

Community report

Fairfield (C)

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

AREA

Fairfield (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Industry sector 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.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Health Care And Social Assistance was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Fairfield (C), accounting for 11.5% (7,356 people). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (13.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Construction, which decreased by 2,052 people and 1.9 percentage points.

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

Fairfield (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	419	0.7%	0.4%	484	0.7%	0.4%	-65	0.0
Mining	69	0.1%	0.2%	93	0.1%	0.2%	-24	0.0
Manufacturing	7,283	11.4%	5.4%	8,551	11.9%	5.8%	-1,268	-0.5
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	478	0.7%	0.8%	529	0.7%	0.8%	-51	0.0
Construction	5,353	8.4%	8.2%	7,405	10.3%	8.2%	-2,052	-1.9
Wholesale Trade	2,441	3.8%	3.2%	2,754	3.8%	3.6%	-313	0.0
Retail Trade	7,042	11.0%	8.8%	7,890	11.0%	9.3%	-848	0.0
Accommodation And Food Services	3,678	5.8%	5.5%	4,722	6.6%	6.7%	-1,044	-0.8
Transport Postal And Warehousing	4,961	7.8%	5.1%	4,851	6.7%	5.0%	+110	+1.1
Information Media And Telecommunications	767	1.2%	2.4%	1,048	1.5%	2.8%	-281	-0.3
Financial And Insurance Services	2,996	4.7%	7.0%	3,059	4.3%	6.4%	-63	+0.4

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	809	1.3%	1.9%	963	1.3%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	3,293	5.2%	10.9%	3,327	4.6%	
Administrative And Support Services	2,243	3.5%	3.2%	2,558	3.6%	
Public Administration And Safety	2,668	4.2%	5.5%	2,758	3.8%	
Education And Training	3,906	6.1%	8.5%	3,771	5.2%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	7,356	11.5%	13.4%	6,724	9.4%	
Arts And Recreation Services	522	0.8%	1.5%	784	1.1%	
Other Services	2,591	4.1%	3.2%	3,483	4.8%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	4,950	7.8%	4.9%	6,159	8.6%	
Total	63,831	100.0%	100.0%	71,899	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.