

Community report

Kiama (A)

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

AREA

Kiama (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

31 March 2026

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, Health Care And Social Assistance was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Kiama (A), accounting for 15.5% (1,582 people). This share was lower than Regional NSW (16.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Health Care And Social Assistance, which increased by 220 people and 1.1 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

Kiama (A) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	195	1.9%	5.1%	180	1.9%	5.7%	+15	0.0
Mining	158	1.5%	2.4%	166	1.7%	2.4%	-8	-0.2
Manufacturing	507	5.0%	5.6%	446	4.7%	6.0%	+61	+0.3
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	104	1.0%	1.2%	98	1.0%	1.3%	+6	0.0
Construction	1,233	12.1%	9.4%	1,079	11.4%	8.7%	+154	+0.7
Wholesale Trade	158	1.5%	2.0%	140	1.5%	2.0%	+18	0.0
Retail Trade	706	6.9%	9.4%	767	8.1%	10.3%	-61	-1.2
Accommodation And Food Services	814	8.0%	7.5%	825	8.7%	7.9%	-11	-0.7
Transport Postal And Warehousing	289	2.8%	3.7%	342	3.6%	4.0%	-53	-0.8
Information Media And Telecommunications	108	1.1%	0.8%	74	0.8%	0.9%	+34	+0.3
Financial And Insurance Services	262	2.6%	1.9%	236	2.5%	2.0%	+26	+0.1

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	168	1.6%	1.3%	152	1.6%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	726	7.1%	4.9%	544	5.7%	
Administrative And Support Services	248	2.4%	3.2%	247	2.6%	
Public Administration And Safety	909	8.9%	7.2%	847	8.9%	
Education And Training	1,294	12.7%	9.2%	1,232	13.0%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	1,582	15.5%	16.3%	1,362	14.4%	1
Arts And Recreation Services	159	1.6%	1.2%	156	1.6%	
Other Services	296	2.9%	3.8%	293	3.1%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	300	2.9%	3.9%	305	3.2%	
Total	10,213	100.0%	100.0%	9,488	100.0%	10

Data basis: usual residence.