2.2	-0.2	
Launceston and North East	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1	
South East	2.3	2.3	2.2	-0.1	
West and North West	2.4	2.3	2.2	-0.2	
Northern Territory	2.8	2.8	2.8	0.0	
Greater Darwin	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1	
Rest of Northern Territory	3.3	3.3	3.2	-0.1	
Northern Territory - Outback	3.3	3.3	3.2	-0.1	
Alice Springs	2.8	2.8	2.7	-0.1	
Barkly	3.3	3.4	3.2	-0.1	
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	3.9	3.8	3.6	-0.3	
East Arnhem	4.5	4.5	4.4	-0.1	
Katherine	3.3	3.3	3.2	-0.1	
Australian Capital Territory	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1	
Australian Capital Cities	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1	
Australian Rest of States	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Based on occupied private dwellings, place of usual residence. This indicator varies marginally from the average household size estimate published by the ABS as it does not include an estimate of those residents temporarily absent at the time of the Census.

C 1.3.2 Multi-unit dwellings

This measure provides an indication of the mix of different types of housing stock in a region. It captures the extent to which the dwelling stock is comprised of higher-density multi-unit dwellings—such as semi-detached dwellings, flats, units and apartments—rather than separate (standalone) houses, caravans or cabins.

The composition of the local dwelling stock, particularly between inner city areas and regional locations, is linked to differences in the housing market and provides an indication of the range of living conditions of people within a region.

Table C 1.3.2.a Multi-unit dwellings by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Major Cities	30.0	30.8	34.3	4.3	
Inner Regional	12.2	12.3	12.4	0.2	
Outer Regional	12.9	12.9	13.2	0.3	
Remote	13.0	13.4	13.3	0.3	
Very Remote	8.6	9.7	10.4	1.8	
AUSTRALIA	24.3	24.8	27.4	3.1	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Data based on place of enumeration.

Multi-unit dwellings include:

- Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc.;
- Flat or apartment; and
- House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.3.2.b Multi-unit dwellings by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Greater Sydney	38.8	40.7	44.5	5.7	
Greater Melbourne	28.1	28.6	33.4	5.3	
Greater Brisbane	20.4	21.7	24.6	4.2	
Greater Perth	21.9	22.8	24.9	3.0	
Greater Adelaide	23.5	23.9	26.5	3.0	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	43.6	42.6	43.4	-0.2	
Newcastle - Maitland	17.3	18.6	20.0	2.7	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	26.7	29.8	35.5	8.8	
Sunshine Coast	32.1	27.0	29.3	-2.8	
Wollongong	26.2	26.6	28.6	2.4	
Geelong	15.1	15.2	15.2	0.1	
Greater Hobart	17.7	18.5	16.1	-1.6	
Townsville	20.8	21.6	21.7	0.9	
Cairns	32.9	32.6	31.6	-1.3	
Greater Darwin	31.9	34.3	36.3	4.4	
Toowoomba	17.4	17.5	20.7	3.3	
Ballarat	15.2	14.7	18.6	3.4	
Bendigo	13.7	12.1	12.2	-1.5	
Albury - Wodonga	22.2	21.6	18.8	-3.4	
Launceston	17.5	18.0	19.3	1.8	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Data based on place of enumeration.

Multi-unit dwellings include:

- Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc.;
- Flat or apartment; and
- House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.3.2.c Multi-unit dwellings by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
New South Wales	29.8	31.1	33.8	4.0	
Greater Sydney	38.8	40.7	44.5	5.7	
Central Coast	19.6	20.9	22.0	2.4	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	12.7	13.1	15.9	3.2	
Sydney - Blacktown	16.0	17.4	22.0	6.0	
Sydney - City and Inner South	84.1	86.2	89.9	5.8	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	74.0	75.7	79.1	5.1	
Sydney - Inner South West	41.2	42.9	47.7	6.5	
Sydney - Inner West	55.4	58.3	67.5	12.1	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	47.5	49.2	53.2	5.7	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	39.4	41.8	43.6	4.2	
Sydney - Outer South West	14.8	15.4	16.7	1.9	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	13.3	16.1	16.3	3.0	
Sydney - Parramatta	39.0	42.8	49.2	10.2	
Sydney - Ryde	39.6	41.5	46.6	7.0	
Sydney - South West	23.0	25.3	25.5	2.5	
Sydney - Sutherland	34.0	34.6	37.4	3.4	
Rest of New South Wales	16.1	16.6	17.3	1.2	
Capital Region	15.5	16.1	16.7	1.2	
Central West	9.9	10.0	10.8	0.9	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	18.1	16.8	17.9	-0.2	
Far West and Orana	9.2	9.2	10.2	1.0	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	12.9	13.9	14.8	1.9	
Illawarra	25.5	26.1	28.1	2.6	
Mid North Coast	19.6	19.4	19.6	0.0	
Murray	15.7	15.2	14.5	-1.2	
New England and North West	10.2	10.8	11.0	0.8	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	18.9	19.9	21.6	2.7	
Richmond - Tweed	22.8	24.0	23.8	1.0	
Riverina	11.9	11.6	11.9	0.0	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	8.6	9.4	9.2	0.6	
Victoria	23.2	23.6	27.2	4.0	
Greater Melbourne	28.1	28.6	33.4	5.3	
Melbourne - Inner	71.1	72.0	79.8	8.7	
Melbourne - Inner East	30.0	31.2	38.8	8.8	
Melbourne - Inner South	38.4	39.7	46.5	8.1	
Melbourne - North East	17.0	16.8	21.3	4.3	
Melbourne - North West	14.7	15.8	19.9	5.2	
Melbourne - Outer East	13.8	14.5	13.0	-0.8	
Melbourne - South East	16.4	17.4	19.1	2.7	
Melbourne - West	18.3	17.1	23.2	4.9	
Mornington Peninsula	12.4	14.7	16.4	4.0	
Rest of Victoria	10.9	11.0	10.6	-0.3	
Ballarat	10.8	10.4	13.3	2.5	
Bendigo	9.9	8.9	8.9	-1.0	

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Multi-unit dwellings by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Geelong	13.9	13.9	13.8	-0.1	
Hume	10.8	11.3	9.9	-0.9	
Latrobe - Gippsland	8.6	9.9	8.2	-0.4	
North West	10.3	9.9	10.3	0.0	
Shepparton	12.4	11.7	10.2	-2.2	
Warrnambool and South West	10.5	10.5	9.8	-0.7	
Queensland	22.0	21.9	23.8	1.8	
Greater Brisbane	20.4	21.7	24.6	4.2	
Brisbane - East	14.6	14.4	16.1	1.5	
Brisbane - North	19.5	23.2	28.3	8.8	
Brisbane - South	21.9	24.8	27.8	5.9	
Brisbane - West	19.7	21.9	22.6	2.9	
Brisbane Inner City	54.3	56.0	61.0	6.7	
Ipswich	6.6	8.1	10.5	3.9	
Logan - Beaudesert	12.5	12.2	14.2	1.7	
Moreton Bay - North	15.0	17.0	18.7	3.7	
Moreton Bay - South	8.1	10.5	15.2	7.1	
Rest of Queensland	23.3	22.1	23.2	-0.1	
Cairns	25.5	23.9	23.1	-2.4	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	6.7	6.3	7.4	0.7	
Central Queensland	10.5	10.8	12.7	2.2	
Gold Coast	43.2	41.7	43.0	-0.2	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	15.7	15.4	15.8	0.1	
Queensland - Outback	11.3	12.3	13.2	1.9	
Far North	6.6	14.7	11.6	5.0	
Outback - North	18.1	15.5	19.9	1.8	
Outback - South	7.2	5.9	5.9	-1.3	
Sunshine Coast	29.2	24.7	26.7	-2.5	
Toowoomba	16.2	16.2	19.4	3.2	
Townsville	17.0	18.0	17.9	0.9	
Wide Bay	10.0	10.3	10.7	0.7	
South Australia	20.2	20.3	22.3	2.1	
Greater Adelaide	23.5	23.9	26.5	3.0	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	30.7	32.1	34.1	3.4	
Adelaide - North	15.6	16.3	17.9	2.3	
Adelaide - South	20.4	20.5	22.7	2.3	
Adelaide - West	31.2	31.4	36.9	5.7	
Rest of South Australia	11.2	10.3	10.9	-0.3	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	6.9	6.5	6.4	-0.5	
South Australia - Outback	20.0	17.3	20.5	0.5	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	23.9	19.8	23.1	-0.8	
Outback - North and East	12.1	12.1	15.0	2.9	
South Australia - South East	9.7	9.3	9.4	-0.3	
Western Australia	19.3	19.8	21.5	2.2	
Greater Perth	21.9	22.8	24.9	3.0	
Mandurah	15.8	17.7	17.4	1.6	

