

# Community report

## Merredin (S)

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

AREA

**Merredin (S)**

COMPARISON

**Regional WA**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Household size

### 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.

# Household size

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 2 persons was the most common household size among households in Merredin (S), accounting for 37% (426 households). This share was higher than Regional WA (36.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 6 or more persons, which decreased by 23 households and 1.8 percentage points.

## About this topic

Household size shows how many people live in each household. It is a basic but important measure of family life, dwelling use, and the way people share housing.

This topic helps indicate demand for different dwelling sizes and can reflect life-cycle patterns, cultural norms, and affordability pressures. It is best read with household type, age structure, and dwelling type, because changes in household size can happen for very different reasons.

## Interpretation notes

- This counts the number of people usually resident in the dwelling, so it describes shared living arrangements rather than dwelling size.

- Household size should be read with bedrooms or dwelling structure before drawing conclusions about crowding or housing suitability.

## Household size

Merredin (S) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
1 person	359	31.2%	27.4%	354	29.2%	25.6%	+5	+2.0
2 persons	426	37.0%	36.1%	443	36.5%	36.1%	-17	+0.5
3 persons	142	12.3%	13.7%	160	13.2%	14.2%	-18	-0.9
4 persons	119	10.3%	13.4%	136	11.2%	14.2%	-17	-0.9
5 persons	65	5.6%	6.2%	82	6.8%	6.5%	-17	-1.2
6 or more persons	25	2.2%	3.2%	48	4.0%	3.4%	-23	-1.8
<b>Total classifiable households</b>	<b>1,151</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,213</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-62</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Data basis: enumerated.