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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 population 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	2007 persons	2012 persons	2017 ^r persons	2007-2017 growth	2007-2017 average annual growth rate per cent
Major Cities	14,566,103	16,062,163	17,666,685	3,100,582	1.9
Inner Regional	3,876,012	4,155,240	4,390,400	514,388	1.3
Outer Regional	1,901,300	2,000,819	2,047,790	146,490	0.7
Remote	290,696	303,208	292,070	1,374	0.0
Very Remote	193,511	212,035	200,583	7,072	0.4
AUSTRALIA	20,827,622	22,733,465	24,597,528	3,769,906	1.7

Source: ABS 2018, Regional Population Growth, 2016-17 (cat. no. 3218.0)

Geography is based on the ASGS 2016.

Population estimates are final for 2007 and 2012, and are revised for 2017.

^r revised estimates.

Table C 1.1.1.1.b Estimated resident population by major urban area

Major Urban Area	2007		2012		2017 ^r		2007-2017		average annual growth rate per cent
	persons	persons	persons	persons	persons	growth			
Greater Sydney	4,325,525	4,677,196	5,132,355	806,830	1.7				
Greater Melbourne	3,841,760	4,265,843	4,843,781	1,002,021	2.3				
Greater Brisbane	1,958,907	2,196,288	2,413,457	454,550	2.1				
Greater Perth	1,628,467	1,892,862	2,039,041	410,574	2.3				
Greater Adelaide	1,204,210	1,277,850	1,334,167	129,957	1.0				
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	528,080	594,903	662,707	134,627	2.3				
Newcastle - Maitland	431,783	457,767	480,422	48,639	1.1				
Canberra - Queanbeyan	377,693	413,630	448,621	70,928	1.7				
Sunshine Coast	258,239	288,657	325,105	66,866	2.3				
Wollongong	268,476	283,388	298,431	29,955	1.1				
Geelong	213,722	231,875	261,208	47,486	2.0				
Greater Hobart	206,649	217,670	229,088	22,439	1.0				
Townsville	151,560	170,885	179,822	28,262	1.7				
Cairns	125,292	142,038	151,215	25,923	1.9				
Greater Darwin	116,935	133,105	148,884	31,949	2.4				
Toowoomba	119,863	128,484	135,313	15,450	1.2				
Ballarat	86,215	94,970	103,581	17,366	1.9				
Bendigo	82,163	88,998	97,470	15,307	1.7				
Albury - Wodonga	80,876	85,229	92,218	11,342	1.3				
Launceston	83,215	85,786	86,404	3,189	0.4				

Source: ABS 2018, Regional Population Growth, 2016-17 (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 2007 and 2012, and are revised for 2017.

^r revised estimates.

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

Sub-State Region	2007 persons	2012 persons	2017 ^r persons	2007-2017 growth	2007-2017 average annual growth rate per cent
New South Wales	6,834,156	7,304,244	7,861,674	1,027,518	1.4
Greater Sydney	4,325,525	4,677,196	5,132,355	806,830	1.7
Central Coast	306,499	325,163	339,236	32,737	1.0
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	206,866	221,249	240,876	34,010	1.5
Sydney - Blacktown	287,367	320,288	360,060	72,693	2.3
Sydney - City and Inner South	262,722	291,397	348,695	85,973	2.9
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	252,164	271,192	289,483	37,319	1.4
Sydney - Inner South West	518,297	560,344	610,511	92,214	1.7
Sydney - Inner West	258,346	284,311	313,927	55,581	2.0
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	371,793	399,807	431,008	59,215	1.5
Sydney - Northern Beaches	237,084	254,115	268,666	31,582	1.3
Sydney - Outer South West	231,165	247,256	275,946	44,781	1.8
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	287,422	300,556	319,008	31,586	1.0
Sydney - Parramatta	376,804	423,079	480,925	104,121	2.5
Sydney - Ryde	162,652	174,773	194,360	31,708	1.8
Sydney - South West	353,805	383,054	432,659	78,854	2.0
Sydney - Sutherland	212,539	220,612	226,995	14,456	0.7
Rest of New South Wales	2,508,631	2,627,048	2,729,319	220,688	0.8
Capital Region	205,640	217,346	225,666	20,026	0.9
Central West	195,402	204,740	211,224	15,822	0.8
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	129,864	135,825	140,070	10,206	0.8
Far West and Orana	117,022	117,645	116,671	-351	0.0
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	236,647	255,815	272,452	35,805	1.4
Illawarra	275,393	290,838	306,591	31,198	1.1
Mid North Coast	199,237	209,646	218,256	19,019	0.9
Murray	113,050	114,406	118,897	5,847	0.5
New England and North West	177,296	183,215	186,181	8,885	0.5
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	342,705	359,560	372,264	29,559	0.8

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2007 persons	2012 persons	2017 ^r persons	2007-2017 growth	2007-2017 average annual growth rate per cent
Richmond - Tweed	228,252	238,246	248,488	20,236	0.9
Riverina	152,614	156,315	160,049	7,435	0.5
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	135,509	143,451	152,510	17,001	1.2
Victoria	5,153,522	5,651,091	6,321,648	1,168,126	2.1
Greater Melbourne	3,841,760	4,265,843	4,843,781	1,002,021	2.3
Melbourne - Inner	492,684	549,795	658,592	165,908	2.9
Melbourne - Inner East	343,806	359,544	385,961	42,155	1.2
Melbourne - Inner South	376,252	400,456	432,905	56,653	1.4
Melbourne - North East	414,978	466,731	533,213	118,235	2.5
Melbourne - North West	305,840	338,712	393,361	87,521	2.5
Melbourne - Outer East	481,457	499,371	525,774	44,317	0.9
Melbourne - South East	617,719	703,106	818,212	200,493	2.9
Melbourne - West	545,102	664,234	791,177	246,075	3.8
Mornington Peninsula	263,922	283,894	304,586	40,664	1.4
Rest of Victoria	1,311,762	1,385,248	1,477,867	166,105	1.2
Ballarat	139,530	150,776	162,362	22,832	1.5
Bendigo	135,719	145,050	157,827	22,108	1.5
Geelong	239,456	261,251	294,004	54,548	2.1
Hume	157,011	163,367	174,602	17,591	1.1
Latrobe - Gippsland	245,281	263,159	279,350	34,069	1.3
North West	150,107	150,355	152,094	1,987	0.1
Shepparton	123,203	128,244	132,910	9,707	0.8
Warrnambool and South West	121,455	123,046	124,718	3,263	0.3
Queensland	4,111,018	4,568,687	4,929,152	818,134	1.8
Greater Brisbane	1,958,907	2,196,288	2,413,457	454,550	2.1
Brisbane - East	201,553	222,061	234,632	33,079	1.5
Brisbane - North	182,767	202,009	218,521	35,754	1.8
Brisbane - South	303,544	335,540	363,988	60,444	1.8