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Multi-unit dwellings by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Perth - Inner	44.6	49.0	53.5	8.9	
Perth - North East	15.8	16.9	18.6	2.8	
Perth - North West	21.7	22.2	25.0	3.3	
Perth - South East	20.5	20.9	22.4	1.9	
Perth - South West	17.5	17.5	19.8	2.3	
Rest of Western Australia	10.9	10.6	10.6	-0.3	
Bunbury	9.6	9.7	9.8	0.2	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	6.7	6.7	5.3	-1.4	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	17.1	17.2	18.0	0.9	
<i>Kimberley</i>	14.6	12.3	14.8	0.2	
<i>East Pilbara</i>	18.9	23.5	22.1	3.2	
<i>West Pilbara</i>	19.1	19.0	18.9	-0.2	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	13.7	12.3	12.7	-1.0	
<i>Esperance</i>	10.5	12.7	9.5	-1.0	
<i>Gascoyne</i>	16.1	9.5	7.1	-9.0	
<i>Goldfields</i>	15.6	16.2	17.5	1.9	
<i>Mid West</i>	12.6	10.3	12.0	-0.6	
Tasmania	13.1	13.6	12.3	-0.8	
Greater Hobart	17.7	18.5	16.1	-1.6	
Rest of Tasmania	9.9	10.2	9.7	-0.2	
Launceston and North East	11.5	12.3	12.6	1.1	
South East	2.4	3.1	2.0	-0.4	
West and North West	11.0	10.7	9.3	-1.7	
Northern Territory	26.2	28.6	30.8	4.6	
Greater Darwin	31.9	34.3	36.3	4.4	
Rest of Northern Territory	18.1	20.1	21.9	3.8	
Northern Territory - Outback	18.1	20.1	21.9	3.8	
<i>Alice Springs</i>	28.1	28.2	32.3	4.2	
<i>Barkly</i>	13.3	13.6	16.4	3.1	
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	5.2	8.0	10.5	5.3	
<i>East Arnhem</i>	13.9	22.0	19.0	5.1	
<i>Katherine</i>	9.8	13.3	12.4	2.6	
Australian Capital Territory	25.9	29.1	34.9	9.0	
Australian Capital Cities	28.9	30.0	33.5	4.6	
Australian Rest of States	16.4	16.2	16.7	0.3	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Data based on place of enumeration.

Multi-unit dwellings include:

- Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc.;
- Flat or apartment; and
- House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

C 1.3.3 Residential property prices

This indicator measures the average sale price of residential properties sold in a region over a calendar year. Different average prices are presented for houses (covering separate houses and semi-detached dwellings) and units (covering flats, units and apartments). Rural, agricultural and broadacre property sales have been excluded.

The value of residential property is an important component of household wealth. Property prices vary according to dwelling type and dwelling characteristics, but are also influenced by locational characteristics (e.g. proximity to CBD or coast, access to services and infrastructure). As such, property prices display a great deal of spatial variation.

Table C 1.3.3.a Average residential property prices by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2008 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2016 \$ (nominal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nominal)	Trend
<i>Houses</i>					
Major Cities	533,988	600,231	818,598	284,610	
Inner Regional	336,959	369,469	438,700	101,741	
Outer Regional	310,636	331,987	334,822	24,186	
Remote	327,785	386,646	308,596	-19,189	
Very Remote	199,217	269,711	226,807	27,590	
AUSTRALIA	461,974	519,543	679,345	217,371	
<i>Units</i>					
Major Cities	431,508	481,735	605,391	173,883	
Inner Regional	292,998	304,626	334,261	41,263	
Outer Regional	314,391	308,739	296,822	-17,569	
Remote	298,661	368,164	271,661	-27,000	
Very Remote	222,342	436,144	361,941	139,599	
AUSTRALIA	413,301	457,889	566,577	153,276	

Source: CoreLogic 2017, Custom report, RP Data, Average Prices 2016

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS.

Data unavailable for SA2s in which there were less than 10 sales.

Nominal prices.

Table C 1.3.3.b Average residential property prices by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2008 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2016 \$ (nominal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nominal)	Trend
Houses					
Greater Sydney	667,611	764,276	1,250,201	582,590	
Greater Melbourne	509,882	606,484	851,721	341,839	
Greater Brisbane	485,745	494,082	586,015	100,270	
Greater Perth	525,709	571,895	625,460	99,751	
Greater Adelaide	423,066	465,115	508,180	85,114	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	640,051	566,031	738,122	98,071	
Newcastle - Maitland	356,269	423,535	537,032	180,763	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	517,217	579,141	678,080	160,863	
Sunshine Coast	579,399	533,873	661,617	82,218	
Wollongong	411,568	483,288	702,916	291,348	
Geelong	341,489	428,364	512,169	170,680	
Greater Hobart	343,963	368,347	420,441	76,478	
Townsville	393,387	383,368	368,592	-24,795	
Cairns	405,602	391,113	447,953	42,351	
Greater Darwin	415,424	523,741	652,389	236,965	
Toowoomba	325,204	354,966	426,383	101,179	
Ballarat	255,508	311,677	352,934	97,426	
Bendigo	243,991	316,023	359,264	115,273	
Albury - Wodonga	283,019	296,280	348,327	65,308	
Launceston	271,619	293,017	311,997	40,378	
Units					
Greater Sydney	456,286	545,960	811,130	354,844	
Greater Melbourne	402,545	481,377	571,208	168,663	
Greater Brisbane	426,083	426,698	452,033	25,950	
Greater Perth	471,446	468,698	486,887	15,441	
Greater Adelaide	335,099	404,892	389,295	54,196	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	487,626	434,241	487,211	-415	
Newcastle - Maitland	352,422	362,022	440,871	88,449	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	428,767	442,057	444,834	16,067	
Sunshine Coast	485,600	424,412	495,049	9,449	
Wollongong	320,192	362,635	522,679	202,487	
Geelong	284,376	312,931	372,242	87,866	
Greater Hobart	374,111	344,864	315,857	-58,254	
Townsville	365,508	330,407	318,299	-47,209	
Cairns	299,976	247,921	299,816	-160	
Greater Darwin	359,768	438,227	446,223	86,455	
Toowoomba	245,194	258,670	316,438	71,244	
Ballarat	199,735	260,275	241,100	41,365	
Bendigo	196,774	239,661	287,791	91,017	
Albury - Wodonga	177,964	194,044	205,001	27,037	
Launceston	217,904	263,903	230,864	12,960	

Source: CoreLogic 2017, Custom report, RP Data, Average Prices 2016

Residential property prices have been corresponded to 2016 ASGS geographical classification.

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Data unavailable for SA2s in which there were less than 10 sales.










































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Table C 1.3.3.c Average residential property prices by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2008 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2016 \$ (nominal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nominal)	Trend
<i>Houses</i>					
New South Wales	521,135	593,333	874,997	353,862	
Greater Sydney	667,611	764,276	1,250,201	582,590	
Central Coast	411,818	438,461	666,777	254,959	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	705,778	816,611	1,418,599	712,821	
Sydney - Blacktown	360,303	451,687	799,694	439,391	
Sydney - City and Inner South	734,548	906,460	1,611,042	876,494	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	1,896,638	1,853,242	3,119,158	1,222,520	
Sydney - Inner South West	565,450	716,644	1,163,498	598,048	
Sydney - Inner West	912,424	1,092,870	1,878,808	966,384	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	1,302,951	1,390,153	2,296,771	993,820	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	1,138,429	1,187,385	1,957,328	818,899	
Sydney - Outer South West	359,302	428,270	695,854	336,552	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	374,804	438,335	680,708	305,904	
Sydney - Parramatta	459,979	588,999	1,002,103	542,124	
Sydney - Ryde	901,326	1,043,919	1,824,791	923,465	
Sydney - South West	400,351	501,509	863,219	462,868	
Sydney - Sutherland	732,125	880,617	1,344,841	612,716	
Rest of New South Wales	346,866	386,590	493,558	146,692	
Capital Region	352,146	391,991	471,492	119,346	
Central West	255,196	321,592	359,997	104,801	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	367,794	379,116	468,712	100,918	
Far West and Orana	188,491	243,394	297,681	109,190	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	346,802	393,147	466,615	119,813	
Illawarra	417,979	490,662	714,878	296,899	
Mid North Coast	349,264	365,244	451,197	101,933	
Murray	270,436	276,307	316,560	46,124	
New England and North West	290,386	301,046	397,829	107,443	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	379,125	459,820	587,193	208,068	
Richmond - Tweed	498,180	486,861	613,571	115,391	
Riverina	249,685	276,108	313,210	63,525	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	427,776	451,488	653,821	226,045	
Victoria	436,305	521,638	708,567	272,262	
Greater Melbourne	509,882	606,484	851,721	341,839	
Melbourne - Inner	893,624	983,806	1,548,394	654,770	
Melbourne - Inner East	938,504	1,075,719	1,692,757	754,253	
Melbourne - Inner South	915,930	1,003,454	1,551,249	635,319	
Melbourne - North East	427,876	506,456	677,593	249,717	
Melbourne - North West	352,346	437,439	566,557	214,211	
Melbourne - Outer East	423,228	491,042	736,995	313,767	
Melbourne - South East	384,884	467,470	657,538	272,654	
Melbourne - West	348,721	429,349	549,610	200,889	
Mornington Peninsula	454,953	494,672	690,091	235,138	



























