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2021 Census Results
Kalgoorlie

Comparison year: 2016
Benchmark area: Western Australia



community profile

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Welcome to the Western Australia Parliamentary Library Electorate Profiles

This site provides Census data based on the electoral boundaries current in Western Australia for the March 2021 state election.

New information from the 2021 Census is being progressively rolled out across this site.

The ABS has released two batches of data from the Australian 2021 Census since June 2022. Most Census-based topics on this community profile include 2021 data. The remaining topics are being updated progressively. Look for the orange indicators in the menu to see which topics have been updated. [Read more about the Census.](#)

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The Western Australia Parliamentary Library Electorate Profiles provides demographic analysis for the State and smaller areas within it based on results from the 2021, 2016 and 2011 Censuses of Population and Housing. The profile is updated with population estimates when the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) releases new figures.

Population

2,749,864

ABS ERP 2021

Land area

2,531,514

square km

Population density

1.09

persons per square km



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Population highlights

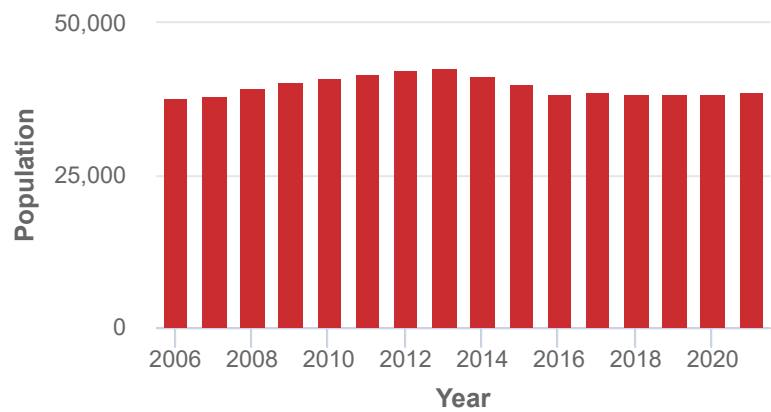
Population

38,729

ERP, 2021

▲ Grown by 228 from the previous year.

Estimated Resident Population Kalgoorlie



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0).
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2021 data with change from 2016 unless otherwise stated.

◀ No significant change since previous Census (less than +/-0.5%) ▲ Increased since previous Census
▼ Decreased since previous Census

Median age

35 ▲ (2)

Greater Perth	37 ▲
WA	38 ▲
Australia	38 ◀

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population

8.8% ◀ (0%)

Greater Perth	2.0% ◀
WA	3.3% ◀
Australia	3.2% ◀

Couples with children

26% ▼ (-3.4%)

Greater Perth	32% ◀
WA	30% ▼
Australia	30% ▼

Older couples without children

4% ▲ (0.8%)

Greater Perth	10% ▲
WA	10% ▲
Australia	10% ▲

Lone person households

24% ▲ (1.5%)

Greater Perth	24% ▲
WA	24% ▲
Australia	24% ▲

Medium and high density Housing

17% ◀▶ (0.1%)

Greater Perth	24% ▼
WA	21% ▼
Australia	28% ▲

Median weekly household income

\$2,310 ▲ (\$352)

Greater Perth	\$1,866 ▲
WA	\$1,834 ▲
Australia	\$1,740 ▲

Median weekly mortgage repayment

\$350 ▼ (\$-48)

Greater Perth	\$440 ▼
WA	\$425 ▼
Australia	\$432 ▲

Median weekly rent

\$300 ▲ (\$224)

Greater Perth	\$350 ▼
WA	\$340 ▼
Australia	\$380 ▲

Households renting

33% ▲ (33.2%)

Greater Perth	26% ▲
WA	26% ▲
Australia	30% ▲

Households with a mortgage

32% ▲ (32.3%)

Greater Perth	40% ▲
WA	38% ▲
Australia	33% ▲

Overseas born

22% ◀▶ (-0.3%)

Greater Perth	36% ◀▶
WA	32% ◀▶
Australia	28% ▲

Language at home other than English

12% ▲ (1%)

Greater Perth	21% ▲
WA	18% ▲
Australia	22% ▲

University attendance

2% ◀▶ (-0.4%)

Greater Perth	5% ◀▶
WA	4% ◀▶
Australia	5% ◀▶

University qualification

12% ▲ (1%)

Greater Perth	26% ▲
WA	24% ▲
Australia	26% ▲

Trade qualification (certificate)

25% ▲ (0.6%)

Greater Perth	20% ▲
WA	21% ▲
Australia	19% ◀▶

Unemployment rate

3.6% ▲ (2.5%)

Greater Perth	5.3% ▼
WA	5.1% ▼
Australia	5.1% ▼

Participation rate (population in labour force)

65% ▼ (-1%)

Greater Perth	65% ▲
WA	64% ▲
Australia	61% ▲

Worked at home

2% ▲ (0.6%)