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2007 persons	2012 persons	2017 ^r persons	2007-2017 growth	2007-2017 average annual growth rate per cent
Brisbane - West	169,512	180,896	189,504	19,992	1.1
Brisbane Inner City	219,565	242,211	273,860	54,295	2.2
Ipswich	256,773	300,088	342,529	85,756	2.9
Logan - Beaudesert	275,976	306,907	335,102	59,126	2.0
Moreton Bay - North	198,404	227,779	247,442	49,038	2.2
Moreton Bay - South	150,813	178,797	207,879	57,066	3.3
Rest of Queensland	2,152,111	2,372,399	2,515,695	363,584	1.6
Cairns	215,261	236,699	249,745	34,484	1.5
Darling Downs - Maranoa	118,515	126,467	128,798	10,283	0.8
Central Queensland	202,792	221,034	225,343	22,551	1.1
Gold Coast	479,818	542,072	606,291	126,473	2.4
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	157,803	174,236	172,587	14,784	0.9
Queensland - Outback	82,251	86,441	82,198	-53	0.0
Far North	29,598	31,931	34,119	4,521	1.4
Outback - North	32,606	34,301	30,494	-2,112	-0.7
Outback - South	20,047	20,209	17,585	-2,462	-1.3
Sunshine Coast	291,904	326,506	365,839	73,935	2.3
Toowoomba	135,936	146,634	154,843	18,907	1.3
Townsville	206,976	228,179	235,683	28,707	1.3
Wide Bay	260,855	284,131	294,368	33,513	1.2
South Australia	1,570,619	1,656,725	1,723,671	153,052	0.9
Greater Adelaide	1,204,210	1,277,850	1,334,167	129,957	1.0
Adelaide - Central and Hills	277,423	289,891	299,889	22,466	0.8
Adelaide - North	378,571	407,919	434,292	55,721	1.4
Adelaide - South	335,078	353,263	365,060	29,982	0.9
Adelaide - West	213,138	226,777	234,926	21,788	1.0
Rest of South Australia	366,409	378,875	389,504	23,095	0.6
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	105,595	109,277	113,578	7,983	0.7

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2007 persons	2012 persons	2017 ^r persons	2007-2017 growth	2007-2017 average annual growth rate per cent
South Australia - Outback	84,892	86,955	85,132	240	0.0
Eyre Peninsula and South West	56,799	57,985	58,072	1,273	0.2
Outback - North and East	28,093	28,970	27,060	-1,033	-0.4
South Australia - South East	175,922	182,643	190,794	14,872	0.8
Western Australia	2,106,139	2,425,507	2,575,452	469,313	2.0
Greater Perth	1,628,467	1,892,862	2,039,041	410,574	2.3
Mandurah	73,439	91,243	100,591	27,152	3.2
Perth - Inner	153,263	172,249	179,980	26,717	1.6
Perth - North East	209,957	240,280	262,350	52,393	2.3
Perth - North West	455,685	528,029	561,102	105,417	2.1
Perth - South East	405,251	473,535	511,002	105,751	2.3
Perth - South West	330,872	387,526	424,016	93,144	2.5
Rest of Western Australia	477,672	532,645	536,411	58,739	1.2
Bunbury	147,093	168,774	181,091	33,998	2.1
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	128,618	135,913	137,666	9,048	0.7
Western Australia - Outback (North)	85,669	101,409	97,537	11,868	1.3
Kimberley	34,504	37,803	36,127	1,623	0.5
East Pilbara	22,639	28,370	25,783	3,144	1.3
West Pilbara	28,526	35,236	35,627	7,101	2.2
Western Australia - Outback (South)	116,292	126,549	120,117	3,825	0.3
Esperance	15,738	16,339	16,131	393	0.2
Gascoyne	9,347	9,800	9,601	254	0.3
Goldfields	39,669	44,142	39,942	273	0.1
Mid West	51,538	56,268	54,443	2,905	0.5
Tasmania	493,262	511,724	522,152	28,890	0.6
Greater Hobart	206,649	217,670	229,088	22,439	1.0
Rest of Tasmania	286,613	294,054	293,064	6,451	0.2
Launceston and North East	140,172	143,221	143,752	3,580	0.3

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Estimated resident population by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region	2007 persons	2012 persons	2017 ^r persons	2007-2017 growth	2007-2017 average annual growth rate per cent
South East	35,618	37,504	38,053	2,435	0.7
West and North West	110,823	113,329	111,259	436	0.0
Northern Territory	213,748	235,915	247,491	33,743	1.5
Greater Darwin	116,935	133,105	148,884	31,949	2.4
Rest of Northern Territory	96,813	102,810	98,607	1,794	0.2
Northern Territory - Outback	96,813	102,810	98,607	1,794	0.2
Alice Springs	39,898	41,129	39,281	-617	-0.2
Barkly	6,240	6,539	6,135	-105	-0.2
Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem	16,056	18,277	17,917	1,861	1.1
East Arnhem	15,182	16,174	14,522	-660	-0.4
Katherine	19,437	20,691	20,752	1,315	0.7
Australian Capital Territory	342,644	376,539	411,667	69,023	1.9
Australian Capital Cities	13,625,097	15,037,353	16,552,440	2,927,343	2.0
Australian Rest of States	7,202,525	7,696,112	8,045,088	842,563	1.1
Australian Rest of States	7,202,525	7,699,015	8,047,782	845,257	1.1

Source: ABS 2018, Regional Population Growth, 2016-17 (cat. no. 3218.0)

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

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^r revised 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* persons	2017 persons	2022 persons	2027 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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2012*</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2017</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2022</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2027</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>	<i>2012*</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2017</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2022</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2027</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

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Population projections by sub-state region (continued)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2012*</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2017</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2022</i> <i>persons</i>	<i>2027</i> <i>persons</i>
Perth - South East	476,469	571,529	668,745	767,273
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 persons	Inner Regional persons	Outer Regional persons	Remote persons	Very Remote persons
Major Cities	12,673,125	342,328	129,338	24,785	12,268
Inner Regional	411,264	2,963,576	150,650	14,070	7,308
Outer Regional	109,094	145,876	1,319,513	26,591	10,732
Remote	20,271	10,053	39,597	135,833	9,499
Very Remote	14,138	5,685	9,361	10,901	105,373

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Geography is based on the 2016 ASGS.

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

Remoteness Class (Usual Residence Five Years Ago) has been created using a population based Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) to Remoteness Area 2016 allocation table.

