

Community report

Queanbeyan-Palerang

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Regional (A)

AREA

Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional (A)

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, Public Administration And Safety was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Queanbeyan–Palerang Regional (A), accounting for 26.2% (9,114 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (7.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Public Administration And Safety, which increased by 1,633 people and 0.7 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

Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional (A) - Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	553	1.6%	5.1%	496	1.7%	5.7%	+57	-0.1
Mining	101	0.3%	2.4%	73	0.2%	2.4%	+28	+0.1
Manufacturing	1,180	3.4%	5.6%	1,066	3.6%	6.0%	+114	-0.2
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	350	1.0%	1.2%	311	1.1%	1.3%	+39	-0.1
Construction	4,024	11.6%	9.4%	2,961	10.1%	8.7%	+1,063	+1.5
Wholesale Trade	508	1.5%	2.0%	483	1.6%	2.0%	+25	-0.1
Retail Trade	2,451	7.0%	9.4%	2,376	8.1%	10.3%	+75	-1.1
Accommodation And Food Services	1,751	5.0%	7.5%	1,563	5.3%	7.9%	+188	-0.3
Transport Postal And Warehousing	1,030	3.0%	3.7%	1,011	3.4%	4.0%	+19	-0.4
Information Media And Telecommunications	381	1.1%	0.8%	416	1.4%	0.9%	-35	-0.3
Financial And Insurance Services	376	1.1%	1.9%	373	1.3%	2.0%	+3	-0.2

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	483	1.4%	1.3%	443	1.5%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	2,730	7.8%	4.9%	1,981	6.7%	
Administrative And Support Services	925	2.7%	3.2%	829	2.8%	
Public Administration And Safety	9,114	26.2%	7.2%	7,481	25.5%	
Education And Training	2,538	7.3%	9.2%	2,111	7.2%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	3,371	9.7%	16.3%	2,814	9.6%	
Arts And Recreation Services	491	1.4%	1.2%	422	1.4%	
Other Services	1,207	3.5%	3.8%	1,071	3.6%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	1,224	3.5%	3.9%	1,121	3.8%	
Total	34,789	100.0%	100.0%	29,389	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.