

Community report

Adelaide Plains

Prepared from Community Explorer topic selections for briefing, planning and reporting use.

AREA

Adelaide Plains

COMPARISON

Regional SA

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Occupation of employment

Sources and method

- Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 and, where available, 2016 comparison data.
- Percentages are calculated from the denominator supplied for each topic. Change (pp) is the 2021 percentage minus the 2016 percentage when the topic is comparable across years.
- Usual residence topics describe where people usually live, rather than where they were counted on Census night.

Occupation of employment

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Technicians And Trades Workers was the most common occupation group among employed residents in Adelaide Plains, accounting for 18% (874 people). This share was higher than Regional SA (14.1%).

About this topic

Occupation of employment classifies employed residents by the kind of work they do in their main job. It describes the roles, skills, and tasks people perform rather than the industry they work in.

This topic is useful for understanding the skill profile and socio-economic characteristics of the resident workforce. It is best interpreted with qualifications, individual income, and industry sector of employment.

Interpretation notes

- Occupation classifies the kind of work done in a person's main job, not the employer's industry.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over, so it should be read with employment status when assessing labour market conditions.

Occupation of employment

Adelaide Plains – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	pp
Total Occupation Managers	666	13.7%	16.7%	—	—	16.9%	—	—
Total Occupation Professionals	451	9.3%	13.1%	—	—	12.7%	—	—
Total Occupation Technicians And Trades Workers	874	18.0%	14.1%	—	—	14.2%	—	—
Total Occupation Community And Personal Service Workers	496	10.2%	12.6%	—	—	11.1%	—	—
Total Occupation Clerical And Administrative Workers	602	12.4%	9.9%	—	—	10.4%	—	—
Total Occupation Sales Workers	372	7.7%	8.3%	—	—	9.0%	—	—
Total Occupation Machinery Operators And Drivers	549	11.3%	8.1%	—	—	8.4%	—	—
Total Occupation Labourers	730	15.0%	15.1%	—	—	15.7%	—	—
Total Occupation Inadequately Described Not Stated	110	2.3%	2.0%	—	—	1.6%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Total	4,851	100.0%	100.0%	—	—	1

Data basis: usual residence.