

# Community report

## Upper Hunter Shire (A)

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

AREA

**Upper Hunter Shire (A)**

COMPARISON

**Regional NSW**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Occupation of employment

### 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.

# Occupation of employment

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, Technicians And Trades Workers was the most common occupation group among employed residents in Upper Hunter Shire (A), accounting for 17% (1,152 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (14.5%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Community And Personal Service Workers, which increased by 149 people and 1.6 percentage points.

## About this topic

Occupation of employment classifies employed residents by the kind of work they do in their main job. It describes the roles, skills, and tasks people perform rather than the industry they work in.

This topic is useful for understanding the skill profile and socio-economic characteristics of the resident workforce. It is best interpreted with qualifications, individual income, and industry sector of employment.

### Interpretation notes

- Occupation classifies the kind of work done in a person's main job, not the employer's industry.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over, so it should be read with employment status when assessing labour market conditions.

## Occupation of employment

Upper Hunter Shire (A) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Total Occupation Managers	1,037	15.3%	13.4%	1,030	16.4%	13.0%	+7	-1.1
Total Occupation Professionals	825	12.2%	19.2%	768	12.2%	18.1%	+57	0.0
Total Occupation Technicians And Trades Workers	1,152	17.0%	14.5%	1,060	16.8%	14.8%	+92	+0.2
Total Occupation Community And Personal Service Workers	631	9.3%	13.2%	482	7.7%	11.9%	+149	+1.6
Total Occupation Clerical And Administrative Workers	575	8.5%	11.7%	589	9.4%	12.4%	-14	-0.9
Total Occupation Sales Workers	403	5.9%	8.5%	447	7.1%	9.6%	-44	-1.2
Total Occupation Machinery Operators And Drivers	892	13.1%	6.9%	823	13.1%	7.1%	+69	0.0
Total Occupation Labourers	1,136	16.7%	10.9%	1,005	16.0%	11.4%	+131	+0.7
Total Occupation Inadequately Described Not Stated	122	1.8%	1.8%	90	1.4%	1.6%	+32	+0.4

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,784</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6,298</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Data basis: usual residence.