

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 Households without children

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.

Households without children

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Key takeaway

In 2021, couples without children was the most common household life-stage group among households in Ashburton (S), accounting for 25.6% (413 households). This share was similar to Regional WA (25.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in lone person households, which decreased by 103 households and 1.6 percentage points.

About this topic

Households without children includes couple-only households and lone person households, grouped by life stage. In this topic, life stage is based on the age of the household reference person rather than on the ages of all people in the dwelling.

This topic is useful for understanding the mix of younger adult, mid-life, and older households and the different housing and service needs they may have. It works best alongside household size, age structure, and dwelling type.

Interpretation notes

- This is a derived subset of couple-only and lone-person households, not a summary of all household types.
- The life-stage labels are based on the age of the household reference person, so they simplify the ages of everyone else in the household.

Households without children by life stage

Ashburton (S) - Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Couples without children	413	25.6%	25.7%	458	23.9%	26.4%	-45	+1.7
Young couples without children	51	3.2%	3.2%	39	2.0%	3.4%	+12	+1.2
Middle-aged couples without children	27	1.7%	2.8%	36	1.9%	3.0%	-9	-0.2
Older couples without children	335	20.7%	19.7%	383	20.0%	20.0%	-48	+0.7
Lone person households	382	23.7%	23.1%	485	25.3%	22.3%	-103	-1.6
Young lone persons	172	10.7%	5.5%	223	11.6%	5.4%	-51	-0.9
Middle-aged lone persons	158	9.8%	8.3%	212	11.1%	8.6%	-54	-1.3
Older lone persons	45	2.8%	9.4%	41	2.1%	8.3%	+4	+0.7
Group households	32	2.0%	2.3%	41	2.1%	2.5%	-9	-0.1
Total households	1,615	100.0%	100.0%	1,918	100.0%	100.0%	-303	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.