

# Community report

## Maroondah (C)

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

AREA

**Maroondah (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Melbourne**

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 Maroondah (C), accounting for 48.9% (1,410 people). This share was lower than Greater Melbourne (54%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 65–74 year olds, which increased by 290 people and 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

Maroondah (C) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
0-4	97	1.4%	1.3%	97	1.3%	1.1%	0	+0.1
5-14	788	5.6%	3.9%	528	4.0%	3.0%	+260	+1.6
15-19	249	3.8%	3.1%	204	3.1%	2.2%	+45	+0.7
20-24	201	3.1%	2.0%	136	2.1%	1.5%	+65	+1.0
25-34	357	2.4%	1.5%	269	1.8%	1.2%	+88	+0.6
35-44	376	2.2%	1.8%	301	1.9%	1.9%	+75	+0.3
45-54	506	3.3%	3.2%	451	3.0%	3.2%	+55	+0.3
55-64	682	5.0%	5.6%	597	4.7%	5.5%	+85	+0.3
65-74	922	8.6%	10.5%	632	6.6%	9.5%	+290	+2.0
75-84	1,261	19.2%	24.7%	1,005	18.6%	23.2%	+256	+0.6
85+	1,410	48.9%	54.0%	1,266	47.8%	49.0%	+144	+1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,847</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>5,482</b>	<b>5.0%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>+1,365</b>	<b>+1.0</b>

Data basis: usual residence.