

Community report

MacDonnell (R)

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

AREA

MacDonnell (R)

COMPARISON

Regional NT

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.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Public Administration And Safety was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in MacDonnell (R), accounting for 25.3% (292 people). This share was higher than Regional NT (17.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Other Services, which decreased by 96 people and 8.5 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

MacDonnell (R) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	104	9.0%	4.8%	69	6.0%	4.1%	+35	+3.0
Mining	4	0.3%	2.9%	4	0.3%	3.3%	0	0.0
Manufacturing	4	0.3%	1.5%	9	0.8%	1.3%	-5	-0.5
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	6	0.5%	1.0%	4	0.3%	1.1%	+2	+0.2
Construction	22	1.9%	6.3%	13	1.1%	5.7%	+9	+0.8
Wholesale Trade	0	0.0%	1.1%	0	0.0%	1.0%	0	0.0
Retail Trade	92	8.0%	7.1%	76	6.6%	7.0%	+16	+1.4
Accommodation And Food Services	70	6.1%	6.6%	90	7.9%	7.1%	-20	-1.8
Transport Postal And Warehousing	8	0.7%	3.0%	9	0.8%	3.5%	-1	-0.1
Information Media And Telecommunications	0	0.0%	0.6%	0	0.0%	0.8%	0	0.0
Financial And Insurance Services	3	0.3%	0.5%	0	0.0%	0.6%	+3	+0.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	%	Region
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	0	0.0%	0.7%	4	0.3%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	16	1.4%	3.3%	5	0.4%	
Administrative And Support Services	35	3.0%	2.6%	40	3.5%	
Public Administration And Safety	292	25.3%	17.2%	231	20.2%	1
Education And Training	159	13.8%	11.9%	168	14.7%	1
Health Care And Social Assistance	195	16.9%	18.0%	177	15.5%	1
Arts And Recreation Services	92	8.0%	3.1%	60	5.2%	
Other Services	27	2.3%	3.9%	123	10.8%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	30	2.6%	4.1%	57	5.0%	
Total	1,155	100.0%	100.0%	1,144	100.0%	10

Data basis: usual residence.