

Community report

Onkaparinga (C)

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

AREA

Onkaparinga (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Adelaide

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

30 March 2026

Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Occupation 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.

Occupation of employment

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Professionals was the most common occupation group among employed residents in Onkaparinga (C), accounting for 17.5% (14,384 people). This share was lower than Greater Adelaide (23.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Professionals, which increased by 2,412 people and 1.5 percentage points.

About this topic

Occupation of employment classifies employed residents by the kind of work they do in their main job. It describes the roles, skills, and tasks people perform rather than the industry they work in.

This topic is useful for understanding the skill profile and socio-economic characteristics of the resident workforce. It is best interpreted with qualifications, individual income, and industry sector of employment.

Interpretation notes

- Occupation classifies the kind of work done in a person's main job, not the employer's industry.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over, so it should be read with employment status when assessing labour market conditions.

Occupation of employment

Onkaparinga (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Total Occupation Managers	8,807	10.7%	12.1%	7,439	9.9%	11.5%	+1,368	+0.8
Total Occupation Professionals	14,384	17.5%	23.6%	11,972	16.0%	22.3%	+2,412	+1.5
Total Occupation Technicians And Trades Workers	13,412	16.3%	12.9%	12,529	16.7%	13.2%	+883	-0.4
Total Occupation Community And Personal Service Workers	12,138	14.8%	13.2%	10,262	13.7%	12.3%	+1,876	+1.1
Total Occupation Clerical And Administrative Workers	11,218	13.6%	13.2%	10,896	14.5%	14.1%	+322	-0.9
Total Occupation Sales Workers	7,781	9.5%	8.5%	8,247	11.0%	9.8%	-466	-1.5
Total Occupation Machinery Operators And Drivers	4,623	5.6%	5.5%	4,398	5.9%	5.5%	+225	-0.3
Total Occupation Labourers	8,476	10.3%	9.3%	8,091	10.8%	9.8%	+385	-0.5
Total Occupation Inadequately Described Not Stated	1,391	1.7%	1.7%	1,073	1.4%	1.5%	+318	+0.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Total	82,233	100.0%	100.0%	74,900	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.