

# Community report

## Mount Isa (C)

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

AREA

**Mount Isa (C)**

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.

# Industry sector of employment

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, Mining was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Mount Isa (C), accounting for 30.2% (2,829 people). This share was higher than Regional Qld (3.5%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Health Care And Social Assistance, which increased by 161 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

Mount Isa (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	123	1.3%	4.3%	130	1.4%	4.7%	-7	-0.1
Mining	2,829	30.2%	3.5%	2,783	30.6%	3.5%	+46	-0.4
Manufacturing	274	2.9%	5.4%	259	2.8%	5.5%	+15	+0.1
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	88	0.9%	1.2%	97	1.1%	1.1%	-9	-0.2
Construction	396	4.2%	9.6%	392	4.3%	9.3%	+4	-0.1
Wholesale Trade	185	2.0%	2.1%	179	2.0%	2.3%	+6	0.0
Retail Trade	692	7.4%	9.6%	729	8.0%	10.3%	-37	-0.6
Accommodation And Food Services	566	6.0%	8.0%	476	5.2%	8.2%	+90	+0.8
Transport Postal And Warehousing	305	3.3%	4.1%	333	3.7%	4.5%	-28	-0.4
Information Media And Telecommunications	37	0.4%	0.8%	56	0.6%	1.0%	-19	-0.2
Financial And Insurance Services	48	0.5%	1.8%	67	0.7%	1.9%	-19	-0.2

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	103	1.1%	1.7%	114	1.3%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	150	1.6%	4.8%	155	1.7%	
Administrative And Support Services	256	2.7%	3.3%	293	3.2%	
Public Administration And Safety	625	6.7%	5.6%	557	6.1%	
Education And Training	786	8.4%	8.7%	754	8.3%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	1,169	12.5%	15.4%	1,008	11.1%	
Arts And Recreation Services	35	0.4%	1.6%	47	0.5%	
Other Services	375	4.0%	4.1%	354	3.9%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	327	3.5%	4.4%	321	3.5%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,378</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>9,108</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Data basis: usual residence.