

# Community report

## Perth (C)

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

AREA

**Perth (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Perth**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

**30 March 2026**

### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

#### 01 Qualifications

### 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.

# Qualifications

Perth (C) | Greater Perth comparison | Persons

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, bachelor degree or higher was the most common qualification level among residents aged 15 and over in Perth (C), accounting for 46.7% (12,373 people). This share was higher than Greater Perth (26.5%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in bachelor degree or higher, which increased by 4,251 people and 7.4 percentage points.

## About this topic

Qualifications records the highest non-school qualification completed by people aged 15 years and over. It describes post-school educational attainment such as certificates, diplomas, and university degrees.

This topic is a key indicator of skill level and socio-economic opportunity within an area. It is most useful when read with employment status, occupation, and income, which show how qualifications relate to labour market outcomes.

## Interpretation notes

– This topic uses highest completed non-school qualification, so incomplete study and current enrolment do not count as attained qualifications.

– It applies to people aged 15 years and over and should be read with schooling for the full education profile.

## Highest qualification achieved

Perth (C) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

| Category                    | 2021          |               |                 | 2016          |               |                 | Change        |            |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
|                             | Count         | %             | Greater Perth % | Count         | %             | Greater Perth % | Count         | pp         |
| Bachelor Or Higher Degree   | 12,373        | 46.7%         | 26.5%           | 8,122         | 39.3%         | 22.9%           | +4,251        | +7.4       |
| Advanced Diploma Or Diploma | 2,384         | 9.0%          | 9.8%            | 1,830         | 8.9%          | 9.3%            | +554          | +0.1       |
| Vocational                  | 2,673         | 10.1%         | 20.3%           | 1,875         | 9.1%          | 19.4%           | +798          | +1.0       |
| No Qualification            | 5,827         | 22.0%         | 35.6%           | 4,938         | 23.9%         | 38.1%           | +889          | -1.9       |
| Not Stated                  | 3,215         | 12.1%         | 7.9%            | 3,891         | 18.8%         | 10.2%           | -676          | -6.7       |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>26,472</b> | <b>100.0%</b> | <b>100.0%</b>   | <b>20,656</b> | <b>100.0%</b> | <b>100.0%</b>   | <b>+5,816</b> | <b>0.0</b> |

Data basis: usual residence.