

Community report

MacDonnell (R)

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

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COMPARISON

Regional NT

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Highest level of schooling

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.

Highest level of schooling

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Year 10 or Equivalent was the most common schooling level among residents aged 15 and over in MacDonnell (R), accounting for 25.1% (1,114 people). This share was higher than Regional NT (19.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Year 10 or Equivalent, which increased by 535 people and 13 percentage points.

About this topic

Highest level of schooling shows the highest year of primary or secondary school completed by people aged 15 years and over. It describes school attainment rather than post-school qualifications.

This topic helps indicate educational attainment and can support analysis of access to employment, training, and services. It is best read with qualifications and other socio-economic indicators, because school completion alone does not show a person's full skill profile.

Interpretation notes

- This records the highest year of primary or secondary school completed by people aged 15 years and over.

- It is not a measure of post-school qualifications, so it should be read with non-school qualifications for full attainment.

Highest level of secondary schooling completed

MacDonnell (R) – Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	pp
Year 8 Or Below	1,006	22.7%	8.5%	866	18.1%	10.5%	+140	+4.6
Year 9 Or Equivalent	576	13.0%	8.1%	502	10.5%	7.7%	+74	+2.5
Year 10 Or Equivalent	1,114	25.1%	19.8%	579	12.1%	18.5%	+535	+13.0
Year 11 Or Equivalent	389	8.8%	12.5%	310	6.5%	11.4%	+79	+2.3
Year 12 Or Equivalent	712	16.0%	36.8%	663	13.8%	31.6%	+49	+2.2
Did Not Go To School	158	3.6%	2.1%	184	3.8%	2.3%	-26	-0.2
Not Stated	484	10.9%	12.2%	1,692	35.3%	18.0%	-1,208	-24.4
Total	4,439	100.0%	100.0%	4,796	100.0%	100.0%	-357	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.