

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

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Housing tenure

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.

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 59.1% of households in West Coast (M) were purchasing or had fully paid off their home, while 25.5% were renting. The mortgage share was lower than Regional Tas. (30.4%).

About this topic

Housing tenure shows whether households own their dwelling outright, are purchasing it, rent privately, rent from a social landlord, or occupy it under another arrangement. It describes how households hold or access housing, not the type of dwelling itself.

This topic is useful for analysing housing markets, affordability, stability, and the mix of owners and renters. It works best alongside dwelling type, household composition, and housing cost topics such as mortgage repayments and rent.

Interpretation notes

- Tenure type describes how the dwelling is occupied, including ownership, mortgage, rental, or other arrangements.

- It applies to occupied private dwellings and should not be confused with dwelling structure or housing cost measures.

Housing tenure

West Coast (M) – Households (Enumerated)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	pp
Fully owned	870	39.2%	38.0%	764	38.4%	35.9%	+106	+0.8
Mortgage	442	19.9%	30.4%	430	21.6%	30.4%	+12	-1.7
Renting – Total	566	25.5%	23.9%	591	29.7%	25.3%	-25	-4.2
Renting – Social housing	30	1.4%	4.6%	34	1.7%	5.0%	-4	-0.3
Renting – Private	534	24.1%	19.1%	534	26.9%	19.6%	0	-2.8
Renting – Not stated	4	0.2%	0.2%	26	1.3%	0.8%	-22	-1.1
Other tenure type	94	4.2%	2.1%	13	0.7%	0.8%	+81	+3.5
Not stated	238	10.7%	5.6%	182	9.2%	7.5%	+56	+1.5
Total households	2,217	100.0%	100.0%	1,988	100.0%	100.0%	+229	0.0

Data basis: enumerated.