

# Community report

## Waverley (A)

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

AREA

**Waverley (A)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

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, 85+ year olds was the most common age group among residents who needed assistance with core activities in Waverley (A), accounting for 40% (553 people). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (48.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 85+ year olds, which decreased by 132 people and 5.3 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

Waverley (A) – Persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
0-4	32	0.8%	1.3%	18	0.4%	1.1%	+14	+0.4
5-14	134	1.9%	3.4%	90	1.4%	2.7%	+44	+0.5
15-19	47	1.6%	2.7%	40	1.6%	2.2%	+7	0.0
20-24	32	1.0%	1.8%	26	0.7%	1.5%	+6	+0.3
25-34	72	0.4%	1.3%	46	0.3%	1.2%	+26	+0.1
35-44	79	0.7%	1.6%	84	0.7%	1.8%	-5	0.0
45-54	126	1.4%	2.9%	114	1.4%	3.2%	+12	0.0
55-64	143	2.3%	5.5%	153	2.7%	5.7%	-10	-0.4
65-74	250	5.4%	10.5%	244	5.6%	9.9%	+6	-0.2
75-84	499	17.5%	23.1%	488	18.7%	23.4%	+11	-1.2
85+	553	40.0%	48.7%	685	45.3%	50.4%	-132	-5.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,951</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>1,990</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>-0.2</b>

Data basis: usual residence.