

Community report

Glen Eira (C)

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

AREA

Glen Eira (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Method of travel to work

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, working from home was the most common travel method among employed residents in Glen Eira (C), accounting for 39.7% (31,611 people). This share was higher than Greater Melbourne (28.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in working from home, which increased by 27,942 people and 34.4 percentage points.

About this topic

Method of travel to work shows how employed residents usually got to work on Census day, including private vehicle, public transport, active travel, and working from home. It provides a snapshot of commuting behaviour rather than the full transport system.

This topic supports transport and infrastructure planning and helps show how residents access employment. The 2021 results need caution because many parts of Australia were affected by COVID-19 lockdowns, which increased working from home and reduced some other travel modes.

Interpretation notes

- Method of travel to work captures the journey to work on Census day, not a person's usual weekly travel pattern.
- It applies only to employed people and is most useful with place of work or car ownership when considering transport access.
- The 2021 Census occurred during COVID-19 restrictions in many places, so work-from-home and some travel modes need caution in trend comparisons.

Method of travel to work

Glen Eira (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Train	3,958	5.0%	3.6%	13,160	18.9%	11.5%	-9,202	-13.9
Bus	540	0.7%	0.8%	902	1.3%	1.5%	-362	-0.6
Tram	384	0.5%	0.8%	1,056	1.5%	2.4%	-672	-1.0
Ferry	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	+3	0.0
Taxi/ride-share	154	0.2%	0.2%	131	0.2%	0.2%	+23	0.0
Car – as driver	29,198	36.7%	46.5%	38,436	55.2%	60.2%	-9,238	-18.5
Car – as passenger	1,781	2.2%	3.2%	2,045	2.9%	3.9%	-264	-0.7
Truck	164	0.2%	0.5%	215	0.3%	0.6%	-51	-0.1
Motorbike	217	0.3%	0.2%	279	0.4%	0.4%	-62	-0.1
Bicycle	586	0.7%	0.7%	1,024	1.5%	1.4%	-438	-0.8
Walked only	1,462	1.8%	2.0%	1,663	2.4%	3.0%	-201	-0.6
Other	607	0.8%	1.0%	784	1.1%	1.2%	-177	-0.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Mel
Worked at home	31,611	39.7%	28.8%	3,669	5.3%	
Did not go to work	8,681	10.9%	11.2%	5,789	8.3%	
Not stated	272	0.3%	0.4%	464	0.7%	
Total employed persons aged 15+	79,623	100.0%	100.0%	69,622	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.