

# Community report

## Roper Gulf (R)

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

AREA

**Roper Gulf (R)**

COMPARISON

**Regional NT**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Need for assistance

### 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.

# Need for assistance

Roper Gulf (R) | Regional NT comparison | Persons

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 55–64 year olds was the most common age group among residents who needed assistance with core activities in Roper Gulf (R), accounting for 7.7% (43 people). This share was higher than Regional NT (6.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 25–34 year olds, which decreased by 12 people and 1.1 percentage points.

## About this topic

Need for assistance measures people who report needing help with self-care, body movement, or communication because of a disability, a long-term health condition, or older age. It is a high-needs indicator rather than a general measure of disability.

This topic is useful for planning accessible facilities, care services, respite, and support for carers. The measure is based on self-report in the Census, so it should be interpreted with care and read alongside unpaid care and other disability-related indicators.

## Interpretation notes

- The measure is self-reported and records need for help with core activities, so it is not a complete measure of disability prevalence.
- It applies to all persons and is strongest as an indicator of higher support need when read with unpaid care and ageing data.

## Need for assistance with core activities by age

Roper Gulf (R) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	%	Regional NT %	Count	pp
0-4	3	0.7%	0.8%	0	0.0%	0.6%	+3	+0.7
5-14	16	1.5%	2.0%	9	0.7%	1.4%	+7	+0.8
15-19	9	1.6%	1.4%	3	0.5%	1.5%	+6	+1.1
20-24	7	1.0%	1.5%	3	0.6%	1.0%	+4	+0.4
25-34	5	0.4%	0.9%	17	1.5%	1.1%	-12	-1.1
35-44	17	1.9%	1.8%	14	1.8%	1.8%	+3	+0.1
45-54	36	4.8%	3.8%	25	3.4%	4.0%	+11	+1.4
55-64	43	7.7%	6.3%	35	6.9%	6.1%	+8	+0.8
65-74	38	12.5%	12.7%	34	13.7%	14.0%	+4	-1.2
75-84	29	34.9%	26.5%	18	26.9%	26.4%	+11	+8.0
85+	3	25.0%	55.2%	3	50.0%	49.0%	0	-25.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>+36</b>	<b>+0.6</b>

Data basis: usual residence.