

# Community report

## Ku-ring-gai (A)

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

AREA

**Ku-ring-gai (A)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

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

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 85+ year olds was the most common age group among residents who needed assistance with core activities in Ku-ring-gai (A), accounting for 42.8% (1,773 people). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (48.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 75–84 year olds, which increased by 261 people and 1.2 percentage points.

## 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

Ku-ring-gai (A) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
0-4	40	0.7%	1.3%	53	0.9%	1.1%	-13	-0.2
5-14	346	1.9%	3.4%	287	1.6%	2.7%	+59	+0.3
15-19	153	1.7%	2.7%	126	1.4%	2.2%	+27	+0.3
20-24	103	1.5%	1.8%	84	1.3%	1.5%	+19	+0.2
25-34	145	1.6%	1.3%	105	1.1%	1.2%	+40	+0.5
35-44	106	0.6%	1.6%	102	0.7%	1.8%	+4	-0.1
45-54	169	0.9%	2.9%	198	1.1%	3.2%	-29	-0.2
55-64	270	1.8%	5.5%	252	1.9%	5.7%	+18	-0.1
65-74	545	4.7%	10.5%	405	3.9%	9.9%	+140	+0.8
75-84	1,187	14.6%	23.1%	926	13.4%	23.4%	+261	+1.2
85+	1,773	42.8%	48.7%	1,751	43.4%	50.4%	+22	-0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,834</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>4,294</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>+540</b>	<b>+0.3</b>

Data basis: usual residence.