Greater Perth	8% ▲
WA	8% ▲
Australia	21% ▲

SEIFA index of disadvantage 2016

989

Greater Perth	1026 ▲
WA	1015 ▲
Australia	1002 ▲

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About the profile areas

Important Statistics

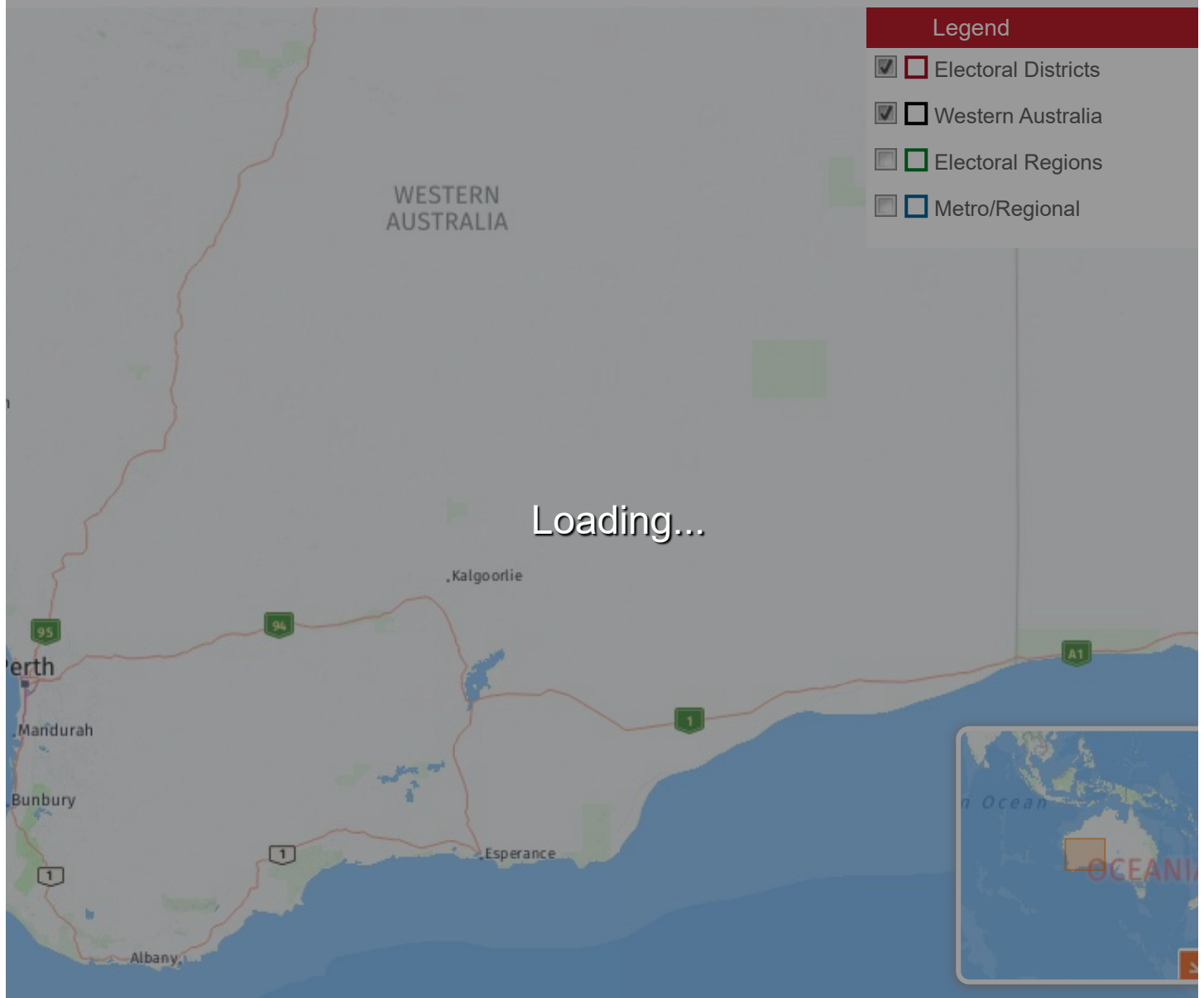
Population
38,729
2021 ABS ERP

Land area
555,549
square km

Population density
0.07
persons per square
km

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Population and dwellings

There are a number of different ways of measuring the population of an area, all of which give an insight into the size of the place and its rate of growth over different time periods. The Census counts people where they are on the night of the Census (enumerated population) and also by where they usually live (usual residence). Both these populations are useful and form the basis for a range of characteristics collected in the Census.

However, the most accurate count of the total population is Estimated Resident Population, which factors in an estimate of those missed in the Census and those who were overseas on Census night. It is usually higher than either Census count, and is also updated annually after the Census, providing preliminary estimates for up to 5 years.

This page provides the three population counts for Kalgoorlie at the last Census, with comparisons to previous Census years for the Census counts only. The current estimate for Kalgoorlie at the most recent year available is shown at the top of the page. This figure is a preliminary estimate only and is subject to review after the next Census data are released. Please use with caution.

Also included are a range of sub-population groups and key statistics from the Census (usual resident) population, such as citizens, employed persons and Indigenous population.

These figures all provide the context for the size of the population and growth rate within Kalgoorlie and should be looked at in conjunction with other basic demographic information, such as **Age Structure**, **Dwelling Type** and **Household Size**.

The data on this page are sourced from a variety of different tables and designed to give a range of population and dwelling numbers for the area.

Population

Kalgoorlie - Total persons				2021			2016			Change
Population				Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Estimated Resident Population				38,729	--	--	38,554	--	--	+175
Enumerated Population				45,130	--	--	42,019	--	--	+3,111
Usual Resident Population				36,906	--	--	37,210	--	--	-304

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

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Selected subpopulation categories

Kalgoorlie - Total people (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Population group	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Males	19,984	54.1	49.7	19,817	53.3	50.0	+167
Females	16,922	45.9	50.3	17,390	46.7	50.0	-468
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population	3,240	8.8	3.3	3,279	8.8	3.1	-39
Australian citizens	26,815	72.7	82.8	27,422	73.7	79.0	-607
Eligible voters (citizens aged 18+)	19,735	53.5	62.7	19,773	53.1	59.5	-38
Population over 15	29,211	79.1	81.0	28,974	77.9	80.7	+237
Employed Population	18,357	96.4	94.9	1,768	9.2	92.2	+16,589
Overseas visitors (enumerated)	77	--	--	274	--	--	-197

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Please refer to specific data notes for more information

Dwellings

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Dwellings	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Total dwellings	17,154	100.0	100.0	16,740	100.0	100.0	+414
Occupied private dwellings	14,293	83.3	89.5	13,999	83.6	87.4	+294
Population in non-private dwellings	10,933	--	--	7,213	--	--	+3,720
Average household size (persons per dwelling)	2.39	--	2.48	2.49	--	2.52	-0.10

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021 (Enumerated). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

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*Note that this is an estimate based on ERP at the SA1 level. It is subject to review after the next Census data release and may not match .id's population forecasts.

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Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

The Estimated Resident Population (ERP) is the Australian Bureau of Statistics' official 2021 population figure for all Local Government Areas (LGAs) - but is subject to review after the next Census release. For areas smaller than LGAs, the ERP is derived from SA1 geographies based on population distribution from the previous Census. As such, these smaller geographies are subject to a greater level of revision each Census due to the change in actual numbers and in population distributions.

Populations are counted and estimated in various ways. The most comprehensive population count available in Australia is derived from the Census of Population and Housing conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics every five years. However the Census count is generally an under-estimate of the actual population, due to people missed in the Census and people overseas on Census night. To provide a more accurate population figure more frequently, the ABS also produces ERP numbers.