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

Sub-State Region (Usual Residence 2016)	Arrivals persons	Departures persons	Net Internal persons
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
Brisbane - North	41,887	39,204	2,683

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Internal migration by sub-state region (continued)

Sub-State Region (Usual Residence 2016)	Arrivals persons	Departures persons	Net Internal persons
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
Major Cities	674,543	1,048,128	1,186,656	512,113
Inner Regional	44,681	73,766	72,715	28,034
Outer Regional	25,770	47,877	46,409	20,639
Remote	5,071	10,023	9,333	4,262
Very Remote	2,276	5,467	4,814	2,538
AUSTRALIA	756,054	1,190,322	1,324,426	568,372

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Geography 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.

Aggregates may not sum from lower spatial units.

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
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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 persons</i>	<i>2011 persons</i>	<i>2016 persons</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change persons</i>
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)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 persons</i>	<i>2011 persons</i>	<i>2016 persons</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change persons</i>
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
<i>Far North</i>	177	365	370	193
<i>Outback - North</i>	624	1,394	1,075	451
<i>Outback - South</i>	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
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	477	896	632	155
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	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

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 persons</i>	<i>2011 persons</i>	<i>2016 persons</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change persons</i>
Perth - North East	6,629	14,298	15,571	8,942
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.

Aggregates may not sum from lower spatial units.

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
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	14.0	14.9	16.0	2.0
Very Remote	44.7	42.8	46.0	1.3
AUSTRALIA	2.4	2.7	3.0	0.6

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Geography 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
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
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)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 per cent</i>	<i>2011 per cent</i>	<i>2016 per cent</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change percentage points</i>
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
<i>Far North</i>	55.4	55.0	57.9	2.5
<i>Outback - North</i>	25.3	24.7	27.4	2.1
<i>Outback - South</i>	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
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	5.3	6.0	6.1	0.8
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	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

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 per cent</i>	<i>2011 per cent</i>	<i>2016 per cent</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change percentage points</i>
Mandurah	1.6	2.0	2.3	0.7
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 per cent	15-24 years per cent	25-64 years per cent	65-84 years per cent	85 years and over 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 per cent	15-24 years per cent	25-64 years per cent	65-84 years per cent	85 years and over 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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>0-14 years</i>	<i>15-24 years</i>	<i>25-64 years</i>	<i>65-84 years</i>	<i>85 years and over</i>
	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>
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 Haw	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 Horns	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 Mc	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 Shoalhav	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)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>0-14 years per cent</i>	<i>15-24 years per cent</i>	<i>25-64 years per cent</i>	<i>65-84 years per cent</i>	<i>85 years and over per cent</i>
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 We</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

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Age profile by sub-state region (continued)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>0-14 years</i>	<i>15-24 years</i>	<i>25-64 years</i>	<i>65-84 years</i>	<i>85 years and over</i>
	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>	<i>per cent</i>
2016					
Mandurah	18.4	11.6	48.3	19.3	2.4
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
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
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
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)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 per cent</i>	<i>2011 per cent</i>	<i>2016 per cent</i>	<i>2006-2016 change percentage points</i>
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

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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
Mandurah	61.3	61.3	59.9	-1.4
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
<i>Kimberley</i>	69.2	70.8	69.2	0.0
<i>East Pilbara</i>	73.1	79.3	76.6	3.5
<i>West Pilbara</i>	72.4	78.7	76.9	4.5
Western Australia - Outback (South)	67.5	68.0	66.5	-1.0
<i>Esperance</i>	66.0	64.3	63.3	-2.7
<i>Gascoyne</i>	66.7	66.7	66.3	-0.4
<i>Goldfields</i>	70.5	72.2	70.5	0.0
<i>Mid West</i>	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
<i>Alice Springs</i>	71.2	72.0	71.8	0.6
<i>Barkly</i>	69.0	68.3	68.9	-0.1
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	65.7	68.0	68.7	3.0
<i>East Arnhem</i>	68.9	68.2	68.4	-0.5
<i>Katherine</i>	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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Working age is defined as between 15 and 64 years old, inclusive.

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
Major Cities	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Inner Regional	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1
Outer Regional	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1
Remote	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
Very Remote	3.0	2.9	2.9	-0.1
AUSTRALIA	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Geography is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Based on occupied private dwellings, number of persons usually resident in dwelling.

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
Greater Sydney	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.1
Greater Melbourne	2.6	2.6	2.7	0.1
Greater Brisbane	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Greater Perth	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1
Greater Adelaide	2.4	2.4	2.5	0.1
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Newcastle - Maitland	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Canberra - Queanbeyan	2.6	2.6	2.5	-0.1
Sunshine Coast	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Wollongong	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Geelong	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Greater Hobart	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Townsville	2.7	2.6	2.6	-0.1
Cairns	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Greater Darwin	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Toowoomba	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Ballarat	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Bendigo	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Albury - Wodonga	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Launceston	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1

Source: ABS 2018, 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, number of persons usually resident in dwelling.

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2011 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2016 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling</i>
New South Wales	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Greater Sydney	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.1
Central Coast	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	3.1	3.1	3.1	0.0
Sydney - Blacktown	3.0	3.1	3.2	0.2
Sydney - City and Inner South	2.1	2.1	2.2	0.1
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	2.3	2.3	2.4	0.1
Sydney - Inner South West	2.8	2.8	2.9	0.1
Sydney - Inner West	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1
Sydney - Northern Beaches	2.6	2.6	2.7	0.1
Sydney - Outer South West	3.0	3.0	3.0	0.0
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	2.8	2.7	2.7	-0.1
Sydney - Parramatta	2.8	2.9	3.0	0.2
Sydney - Ryde	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Sydney - South West	3.2	3.2	3.3	0.1
Sydney - Sutherland	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0
Rest of New South Wales	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Capital Region	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Central West	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Far West and Orana	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Illawarra	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Mid North Coast	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1
Murray	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
New England and North West	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Richmond - Tweed	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Riverina	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Victoria	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Greater Melbourne	2.6	2.6	2.7	0.1
Melbourne - Inner	2.1	2.1	2.1	0.0
Melbourne - Inner East	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Melbourne - Inner South	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Melbourne - North East	2.8	2.8	2.8	0.0
Melbourne - North West	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0
Melbourne - Outer East	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0
Melbourne - South East	2.8	2.9	2.9	0.1
Melbourne - West	2.8	2.8	2.9	0.1
Mornington Peninsula	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Rest of Victoria	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Ballarat	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Bendigo	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1

