

# Community report

## Toowoomba (R)

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

AREA

**Toowoomba (R)**

COMPARISON

**Regional Qld**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Household size

### 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 size

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 2 persons was the most common household size among households in Toowoomba (R), accounting for 36.2% (23,410 households). This share was lower than Regional Qld (36.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 1 person, which increased by 2,423 households and 1.1 percentage points.

## About this topic

Household size shows how many people live in each household. It is a basic but important measure of family life, dwelling use, and the way people share housing.

This topic helps indicate demand for different dwelling sizes and can reflect life-cycle patterns, cultural norms, and affordability pressures. It is best read with household type, age structure, and dwelling type, because changes in household size can happen for very different reasons.

## Interpretation notes

- This counts the number of people usually resident in the dwelling, so it describes shared living arrangements rather than dwelling size.

- Household size should be read with bedrooms or dwelling structure before drawing conclusions about crowding or housing suitability.

## Household size

Toowoomba (R) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
1 person	17,717	27.4%	25.6%	15,294	26.3%	24.9%	+2,423	+1.1
2 persons	23,410	36.2%	36.9%	21,077	36.2%	36.8%	+2,333	0.0
3 persons	9,054	14.0%	14.9%	8,333	14.3%	15.2%	+721	-0.3
4 persons	8,166	12.6%	13.6%	7,687	13.2%	14.0%	+479	-0.6
5 persons	3,965	6.1%	5.8%	3,769	6.5%	6.0%	+196	-0.4
6 or more persons	2,335	3.6%	3.2%	2,040	3.5%	3.2%	+295	+0.1
<b>Total classifiable households</b>	<b>64,650</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>58,204</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>+6,446</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Data basis: enumerated.