See **data notes** for a detailed explanation of different population types, how they are calculated and when to use each one.

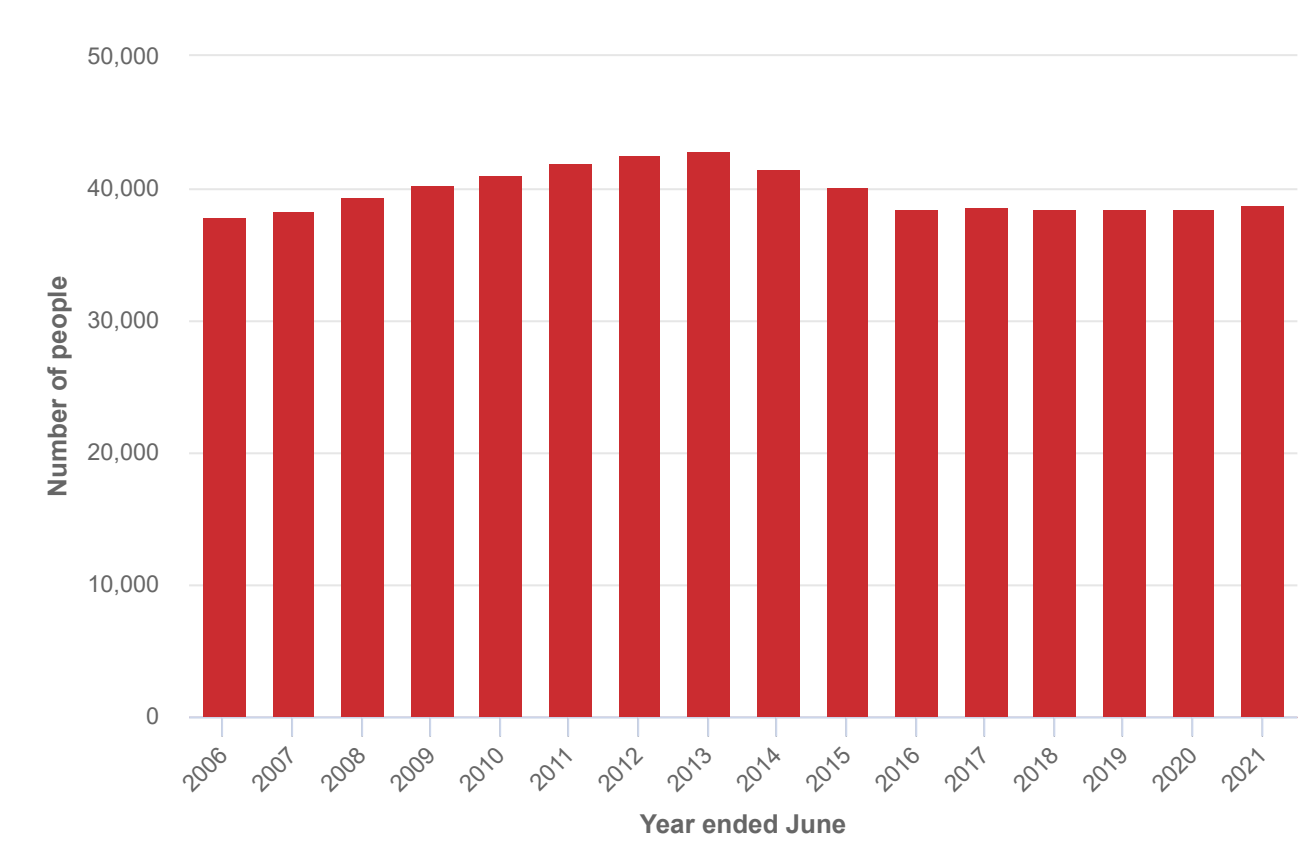
Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

Year (ending June 30)	Number	Change in number	Change in percent	Western Australia change in percent
2006	37,861	--	--	--
2007	38,282	+421	+1.11	+2.71
2008	39,330	+1,048	+2.74	+3.11
2009	40,311	+981	+2.49	+3.16
2010	41,067	+756	+1.88	+2.26
2011	41,910	+843	+2.05	+2.73
2012	42,551	+641	+1.53	+3.06
2013	42,865	+314	+0.74	+2.53
2014	41,511	-1,354	-3.16	+1.23
2015	40,167	-1,344	-3.24	+0.92
2016	38,554	-1,613	-4.02	+0.60
2017	38,684	+130	+0.34	+1.24
2018	38,538	-146	-0.38	+1.29
2019	38,425	-113	-0.29	+1.63
2020	38,501	+76	+0.20	+2.05
2021	38,729	+228	+0.59	+1.16