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Average residential property prices by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2008 \$ (nomlnal)	2012 \$ (nomlnal)	2016 \$ (nomlnal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nomlnal)	Trend
<i>Houses</i>					
Rest of Victoria	261,377	307,081	355,709	94,332	
Ballarat	244,299	299,150	343,026	98,727	
Bendigo	243,153	321,725	367,287	124,134	
Geelong	350,759	437,520	520,290	169,531	
Hume	245,824	268,128	307,137	61,313	
Latrobe - Gippsland	245,034	274,367	310,431	65,397	
North West	180,326	191,814	222,398	42,072	
Shepparton	249,917	252,353	286,817	36,900	
Warrnambool and South West	260,166	280,361	302,779	42,613	
Queensland	454,066	452,901	545,557	91,491	
Greater Brisbane	485,745	494,082	586,015	100,270	
Brisbane - East	532,252	514,864	599,487	67,235	
Brisbane - North	468,515	486,219	611,505	142,990	
Brisbane - South	531,505	552,208	735,189	203,684	
Brisbane - West	632,778	652,065	782,532	149,754	
Brisbane Inner City	867,814	856,571	1,108,437	240,623	
Ipswich	351,659	337,337	377,019	25,360	
Logan - Beaudesert	388,945	381,322	447,623	58,678	
Moreton Bay - North	403,071	383,640	448,062	44,991	
Moreton Bay - South	461,029	453,053	533,683	72,654	
Rest of Queensland	426,449	419,501	503,310	76,861	
Cairns	398,302	370,423	413,471	15,169	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	244,189	290,415	282,493	38,304	
Central Queensland	353,950	397,789	331,252	-22,698	
Gold Coast	640,713	570,406	740,635	99,922	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	414,781	460,067	339,515	-75,266	
Queensland - Outback	262,151	289,540	228,001	-34,150	
Sunshine Coast	571,000	526,078	646,554	75,554	
Toowoomba	324,132	351,328	417,820	93,688	
Townsville	372,983	364,090	352,033	-20,950	
Wide Bay	314,885	303,347	312,726	-2,159	
South Australia	392,899	431,353	455,485	62,586	
Greater Adelaide	423,066	465,115	508,180	85,114	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	612,928	645,616	755,909	142,981	
Adelaide - North	318,606	369,007	366,512	47,906	
Adelaide - South	417,162	446,862	478,811	61,649	
Adelaide - West	443,180	481,157	540,865	97,685	
Rest of South Australia	303,014	321,001	281,303	-21,711	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	240,122	406,762	267,946	27,824	
South Australia - Outback	268,122	260,411	246,082	-22,040	
South Australia - South East	355,714	290,197	297,671	-58,043	

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Average residential property prices by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2008 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2016 \$ (nominal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nominal)	Trend
<i>Houses</i>					
Western Australia	498,359	546,230	578,283	79,924	
Greater Perth	525,709	571,895	625,460	99,751	
Mandurah	461,746	425,739	446,992	-14,754	
Perth - Inner	1,387,452	1,319,015	1,418,126	30,674	
Perth - North East	445,696	492,314	513,629	67,933	
Perth - North West	516,841	559,916	600,769	83,928	
Perth - South East	447,476	500,932	554,339	106,863	
Perth - South West	504,404	551,239	599,344	94,940	
Rest of Western Australia	389,206	427,332	381,358	-7,848	
Bunbury	420,464	436,657	457,179	36,715	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	313,615	318,756	329,920	16,305	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	623,690	781,704	355,266	-268,424	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	326,404	353,474	315,947	-10,457	
Tasmania	284,591	306,156	339,453	54,862	
Greater Hobart	343,963	368,347	420,441	76,478	
Rest of Tasmania	250,000	266,788	287,067	37,067	
Launceston and North East	263,963	280,791	295,162	31,199	
South East	245,349	274,089	317,602	72,253	
West and North West	236,205	246,153	262,765	26,560	
Northern Territory	385,133	498,256	621,075	235,942	
Greater Darwin	415,424	523,741	652,389	236,965	
Rest of Northern Territory	298,455	412,194	522,282	223,827	
Northern Territory - Outback	298,455	412,194	522,282	223,827	
Australian Capital Territory	522,796	579,964	688,432	165,636	
Australian Capital Cities	532,035	605,678	830,297	298,262	
Australian Rest of States	355,984	383,606	454,001	98,017	

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Average residential property prices by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2008 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2016 \$ (nominal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nominal)	Trend
Units					
New South Wales	431,188	504,172	713,180	281,992	
Greater Sydney	456,286	545,960	811,130	354,844	
Central Coast	345,939	333,763	500,114	154,175	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	429,994	515,406	788,165	358,171	
Sydney - Blacktown	279,979	331,210	495,386	215,407	
Sydney - City and Inner South	553,966	645,975	935,732	381,766	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	654,950	792,607	1,216,446	561,496	
Sydney - Inner South West	336,395	440,854	635,285	298,890	
Sydney - Inner West	472,347	600,135	865,167	392,820	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	586,702	690,325	1,033,234	446,532	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	567,216	640,650	951,950	384,734	
Sydney - Outer South West	218,650	290,036	424,407	205,757	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	249,622	289,817	450,639	201,017	
Sydney - Parramatta	331,105	407,952	579,812	248,707	
Sydney - Ryde	424,939	551,017	788,205	363,266	
Sydney - South West	234,394	301,973	464,669	230,275	
Sydney - Sutherland	422,188	536,348	785,283	363,095	
Rest of New South Wales	313,436	325,644	392,434	78,998	
Capital Region	259,722	281,146	280,980	21,258	
Central West	212,610	251,919	251,736	39,126	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	280,105	321,683	344,377	64,272	
Far West and Orana	189,321	199,905	412,287	222,966	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	321,927	296,978	354,759	32,832	
Illawarra	320,354	362,733	523,507	203,153	
Mid North Coast	289,895	291,153	351,002	61,107	
Murray	183,663	212,903	195,779	12,116	
New England and North West	201,323	222,264	251,575	50,252	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	374,743	384,406	467,524	92,781	
Richmond - Tweed	393,931	361,367	440,788	46,857	
Riverina	212,595	216,459	212,956	361	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	298,956	346,100	445,660	146,704	
Victoria	383,642	453,690	541,074	157,432	
Greater Melbourne	402,545	481,377	571,208	168,663	
Melbourne - Inner	477,731	556,765	629,076	151,345	
Melbourne - Inner East	489,374	584,154	738,225	248,851	
Melbourne - Inner South	456,813	548,004	706,756	249,943	
Melbourne - North East	347,618	411,998	474,751	127,133	
Melbourne - North West	312,351	380,164	424,490	112,139	
Melbourne - Outer East	331,903	393,920	530,956	199,053	
Melbourne - South East	316,102	387,951	493,921	177,819	
Melbourne - West	288,990	355,199	411,203	122,213	
Mornington Peninsula	293,641	360,085	431,395	137,754	

