

Community report

Dorset (M)

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

AREA

Dorset (M)

COMPARISON

Regional Tas.

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Occupation of employment

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.

Occupation of employment

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Managers was the most common occupation group among employed residents in Dorset (M), accounting for 20.4% (586 people). This share was higher than Regional Tas. (13.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Technicians And Trades Workers, which increased by 66 people and 0.9 percentage points.

About this topic

Occupation of employment classifies employed residents by the kind of work they do in their main job. It describes the roles, skills, and tasks people perform rather than the industry they work in.

This topic is useful for understanding the skill profile and socio-economic characteristics of the resident workforce. It is best interpreted with qualifications, individual income, and industry sector of employment.

Interpretation notes

- Occupation classifies the kind of work done in a person's main job, not the employer's industry.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over, so it should be read with employment status when assessing labour market conditions.

Occupation of employment

Dorset (M) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	pp
Total Occupation Managers	586	20.4%	13.1%	521	20.3%	13.0%	+65	+0.1
Total Occupation Professionals	273	9.5%	16.5%	222	8.7%	15.6%	+51	+0.8
Total Occupation Technicians And Trades Workers	391	13.6%	14.5%	325	12.7%	14.6%	+66	+0.9
Total Occupation Community And Personal Service Workers	288	10.0%	13.3%	227	8.9%	12.0%	+61	+1.1
Total Occupation Clerical And Administrative Workers	245	8.5%	10.6%	221	8.6%	11.6%	+24	-0.1
Total Occupation Sales Workers	199	6.9%	8.8%	246	9.6%	10.0%	-47	-2.7
Total Occupation Machinery Operators And Drivers	296	10.3%	8.0%	273	10.7%	7.9%	+23	-0.4
Total Occupation Labourers	539	18.8%	13.3%	481	18.8%	13.6%	+58	0.0
Total Occupation Inadequately Described Not Stated	50	1.7%	1.9%	50	2.0%	1.8%	0	-0.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Total	2,874	100.0%	100.0%	2,561	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.