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed

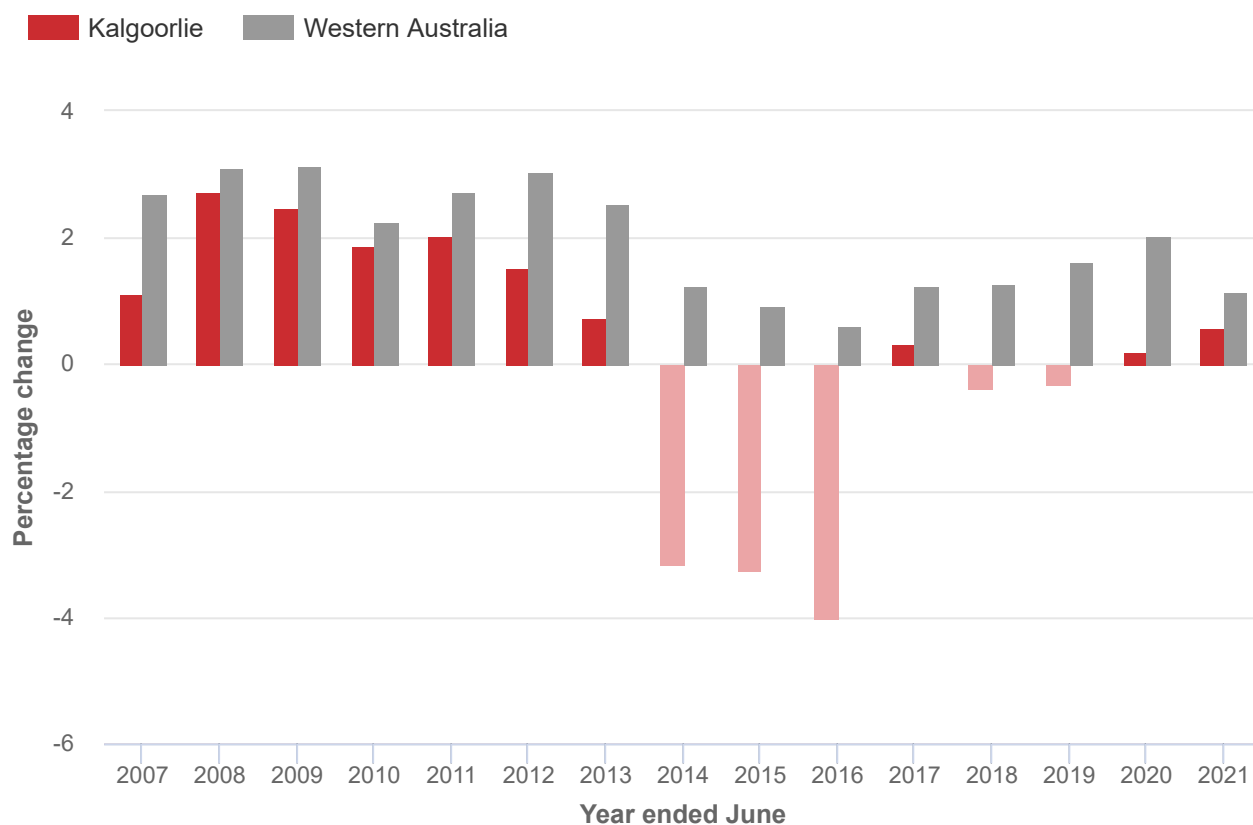
Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

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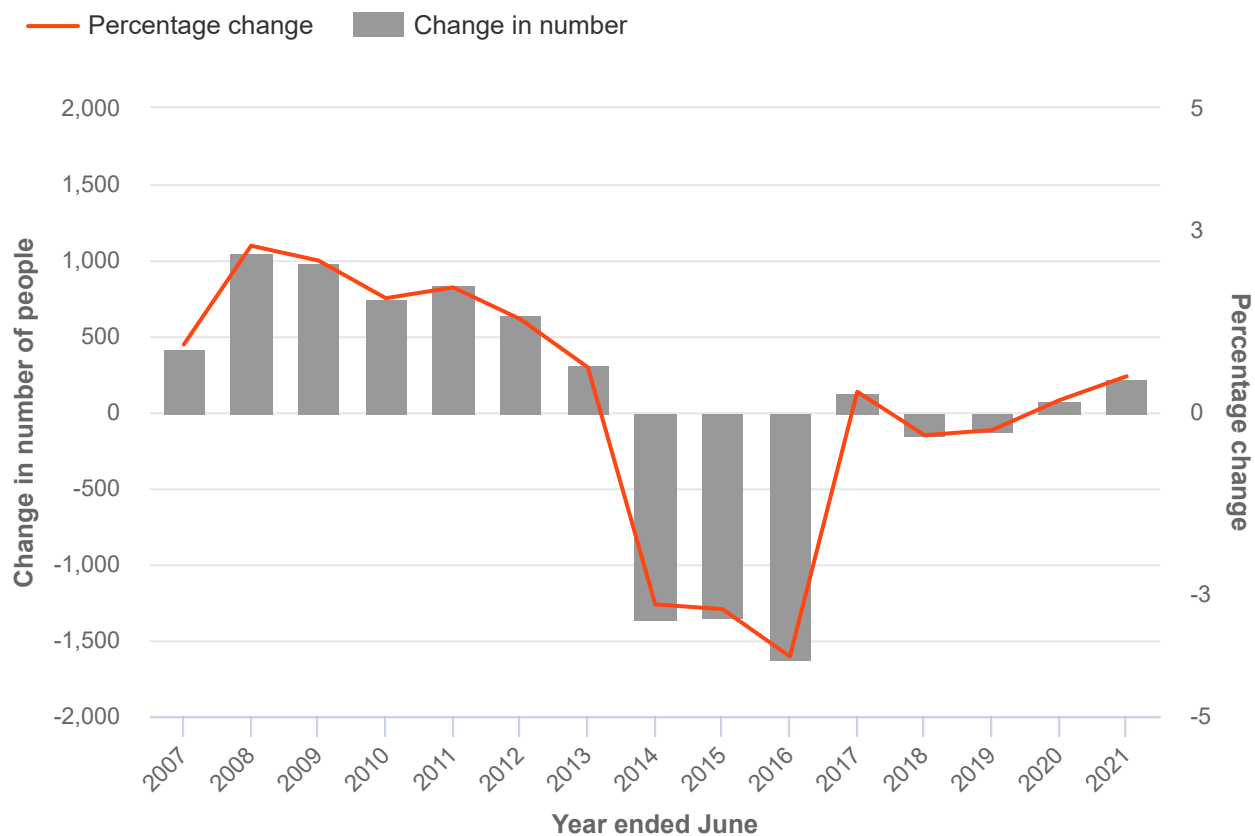
Percentage change in ERP - Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0). Compiled and presented by [.id](#) (informed decisions)

Annual change in Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

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Service age groups

The Age Structure of Kalgoorlie provides key insights into the level of demand for age based services and facilities such as child care. It is an indicator of Kalgoorlie's residential role and function and how it is likely to change in the future.

Service age groups divide the population into age categories that reflect typical life-stages. They indicate the level of demand for services that target people at different stages in life and how that demand is changing.

To get a more complete picture Kalgoorlie's Age Structure should be viewed in conjunction with Household Types and Dwelling Types.

