

# Community report

## Stonnington (C)

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

AREA

**Stonnington (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Melbourne**

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

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 85+ year olds was the most common age group among residents who needed assistance with core activities in Stonnington (C), accounting for 47.8% (1,313 people). This share was lower than Greater Melbourne (54%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 85+ year olds, which increased by 232 people and 4.1 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

Stonnington (C) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
0-4	29	0.7%	1.3%	34	0.8%	1.1%	-5	-0.1
5-14	154	1.9%	3.9%	133	1.6%	3.0%	+21	+0.3
15-19	88	1.9%	3.1%	57	1.2%	2.2%	+31	+0.7
20-24	77	0.9%	2.0%	52	0.5%	1.5%	+25	+0.4
25-34	162	0.7%	1.5%	118	0.5%	1.2%	+44	+0.2
35-44	168	1.1%	1.8%	145	1.0%	1.9%	+23	+0.1
45-54	237	1.9%	3.2%	209	1.7%	3.2%	+28	+0.2
55-64	284	2.7%	5.6%	275	2.8%	5.5%	+9	-0.1
65-74	434	4.8%	10.5%	415	5.1%	9.5%	+19	-0.3
75-84	1,057	17.4%	24.7%	935	18.2%	23.2%	+122	-0.8
85+	1,313	47.8%	54.0%	1,081	43.7%	49.0%	+232	+4.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,014</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>3,463</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>+551</b>	<b>+0.5</b>

Data basis: usual residence.