

Community report

Inner West (A)

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

AREA

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COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

30 March 2026

Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Number of cars per household

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.
- Enumerated topics describe where people or dwellings were counted on Census night.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 1 motor vehicle was the most common car-ownership level among households in Inner West (A), accounting for 50.3% (38,693 households). This share was higher than Greater Sydney (38.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 1 motor vehicle, which increased by 4,778 households and 4.6 percentage points.

About this topic

Number of cars per household shows how many registered motor vehicles are available to people living in a household. It is a measure of access to private transport rather than total travel activity.

This topic is useful for understanding mobility, transport choice, and access to jobs and services. It should be read with public transport availability, household type, income, and travel to work, because high or low car ownership can reflect very different local conditions.

Interpretation notes

- This measures registered motor vehicles owned or used by residents that were garaged or parked at or near the dwelling on Census night.
- Vehicle counts are a household access measure, not a direct measure of how often people drive or commute.

Car ownership

Inner West (A) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
No motor vehicles	13,088	17.0%	10.8%	12,138	16.3%	10.7%	+950	+0.7
1 motor vehicle	38,693	50.3%	38.1%	33,915	45.7%	35.4%	+4,778	+4.6
2 motor vehicles	17,287	22.5%	31.0%	16,752	22.6%	31.1%	+535	-0.1
3 or more motor vehicles	4,706	6.1%	15.1%	4,309	5.8%	14.9%	+397	+0.3
Not stated	3,190	4.1%	5.1%	7,182	9.7%	8.0%	-3,992	-5.6
Total households	76,964	100.0%	100.0%	74,288	100.0%	100.0%	+2,676	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.