Age structure - Service age groups

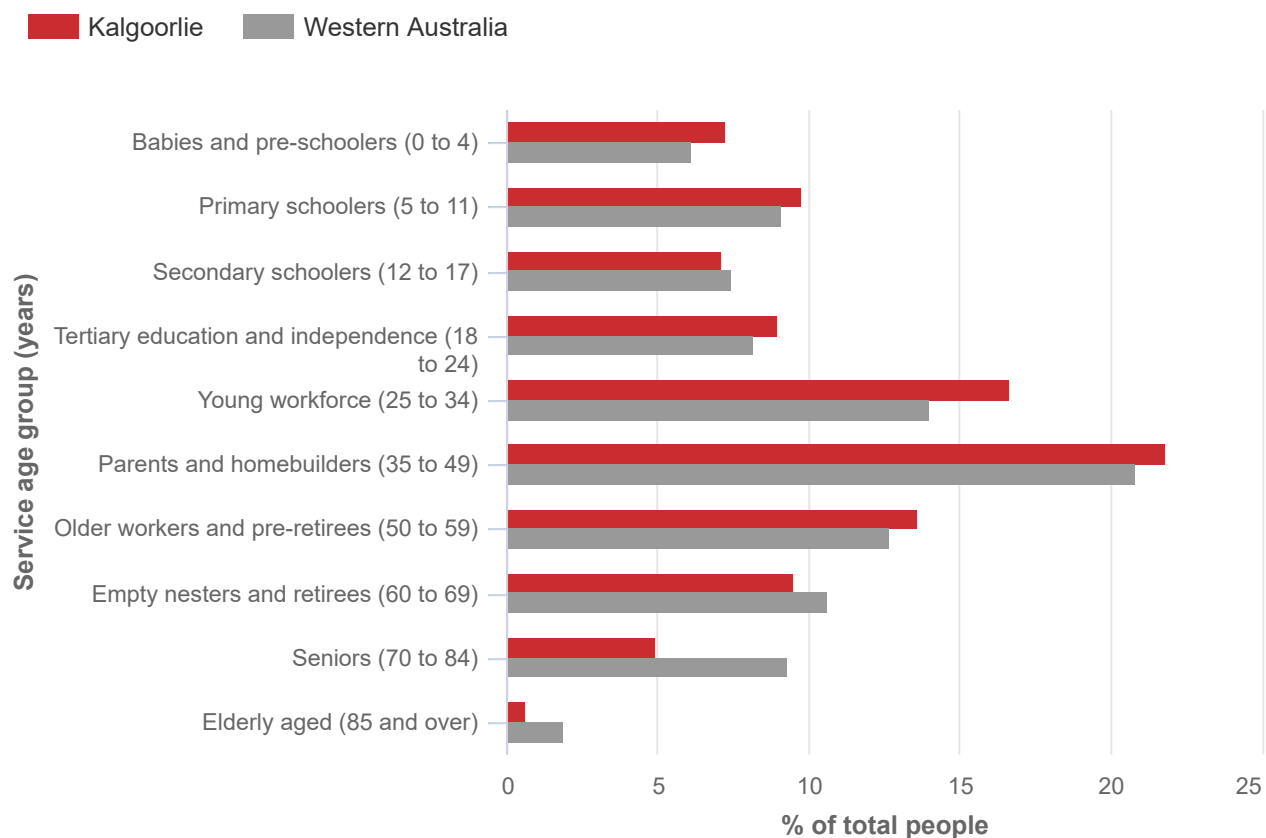
Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Service age group (years)	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Babies and pre-schoolers (0 to 4)	2,657	7.2	6.1	3,041	8.2	6.5	-384
Primary schoolers (5 to 11)	3,606	9.8	9.1	3,810	10.2	9.1	-204
Secondary schoolers (12 to 17)	2,617	7.1	7.4	2,746	7.4	7.2	-129
Tertiary education and independence (18 to 24)	3,297	8.9	8.2	3,228	8.7	8.9	+69
Young workforce (25 to 34)	6,151	16.7	14.0	6,696	18.0	15.3	-545
Parents and homebuilders (35 to 49)	8,040	21.8	20.8	8,306	22.3	20.9	-266
Older workers and pre-retirees (50 to 59)	5,006	13.6	12.6	4,996	13.4	12.6	+10
Empty nesters and retirees (60 to 69)	3,493	9.5	10.6	2,856	7.7	10.1	+637
Seniors (70 to 84)	1,803	4.9	9.3	1,346	3.6	7.6	+457
Elderly aged (85 and over)	230	0.6	1.9	180	0.5	1.7	+50
Total	36,900	100.0	100.0	37,205	100.0	100.0	-305

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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Age structure - service age groups, 2021

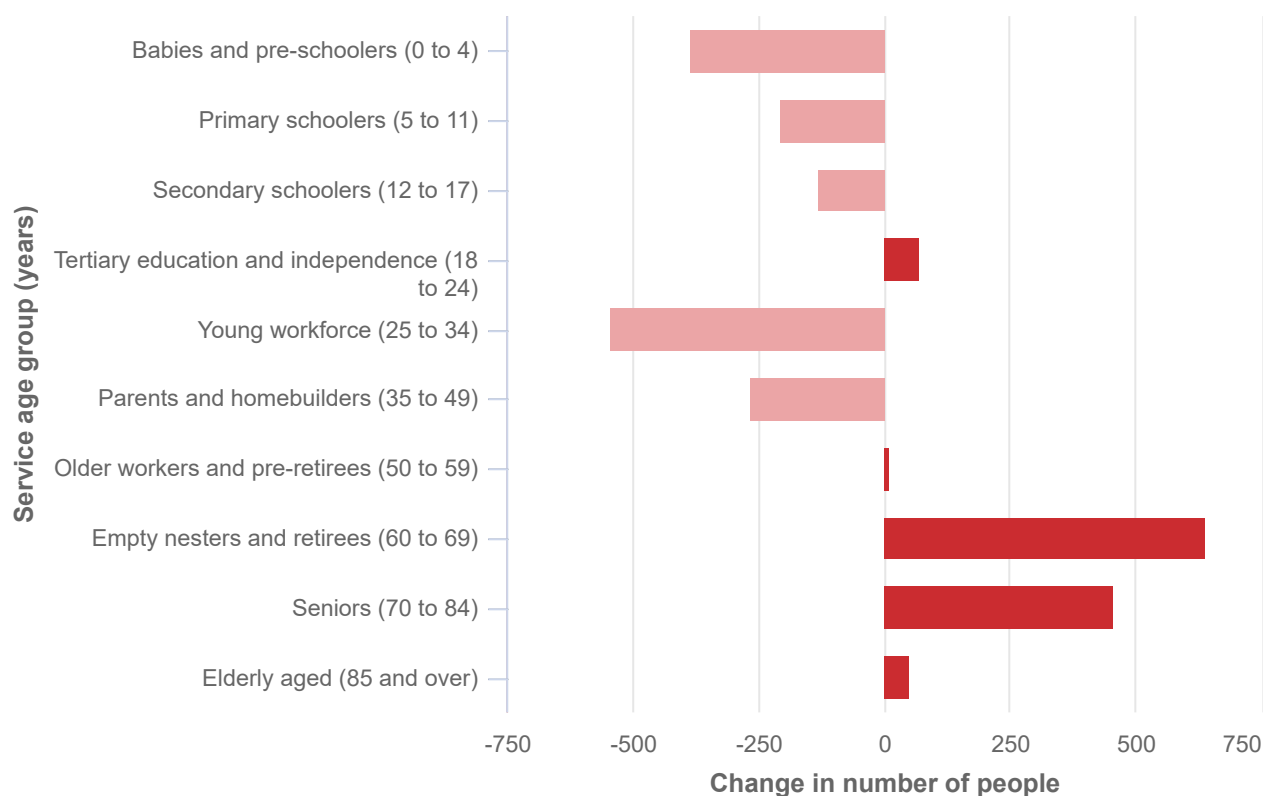
Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing, 2021](#) (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Change in age structure - service age groups, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the service age groups of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion of people in the younger age groups (0 to 17 years) and a lower proportion of people in the older age groups (60+ years).

