

Community report

Warrnambool (C)

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

AREA

Warrnambool (C)

COMPARISON

Regional Vic.

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Industry sector 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.

Industry sector of employment

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Health Care And Social Assistance was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in Warrnambool (C), accounting for 19.4% (3,357 people). This share was higher than Regional Vic. (16.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Health Care And Social Assistance, which increased by 780 people and 2.9 percentage points.

About this topic

Industry sector of employment shows the industry in which employed residents work, based on the main business activity of their employer. It describes the sectors residents are connected to through work, whether they work locally or commute elsewhere.

This topic helps explain the economic profile and skill base of a resident workforce. It is best read together with occupations, employment status, and travel to work, because it reflects resident employment rather than the number of jobs located in the area.

Interpretation notes

- Industry describes the main business activity of the employer in a person's main job, not the occupation they perform.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over and reflects resident workers, not the number of jobs located in the area.

Industry sector of employment

Warrnambool (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	507	2.9%	7.2%	460	2.9%	7.7%	+47	0.0
Mining	66	0.4%	0.7%	62	0.4%	0.7%	+4	0.0
Manufacturing	1,562	9.0%	7.4%	1,470	9.4%	8.1%	+92	-0.4
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	269	1.6%	1.4%	230	1.5%	1.5%	+39	+0.1
Construction	1,489	8.6%	10.0%	1,202	7.7%	8.8%	+287	+0.9
Wholesale Trade	369	2.1%	2.2%	513	3.3%	2.2%	-144	-1.2
Retail Trade	2,071	12.0%	9.5%	1,967	12.6%	10.6%	+104	-0.6
Accommodation And Food Services	1,367	7.9%	6.6%	1,365	8.7%	7.0%	+2	-0.8
Transport Postal And Warehousing	523	3.0%	3.8%	517	3.3%	3.9%	+6	-0.3
Information Media And Telecommunications	127	0.7%	0.8%	146	0.9%	1.0%	-19	-0.2
Financial And Insurance Services	277	1.6%	1.9%	282	1.8%	1.9%	-5	-0.2

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	182	1.1%	1.0%	187	1.2%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	711	4.1%	4.5%	610	3.9%	
Administrative And Support Services	461	2.7%	2.8%	424	2.7%	
Public Administration And Safety	929	5.4%	6.3%	784	5.0%	
Education And Training	1,619	9.4%	8.8%	1,449	9.3%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	3,357	19.4%	16.2%	2,577	16.5%	
Arts And Recreation Services	225	1.3%	1.5%	252	1.6%	
Other Services	623	3.6%	3.6%	563	3.6%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	560	3.2%	3.9%	545	3.5%	
Total	17,305	100.0%	100.0%	15,601	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.