

# Community report

## Karratha (C)

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

AREA

**Karratha (C)**

COMPARISON

**Regional WA**

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.

# Industry sector of employment

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, Mining was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Karratha (C), accounting for 25.3% (2,813 people). This share was higher than Regional WA (11.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Health Care And Social Assistance, which increased by 242 people and 2 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

Karratha (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	25	0.2%	9.0%	19	0.2%	9.1%	+6	0.0
Mining	2,813	25.3%	11.3%	2,850	26.6%	11.1%	-37	-1.3
Manufacturing	311	2.8%	5.2%	344	3.2%	5.3%	-33	-0.4
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	234	2.1%	1.4%	219	2.0%	1.3%	+15	+0.1
Construction	1,122	10.1%	8.5%	960	9.0%	9.2%	+162	+1.1
Wholesale Trade	177	1.6%	2.1%	196	1.8%	2.0%	-19	-0.2
Retail Trade	684	6.1%	8.3%	663	6.2%	8.7%	+21	-0.1
Accommodation And Food Services	621	5.6%	6.8%	582	5.4%	6.4%	+39	+0.2
Transport Postal And Warehousing	625	5.6%	4.6%	702	6.6%	4.7%	-77	-1.0
Information Media And Telecommunications	43	0.4%	0.4%	47	0.4%	0.5%	-4	0.0
Financial And Insurance Services	44	0.4%	0.9%	63	0.6%	1.1%	-19	-0.2

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	214	1.9%	1.2%	250	2.3%	1.2%
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	236	2.1%	3.0%	271	2.5%	3.0%
Administrative And Support Services	495	4.4%	2.9%	482	4.5%	2.9%
Public Administration And Safety	696	6.3%	5.7%	655	6.1%	5.7%
Education And Training	893	8.0%	8.6%	751	7.0%	8.6%
Health Care And Social Assistance	835	7.5%	11.4%	593	5.5%	11.4%
Arts And Recreation Services	95	0.9%	1.0%	73	0.7%	1.0%
Other Services	396	3.6%	3.7%	370	3.5%	3.7%
Inadequately Described Not Stated	556	5.0%	4.0%	601	5.6%	4.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,129</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10,701</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Data basis: usual residence.