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Average residential property prices by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2008 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2016 \$ (nominal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nominal)	Trend
Units					
Rest of Victoria	238,539	265,658	301,685	63,146	
Ballarat	200,372	263,512	252,405	52,033	
Bendigo	196,363	246,753	304,745	108,382	
Geelong	300,168	319,780	381,997	81,829	
Hume	205,184	226,698	253,137	47,953	
Latrobe - Gippsland	220,495	253,416	276,932	56,437	
North West	178,099	185,368	223,769	45,670	
Shepparton	223,154	236,256	219,575	-3,579	
Warrnambool and South West	241,254	249,035	289,805	48,551	
Queensland	434,611	408,996	454,378	19,767	
Greater Brisbane	426,083	426,698	452,033	25,950	
Brisbane - East	421,147	454,556	430,440	9,293	
Brisbane - North	367,978	382,016	411,339	43,361	
Brisbane - South	390,830	393,359	458,565	67,735	
Brisbane - West	455,771	445,845	466,496	10,725	
Brisbane Inner City	542,345	513,617	557,492	15,147	
Ipswich	308,647	326,738	401,724	93,077	
Logan - Beaudesert	281,856	281,455	292,270	10,414	
Moreton Bay - North	342,737	339,387	345,651	2,914	
Moreton Bay - South	349,245	353,541	382,211	32,966	
Rest of Queensland	440,444	394,368	455,784	15,340	
Cairns	313,861	253,719	300,655	-13,206	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	236,320	258,197	223,846	-12,474	
Central Queensland	343,137	351,277	315,638	-27,499	
Gold Coast	494,039	444,986	494,931	892	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	388,912	375,938	292,169	-96,743	
Queensland - Outback	247,051	290,255	407,231	160,180	
Sunshine Coast	482,726	423,736	493,443	10,717	
Toowoomba	244,856	258,670	312,981	68,125	
Townsville	365,260	323,868	311,322	-53,938	
Wide Bay	317,483	284,464	268,839	-48,644	
South Australia	328,216	388,002	373,852	45,636	
Greater Adelaide	335,099	404,892	389,295	54,196	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	388,484	469,579	462,627	74,143	
Adelaide - North	231,605	284,466	234,248	2,643	
Adelaide - South	344,055	418,950	402,219	58,164	
Adelaide - West	343,902	387,986	384,163	40,261	
Rest of South Australia	258,592	221,640	184,532	-74,060	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	186,812	229,185	123,952	-62,860	
South Australia - Outback	200,177	184,649	173,120	-27,057	
South Australia - South East	343,101	275,597	195,003	-148,098	

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Average residential property prices by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2008 \$ (nomlnal)	2012 \$ (nomlnal)	2016 \$ (nomlnal)	2008-2016 change \$ (nomlnal)	Trend
Units					
Western Australia	463,381	463,785	469,449	6,068	
Greater Perth	471,446	468,698	486,887	15,441	
Mandurah	489,523	474,647	405,337	-84,186	
Perth - Inner	519,963	535,523	555,724	35,761	
Perth - North East	302,176	349,974	372,421	70,245	
Perth - North West	391,217	396,067	439,918	48,701	
Perth - South East	463,897	473,037	485,067	21,170	
Perth - South West	557,711	470,994	484,540	-73,171	
Rest of Western Australia	380,598	412,643	313,014	-67,584	
Bunbury	406,354	361,993	381,255	-25,099	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	355,968	399,000	238,198	-117,770	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	481,573	551,827	234,838	-246,735	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	279,616	342,119	232,739	-46,877	
Tasmania	315,015	311,201	282,382	-32,633	
Greater Hobart	374,111	344,864	315,857	-58,254	
Rest of Tasmania	211,454	249,886	225,272	13,818	
Launceston and North East	216,701	271,217	229,768	13,067	
South East	213,808	239,750	245,550	31,742	
West and North West	204,455	211,344	216,727	12,272	
Northern Territory	332,835	422,127	415,367	82,532	
Greater Darwin	359,768	438,227	446,223	86,455	
Rest of Northern Territory	229,833	344,845	303,709	73,876	
Northern Territory - Outback	229,833	344,845	303,709	73,876	
Australian Capital Territory	447,762	456,712	464,798	17,036	
Australian Capital Cities	425,365	492,634	634,489	209,124	
Australian Rest of States	381,896	365,430	415,474	33,578	

Source: CoreLogic 2017, Custom report, RP Data, Average Prices 2016

Residential property prices have been corresponded to 2016 ASGS geographical classification.

Data unavailable for SA2s in which there were less than 10 sales.

Nominal prices.

C 1.3.4 Dwelling approvals

This indicator measures the number of dwelling approvals in a region. The measure can provide an indication of a region's population trend, as well as broader economic conditions such as consumer confidence, disposable income, household debt and lending conditions.

Table C 1.3.4.a Total number of dwelling approvals by remoteness class

	2010-11	2013-14	2016-17	2010-11 - 2016-17	
Remoteness Class	dwellings	dwellings	dwellings	change percentage points	Trend
Major Cities	119,931	150,279	179,851	50.0	
Inner Regional	28,754	31,753	31,021	7.9	
Outer Regional	10,303	11,764	7,638	-25.9	
Remote	1,961	1,896	812	-58.6	
Very Remote	457	763	524	14.7	
AUSTRALIA	168,103	199,712	219,846	30.8	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Building Approvals, Australia, Aug 2017 (cat. no. 8731.0)

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS.

Table C 1.3.4.b Total number of dwelling approvals by major urban area

	2010-11	2013-14	2016-17	2010-11 - 2016-17	
Major Urban Area	dwellings	dwellings	dwellings	change percentage points	Trend
Greater Sydney	23,566	40,394	56,620	140.3	
Greater Melbourne	49,214	44,600	55,363	12.5	
Greater Brisbane	15,927	21,220	24,004	50.7	
Greater Perth	16,048	25,550	17,582	9.6	
Greater Adelaide	8,784	9,008	9,798	11.5	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	2,928	4,715	7,213	146.3	
Newcastle - Maitland	2,114	3,117	2,874	36.0	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	6,046	4,706	5,293	-12.5	
Sunshine Coast	2,075	2,666	4,378	111.0	
Wollongong	779	1,491	1,637	110.1	
Geelong	2,156	2,667	2,822	30.9	
Greater Hobart	1,415	847	1,031	-27.1	
Townsville	1,277	1,566	767	-39.9	
Cairns	455	630	489	7.5	
Greater Darwin	1,258	1,878	668	-46.9	
Toowoomba	656	1,238	1,067	62.7	
Ballarat	1,015	898	797	-21.5	
Bendigo	881	947	636	-27.8	
Albury - Wodonga	567	729	689	21.5	
Launceston	413	362	277	-32.9	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Building Approvals, Australia, Aug 2017 (cat. no. 8731.0)

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Table C 1.3.4.c Total number of dwelling approvals by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2010-11 dwellings	2013-14 dwellings	2016-17 dwellings	2010-11 - 2016-17 change percentage points	Trend
New South Wales	34,631	54,095	71,709	107.1	
Greater Sydney	23,566	40,394	56,620	140.3	
Central Coast	1,128	1,305	1,590	41.0	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	864	1,652	3,941	356.1	
Sydney - Blacktown	1,588	2,876	4,507	183.8	
Sydney - City and Inner South	2,814	5,096	6,646	136.2	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	1,279	1,244	1,340	4.8	
Sydney - Inner South West	2,199	5,881	5,070	130.6	
Sydney - Inner West	1,509	2,037	3,149	108.7	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	1,777	4,451	4,404	147.8	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	866	717	1,157	33.6	
Sydney - Outer South West	1,440	2,090	2,808	95.0	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	1,009	2,007	3,152	212.4	
Sydney - Parramatta	3,600	4,837	5,964	65.7	
Sydney - Ryde	1,174	1,604	3,067	161.2	
Sydney - South West	1,843	3,931	7,165	288.8	
Sydney - Sutherland	476	666	2,660	458.8	
Rest of New South Wales	11,065	13,701	15,089	36.4	
Capital Region	1,108	1,034	1,352	22.0	
Central West	843	1,064	1,059	25.6	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	497	425	666	34.0	
Far West and Orana	307	522	441	43.6	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	1,678	2,064	1,674	-0.2	
Illawarra	802	1,530	1,779	121.8	
Mid North Coast	927	943	1,263	36.2	
Murray	490	661	668	36.3	
New England and North West	644	766	661	2.6	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	1,291	2,117	2,299	78.1	
Richmond - Tweed	972	1,004	1,482	52.5	
Riverina	563	640	641	13.9	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	943	931	1,104	17.1	
Victoria	60,516	54,842	65,547	8.3	
Greater Melbourne	49,214	44,600	55,363	12.5	
Melbourne - Inner	13,620	12,043	12,011	-11.8	
Melbourne - Inner East	2,497	3,360	4,170	67.0	
Melbourne - Inner South	2,847	2,805	4,580	60.9	
Melbourne - North East	5,784	4,637	4,744	-18.0	
Melbourne - North West	2,996	3,702	5,604	87.0	
Melbourne - Outer East	2,143	2,861	2,676	24.9	
Melbourne - South East	7,190	6,954	9,431	31.2	
Melbourne - West	9,383	6,315	9,907	5.6	
Mornington Peninsula	2,754	1,923	2,240	-18.7	
Rest of Victoria	11,302	10,242	10,184	-9.9	
Ballarat	1,375	1,254	1,154	-16.1	