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Average household size by sub-state region (continued)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2011 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2016 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling</i>
Geelong	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Hume	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Latrobe - Gippsland	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
North West	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
Shepparton	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1
Warrnambool and South West	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Queensland	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Greater Brisbane	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Brisbane - East	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0
Brisbane - North	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Brisbane - South	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Brisbane - West	2.7	2.7	2.7	0.0
Brisbane Inner City	2.2	2.3	2.3	0.1
Ipswich	2.7	2.8	2.8	0.1
Logan - Beaudesert	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0
Moreton Bay - North	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Moreton Bay - South	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0
Rest of Queensland	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Cairns	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Darling Downs - Maranoa	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
Central Queensland	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Gold Coast	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	2.7	2.7	2.5	-0.2
Queensland - Outback	2.8	2.7	2.7	-0.1
<i>Far North</i>	3.1	3.0	3.0	-0.1
<i>Outback - North</i>	2.8	2.7	2.7	-0.1
<i>Outback - South</i>	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
Sunshine Coast	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0
Toowoomba	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
Townsville	2.6	2.6	2.5	-0.1
Wide Bay	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
South Australia	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Greater Adelaide	2.4	2.4	2.5	0.1
Adelaide - Central and Hills	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Adelaide - North	2.5	2.5	2.6	0.1
Adelaide - South	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Adelaide - West	2.3	2.3	2.4	0.1
Rest of South Australia	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1
South Australia - Outback	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1
South Australia - South East	2.4	2.3	2.3	-0.1
Western Australia	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1
Greater Perth	2.5	2.6	2.6	0.1

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Average household size by sub-state region (continued)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2011 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2016 persons per dwelling</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change persons per dwelling</i>
Mandurah	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Perth - Inner	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0
Perth - North East	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Perth - North West	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Perth - South East	2.5	2.6	2.7	0.2
Perth - South West	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0
Rest of Western Australia	2.6	2.6	2.5	-0.1
Bunbury	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
Western Australia - Outback (North)	2.9	2.9	2.8	-0.1
<i>Kimberley</i>	2.9	2.9	2.8	-0.1
<i>East Pilbara</i>	2.8	2.9	2.8	0.0
<i>West Pilbara</i>	2.9	2.9	2.8	-0.1
Western Australia - Outback (South)	2.6	2.6	2.5	-0.1
<i>Esperance</i>	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
<i>Gascoyne</i>	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1
<i>Goldfields</i>	2.7	2.7	2.6	-0.1
<i>Mid West</i>	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1
Tasmania	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
Greater Hobart	2.4	2.4	2.4	0.0
Rest of Tasmania	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
Launceston and North East	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
South East	2.5	2.4	2.3	-0.2
West and North West	2.4	2.4	2.3	-0.1
Northern Territory	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0
Greater Darwin	2.6	2.7	2.7	0.1
Rest of Northern Territory	3.2	3.2	3.2	0.0
Northern Territory - Outback	3.2	3.2	3.2	0.0
<i>Alice Springs</i>	2.9	2.9	2.8	-0.1
<i>Barkly</i>	3.3	3.3	3.2	-0.1
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	3.6	3.6	3.5	-0.1
<i>East Arnhem</i>	4.1	4.0	4.1	0.0
<i>Katherine</i>	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0
Australian Capital Territory	2.6	2.6	2.5	-0.1
Australian Capital Cities	2.6	2.6	2.7	0.1
Australian Rest of States	2.5	2.5	2.4	-0.1

Source: ABS 2018, 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, number of persons usually resident in dwelling.

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
Major Cities	30.0	30.7	34.2	4.2
Inner Regional	12.3	12.3	12.5	0.2
Outer Regional	12.8	12.8	13.1	0.3
Remote	13.1	13.8	13.0	-0.1
Very Remote	9.5	10.0	10.8	1.3
AUSTRALIA	24.3	24.8	27.4	3.1

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Geography 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
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
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)

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 per cent</i>	<i>2011 per cent</i>	<i>2016 per cent</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change percentage points</i>
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
<i>Far North</i>	6.6	14.7	11.6	5.0
<i>Outback - North</i>	18.1	15.5	19.9	1.8
<i>Outback - South</i>	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
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	23.9	19.8	23.1	-0.8
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	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

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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
Mandurah	15.8	17.7	17.4	1.6
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 major urban area

Major Urban Area	2007 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2017 \$ (nominal)	2007-2017 change \$ (nominal)
Houses				
Greater Sydney	684,912	759,987	1,372,742	687,830
Greater Melbourne	496,902	610,982	936,195	439,293
Greater Brisbane	449,193	495,575	604,164	154,970
Greater Perth	562,352	558,756	619,945	57,593
Greater Adelaide	370,232	444,427	509,059	138,827
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	625,460	564,288	744,006	118,546
Newcastle - Maitland	351,998	422,700	592,069	240,072
Canberra - Queanbeyan	470,760	518,077	704,920	234,160
Sunshine Coast	562,359	535,329	702,702	140,343
Wollongong	414,107	480,563	810,093	395,986
Geelong	340,162	427,449	561,867	221,704
Greater Hobart	335,583	366,829	458,758	123,176
Townsville	391,824	385,763	359,842	-31,983
Cairns	408,972	392,461	454,420	45,448
Greater Darwin	351,810	512,004	519,279	167,469
Toowoomba	314,006	359,058	435,402	121,396
Ballarat	248,489	313,756	371,783	123,294
Bendigo	244,301	319,766	363,546	119,245
Albury - Wodonga	282,665	301,478	356,510	73,844
Launceston	263,372	291,776	356,082	92,710
Units				
Greater Sydney	475,303	559,162	876,782	401,479
Greater Melbourne	399,594	490,384	624,049	224,455
Greater Brisbane	399,656	430,733	463,503	63,847
Greater Perth	484,079	478,378	472,312	-11,767
Greater Adelaide	296,349	341,852	380,451	84,102
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	470,770	434,851	493,302	22,533
Newcastle - Maitland	356,020	362,868	495,332	139,312
Canberra - Queanbeyan	370,195	437,909	440,914	70,719
Sunshine Coast	471,625	424,439	502,199	30,574
Wollongong	340,590	373,816	605,095	264,505
Geelong	282,260	331,872	431,947	149,687
Greater Hobart	295,146	358,508	416,679	121,533
Townsville	433,492	338,545	328,171	-105,321
Cairns	307,186	242,934	270,662	-36,523
Greater Darwin	295,181	436,857	409,821	114,640
Toowoomba	236,137	269,634	306,083	69,946
Ballarat	187,593	258,123	269,009	81,416
Bendigo	194,840	225,908	476,769	281,928
Albury - Wodonga	184,598	194,024	226,757	42,159
Launceston	323,332	268,331	268,139	-55,193

Source: CoreLogic 2018, Custom report, RP Data, Average Prices 2007, 2012, 2017

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.

Due to an update to the property price database and revisions to existing property price data, data presented in Yearbook 2018 may differ from data published in Yearbook 2017.