Overall, 24.1% of the population was aged between 0 and 17, and 15.0% were aged 60 years and over, compared with 22.6% and 21.8% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between the age structure of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of 'Young workforce' (16.7% compared to 14.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 'Seniors' (4.9% compared to 9.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 'Frail aged' (0.6% compared to 1.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 'Empty nesters and retirees' (9.5% compared to 10.6%)

Emerging groups

From 2016 to 2021, Kalgoorlie's population decreased by 305 people (0.8%). This represents an average annual population change of -0.16% per year over the period.

The largest changes in the age structure in this area between 2016 and 2021 were in the age groups:

- Empty nesters and retirees (60 to 69) (+637 people)
- Young workforce (25 to 34) (-545 people)
- Seniors (70 to 84) (+457 people)
- Babies and pre-schoolers (0 to 4) (-384 people)

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Five year age groups

The Age Structure of Kalgoorlie provides key insights into the level of demand for age based services and facilities such as child care. It is also an indicator of Kalgoorlie's residential role and function and how it is likely to change in the future.

Five year age groups present a classic age profile of the population. Each age group covers exactly five years, which enables direct comparison between each group.

To get a more complete picture Kalgoorlie's Age Structure should be viewed in conjunction with Household Types and Dwelling Types.

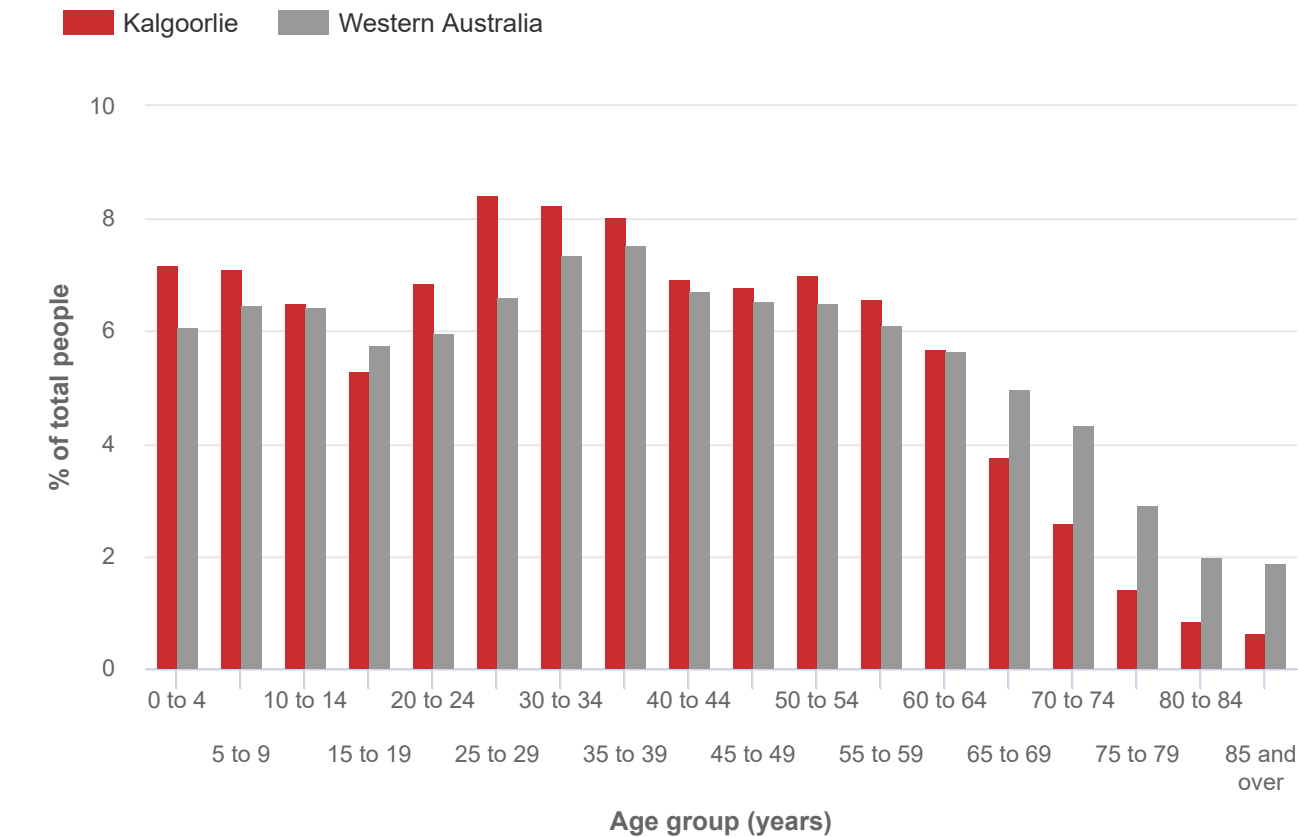
Age structure - Five year age groups

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Five year age groups (years)	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
0 to 4	2,657	7.2	6.1	3,041	8.2	6.5	-384
5 to 9	2,621	7.1	6.5	2,841	7.6	6.6	-220
