

Community report

Ashburton (S)

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

AREA

Ashburton (S)

COMPARISON

Regional WA

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Household type

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.
- Enumerated topics describe where people or dwellings were counted on Census night.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, other not classifiable household was the most common household type among households in Ashburton (S), accounting for 44.8% (1,281 households). This share was higher than Regional WA (15.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in other not classifiable household, which increased by 433 households and 14.1 percentage points.

About this topic

Household type summarises the mix of household and family structures in an area, such as couples with children, lone person households, and one-parent families. It is one of the clearest indicators of how people live together and the residential role of an area.

This topic is useful for planning services, facilities, and housing because demand is closely tied to household structure. It is best read with households with children, households without children, household size, age structure, and dwelling type.

Interpretation notes

- This is a derived household-composition view built from relationships within dwellings, so it summarises household structure rather than a single Census question.

- It is dwelling-based, which means different household types can reflect both family structure and housing arrangements.

Household type

Ashburton (S) - Total households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Couples with children	626	21.9%	23.8%	785	28.4%	25.8%	-159	-6.5
Couples without children	413	14.4%	25.7%	458	16.6%	26.0%	-45	-2.2
One parent families	111	3.9%	8.7%	128	4.6%	8.7%	-17	-0.7
Other families	17	0.6%	0.8%	18	0.7%	0.8%	-1	-0.1
Group household	32	1.1%	2.3%	41	1.5%	2.5%	-9	-0.4
Lone person	382	13.3%	23.2%	485	17.6%	22.0%	-103	-4.3
Other not classifiable household	1,281	44.8%	15.4%	848	30.7%	14.2%	+433	+14.1
Total households	2,862	100.0%	100.0%	2,763	100.0%	100.0%	+99	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.