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 sub-state region

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2007 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2012 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2017 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2007 - 2017 change \$ (nominal)</i>
<i>Houses</i>				
New South Wales	529,316	590,974	951,473	422,158
Greater Sydney	684,912	759,987	1,372,742	687,830
Central Coast	414,608	436,625	751,444	336,836
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	620,888	791,849	1,576,056	955,168
Sydney - Blacktown	360,397	443,496	841,535	481,138
Sydney - City and Inner South	741,220	915,045	1,781,951	1,040,731
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	1,788,312	1,857,697	3,407,575	1,619,263
Sydney - Inner South West	559,453	716,010	1,293,204	733,751
Sydney - Inner West	924,587	1,091,635	2,054,230	1,129,644
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	1,293,262	1,388,095	2,619,414	1,326,152
Sydney - Northern Beaches	1,152,231	1,169,766	2,142,501	990,270
Sydney - Outer South West	334,344	427,235	761,904	427,560
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	352,951	436,996	751,606	398,655
Sydney - Parramatta	467,581	580,745	1,084,992	617,411
Sydney - Ryde	885,934	1,053,344	2,047,743	1,161,809
Sydney - South West	374,846	504,480	940,994	566,148
Sydney - Sutherland	749,413	880,124	1,546,737	797,323
Rest of New South Wales	326,286	385,788	531,417	205,131
Capital Region	327,183	391,785	507,457	180,275
Central West	231,792	313,887	383,171	151,379
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	327,708	379,103	491,576	163,868
Far West and Orana	173,704	245,823	263,734	90,030
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	315,869	390,442	492,351	176,482
Illawarra	417,993	488,076	821,075	403,082
Mid North Coast	329,498	364,359	493,264	163,766
Murray	251,184	279,636	346,251	95,067
New England and North West	214,922	299,859	352,927	138,005
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	380,376	459,119	656,728	276,351
Richmond - Tweed	467,247	484,315	663,244	195,996
Riverina	234,945	286,665	325,686	90,741
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	361,123	451,561	757,556	396,433
Victoria	427,465	522,415	768,826	341,361
Greater Melbourne	496,902	610,982	936,195	439,293
Melbourne - Inner	858,745	1,007,146	1,694,010	835,265
Melbourne - Inner East	931,727	1,103,635	1,912,592	980,865
Melbourne - Inner South	894,984	1,030,644	1,676,746	781,762
Melbourne - North East	407,803	507,903	766,674	358,871
Melbourne - North West	335,653	436,765	641,597	305,945
Melbourne - Outer East	400,721	494,925	842,551	441,831
Melbourne - South East	361,858	466,680	722,271	360,413
Melbourne - West	332,272	429,577	615,527	283,256
Mornington Peninsula	406,138	502,584	790,821	384,683
Rest of Victoria	258,789	306,629	379,539	120,750
Ballarat	236,359	300,993	363,245	126,887
Bendigo	244,858	324,019	386,251	141,394

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

Sub-State Region	2007 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2017 \$ (nominal)	2007 - 2017 change \$ (nominal)
Houses				
Geelong	348,524	436,856	572,153	223,630
Hume	249,765	263,481	328,488	78,723
Latrobe - Gippsland	235,521	274,345	329,979	94,458
North West	180,538	192,307	230,981	50,443
Shepparton	247,452	253,901	285,775	38,323
Warrnambool and South West	259,967	282,969	317,359	57,392
Queensland	437,864	454,854	561,588	123,724
Greater Brisbane	449,193	495,575	604,164	154,970
Brisbane - East	487,696	515,122	621,649	133,953
Brisbane - North	435,445	486,874	624,027	188,583
Brisbane - South	501,250	554,405	774,128	272,878
Brisbane - West	592,808	644,522	815,825	223,017
Brisbane Inner City	806,580	877,107	1,146,377	339,797
Ipswich	319,314	337,203	389,619	70,305
Logan - Beaudesert	363,222	380,237	460,169	96,947
Moreton Bay - North	378,391	387,087	466,392	88,001
Moreton Bay - South	416,311	453,508	535,538	119,226
Rest of Queensland	427,715	422,108	519,984	92,269
Cairns	393,198	371,633	425,945	32,747
Darling Downs - Maranoa	229,238	296,523	288,034	58,796
Central Queensland	358,758	399,487	316,295	-42,462
Gold Coast	629,802	569,179	743,740	113,937
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	406,608	464,305	341,590	-65,018
Queensland - Outback	244,605	297,243	229,479	-15,126
Sunshine Coast	548,191	527,507	687,623	139,432
Toowoomba	311,120	355,457	428,108	116,989
Townsville	365,809	368,184	344,240	-21,569
Wide Bay	297,974	304,702	321,590	23,617
South Australia	334,338	403,529	460,780	126,442
Greater Adelaide	370,232	444,427	509,059	138,827
Adelaide - Central and Hills	532,701	630,463	737,776	205,074
Adelaide - North	274,402	328,800	360,114	85,712
Adelaide - South	365,169	434,212	500,977	135,808
Adelaide - West	389,345	465,029	541,928	152,582
Rest of South Australia	238,289	274,118	294,324	56,035
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	220,254	270,814	283,722	63,468
South Australia - Outback	215,222	259,961	250,000	34,778
South Australia - South East	260,152	281,736	309,262	49,111
Western Australia	521,166	535,303	570,832	49,666
Greater Perth	562,352	558,756	619,945	57,593
Mandurah	504,770	414,740	428,616	-76,154
Perth - Inner	1,405,106	1,306,226	1,421,706	16,600
Perth - North East	454,869	475,614	500,998	46,130
Perth - North West	534,046	547,284	595,705	61,660
Perth - South East	467,012	488,450	539,157	72,145

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2007 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2012 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2017 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2007 - 2017 change \$ (nominal)</i>
Houses				
Perth - South West	539,631	538,197	607,389	67,758
Rest of Western Australia	386,357	427,101	376,257	-10,100
Bunbury	465,533	424,952	465,827	294
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	317,907	318,670	331,856	13,949
Western Australia - Outback (North)	548,545	814,200	329,261	-219,284
Western Australia - Outback (South)	302,602	360,072	297,865	-4,737
Tasmania	272,766	304,609	366,059	93,293
Greater Hobart	335,583	366,829	458,758	123,176
Rest of Tasmania	234,742	265,184	310,693	75,951
Launceston and North East	247,944	280,044	330,779	82,835
South East	241,783	271,073	339,485	97,702
West and North West	216,399	244,093	271,520	55,121
Northern Territory	333,084	489,456	504,947	171,863
Greater Darwin	351,810	512,004	519,279	167,469
Rest of Northern Territory	273,049	408,259	466,748	193,699
Northern Territory - Outback	273,049	408,259	466,748	193,699
Australian Capital Territory	473,474	514,281	710,079	236,604
Australian Capital Cities	520,543	600,891	918,886	398,343
Australian Rest of States	345,968	375,526	475,761	129,794
AUSTRALIA	453,162	516,114	739,542	286,380