10 to 14	2,408	6.5	6.4	2,357	6.3	6.1	+51
15 to 19	1,959	5.3	5.8	2,145	5.8	6.1	-186
20 to 24	2,534	6.9	6.0	2,445	6.6	6.5	+89
25 to 29	3,108	8.4	6.6	3,302	8.9	7.5	-194
30 to 34	3,040	8.2	7.4	3,391	9.1	7.9	-351
35 to 39	2,973	8.1	7.6	2,765	7.4	7.0	+208
40 to 44	2,566	7.0	6.7	2,772	7.4	7.0	-206
45 to 49	2,504	6.8	6.6	2,767	7.4	7.0	-263
50 to 54	2,581	7.0	6.5	2,615	7.0	6.6	-34
55 to 59	2,425	6.6	6.1	2,382	6.4	6.1	+43
60 to 64	2,096	5.7	5.7	1,687	4.5	5.3	+409
65 to 69	1,394	3.8	5.0	1,173	3.2	4.7	+221
70 to 74	952	2.6	4.3	662	1.8	3.4	+290
75 to 79	530	1.4	2.9	426	1.1	2.5	+104
80 to 84	319	0.9	2.0	262	0.7	1.7	+57
85 and over	230	0.6	1.9	180	0.5	1.7	+50
Total population	36,897	100.0	100.0	37,213	100.0	100.0	-316

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

Age structure - five year age groups, 2021

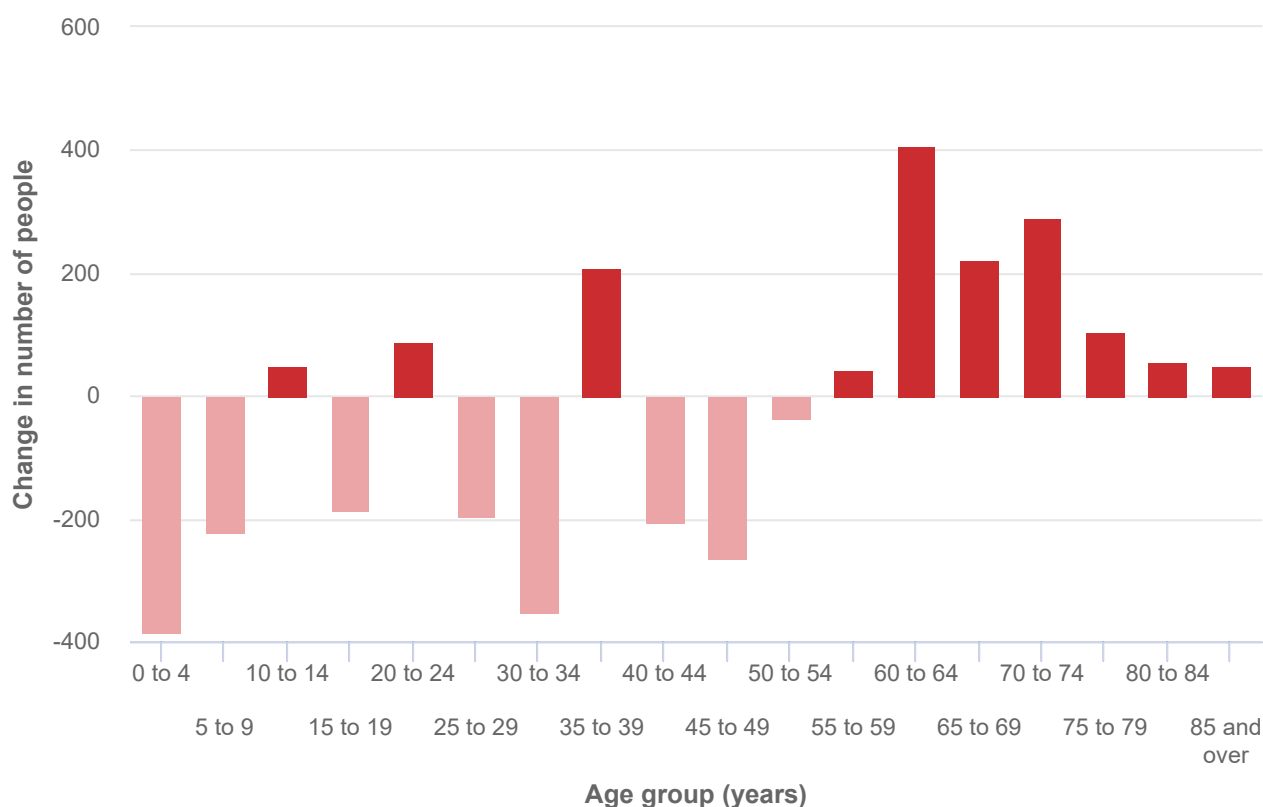
Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Change in age structure - five year age groups, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the five year age groups of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion of people in the younger age groups (under 15) and a lower proportion of people in the older age groups (65+).

Overall, 20.8% of the population was aged between 0 and 15, and 9.3% were aged 65 years and over, compared with 19.0% and 16.1% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between the age structure of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons aged 25 to 29 (8.4% compared to 6.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 70 to 74 (2.6% compared to 4.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 75 to 79 (1.4% compared to 2.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 85 and over (0.6% compared to 1.9%)

Emerging groups

From 2016 to 2021, Kalgoorlie's population decreased by 316 people (0.8%). This represents an average annual population change of -0.17% per year over the period.

