

Community report

Mid-Western Regional (A)

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

AREA

Mid-Western Regional (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Unpaid domestic work

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, doing unpaid domestic work was the most common response among residents aged 15 and over in Mid-Western Regional (A), accounting for 68.6% (14,130 people). This share was similar to Regional NSW (68.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in doing unpaid domestic work, which increased by 1,138 people and 0.8 percentage points.

About this topic

Unpaid domestic work measures how much time people aged 15 years and over spent doing housework for their household in the week before the Census. It helps show the distribution of unpaid labour that supports home and family life.

This topic is useful for understanding household roles, time pressures, and gender or life-stage differences in unpaid work. It is best read with household type, employment, and income, because the amount of unpaid domestic work can be shaped by family structure and the ability to outsource tasks.

Interpretation notes

- The hours refer to unpaid domestic work done for the person's household in the week before the Census.

- This topic does not measure childcare, disability care, or other unpaid help unless it falls within domestic work for the household.

Unpaid domestic work

Mid-Western Regional (A) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Did Unpaid Domestic Work	14,130	68.6%	68.6%	12,992	67.8%	69.2%	+1,138	+0.8
Less Than 5 Hours	3,586	17.4%	18.5%	3,327	17.4%	19.6%	+259	0.0
Between 5 And 14 Hours	5,491	26.7%	27.3%	4,790	25.0%	26.1%	+701	+1.7
Between 15 And 29 Hours	2,772	13.5%	13.3%	2,542	13.3%	13.0%	+230	+0.2
30 Hours Or More	2,281	11.1%	9.5%	2,333	12.2%	10.5%	-52	-1.1
Did No Unpaid Domestic Work	4,728	23.0%	23.9%	3,644	19.0%	20.5%	+1,084	+4.0
Not Stated	1,732	8.4%	7.5%	2,544	13.3%	10.2%	-812	-4.9
Total	20,595	100.0%	100.0%	19,175	100.0%	100.0%	+1,420	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.