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

Sub-State Region	2007 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2017 \$ (nominal)	2007 - 2017 change \$ (nominal)
<i>Units</i>				
New South Wales	445,491	520,928	778,636	333,145
Greater Sydney	475,303	559,162	876,782	401,479
Central Coast	361,152	332,969	560,829	199,677
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	434,041	526,143	854,594	420,553
Sydney - Blacktown	294,348	337,214	565,341	270,993
Sydney - City and Inner South	550,360	650,918	1,016,813	466,454
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	670,159	806,332	1,359,067	688,908
Sydney - Inner South West	332,396	458,864	682,074	349,678
Sydney - Inner West	499,877	601,328	917,867	417,990
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	597,813	686,017	1,105,910	508,098
Sydney - Northern Beaches	573,345	640,101	1,109,206	535,861
Sydney - Outer South West	231,494	296,361	473,037	241,543
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	257,654	292,755	499,800	242,146
Sydney - Parramatta	330,710	430,480	647,002	316,292
Sydney - Ryde	427,201	573,359	866,014	438,812
Sydney - South West	239,775	301,582	504,122	264,348
Sydney - Sutherland	452,767	538,677	875,269	422,502
Rest of New South Wales	323,177	327,985	441,075	117,897
Capital Region	265,962	280,635	320,928	54,967
Central West	201,548	251,381	266,716	65,167
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	287,423	322,791	386,609	99,185
Far West and Orana	161,546	196,730	279,997	118,450
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	335,289	294,801	376,238	40,949
Illawarra	340,669	373,795	606,540	265,871
Mid North Coast	307,782	293,117	369,926	62,144
Murray	198,196	212,346	231,819	33,623
New England and North West	212,111	215,148	252,937	40,826
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	383,049	384,660	535,569	152,520
Richmond - Tweed	383,137	361,046	485,243	102,106
Riverina	193,163	216,533	232,105	38,941
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	300,669	350,731	526,512	225,843
Victoria	383,425	464,866	594,608	211,183
Greater Melbourne	399,594	490,384	624,049	224,455
Melbourne - Inner	475,901	558,151	664,393	188,492
Melbourne - Inner East	485,770	587,560	786,130	300,360
Melbourne - Inner South	453,762	557,357	748,265	294,503
Melbourne - North East	326,787	414,239	533,952	207,164
Melbourne - North West	294,186	387,381	489,639	195,453
Melbourne - Outer East	296,108	394,401	597,872	301,764
Melbourne - South East	305,557	392,642	548,300	242,743
Melbourne - West	275,994	357,757	448,726	172,732
Mornington Peninsula	289,816	352,141	518,877	229,061
Rest of Victoria	240,965	268,768	343,739	102,773
Ballarat	184,804	257,274	274,527	89,723
Bendigo	197,062	233,462	459,733	262,671

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2007 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2012 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2017 \$ (nominal)</i>	<i>2007 - 2017 change \$ (nominal)</i>
<i>Units</i>				
Geelong	292,728	340,519	434,758	142,030
Hume	247,894	217,061	237,835	-10,059
Latrobe - Gippsland	230,709	244,115	328,119	97,409
North West	171,341	182,010	220,735	49,394
Shepparton	208,098	229,348	230,003	21,905
Warrnambool and South West	268,505	261,732	277,149	8,644
Queensland	421,758	413,180	458,104	36,345
Greater Brisbane	399,656	430,733	463,503	63,847
Brisbane - East	407,934	447,709	404,622	-3,312
Brisbane - North	359,326	393,205	402,031	42,704
Brisbane - South	393,838	402,988	445,276	51,438
Brisbane - West	416,635	451,048	475,658	59,023
Brisbane Inner City	492,424	511,153	584,052	91,627
Ipswich	321,375	326,027	316,574	-4,800
Logan - Beaudesert	252,146	290,432	270,559	18,412
Moreton Bay - North	334,890	342,349	384,229	49,339
Moreton Bay - South	294,997	355,829	362,228	67,230
Rest of Queensland	436,761	397,627	454,602	17,841
Cairns	324,501	248,896	285,100	-39,402
Darling Downs - Maranoa	423,608	382,694	258,143	-165,465
Central Queensland	318,951	386,463	293,955	-24,996
Gold Coast	478,410	445,811	500,377	21,967
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	410,294	388,850	286,667	-123,628
Queensland - Outback	280,877	303,781	259,667	-21,211
Sunshine Coast	468,899	423,832	501,462	32,563
Toowoomba	234,427	269,634	306,083	71,655
Townsville	428,603	333,109	319,943	-108,660
Wide Bay	306,724	283,234	286,542	-20,182
South Australia	291,525	335,613	373,157	81,632
Greater Adelaide	296,349	341,852	380,451	84,102
Adelaide - Central and Hills	342,831	378,157	443,932	101,101
Adelaide - North	215,971	269,473	280,618	64,647
Adelaide - South	310,077	337,646	365,045	54,968
Adelaide - West	269,276	338,392	349,104	79,828
Rest of South Australia	227,632	227,057	222,186	-5,445
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	197,523	n.a	n.a	n.a
South Australia - Outback	273,465	236,101	297,769	24,304
South Australia - South East	212,547	221,462	208,490	-4,057
Western Australia	471,409	473,495	457,575	-13,835
Greater Perth	484,079	478,378	472,312	-11,767
Mandurah	668,642	473,551	388,225	-280,416
Perth - Inner	535,543	544,989	534,783	-761
Perth - North East	344,110	356,513	334,459	-9,651
Perth - North West	394,260	403,049	401,749	7,489
Perth - South East	499,307	477,440	500,496	1,189

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

Sub-State Region	2007 \$ (nominal)	2012 \$ (nominal)	2017 \$ (nominal)	2007 - 2017 change \$ (nominal)
<i>Units</i>				
Perth - South West	495,016	478,780	490,870	-4,147
Rest of Western Australia	365,996	416,673	299,243	-66,753
Bunbury	423,015	359,969	385,706	-37,309
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	378,093	391,267	308,686	-69,407
Western Australia - Outback (North)	418,888	563,075	204,706	-214,182
Western Australia - Outback (South)	250,545	361,914	206,975	-43,570
Tasmania	283,134	320,982	356,489	73,355
Greater Hobart	295,146	358,508	416,679	121,533
Rest of Tasmania	264,695	253,230	259,964	-4,731
Launceston and North East	315,680	274,625	267,871	-47,809
South East	241,074	230,188	306,538	65,465
West and North West	200,181	214,398	239,685	39,504
Northern Territory	282,373	417,924	391,749	109,376
Greater Darwin	295,181	436,857	409,821	114,640
Rest of Northern Territory	232,816	317,391	316,920	84,104
Northern Territory - Outback	232,816	317,391	316,920	84,104
Australian Capital Territory	388,003	454,971	465,663	77,660
Australian Capital Cities	425,926	502,856	690,219	264,292
Australian Rest of States	388,480	358,708	428,131	39,651
AUSTRALIA	415,101	470,293	623,016	207,915

Source: CoreLogic 2018, Custom report, RP Data, Average Prices 2007, 2012, 2017

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.

