

Community report

Christmas Island

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

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GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

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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.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Public Administration And Safety was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Christmas Island, accounting for 29.2% (225 people). This share was higher than Other Territories (18.7%).

About this topic

Industry sector of employment shows the industry in which employed residents work, based on the main business activity of their employer. It describes the sectors residents are connected to through work, whether they work locally or commute elsewhere.

This topic helps explain the economic profile and skill base of a resident workforce. It is best read together with occupations, employment status, and travel to work, because it reflects resident employment rather than the number of jobs located in the area.

Interpretation notes

- Industry describes the main business activity of the employer in a person's main job, not the occupation they perform.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over and reflects resident workers, not the number of jobs located in the area.

Industry sector of employment

Christmas Island – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Other Territories %	Count	%	Other Territories %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	0	0.0%	1.3%	–	–	1.6%	–	–
Mining	93	12.1%	4.1%	–	–	6.9%	–	–
Manufacturing	3	0.4%	1.4%	–	–	2.0%	–	–
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	24	3.1%	2.2%	–	–	1.9%	–	–
Construction	66	8.6%	9.3%	–	–	6.6%	–	–
Wholesale Trade	7	0.9%	0.9%	–	–	1.0%	–	–
Retail Trade	21	2.7%	8.9%	–	–	8.6%	–	–
Accommodation And Food Services	31	4.0%	11.5%	–	–	11.7%	–	–
Transport Postal And Warehousing	40	5.2%	4.6%	–	–	4.8%	–	–
Information Media And Telecommunications	0	0.0%	0.7%	–	–	0.7%	–	–
Financial And Insurance Services	3	0.4%	1.2%	–	–	0.8%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Other Territories %	Count	%	Other Territ
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	3	0.4%	1.1%	–	–	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	12	1.6%	2.7%	–	–	
Administrative And Support Services	59	7.7%	6.7%	–	–	
Public Administration And Safety	225	29.2%	18.7%	–	–	
Education And Training	55	7.1%	7.2%	–	–	
Health Care And Social Assistance	25	3.2%	6.7%	–	–	
Arts And Recreation Services	34	4.4%	2.9%	–	–	
Other Services	20	2.6%	3.0%	–	–	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	43	5.6%	5.2%	–	–	
Total	771	100.0%	100.0%	–	–	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.