

Community report

Surf Coast (S)

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

AREA

Surf Coast (S)

COMPARISON

Regional Vic.

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Household income

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.

Household income

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Key takeaway

In 2021, \$2,000 to \$2,499 was the most common household-income band among households in Surf Coast (S), accounting for 10.8% (1,502 households). This share was higher than Regional Vic. (10.4%).

About this topic

Household income shows the combined gross income reported for households. Because households are the common economic unit for sharing housing and living costs, this topic is widely used in socio-economic analysis.

This topic helps indicate economic resources, but income is not the same as wealth and can be strongly affected by household composition, retirement, and labour force participation. The dollar ranges are shown for the latest Census year only, so household income quartiles are more suitable for comparisons over time.

Interpretation notes

- Total household income combines gross weekly income reported for the household and is affected by how many people contribute income.
- Because it is not adjusted for household size or composition, it should not be treated as a direct measure of living standards.

Weekly household income

Surf Coast (S) - Total households (Enumerated)

Category	2021 count	2021 %	Regional Vic. %
Negative Nil Income	183	1.3%	1.7%
1 To 149	104	0.7%	0.7%
150 To 299	145	1.0%	1.4%
300 To 399	192	1.4%	2.7%
400 To 499	548	3.9%	7.5%
500 To 649	465	3.3%	5.3%
650 To 799	661	4.7%	7.4%
800 To 999	709	5.1%	7.4%
1000 To 1249	848	6.1%	7.9%
1250 To 1499	883	6.3%	7.7%
1500 To 1749	693	5.0%	5.6%
1750 To 1999	714	5.1%	5.5%
2000 To 2499	1,502	10.8%	10.4%
2500 To 2999	1,082	7.8%	6.5%
3000 To 3499	1,079	7.7%	5.0%
3500 To 3999	721	5.2%	2.8%
4000 To 4499	375	2.7%	1.5%
4500 To 4999	815	5.9%	2.5%
5000 To 5999	505	3.6%	1.5%
6000 To 7999	481	3.5%	1.1%
8000 Or More	222	1.6%	0.5%
Not stated	998	7.2%	7.4%

Category	2021 count	2021 %	Regional Vic. %
Total	13,925	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: enumerated.