Due to an update to the property price database and revisions to existing property price data, data presented in Yearbook 2018 may differ from data published in Yearbook 2017.

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

Nominal prices.

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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

Remoteness Class	2011-12 dwellings	2014-15 dwellings	2017-18 dwellings	2011-12 - 2017-18 change per cent
Major Cities	109,662	186,807	189,015	72.4
Inner Regional	25,176	29,270	30,597	21.5
Outer Regional	10,371	10,672	8,180	-21.1
Remote	2,139	1,033	647	-69.8
Very Remote	928	555	474	-48.9
AUSTRALIA	148,277	228,338	228,913	54.4

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Building Approvals, Australia, Jun 2018 (cat. no. 8731.0)

Geography is based on 2016 ASGS.

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

Major Urban Area	2011-12 dwellings	2014-15 dwellings	2017-18 dwellings	2011-12 - 2017-18 change per cent
Greater Sydney	24,680	47,530	53,796	118.0
Greater Melbourne	39,393	56,155	62,777	59.4
Greater Brisbane	13,695	29,266	25,287	84.6
Greater Perth	14,663	28,209	15,772	7.6
Greater Adelaide	6,344	9,036	11,014	73.6
Gold Coast - Tweed Heads	2,469	5,924	6,540	164.9
Newcastle - Maitland	2,147	3,034	3,887	81.0
Canberra - Queanbeyan	5,045	4,327	5,652	12.0
Sunshine Coast	1,635	3,212	3,808	132.9
Wollongong	888	1,969	2,638	197.1
Geelong	2,020	2,829	3,719	84.1
Greater Hobart	820	1,257	1,420	73.2
Townsville	1,304	1,461	620	-52.5
Cairns	417	768	997	139.1
Greater Darwin	1,425	1,645	510	-64.2
Toowoomba	748	1,263	1,129	50.9
Ballarat	974	1,063	945	-3.0
Bendigo	1,058	871	711	-32.8
Albury - Wodonga	550	894	746	35.6
Launceston	316	387	382	20.9

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Building Approvals, Australia, Jun 2018 (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	2011-12 dwellings	2014-15 dwellings	2017-18 dwellings	2011-12 - 2017-18 change per cent
New South Wales	34,665	62,546	70,859	104.4
Greater Sydney	24,680	47,530	53,796	118.0
Central Coast	631	1,408	1,953	209.5
Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury	1,069	3,071	4,108	284.3
Sydney - Blacktown	1,420	3,407	5,226	268.0
Sydney - City and Inner South	3,569	5,923	4,649	30.3
Sydney - Eastern Suburbs	433	1,057	1,284	196.5
Sydney - Inner South West	2,371	4,923	5,745	142.3
Sydney - Inner West	2,323	3,686	2,964	27.6
Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby	2,001	3,335	2,780	38.9
Sydney - Northern Beaches	726	966	1,152	58.7
Sydney - Outer South West	1,324	2,728	3,339	152.2
Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains	1,183	2,225	3,161	167.2
Sydney - Parramatta	4,196	7,213	6,378	52.0
Sydney - Ryde	1,224	2,305	2,745	124.3
Sydney - South West	1,872	4,443	6,253	234.0
Sydney - Sutherland	338	840	2,059	509.2
Rest of New South Wales	9,985	15,016	17,063	70.9
Capital Region	978	1,287	1,423	45.5
Central West	903	1,037	984	9.0
Coffs Harbour - Grafton	408	559	615	50.7
Far West and Orana	313	419	511	63.3
Hunter Valley exc Newcastle	1,776	1,460	1,976	11.3
Illawarra	893	1,977	2,691	201.3
Mid North Coast	802	1,170	1,238	54.4
Murray	463	760	614	32.6
New England and North West	576	856	663	15.1
Newcastle and Lake Macquarie	1,174	2,363	2,935	150.0
Richmond - Tweed	607	1,228	1,413	132.8
Riverina	454	627	673	48.2
Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven	638	1,273	1,327	108.0
Victoria	49,950	67,045	75,392	50.9
Greater Melbourne	39,393	56,155	62,777	59.4
Melbourne - Inner	10,610	16,341	14,209	33.9
Melbourne - Inner East	2,129	4,736	3,379	58.7
Melbourne - Inner South	2,796	4,353	5,586	99.8
Melbourne - North East	4,861	6,324	4,851	-0.2
Melbourne - North West	2,917	4,334	5,923	103.1
Melbourne - Outer East	2,034	3,007	3,332	63.8
Melbourne - South East	5,683	7,995	11,884	109.1
Melbourne - West	6,601	7,316	11,820	79.1
Mornington Peninsula	1,762	1,749	1,793	1.8
Rest of Victoria	10,557	10,890	12,615	19.5
Ballarat	1,349	1,430	1,313	-2.7
Bendigo	1,497	1,286	1,370	-8.5
Geelong	2,481	3,221	4,197	69.2

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

Sub-State Region	2011-12 dwellings	2014-15 dwellings	2017-18 dwellings	2011-12 - 2017-18 change per cent
Hume	1,213	1,223	1,570	29.4
Latrobe - Gippsland	2,074	2,047	2,302	11.0
North West	607	583	591	-2.6
Shepparton	627	562	688	9.7
Warrnambool and South West	709	538	584	-17.6
Queensland	27,580	46,256	42,342	53.5
Greater Brisbane	13,695	29,266	25,287	84.6
Brisbane - East	856	1,961	1,758	105.4
Brisbane - North	1,274	2,453	1,840	44.4
Brisbane - South	1,614	4,177	3,426	112.3
Brisbane - West	522	1,183	1,269	143.1
Brisbane Inner City	2,864	9,031	3,715	29.7
Ipswich	2,408	3,328	4,655	93.3
Logan - Beaudesert	1,516	2,631	3,467	128.7
Moreton Bay - North	1,321	1,814	3,180	140.7
Moreton Bay - South	1,320	2,688	1,977	49.8
Rest of Queensland	13,885	16,990	17,055	22.8
Cairns	898	1,236	1,534	70.8
Darling Downs - Maranoa	779	512	329	-57.8
Central Queensland	2,140	915	481	-77.5
Gold Coast	2,323	5,529	6,056	160.7
Mackay - Isaac - Whitsunday	1,894	587	513	-72.9
Queensland - Outback	223	198	205	-8.1
<i>Far North</i>	110	118	165	50.0
<i>Outback - North</i>	53	52	22	-58.5
<i>Outback - South</i>	60	28	18	-70.0
Sunshine Coast	1,777	3,480	4,441	149.9
Toowoomba	872	1,391	1,230	41.1
Townsville	1,512	1,588	730	-51.7
Wide Bay	1,467	1,554	1,536	4.7
South Australia	8,585	11,264	12,768	48.7
Greater Adelaide	6,344	9,036	11,014	73.6
Adelaide - Central and Hills	1,037	2,917	3,227	211.2
Adelaide - North	2,524	2,554	2,868	13.6
Adelaide - South	1,590	1,976	2,473	55.5
Adelaide - West	1,193	1,589	2,446	105.0
Rest of South Australia	2,241	2,228	1,754	-21.7
Barossa - Yorke - Mid North	677	672	515	-23.9
South Australia - Outback	490	420	180	-63.3
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	290	314	126	-56.6
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	200	106	54	-73.0
South Australia - South East	1,074	1,136	1,059	-1.4
Western Australia	18,942	32,384	18,336	-3.2
Greater Perth	14,663	28,209	15,772	7.6
Mandurah	812	1,663	863	6.3
Perth - Inner	1,227	2,436	1,609	31.1

