

Community report

West Coast (M)

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

AREA

West Coast (M)

COMPARISON

Regional Tas.

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

31 March 2026

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, 1 person was the most common household size among households in West Coast (M), accounting for 42.6% (798 households). This share was higher than Regional Tas. (30.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in 1 person, which increased by 140 households and 5.3 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

West Coast (M) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	pp
1 person	798	42.6%	30.1%	658	37.3%	30.1%	+140	+5.3
2 persons	649	34.6%	37.9%	631	35.8%	37.6%	+18	-1.2
3 persons	182	9.7%	13.5%	216	12.3%	13.5%	-34	-2.6
4 persons	161	8.6%	11.5%	167	9.5%	11.9%	-6	-0.9
5 persons	60	3.2%	4.7%	66	3.7%	4.8%	-6	-0.5
6 or more persons	23	1.2%	2.4%	32	1.8%	2.2%	-9	-0.6
Total classifiable households	1,875	100.0%	100.0%	1,763	100.0%	100.0%	+112	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.