

# Community report

## West Wimmera (S)

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

AREA

**West Wimmera (S)**

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, Agriculture Forestry And Fishing was the most common industry of employment among employed residents in West Wimmera (S), accounting for 45.1% (846 people). This share was higher than Regional Vic. (7.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Agriculture Forestry And Fishing, which increased by 28 people and 1.1 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

West Wimmera (S) - Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	pp
Agriculture Forestry And Fishing	846	45.1%	7.2%	818	44.0%	7.7%	+28	+1.1
Mining	7	0.4%	0.7%	6	0.3%	0.7%	+1	+0.1
Manufacturing	45	2.4%	7.4%	55	3.0%	8.1%	-10	-0.6
Electricity Gas Water And Waste Services	9	0.5%	1.4%	4	0.2%	1.5%	+5	+0.3
Construction	74	3.9%	10.0%	67	3.6%	8.8%	+7	+0.3
Wholesale Trade	16	0.9%	2.2%	23	1.2%	2.2%	-7	-0.3
Retail Trade	111	5.9%	9.5%	98	5.3%	10.6%	+13	+0.6
Accommodation And Food Services	46	2.5%	6.6%	53	2.8%	7.0%	-7	-0.3
Transport Postal And Warehousing	63	3.4%	3.8%	61	3.3%	3.9%	+2	+0.1
Information Media And Telecommunications	10	0.5%	0.8%	7	0.4%	1.0%	+3	+0.1
Financial And Insurance Services	12	0.6%	1.9%	21	1.1%	1.9%	-9	-0.5

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Rental Hiring And Real Estate Services	3	0.2%	1.0%	7	0.4%	
Professional Scientific And Technical Services	38	2.0%	4.5%	31	1.7%	
Administrative And Support Services	39	2.1%	2.8%	26	1.4%	
Public Administration And Safety	114	6.1%	6.3%	104	5.6%	
Education And Training	138	7.4%	8.8%	136	7.3%	
Health Care And Social Assistance	226	12.0%	16.2%	230	12.4%	1
Arts And Recreation Services	10	0.5%	1.5%	16	0.9%	
Other Services	35	1.9%	3.6%	42	2.3%	
Inadequately Described Not Stated	58	3.1%	3.9%	61	3.3%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,877</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>10</b>

Data basis: usual residence.