

# Community report

## The Coorong (DC)

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

AREA

**The Coorong (DC)**

COMPARISON

**Regional SA**

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, 75–84 year olds was the most common age group among residents who needed assistance with core activities in The Coorong (DC), accounting for 17.3% (84 people). This share was similar to Regional SA (17.5%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 75–84 year olds, which increased by 28 people and 1.7 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

The Coorong (DC) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	pp
0-4	6	2.4%	1.6%	0	0.0%	1.3%	+6	+2.4
5-14	20	3.1%	5.2%	14	2.2%	3.9%	+6	+0.9
15-19	7	2.6%	4.3%	11	3.7%	3.3%	-4	-1.1
20-24	7	2.9%	3.5%	10	4.2%	2.9%	-3	-1.3
25-34	13	2.2%	2.7%	11	2.2%	2.3%	+2	0.0
35-44	16	2.9%	2.8%	17	3.0%	3.1%	-1	-0.1
45-54	27	4.2%	4.3%	46	6.1%	4.4%	-19	-1.9
55-64	59	6.4%	6.2%	54	6.5%	6.0%	+5	-0.1
65-74	70	9.4%	8.7%	65	8.6%	8.5%	+5	+0.8
75-84	84	17.3%	17.5%	56	15.6%	16.4%	+28	+1.7
85+	54	38.0%	45.5%	48	42.9%	41.7%	+6	-4.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>7.0%</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>	<b>+32</b>	<b>+0.5</b>

Data basis: usual residence.