

Community report

Mareeba (S)

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

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COMPARISON

Regional Qld

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, Agriculture Forestry And Fishing was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Mareeba (S), accounting for 16.9% (1,534 people). This share was higher than Regional Qld (4.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Health Care And Social Assistance, which increased by 219 people and 1.4 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

Mareeba (S) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	1,534	16.9%	4.3%	1,398	16.9%	4.7%	+136	0.0
Mining	295	3.2%	3.5%	229	2.8%	3.5%	+66	+0.4
Manufacturing	398	4.4%	5.4%	385	4.6%	5.5%	+13	-0.2
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	116	1.3%	1.2%	95	1.1%	1.1%	+21	+0.2
Construction	700	7.7%	9.6%	615	7.4%	9.3%	+85	+0.3
Wholesale Trade	174	1.9%	2.1%	170	2.1%	2.3%	+4	-0.2
Retail Trade	740	8.1%	9.6%	750	9.1%	10.3%	-10	-1.0
Accommodation And Food Services	516	5.7%	8.0%	514	6.2%	8.2%	+2	-0.5
Transport Postal And Warehousing	364	4.0%	4.1%	376	4.5%	4.5%	-12	-0.5
Information Media And Telecommunications	33	0.4%	0.8%	46	0.6%	1.0%	-13	-0.2
Financial And Insurance Services	67	0.7%	1.8%	85	1.0%	1.9%	-18	-0.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	84	0.9%	1.7%	97	1.2%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	295	3.2%	4.8%	249	3.0%	
Administrative And Support Services	309	3.4%	3.3%	276	3.3%	
Public Administration And Safety	666	7.3%	5.6%	616	7.4%	
Education And Training	750	8.3%	8.7%	665	8.0%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	1,156	12.7%	15.4%	937	11.3%	
Arts And Recreation Services	103	1.1%	1.6%	124	1.5%	
Other Services	346	3.8%	4.1%	298	3.6%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	439	4.8%	4.4%	366	4.4%	
Total	9,088	100.0%	100.0%	8,284	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.