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Total number of dwelling approvals by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2010-11 dwellings	2013-14 dwellings	2016-17 dwellings	2010-11 - 2016-17 change percentage points	Trend
Bendigo	1,265	1,364	991	-21.7	
Geelong	2,597	2,992	3,222	24.1	
Hume	1,274	1,121	1,140	-10.5	
Latrobe - Gippsland	2,718	1,893	2,121	-22.0	
North West	622	600	526	-15.4	
Shepparton	765	490	504	-34.1	
Warrnambool and South West	686	528	526	-23.3	
Queensland	29,596	39,271	42,191	42.6	
Greater Brisbane	15,927	21,220	24,004	50.7	
Brisbane - East	1,239	1,384	1,489	20.2	
Brisbane - North	1,297	2,030	2,153	66.0	
Brisbane - South	1,428	2,735	2,944	106.2	
Brisbane - West	713	838	1,257	76.3	
Brisbane Inner City	1,935	6,163	4,267	120.5	
Ipswich	3,062	2,574	4,675	52.7	
Logan - Beaudesert	2,822	1,878	2,597	-8.0	
Moreton Bay - North	1,673	1,493	2,486	48.6	
Moreton Bay - South	1,758	2,125	2,136	21.5	
Rest of Queensland	13,669	18,051	18,187	33.1	
Cairns	859	1,064	956	11.3	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	616	922	351	-43.0	
Central Queensland	1,765	2,117	643	-63.6	
Gold Coast	2,776	4,493	7,004	152.3	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	1,272	1,634	253	-80.1	
Queensland - Outback	187	262	283	51.3	
Far North	64	145	223	248.4	
Outback - North	79	93	49	-38.0	
Outback - South	44	24	11	-75.0	
Sunshine Coast	2,348	2,835	4,916	109.4	
Toowoomba	774	1,357	1,187	53.4	
Townsville	1,468	1,769	890	-39.4	
Wide Bay	1,604	1,598	1,704	6.2	
South Australia	11,836	11,651	11,528	-2.6	
Greater Adelaide	8,784	9,008	9,798	11.5	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	1,831	1,845	2,477	35.3	
Adelaide - North	3,212	3,209	2,642	-17.7	
Adelaide - South	2,174	2,128	2,134	-1.8	
Adelaide - West	1,567	1,826	2,545	62.4	
Rest of South Australia	3,052	2,643	1,730	-43.3	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	995	737	513	-48.4	
South Australia - Outback	396	571	175	-55.8	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	304	440	126	-58.6	
Outback - North and East	92	131	49	-46.7	
South Australia - South East	1,661	1,335	1,042	-37.3	
Western Australia	20,998	30,895	20,315	-3.3	

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Total number of dwelling approvals by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2010-11 dwellings	2013-14 dwellings	2016-17 dwellings	2010-11 - 2016-17 change percentage points	Trend
Greater Perth	16,048	25,550	17,582	9.6	
Mandurah	1,072	1,725	999	-6.8	
Perth - Inner	793	1,576	1,878	136.8	
Perth - North East	2,087	3,531	2,571	23.2	
Perth - North West	4,486	6,281	4,034	-10.1	
Perth - South East	3,957	6,587	4,325	9.3	
Perth - South West	3,653	5,850	3,775	3.3	
Rest of Western Australia	4,950	5,345	2,733	-44.8	
Bunbury	1,742	2,089	1,482	-14.9	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	995	878	724	-27.2	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	974	1,571	224	-77.0	
Kimberley	440	347	186	-57.7	
East Pilbara	421	721	20	-95.2	
West Pilbara	514	503	18	-96.5	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	1,239	807	303	-75.5	
Esperance	94	107	69	-26.6	
Gascoyne	68	43	35	-48.5	
Goldfields	115	103	36	-68.7	
Mid West	561	554	163	-70.9	
Tasmania	3,124	2,184	2,216	-29.1	
Greater Hobart	1,415	847	1,031	-27.1	
Rest of Tasmania	1,709	1,337	1,185	-30.7	
Launceston and North East	732	624	514	-29.8	
South East	317	244	242	-23.7	
West and North West	660	469	429	-35.0	
Northern Territory	1,536	2,138	913	-40.6	
Greater Darwin	1,258	1,878	668	-46.9	
Rest of Northern Territory	278	260	245	-11.9	
Northern Territory - Outback	278	260	245	-11.9	
Alice Springs	215	102	80	-62.8	
Barkly	5	36	24	380.0	
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	17	28	44	158.8	
East Arnhem	16	4	31	93.8	
Katherine	25	90	66	164.0	
Australian Capital Territory	5,866	4,636	5,427	-7.5	
Australian Capital Cities	122,078	148,133	170,493	39.7	
Australian Rest of States	46,025	51,579	49,353	7.2	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Building Approvals, Australia, Aug 2017 (cat. no. 8731.0)

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

C 1.4 Social characteristics

C 1.4.1 People who speak a language other than English at home

This indicator provides a broad summary measure of cultural and linguistic diversity within a region. The distribution of linguistic capabilities and cultural heritage across the country indicates the diverse cultural landscape of Australia.

Table C 1.4.1.a People who speak a language other than English at home by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Major Cities	22.2	24.9	28.4	6.2	
Inner Regional	3.5	4.4	5.5	2.0	
Outer Regional	4.7	6.0	7.2	2.5	
Remote	5.9	7.9	9.8	3.9	
Very Remote	29.7	32.6	36.1	6.4	
AUSTRALIA	16.8	19.2	22.3	5.5	





















Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Data based on place of usual residence.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.4.1.b People who speak a language other than English at home by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Greater Sydney	31.4	34.3	38.0	6.6	
Greater Melbourne	27.5	30.5	34.3	6.8	
Greater Brisbane	11.0	13.9	17.1	6.1	
Greater Perth	14.3	17.6	21.5	7.2	
Greater Adelaide	15.4	18.0	20.7	5.3	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	8.6	10.1	12.3	3.7	
Newcastle - Maitland	4.5	5.2	6.2	1.7	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	15.0	18.6	22.6	7.6	
Sunshine Coast	3.7	4.4	5.6	1.9	
Wollongong	14.9	15.3	15.5	0.6	
Geelong	9.2	9.6	10.9	1.7	
Greater Hobart	5.3	6.7	8.1	2.8	
Townsville	5.1	6.6	8.1	3.0	
Cairns	10.4	12.6	15.4	5.0	
Greater Darwin	14.0	17.8	23.0	9.0	
Toowoomba	4.1	5.4	7.8	3.7	
Ballarat	3.4	4.3	5.8	2.4	
Bendigo	2.3	3.4	5.4	3.1	
Albury - Wodonga	4.0	5.3	7.0	3.0	
Launceston	4.1	5.4	7.0	2.9	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Data based on place of usual residence.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.4.1.c People who speak a language other than English at home by sub-state region

	2006	2011	2016	2006 - 2016	
Sub-State Region	per cent	per cent	per cent	change percentage points	Trend
New South Wales	21.3	23.7	26.9	5.6	
Greater Sydney	31.4	34.3	38.0	6.6	
Central Coast	4.1	4.9	6.2	2.1	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	20.9	23.9	28.9	8.0	
Sydney - Blacktown	34.3	38.7	43.5	9.2	
Sydney - City and Inner South	35.5	36.2	40.3	4.8	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	24.5	25.8	28.1	3.6	
Sydney - Inner South West	55.5	59.0	61.4	5.9	
Sydney - Inner West	40.0	41.7	44.8	4.8	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	21.0	24.8	30.2	9.2	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	12.8	14.0	15.9	3.1	
Sydney - Outer South West	17.3	19.1	23.0	5.7	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	10.5	11.4	13.6	3.1	
Sydney - Parramatta	52.7	58.1	62.9	10.2	
Sydney - Ryde	34.5	40.0	47.0	12.5	
Sydney - South West	59.9	62.2	62.9	3.0	
Sydney - Sutherland	10.8	11.9	13.5	2.7	
Rest of New South Wales	4.7	5.3	6.2	1.5	
Capital Region	5.2	5.7	6.4	1.2	
Central West	2.5	3.1	3.9	1.4	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	3.2	4.2	5.5	2.3	
Far West and Orana	2.1	2.7	3.9	1.8	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	2.3	2.7	3.4	1.1	
Illawarra	14.6	14.9	15.2	0.6	
Mid North Coast	1.9	2.3	2.9	1.0	
Murray	2.9	3.8	4.9	2.0	
New England and North West	2.0	2.6	4.0	2.0	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	5.2	6.0	7.1	1.9	
Richmond - Tweed	3.4	4.0	4.6	1.2	
Riverina	5.6	6.7	8.3	2.7	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	3.8	4.0	4.9	1.1	
Victoria	21.5	24.2	27.6	6.1	
Greater Melbourne	27.5	30.5	34.3	6.8	
Melbourne - Inner	29.6	30.1	33.0	3.4	
Melbourne - Inner East	28.9	32.5	37.5	8.6	
Melbourne - Inner South	20.3	22.6	24.5	4.2	
Melbourne - North East	30.1	32.1	34.6	4.5	
Melbourne - North West	35.9	38.9	41.8	5.9	
Melbourne - Outer East	13.0	15.7	19.6	6.6	
Melbourne - South East	35.5	39.8	44.8	9.3	
Melbourne - West	37.8	40.8	44.7	6.9	
Mornington Peninsula	6.6	7.8	8.7	2.1	
Rest of Victoria	4.8	5.5	6.5	1.7	
Ballarat	3.2	3.9	5.0	1.8	

