

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 Housing tenure

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.
- Enumerated topics describe where people or dwellings were counted on Census night.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 19.8% of households in MacDonnell (R) were purchasing or had fully paid off their home, while 50.7% were renting. The mortgage share was lower than Regional NT (14.8%).

About this topic

Housing tenure shows whether households own their dwelling outright, are purchasing it, rent privately, rent from a social landlord, or occupy it under another arrangement. It describes how households hold or access housing, not the type of dwelling itself.

This topic is useful for analysing housing markets, affordability, stability, and the mix of owners and renters. It works best alongside dwelling type, household composition, and housing cost topics such as mortgage repayments and rent.

Interpretation notes

- Tenure type describes how the dwelling is occupied, including ownership, mortgage, rental, or other arrangements.

- It applies to occupied private dwellings and should not be confused with dwelling structure or housing cost measures.

Housing tenure

MacDonnell (R) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	pp
Fully owned	328	18.7%	18.4%	170	10.7%	16.3%	+158	+8.0
Mortgage	19	1.1%	14.8%	14	0.9%	14.7%	+5	+0.2
Renting – Total	889	50.7%	45.6%	898	56.4%	49.7%	-9	-5.7
Renting – Social housing	675	38.5%	21.4%	664	41.7%	22.1%	+11	-3.2
Renting – Private	201	11.5%	23.8%	196	12.3%	25.3%	+5	-0.8
Renting – Not stated	22	1.3%	0.4%	41	2.6%	2.3%	-19	-1.3
Other tenure type	323	18.4%	9.0%	57	3.6%	2.0%	+266	+14.8
Not stated	185	10.6%	12.1%	457	28.7%	17.3%	-272	-18.1
Total households	1,752	100.0%	100.0%	1,593	100.0%	100.0%	+159	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.