

Community report

Coffs Harbour (C)

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

AREA

Coffs Harbour (C)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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 Coffs Harbour (C), accounting for 25.1% (8,828 households). This share was similar to Regional NSW (25%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in lone person households, which increased by 919 households and 0.2 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

Coffs Harbour (C) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Couples without children	8,828	25.1%	25.0%	7,942	25.3%	25.0%	+886	-0.2
Young couples without children	1,248	3.6%	3.7%	1,182	3.8%	4.0%	+66	-0.2
Middle-aged couples without children	1,081	3.1%	3.4%	1,039	3.3%	3.5%	+42	-0.2
Older couples without children	6,499	18.5%	18.0%	5,721	18.2%	17.5%	+778	+0.3
Lone person households	8,195	23.3%	23.6%	7,276	23.1%	23.6%	+919	+0.2
Young lone persons	1,273	3.6%	4.3%	1,126	3.6%	4.3%	+147	0.0
Middle-aged lone persons	2,650	7.5%	7.6%	2,678	8.5%	8.2%	-28	-1.0
Older lone persons	4,291	12.2%	11.7%	3,464	11.0%	11.1%	+827	+1.2
Group households	1,050	3.0%	2.8%	1,025	3.3%	2.8%	+25	-0.3
Total households	35,115	100.0%	100.0%	31,453	100.0%	100.0%	+3,662	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.