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People who speak a language other than English at home by sub-state region (continued)

	2006	2011	2016	2006 - 2016	
Sub-State Region	per cent	per cent	per cent	change percentage points	Trend
Bendigo	2.4	3.3	4.7	2.3	
Geelong	8.6	9.0	10.1	1.5	
Hume	4.1	4.4	5.0	0.9	
Latrobe - Gippsland	4.1	4.7	5.0	0.9	
North West	5.2	6.3	7.2	2.0	
Shepparton	6.6	8.2	9.9	3.3	
Warrnambool and South West	1.9	2.5	3.4	1.5	
Queensland	8.2	10.3	12.7	4.5	
Greater Brisbane	11.0	13.9	17.1	6.1	
Brisbane - East	5.8	7.0	8.3	2.5	
Brisbane - North	9.0	12.8	16.3	7.3	
Brisbane - South	22.3	28.3	34.3	12.0	
Brisbane - West	12.2	14.8	17.6	5.4	
Brisbane Inner City	12.4	15.9	19.8	7.4	
Ipswich	11.1	13.8	16.8	5.7	
Logan - Beaudesert	10.4	13.0	16.4	6.0	
Moreton Bay - North	4.1	5.2	6.2	2.1	
Moreton Bay - South	4.5	6.3	8.7	4.2	
Rest of Queensland	5.7	7.0	8.6	2.9	
Cairns	9.1	10.8	12.7	3.6	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	2.2	3.0	4.0	1.8	
Central Queensland	2.7	4.3	5.7	3.0	
Gold Coast	9.2	10.8	13.0	3.8	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	3.2	4.8	6.1	2.9	
Queensland - Outback	16.7	18.9	20.6	3.9	
Far North	40.8	43.4	43.0	2.2	
Outback - North	4.4	6.8	7.9	3.5	
Outback - South	1.6	2.6	2.7	1.1	
Sunshine Coast	3.6	4.3	5.4	1.8	
Toowoomba	4.1	5.7	8.1	4.0	
Townsville	5.3	6.4	7.4	2.1	
Wide Bay	2.7	3.2	3.8	1.1	
South Australia	12.7	15.0	17.3	4.6	
Greater Adelaide	15.4	18.0	20.7	5.3	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	17.8	20.6	22.9	5.1	
Adelaide - North	13.7	17.3	21.8	8.1	
Adelaide - South	8.8	10.3	12.0	3.2	
Adelaide - West	25.8	28.2	29.5	3.7	
Rest of South Australia	4.2	4.9	5.3	1.1	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	2.1	2.4	2.6	0.5	
South Australia - Outback	6.6	7.6	7.7	1.1	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	3.8	4.5	4.8	1.0	
Outback - North and East	12.6	14.2	14.4	1.8	
South Australia - South East	4.2	5.1	5.9	1.7	
Western Australia	12.4	15.5	19.0	6.6	

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People who speak a language other than English at home by sub-state region (continued)

	2006	2011	2016	2006 - 2016	
<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>change percentage points</i>	<i>Trend</i>
Greater Perth	14.3	17.6	21.5	7.2	
Mandurah	3.0	4.8	6.6	3.6	
Perth - Inner	15.7	19.2	22.0	6.3	
Perth - North East	15.3	17.8	21.6	6.3	
Perth - North West	15.8	18.6	21.3	5.5	
Perth - South East	14.9	21.1	28.0	13.1	
Perth - South West	12.5	14.3	17.0	4.5	
Rest of Western Australia	5.9	7.8	9.3	3.4	
Bunbury	4.1	5.6	6.7	2.6	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	3.4	4.9	5.7	2.3	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	14.3	16.3	18.9	4.6	
<i>Kimberley</i>	17.6	20.7	23.2	5.6	
<i>East Pilbara</i>	17.2	16.3	19.4	2.2	
<i>West Pilbara</i>	8.0	11.4	14.2	6.2	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	6.0	8.2	9.9	3.9	
<i>Esperance</i>	2.9	3.9	4.0	1.1	
<i>Gascoyne</i>	7.9	8.9	11.0	3.1	
<i>Goldfields</i>	9.6	13.1	16.0	6.4	
<i>Mid West</i>	3.9	5.7	7.2	3.3	
Tasmania	3.7	4.7	5.7	2.0	
Greater Hobart	5.3	6.7	8.1	2.8	
Rest of Tasmania	2.5	3.1	3.8	1.3	
Launceston and North East	3.1	4.0	5.1	2.0	
South East	1.9	2.5	2.8	0.9	
West and North West	1.9	2.2	2.6	0.7	
Northern Territory	26.0	29.9	33.7	7.7	
Greater Darwin	14.0	17.8	23.0	9.0	
Rest of Northern Territory	41.4	46.0	50.7	9.3	
Northern Territory - Outback	41.4	46.0	50.7	9.3	
<i>Alice Springs</i>	32.3	34.6	38.4	6.1	
<i>Barkly</i>	40.6	41.7	48.0	7.4	
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	61.6	64.3	67.2	5.6	
<i>East Arnhem</i>	57.5	63.6	71.6	14.1	
<i>Katherine</i>	31.7	38.9	45.0	13.3	
Australian Capital Territory	15.2	18.9	23.1	7.9	
Australian Capital Cities	22.9	25.8	29.5	6.6	
Australian Rest of States	5.4	6.4	7.5	2.1	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Data based on place of usual residence.







Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

C 1.4.2 People on selected pensions or allowances

This indicator provides an estimate of the extent to which residents of a region are in receipt of government benefits. This indicator focuses on the main types of pensions and allowances which can represent the main source of income for a recipient.

The primary focus of Australia's income support system is the provision of a minimum adequate standard of living to people who are unable to fully or regularly support themselves.

Table C 1.4.2.a Ratio of the number of people on selected pensions/allowances by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2014	2015	2016	2014-2016	Trend
	ratio (per 1000 persons)	ratio (per 1000 persons)	ratio (per 1000 persons)	change ratio (per 1000 persons)	
Major Cities	189.3	189.3	183.9	-5.4	
Inner Regional	263.6	267.2	265.6	2.0	
Outer Regional	245.9	251.4	252.6	6.7	
Remote	186.1	193.2	197.1	11.0	
Very Remote	199.8	209.5	209.9	10.1	
AUSTRALIA	208.9	213.7	209.5	0.6	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Data by Region, 2011-16 (cat. no. 1410.0)

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS.

Selected Pensions include the Age Pension; Service Pensions; Carer Payment, Disability Support Pension; Newstart; Parenting Payment; and Youth Allowance.

