

Community report

Northern Beaches (A)

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

AREA

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COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Number of bedrooms per dwelling

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.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 3-bedroom dwellings was the most common bedroom count among occupied private dwellings in Northern Beaches (A), accounting for 26.4% (25,719 dwellings). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (29.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 5 bedrooms or more, which increased by 2,209 dwellings and 1.7 percentage points.

About this topic

Number of bedrooms per dwelling records the bedroom count of occupied private dwellings. It is a simple but useful indicator of dwelling size and housing capacity.

This topic is most informative when read with dwelling type, household size, and household type. Together, these measures can help identify whether housing stock is suited to local household needs and can signal issues such as crowding or affordability pressure.

Interpretation notes

- The count refers to bedrooms in occupied private dwellings, not the total number of rooms.

- Bedroom count can suggest dwelling capacity, but it should be read with household size before drawing conclusions about crowding.

Number of bedrooms per dwelling

Northern Beaches (A) - Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
0 or 1 bedrooms	9,428	9.7%	8.7%	8,202	8.9%	7.8%	+1,226	+0.8
2 bedrooms	24,515	25.2%	24.8%	22,731	24.6%	23.7%	+1,784	+0.6
3 bedrooms	25,719	26.4%	29.7%	25,555	27.7%	32.1%	+164	-1.3
4 bedrooms	23,219	23.8%	23.1%	21,117	22.9%	22.0%	+2,102	+0.9
5 bedrooms or more	11,330	11.6%	8.7%	9,121	9.9%	7.3%	+2,209	+1.7
Not stated	3,153	3.2%	4.9%	5,669	6.1%	7.1%	-2,516	-2.9
Total households	97,369	100.0%	100.0%	92,390	100.0%	100.0%	+4,979	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.