

Community report

Cumberland (A)

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

AREA

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COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Qualifications

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.

Qualifications

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Key takeaway

In 2021, no qualification was the most common qualification level among residents aged 15 and over in Cumberland (A), accounting for 42.2% (79,637 people). This share was higher than Greater Sydney (34.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in bachelor degree or higher, which increased by 12,223 people and 4.5 percentage points.

About this topic

Qualifications records the highest non-school qualification completed by people aged 15 years and over. It describes post-school educational attainment such as certificates, diplomas, and university degrees.

This topic is a key indicator of skill level and socio-economic opportunity within an area. It is most useful when read with employment status, occupation, and income, which show how qualifications relate to labour market outcomes.

Interpretation notes

- This topic uses highest completed non-school qualification, so incomplete study and current enrolment do not count as attained qualifications.

- It applies to people aged 15 years and over and should be read with schooling for the full education profile.

Highest qualification achieved

Cumberland (A) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	50,279	26.7%	33.3%	38,056	22.2%	28.3%	+12,223	+4.5
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	16,921	9.0%	9.7%	14,553	8.5%	9.3%	+2,368	+0.5
Vocational	21,425	11.4%	14.8%	21,159	12.3%	15.1%	+266	-0.9
No Qualification	79,637	42.2%	34.2%	81,636	47.5%	37.7%	-1,999	-5.3
Not Stated	20,291	10.8%	8.0%	16,303	9.5%	9.6%	+3,988	+1.3
Total	188,553	100.0%	100.0%	171,707	100.0%	100.0%	+16,846	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.