

Community report

Narrabri (A)

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

AREA

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COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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, Agriculture Forestry And Fishing was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Narrabri (A), accounting for 18.4% (1,062 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (5.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Mining, which increased by 151 people and 2.5 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

Narrabri (A) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	1,062	18.4%	5.1%	1,107	19.6%	5.7%	-45	-1.2
Mining	464	8.0%	2.4%	313	5.5%	2.4%	+151	+2.5
Manufacturing	123	2.1%	5.6%	173	3.1%	6.0%	-50	-1.0
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	71	1.2%	1.2%	72	1.3%	1.3%	-1	-0.1
Construction	361	6.2%	9.4%	333	5.9%	8.7%	+28	+0.3
Wholesale Trade	122	2.1%	2.0%	143	2.5%	2.0%	-21	-0.4
Retail Trade	451	7.8%	9.4%	508	9.0%	10.3%	-57	-1.2
Accommodation And Food Services	329	5.7%	7.5%	352	6.2%	7.9%	-23	-0.5
Transport Postal And Warehousing	265	4.6%	3.7%	266	4.7%	4.0%	-1	-0.1
Information Media And Telecommunications	33	0.6%	0.8%	35	0.6%	0.9%	-2	0.0
Financial And Insurance Services	61	1.1%	1.9%	61	1.1%	2.0%	0	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	54	0.9%	1.3%	46	0.8%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	224	3.9%	4.9%	260	4.6%	
Administrative And Support Services	197	3.4%	3.2%	184	3.3%	
Public Administration And Safety	325	5.6%	7.2%	282	5.0%	
Education And Training	443	7.7%	9.2%	393	6.9%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	641	11.1%	16.3%	571	10.1%	
Arts And Recreation Services	45	0.8%	1.2%	31	0.5%	
Other Services	235	4.1%	3.8%	262	4.6%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	275	4.8%	3.9%	273	4.8%	
Total	5,782	100.0%	100.0%	5,657	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.