

Community report

Whittlesea (C)

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

AREA

Whittlesea (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Occupation 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.

Occupation of employment

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Key takeaway

In 2021, Professionals was the most common occupation group among employed residents in Whittlesea (C), accounting for 18.7% (20,006 people). This share was lower than Greater Melbourne (26.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Professionals, which increased by 5,647 people and 2.5 percentage points.

About this topic

Occupation of employment classifies employed residents by the kind of work they do in their main job. It describes the roles, skills, and tasks people perform rather than the industry they work in.

This topic is useful for understanding the skill profile and socio-economic characteristics of the resident workforce. It is best interpreted with qualifications, individual income, and industry sector of employment.

Interpretation notes

- Occupation classifies the kind of work done in a person's main job, not the employer's industry.
- It applies to employed people aged 15 years and over, so it should be read with employment status when assessing labour market conditions.

Occupation of employment

Whittlesea (C) – Employed persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Total Occupation Managers	10,815	10.1%	13.8%	8,625	9.7%	13.2%	+2,190	+0.4
Total Occupation Professionals	20,006	18.7%	26.8%	14,359	16.2%	25.0%	+5,647	+2.5
Total Occupation Technicians And Trades Workers	15,735	14.7%	12.1%	13,626	15.4%	12.6%	+2,109	-0.7
Total Occupation Community And Personal Service Workers	13,364	12.5%	10.5%	10,081	11.4%	10.2%	+3,283	+1.1
Total Occupation Clerical And Administrative Workers	14,925	13.9%	12.9%	13,106	14.8%	13.9%	+1,819	-0.9
Total Occupation Sales Workers	9,997	9.3%	8.3%	9,794	11.1%	9.7%	+203	-1.8
Total Occupation Machinery Operators And Drivers	9,099	8.5%	5.8%	7,841	8.9%	5.6%	+1,258	-0.4
Total Occupation Labourers	10,760	10.1%	7.8%	9,506	10.7%	8.1%	+1,254	-0.6
Total Occupation Inadequately Described Not Stated	2,344	2.2%	2.0%	1,614	1.8%	1.7%	+730	+0.4

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Total	107,055	100.0%	100.0%	88,550	100.0%	100.0%

Data basis: usual residence.