

Community report

Port Hedland (T)

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

AREA

Port Hedland (T)

COMPARISON

Regional WA

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

3 April 2026

Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Housing tenure

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, 21.5% of households in Port Hedland (T) were purchasing or had fully paid off their home, while 55.5% were renting. The mortgage share was lower than Regional WA (27.3%).

About this topic

Housing tenure shows whether households own their dwelling outright, are purchasing it, rent privately, rent from a social landlord, or occupy it under another arrangement. It describes how households hold or access housing, not the type of dwelling itself.

This topic is useful for analysing housing markets, affordability, stability, and the mix of owners and renters. It works best alongside dwelling type, household composition, and housing cost topics such as mortgage repayments and rent.

Interpretation notes

- Tenure type describes how the dwelling is occupied, including ownership, mortgage, rental, or other arrangements.

- It applies to occupied private dwellings and should not be confused with dwelling structure or housing cost measures.

Housing tenure

Port Hedland (T) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Fully owned	521	8.1%	31.0%	376	6.9%	29.4%	+145	+1.2
Mortgage	860	13.4%	27.3%	437	8.0%	27.0%	+423	+5.4
Renting – Total	3,561	55.5%	28.1%	3,546	64.7%	31.4%	+15	-9.2
Renting – Social housing	687	10.7%	5.9%	575	10.5%	6.4%	+112	+0.2
Renting – Private	2,851	44.4%	21.9%	2,895	52.8%	23.9%	-44	-8.4
Renting – Not stated	15	0.2%	0.2%	81	1.5%	1.1%	-66	-1.3
Other tenure type	412	6.4%	3.9%	49	0.9%	1.1%	+363	+5.5
Not stated	1,062	16.5%	9.8%	1,073	19.6%	11.0%	-11	-3.1
Total households	6,418	100.0%	100.0%	5,481	100.0%	100.0%	+937	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.