

# Community report

## Gawler (T)

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

AREA

**Gawler (T)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Adelaide**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Need for assistance

### 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.

# Need for assistance

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 75–84 year olds was the most common age group among residents who needed assistance with core activities in Gawler (T), accounting for 22.9% (424 people). This share was higher than Greater Adelaide (20.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 85+ year olds, which increased by 131 people and 7.7 percentage points.

## About this topic

Need for assistance measures people who report needing help with self-care, body movement, or communication because of a disability, a long-term health condition, or older age. It is a high-needs indicator rather than a general measure of disability.

This topic is useful for planning accessible facilities, care services, respite, and support for carers. The measure is based on self-report in the Census, so it should be interpreted with care and read alongside unpaid care and other disability-related indicators.

## Interpretation notes

- The measure is self-reported and records need for help with core activities, so it is not a complete measure of disability prevalence.
- It applies to all persons and is strongest as an indicator of higher support need when read with unpaid care and ageing data.

## Need for assistance with core activities by age

Gawler (T) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
0-4	45	3.3%	1.9%	26	1.9%	1.5%	+19	+1.4
5-14	242	8.0%	5.7%	166	6.1%	4.3%	+76	+1.9
15-19	84	5.9%	4.1%	66	4.5%	2.9%	+18	+1.4
20-24	60	4.0%	2.6%	45	3.0%	1.9%	+15	+1.0
25-34	108	3.5%	2.1%	69	2.5%	1.9%	+39	+1.0
35-44	107	3.8%	2.5%	98	3.9%	2.5%	+9	-0.1
45-54	155	5.1%	3.9%	160	5.1%	4.0%	-5	0.0
55-64	246	7.3%	5.9%	225	7.5%	6.0%	+21	-0.2
65-74	312	11.7%	9.4%	247	10.7%	8.7%	+65	+1.0
75-84	424	22.9%	20.9%	321	20.2%	20.7%	+103	+2.7
85+	407	49.0%	52.1%	276	41.3%	48.1%	+131	+7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,177</b>	<b>8.7%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>7.4%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>+468</b>	<b>+1.3</b>

Data basis: usual residence.