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2011-12</i> <i> dwellings</i>	<i>2014-15</i> <i> dwellings</i>	<i>2017-18</i> <i> dwellings</i>	<i>2011-12 -</i> <i>2017-18</i> <i> change per cent</i>
Perth - North East	1,781	4,068	2,244	26.0
Perth - North West	3,525	6,542	3,340	-5.2
Perth - South East	3,870	7,678	3,706	-4.2
Perth - South West	3,448	5,822	4,010	16.3
Rest of Western Australia	4,279	4,174	2,564	-40.1
Bunbury	1,415	1,988	1,379	-2.5
Western Australia - Wheat Belt	647	904	652	0.8
Western Australia - Outback (North)	1,626	642	186	-88.6
<i>Kimberley</i>	448	281	164	-63.4
<i>East Pilbara</i>	518	292	16	-96.9
<i>West Pilbara</i>	660	69	6	-99.1
Western Australia - Outback (South)	591	640	347	-41.3
<i>Esperance</i>	86	104	59	-31.4
<i>Gascoyne</i>	90	52	16	-82.2
<i>Goldfields</i>	52	79	79	51.9
<i>Mid West</i>	363	405	193	-46.8
Tasmania	2,099	2,841	2,832	34.9
Greater Hobart	820	1,257	1,420	73.2
Rest of Tasmania	1,279	1,584	1,412	10.4
Launceston and North East	607	737	648	6.8
South East	256	332	279	9.0
West and North West	416	515	485	16.6
Northern Territory	1,602	1,748	747	-53.4
Greater Darwin	1,425	1,645	510	-64.2
Rest of Northern Territory	177	103	237	33.9
Northern Territory - Outback	177	103	237	33.9
<i>Alice Springs</i>	78	50	82	5.1
<i>Barkly</i>	54	11	4	-92.6
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	19	5	28	47.4
<i>East Arnhem</i>	2	5	37	1,750.0
<i>Katherine</i>	24	32	86	258.3
Australian Capital Territory	4,854	4,254	5,637	16.1
Australian Capital Cities	105,874	177,352	176,213	66.4
Australian Rest of States	42,403	50,985	52,700	24.3

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Building Approvals, Australia, Jun 2018 (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
Major Cities	22.1	24.8	28.3	6.2
Inner Regional	3.5	4.3	5.3	1.8
Outer Regional	4.8	6.0	7.3	2.5
Remote	6.1	8.2	9.9	3.8
Very Remote	29.1	31.4	35.0	5.9
AUSTRALIA	16.8	19.2	22.3	5.5

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification 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
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

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points
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)

Sub-State Region	2006 per cent	2011 per cent	2016 per cent	2006 - 2016 change percentage points
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
<i>Far North</i>	40.8	43.4	43.0	2.2
<i>Outback - North</i>	4.4	6.8	7.9	3.5
<i>Outback - South</i>	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
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	3.8	4.5	4.8	1.0
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	12.6	14.2	14.4	1.8
South Australia - South East	4.2	5.1	5.9	1.7

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 per cent</i>	<i>2011 per cent</i>	<i>2016 per cent</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change percentage points</i>
Western Australia	12.4	15.5	19.0	6.6
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 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)	2014-2016 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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2014 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2014-2016 change ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>
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

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2014 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2014-2016 change ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>
Bendigo	275.8	274.7	270.9	-4.9
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
<i>Far North</i>	221.8	222.6	206.5	-15.3
<i>Outback - North</i>	155.1	163.9	170.6	15.5
<i>Outback - South</i>	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
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	266.6	271.5	272.1	5.5
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	254.1	265.8	262.4	8.3
South Australia - South East	294.9	298.1	298.8	3.9

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2014 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2015 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2016 ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>	<i>2014-2016 change ratio (per 1000 persons)</i>
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
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
<i>Kimberley</i>	216.8	231.5	232.7	15.9
<i>East Pilbara</i>	66.9	87.5	88.9	22.0
<i>West Pilbara</i>	62.2	43.2	44.6	-17.6
Western Australia - Outback (South)	154.8	188.5	195.3	40.5
<i>Esperance</i>	179.6	180.4	185.8	6.2
<i>Gascoyne</i>	210.1	207.1	209.9	-0.2
<i>Goldfields</i>	132.5	144.1	153.2	20.7
<i>Mid West</i>	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
<i>Alice Springs</i>	200.4	199.8	198.2	-2.2
<i>Barkly</i>	285.6	291.0	273.4	-12.2
<i>Daly - Tiwi - West Arnhem</i>	248.9	271.7	260.0	11.1
<i>East Arnhem</i>	205.3	222.5	213.1	7.8
<i>Katherine</i>	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
Major Cities	15.9	15.8	15.7	-0.2
Inner Regional	15.8	16.2	16.4	0.6
Outer Regional	14.7	15.3	15.7	1.0
Remote	13.4	13.8	14.4	1.0
Very Remote	18.3	19.3	20.1	1.8
AUSTRALIA	15.8	15.9	15.8	0.0

Source: ABS 2018, Customised report, Census of Population and Housing, Australia

Remoteness Area classification is based on the 2016 ASGS.

Data based on place of enumeration.

Calculation based on Occupied private dwellings.

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
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 based on Occupied private dwellings.

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
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
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
<i>Far North</i>	21.8	22.7	23.4	1.6
<i>Outback - North</i>	16.3	16.0	18.4	2.1
<i>Outback - South</i>	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
<i>Eyre Peninsula and South West</i>	15.9	16.4	16.4	0.5
<i>Outback - North and East</i>	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

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

<i>Sub-State Region</i>	<i>2006 per cent</i>	<i>2011 per cent</i>	<i>2016 per cent</i>	<i>2006 - 2016 change percentage points</i>
Mandurah	14.0	15.6	15.9	1.9
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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