Table C 1.4.2.b Ratio of the number of people on selected pensions/allowances by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2014 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2014-2016 change ratio (per 1000 persons)	Trend
New South Wales	214.5	213.5	206.4	-8.1	
Greater Sydney	176.9	173.8	166.1	-10.8	
Central Coast	285.2	284.4	276.2	-9.0	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	117.8	116.5	112.7	-5.1	
Sydney - Blacktown	191.8	188.2	179.8	-12.0	
Sydney - City and Inner South	145.7	137.4	126.5	-19.2	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	114.7	110.4	103.8	-10.9	
Sydney - Inner South West	211.2	207.0	197.7	-13.5	
Sydney - Inner West	140.0	136.8	129.4	-10.6	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	92.7	89.9	86.3	-6.4	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	123.0	121.2	115.9	-7.1	
Sydney - Outer South West	194.7	194.7	187.4	-7.3	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	199.1	200.2	193.8	-5.3	
Sydney - Parramatta	199.8	193.6	181.5	-18.3	
Sydney - Ryde	136.7	133.2	126.7	-10.0	
Sydney - South West	252.1	249.2	239.7	-12.4	
Sydney - Sutherland	155.9	154.6	149.8	-6.1	
Rest of New South Wales	282.4	284.4	280.3	-2.1	
Capital Region	242.4	244.3	242.8	0.4	
Central West	261.2	263.5	260.3	-0.9	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	336.7	341.0	335.1	-1.6	
Far West and Orana	287.6	290.5	288.5	0.9	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	247.4	253.6	252.8	5.4	
Illawarra	258.8	258.6	252.0	-6.8	
Mid North Coast	382.1	385.4	381.2	-0.9	
Murray	273.8	276.6	272.2	-1.6	
New England and North West	280.1	282.2	280.2	0.1	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	270.3	271.3	263.9	-6.4	
Richmond - Tweed	321.3	321.7	316.0	-5.3	
Riverina	236.9	236.9	235.2	-1.7	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	308.9	309.6	304.7	-4.2	
Victoria	207.8	206.2	199.4	-8.4	
Greater Melbourne	186.7	183.9	176.4	-10.3	
Melbourne - Inner	145.6	140.3	131.6	-14.0	
Melbourne - Inner East	148.8	144.3	137.4	-11.4	
Melbourne - Inner South	150.8	147.6	142.3	-8.5	
Melbourne - North East	198.0	195.9	188.3	-9.7	
Melbourne - North West	225.9	222.2	213.3	-12.6	
Melbourne - Outer East	188.8	188.7	184.4	-4.4	
Melbourne - South East	199.1	195.3	186.4	-12.7	
Melbourne - West	195.6	192.9	183.9	-11.7	
Mornington Peninsula	245.5	247.0	241.1	-4.4	
Rest of Victoria	274.0	274.8	272.9	-1.1	
Ballarat	286.4	287.6	286.4	0.0	
Bendigo	275.8	274.7	270.9	-4.9	

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Ratio of the number of people on selected pensions/allowances by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2014 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2014-2016 change ratio (per 1000 persons)	Trend
Geelong	249.7	247.7	241.9	-7.8	
Hume	262.5	264.0	262.7	0.2	
Latrobe - Gippsland	291.2	294.9	295.5	4.3	
North West	292.9	295.3	294.7	1.8	
Shepparton	283.9	283.9	282.2	-1.7	
Warrnambool and South West	254.8	255.7	256.3	1.5	
Queensland	209.8	214.1	212.5	2.7	
Greater Brisbane	188.2	189.1	186.7	-1.5	
Brisbane - East	193.8	197.8	197.1	3.3	
Brisbane - North	188.3	187.8	183.5	-4.8	
Brisbane - South	162.6	160.4	156.7	-5.9	
Brisbane - West	130.0	126.2	126.1	-3.9	
Brisbane Inner City	121.7	115.2	114.4	-7.3	
Ipswich	223.8	226.8	221.7	-2.1	
Logan - Beaudesert	216.5	221.9	220.8	4.3	
Moreton Bay - North	282.7	286.9	285.5	2.8	
Moreton Bay - South	148.3	152.6	150.1	1.8	
Rest of Queensland	229.5	235.5	235.9	6.4	
Cairns	233.5	239.3	236.1	2.6	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	232.1	242.0	248.3	16.2	
Central Queensland	179.9	188.7	199.7	19.8	
Gold Coast	212.0	212.1	205.1	-6.9	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	151.9	164.2	176.4	24.5	
Queensland - Outback	188.2	193.7	193.6	5.4	
Far North	221.8	222.6	206.5	-15.3	
Outback - North	155.1	163.9	170.6	15.5	
Outback - South	188.1	193.2	208.5	20.4	
Sunshine Coast	249.6	251.9	247.6	-2.0	
Toowoomba	222.0	228.9	230.1	8.1	
Townsville	206.5	214.8	217.8	11.3	
Wide Bay	356.5	368.0	371.6	15.1	
South Australia	253.7	256.0	253.8	0.1	
Greater Adelaide	243.2	244.0	241.8	-1.4	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	183.4	182.2	180.6	-2.8	
Adelaide - North	269.3	271.5	269.2	-0.1	
Adelaide - South	242.8	245.2	243.9	1.1	
Adelaide - West	272.7	270.7	266.0	-6.7	
Rest of South Australia	288.8	292.5	293.0	4.2	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	299.0	300.7	301.3	2.3	
South Australia - Outback	262.5	269.6	269.0	6.5	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	266.6	271.5	272.1	5.5	
Outback - North and East	254.1	265.8	262.4	8.3	
South Australia - South East	294.9	298.1	298.8	3.9	
Western Australia	164.6	168.8	172.5	7.9	
Greater Perth	158.6	161.0	165.0	6.4	
Mandurah	264.0	271.1	280.6	16.6	
Perth - Inner	109.5	108.2	110.5	1.0	

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Ratio of the number of people on selected pensions/allowances by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2014 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2014-2016 change ratio (per 1000 persons)	Trend
Perth - North East	164.6	167.7	171.6	7.0	
Perth - North West	150.3	153.0	156.8	6.5	
Perth - South East	160.5	163.4	166.5	6.0	
Perth - South West	159.9	161.4	165.9	6.0	
Rest of Western Australia	185.1	191.2	197.8	12.7	
Bunbury	199.2	204.4	212.2	13.0	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	219.8	224.5	231.8	12.0	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	151.2	124.9	126.4	-24.8	
Kimberley	216.8	231.5	232.7	15.9	
East Pilbara	66.9	87.5	88.9	22.0	
West Pilbara	62.2	43.2	44.6	-17.6	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	154.8	188.5	195.3	40.5	
Esperance	179.6	180.4	185.8	6.2	
Gascoyne	210.1	207.1	209.9	-0.2	
Goldfields	132.5	144.1	153.2	20.7	
Mid West	209.8	220.9	226.4	16.6	
Tasmania	288.7	291.9	289.9	1.2	
Greater Hobart	266.1	266.8	262.4	-3.7	
Rest of Tasmania	305.3	308.1	310.2	4.9	
Launceston and North East	296.5	299.5	300.0	3.5	
South East	311.9	313.8	318.1	6.2	
West and North West	314.4	317.2	320.6	6.2	
Northern Territory	157.5	161.8	156.8	-0.7	
Greater Darwin	109.9	105.0	111.0	1.1	
Rest of Northern Territory	220.8	227.4	219.3	-1.5	
Northern Territory - Outback	220.8	227.4	219.3	-1.5	
Alice Springs	200.4	199.8	198.2	-2.2	
Barkly	285.6	291.0	273.4	-12.2	
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	248.9	271.7	260.0	11.1	
East Arnhem	205.3	222.5	213.1	7.8	
Katherine	227.7	225.8	212.3	-15.4	
Australian Capital Territory	127.9	128.9	125.0	-2.9	
Australian Capital Cities	184.0	182.5	177.9	-6.1	
Australian Rest of States	258.1	261.6	260.5	2.4	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Data by Region, 2011-16 (cat. no. 1410.0)

Sub-state regions are SA4 (2016 ASGS), italicised regions are SA3 (2016 ASGS).

Selected Pensions include the Age Pension; Service Pensions; Carer Payment, Disability Support Pension; Newstart; Parenting Payment; and Youth Allowance.

C 1.4.3 Single parent families

This indicator measures the proportion of families which are single parent in a region. The distribution of single parent families in a region can provide useful contextual information on the demographic and socio-economic make-up of an area, as well as other trends such as the changing structure of families.

Table C 1.4.3.a Proportion of families that are single parent by remoteness class

Remoteness Class	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Major Cities	16.1	15.8	15.7	-0.4	
Inner Regional	15.8	16.2	16.4	0.6	
Outer Regional	14.8	15.4	15.7	0.9	
Remote	13.0	13.7	14.2	1.2	
Very Remote	18.2	19.6	20.3	2.1	
AUSTRALIA	15.8	15.9	15.8	0.0	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2011 ASGS. The total for Australia is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Data based on place of enumeration.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.4.3.b Proportion of families that are single parent by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Greater Sydney	15.8	15.7	15.2	-0.6	
Greater Melbourne	15.4	15.3	15.0	-0.4	
Greater Brisbane	16.2	16.1	16.3	0.1	
Greater Perth	15.2	14.6	14.5	-0.7	
Greater Adelaide	16.9	16.9	17.0	0.1	
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	16.8	17.1	17.3	0.5	
Newcastle - Maitland	18.4	18.3	18.6	0.2	
Canberra - Queanbeyan	15.4	14.8	14.1	-1.3	
Sunshine Coast	16.0	15.6	15.6	-0.4	
Wollongong	17.1	17.5	17.6	0.5	
Geelong	16.8	17.0	16.8	0.0	
Greater Hobart	18.4	18.4	18.7	0.3	
Townsville	16.8	17.3	18.5	1.7	
Cairns	18.8	19.7	20.0	1.2	
Greater Darwin	17.9	15.9	14.1	-3.8	
Toowoomba	15.5	16.1	16.5	1.0	
Ballarat	19.0	19.1	19.1	0.1	
Bendigo	19.5	19.5	19.5	0.0	
Albury - Wodonga	18.4	18.7	18.4	0.0	
Launceston	18.5	18.5	18.8	0.3	

Source: ABS 2017, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

The major urban areas of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Hobart and Darwin are based on the 2016 ASGS Greater Capital City Statistical Area (GCCSA) classification. All other major urban areas are based on the 2016 ASGS Significant Urban Area (SUA) classification.

