

# Community report

## Inverell

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

AREA

**Inverell**

COMPARISON

**Regional NSW**

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

Inverell | Regional NSW comparison | Persons

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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 Inverell, accounting for 16.9% (240 people). This share was lower than Regional NSW (18.9%).

## 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

Inverell – Persons (Usual residence)

| Category     | 2021         |             |                | 2016     |          |                | Change   |          |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------------|----------|----------|
|              | Count        | %           | Regional NSW % | Count    | %        | Regional NSW % | Count    | pp       |
| 0-4          | 11           | 1.1%        | 1.6%           | —        | —        | 1.3%           | —        | —        |
| 5-14         | 112          | 4.7%        | 5.2%           | —        | —        | 3.8%           | —        | —        |
| 15-19        | 51           | 4.6%        | 4.2%           | —        | —        | 3.2%           | —        | —        |
| 20-24        | 33           | 3.6%        | 3.4%           | —        | —        | 2.6%           | —        | —        |
| 25-34        | 53           | 2.7%        | 2.6%           | —        | —        | 2.4%           | —        | —        |
| 35-44        | 63           | 3.4%        | 2.8%           | —        | —        | 3.0%           | —        | —        |
| 45-54        | 96           | 4.4%        | 4.2%           | —        | —        | 4.4%           | —        | —        |
| 55-64        | 144          | 6.1%        | 6.0%           | —        | —        | 6.2%           | —        | —        |
| 65-74        | 229          | 10.6%       | 9.1%           | —        | —        | 8.7%           | —        | —        |
| 75-84        | 240          | 16.9%       | 18.9%          | —        | —        | 17.8%          | —        | —        |
| 85+          | 206          | 43.7%       | 46.5%          | —        | —        | 43.8%          | —        | —        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>1,245</b> | <b>7.0%</b> | <b>6.8%</b>    | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>6.3%</b>    | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> |

Data basis: usual residence.