Data based on place of enumeration.

Calculation excludes Not Stated category from the denominator.

Table C 1.4.3.c Proportion of families that are single parent by sub-state region

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
New South Wales	16.2	16.3	16.0	-0.2	
Greater Sydney	15.8	15.7	15.2	-0.6	
Central Coast	18.7	19.6	19.2	0.5	
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	10.0	10.4	10.2	0.2	
Sydney - Blacktown	20.0	19.5	18.0	-2.0	
Sydney - City and Inner South	14.7	13.4	12.0	-2.7	
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	14.0	13.4	12.8	-1.2	
Sydney - Inner South West	16.9	16.9	16.7	-0.2	
Sydney - Inner West	14.4	13.9	13.4	-1.0	
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	11.2	11.1	11.0	-0.2	
Sydney - Northern Beaches	12.3	12.0	11.6	-0.7	
Sydney - Outer South West	19.5	19.1	18.6	-0.9	
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	17.9	18.6	18.5	0.6	
Sydney - Parramatta	17.0	16.1	15.1	-1.9	
Sydney - Ryde	12.9	12.4	11.9	-1.0	
Sydney - South West	19.8	20.2	20.1	0.3	
Sydney - Sutherland	13.0	13.4	13.2	0.2	
Rest of New South Wales	16.8	17.2	17.4	0.6	
Capital Region	14.7	14.9	14.8	0.1	
Central West	15.6	16.2	17.1	1.5	
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	18.7	18.7	18.8	0.1	
Far West and Orana	18.5	19.6	20.4	1.9	
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	16.5	16.8	17.5	1.0	
Illawarra	16.9	17.4	17.4	0.5	
Mid North Coast	17.0	17.9	18.1	1.1	
Murray	14.8	15.1	15.4	0.6	
New England and North West	16.5	17.3	18.0	1.5	
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	18.0	17.9	17.8	-0.2	
Richmond - Tweed	19.0	19.4	19.1	0.1	
Riverina	15.4	15.7	16.2	0.8	
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	15.7	16.5	15.9	0.2	
Victoria	15.5	15.5	15.3	-0.2	
Greater Melbourne	15.4	15.3	15.0	-0.4	
Melbourne - Inner	13.7	12.7	12.0	-1.7	
Melbourne - Inner East	12.7	12.6	12.9	0.2	
Melbourne - Inner South	13.4	13.2	13.0	-0.4	
Melbourne - North East	15.7	15.5	15.3	-0.4	
Melbourne - North West	16.7	16.8	16.4	-0.3	
Melbourne - Outer East	14.8	15.0	14.7	-0.1	
Melbourne - South East	15.9	15.8	15.6	-0.3	
Melbourne - West	18.1	17.5	17.0	-1.1	
Mornington Peninsula	17.5	17.8	17.7	0.2	
Rest of Victoria	15.5	16.1	16.2	0.7	
Ballarat	16.9	17.4	17.3	0.4	
Bendigo	17.2	17.3	17.3	0.1	

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Proportion of families that are single parent by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Geelong	16.0	16.3	16.2	0.2	
Hume	14.9	15.6	15.6	0.7	
Latrobe - Gippsland	15.4	15.8	16.1	0.7	
North West	14.0	15.4	15.4	1.4	
Shepparton	14.8	16.0	16.3	1.5	
Warrnambool and South West	14.3	14.9	14.9	0.6	
Queensland	15.9	16.1	16.5	0.6	
Greater Brisbane	16.2	16.1	16.3	0.1	
Brisbane - East	15.4	15.4	15.6	0.2	
Brisbane - North	17.2	16.4	15.5	-1.7	
Brisbane - South	15.4	14.7	14.2	-1.2	
Brisbane - West	12.9	12.2	12.5	-0.4	
Brisbane Inner City	13.1	11.9	11.3	-1.8	
Ipswich	18.9	19.2	20.0	1.1	
Logan - Beaudesert	19.3	19.3	20.0	0.7	
Moreton Bay - North	17.8	18.7	19.3	1.5	
Moreton Bay - South	13.2	13.9	15.0	1.8	
Rest of Queensland	15.7	16.1	16.7	1.0	
Cairns	17.5	18.6	18.9	1.4	
Darling Downs - Maranoa	13.0	13.6	14.4	1.4	
Central Queensland	14.6	14.5	15.6	1.0	
Gold Coast	16.6	16.9	17.1	0.5	
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	12.5	12.7	14.5	2.0	
Queensland - Outback	17.2	17.7	19.3	2.1	
Far North	21.8	22.7	23.4	1.6	
Outback - North	16.3	16.0	18.4	2.1	
Outback - South	13.0	13.5	14.3	1.3	
Sunshine Coast	15.9	15.5	15.5	-0.4	
Toowoomba	15.4	15.9	16.3	0.9	
Townsville	16.1	16.5	17.6	1.5	
Wide Bay	15.8	16.7	17.3	1.5	
South Australia	16.1	16.3	16.5	0.4	
Greater Adelaide	16.9	16.9	17.0	0.1	
Adelaide - Central and Hills	13.4	13.0	13.0	-0.4	
Adelaide - North	19.1	19.5	19.8	0.7	
Adelaide - South	16.1	16.1	16.4	0.3	
Adelaide - West	18.4	18.0	17.7	-0.7	
Rest of South Australia	13.6	14.4	14.7	1.1	
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	12.5	13.1	13.6	1.1	
South Australia - Outback	16.4	16.6	17.1	0.7	
Eyre Peninsula and South West	15.9	16.4	16.4	0.5	
Outback - North and East	17.3	17.0	18.7	1.4	
South Australia - South East	13.1	14.3	14.4	1.3	
Western Australia	14.9	14.5	14.5	-0.4	
Greater Perth	15.2	14.6	14.5	-0.7	
Mandurah	14.0	15.6	15.9	1.9	

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Proportion of families that are single parent by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points	Trend
Perth - Inner	12.3	10.6	10.3	-2.0	
Perth - North East	16.3	15.9	15.8	-0.5	
Perth - North West	14.9	14.2	14.2	-0.7	
Perth - South East	16.2	15.2	14.6	-1.6	
Perth - South West	15.1	14.9	15.0	-0.1	
Rest of Western Australia	13.7	14.3	14.6	0.9	
Bunbury	14.1	14.4	14.6	0.5	
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	12.4	12.9	13.2	0.8	
Western Australia - Outback (North)	14.6	15.6	15.8	1.2	
<i>Kimberley</i>	21.3	22.8	22.2	0.9	
<i>East Pilbara</i>	12.9	11.6	12.2	-0.7	
<i>West Pilbara</i>	8.7	9.5	10.7	2.0	
Western Australia - Outback (South)	14.3	15.3	15.4	1.1	
<i>Esperance</i>	13.7	13.3	13.5	-0.2	
<i>Gascoyne</i>	13.4	15.0	15.1	1.7	
<i>Goldfields</i>	14.7	15.2	15.2	0.5	
<i>Mid West</i>	14.5	15.9	16.2	1.7	
Tasmania	16.7	17.0	17.4	0.7	
Greater Hobart	18.4	18.4	18.7	0.3	
Rest of Tasmania	15.5	16.0	16.5	1.0	
Launceston and North East	16.2	16.4	16.7	0.5	
South East	12.4	13.0	13.5	1.1	
West and North West	15.7	16.6	17.3	1.6	
Northern Territory	19.2	17.9	16.6	-2.6	
Greater Darwin	17.9	15.9	14.1	-3.8	
Rest of Northern Territory	21.5	21.0	20.9	-0.6	
Northern Territory - Outback	21.5	21.0	20.9	-0.6	
<i>Alice Springs</i>	20.0	19.5	18.8	-1.2	
<i>Barkly</i>	23.5	24.6	23.5	0.0	
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	24.7	22.6	22.3	-2.4	
<i>East Arnhem</i>	22.7	23.7	26.0	3.3	
<i>Katherine</i>	21.4	19.7	19.1	-2.3	
Australian Capital Territory	15.2	14.6	13.8	-1.4	
Australian Capital Cities	15.8	15.6	15.4	-0.4	
Australian Rest of States	15.9	16.3	16.6	0.7	

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