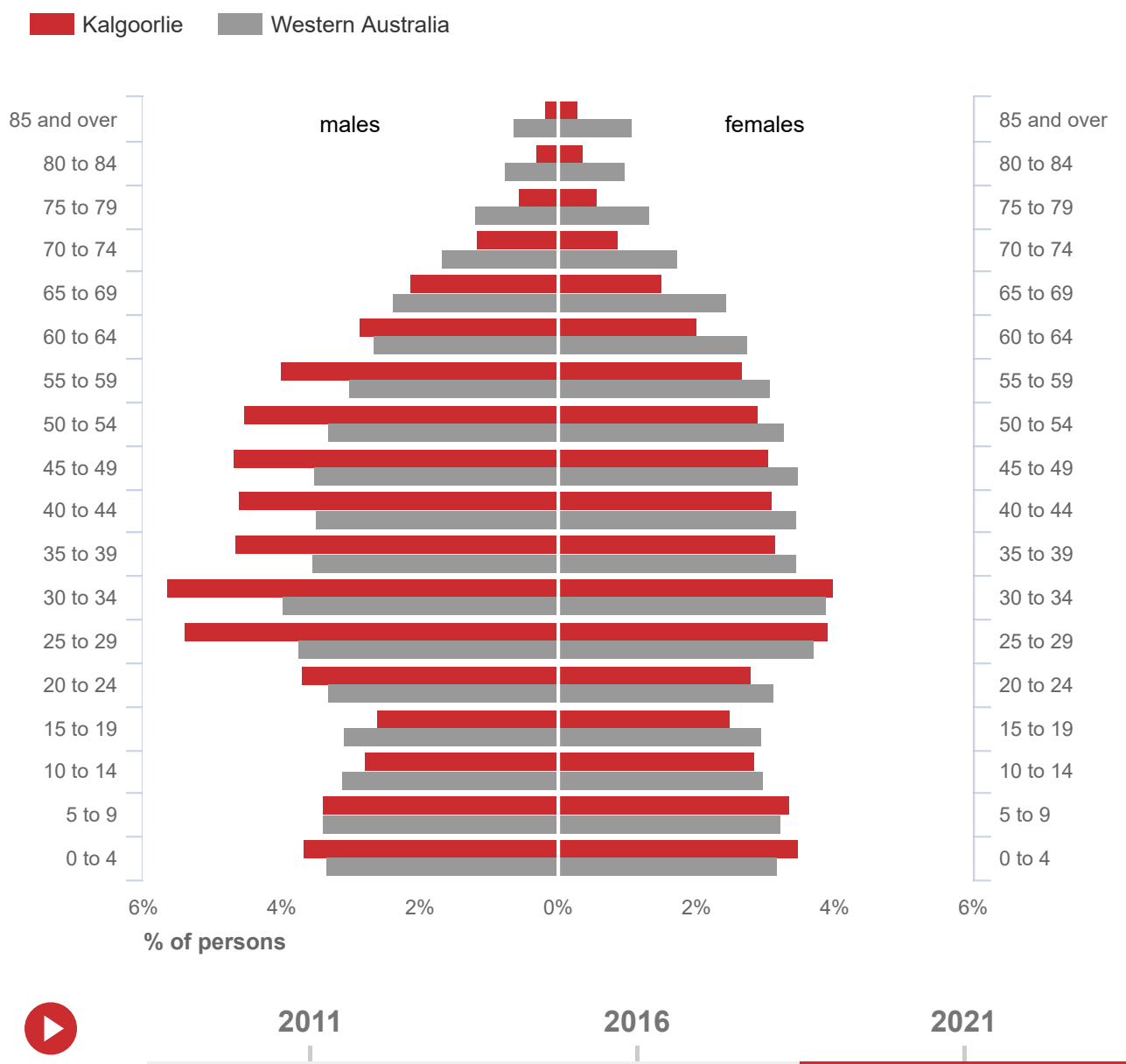
The largest changes in age structure in this area between 2016 and 2021 were in the age groups:

- 60 to 64 (+409 persons)
- 0 to 4 (-384 persons)
- 30 to 34 (-351 persons)
- 70 to 74 (+290 persons)

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Age-sex pyramid

Age-sex pyramid, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), selected years between 1991-2021 (Enumerated data).
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The age-sex pyramid is a demographic tool which shows patterns of change in the age structure and sex ratio of an area over time. Its name comes from the traditional pyramid shape of an area which indicates a lot of children in large families, with a lower life expectancy and relatively few elderly. This shape is quite rare in developed nations like Australia. As nations and areas transition over time this shape turns into a column where there are less children a mix of ages including many elderly. Older areas with a lot of retirees or relatively few births may have a "reverse" pyramid formation where the largest proportion of the population is at the top of the chart. The sex ratio of males to females can also be seen - young areas are likely to have more males, while elderly areas generally have more females due to longer life expectancy.

The age-sex pyramid should be used in conjunction with [Household Types](#) and [Dwelling Types](#) information to build up a picture of who is living in the area and how it is changing over time.

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Ancestry

Ancestry defines the cultural association and ethnic background of an individual going back three generations. Ancestry is a good measure of the total size of cultural groups in Kalgoorlie regardless of where they were born or what language they speak.

Ancestry data, should be combined with data on **Birthplace**, **Language Spoken at Home** and **Religion** for a more complete picture of Kalgoorlie's ethnic characteristics.

Please note that the "Australian Aboriginal" and "Torres Strait Islander" categories in this topic are not directly comparable from 2021 to previous years, due to a change in the wording of the question. In 2021, these options were marked boxes on the question rather than write-in options. The "Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Origin" question is still considered a more reliable count for this group, and can be found on the **Population summary** page.

Please note: Due to changes in ABS rules around perturbation and additivity of data to protect the confidentiality of individuals, counts of ancestry groups and totals derived from them may differ slightly from those published by the ABS. For more information see notes on data confidentiality.

Ancestry - Ranked by size

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Ancestry	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Australian	11,867	32.2	29.7	13,642	36.7	30.7	-1,775
English	11,853	32.1	37.6	12,745	34.3	37.6	-892
Scottish	2,950	8.0	8.7	3,170	8.5	8.7	-220
Irish	2,927	7.9	8.8	3,348	9.0	9.1	-421
Australian Aboriginal	2,850	7.7	3.0	1,012	2.7	0.8	+1,838
Maori	1,494	4.0	1.2	1,369	3.7	1.1	+125
German	1,221	3.3	2.9	1,377	3.7	3.0	-156
Italian	1,119	3.0	5.2	1,172	3.2	5.0	-53
Filipino	1,007	2.7	1.8	797	2.1	1.4	+210
New Zealander	707	1.9	1.1	796	2.1	1.3	-89

Excludes ancestries with fewer than 10 responses (multi-response).

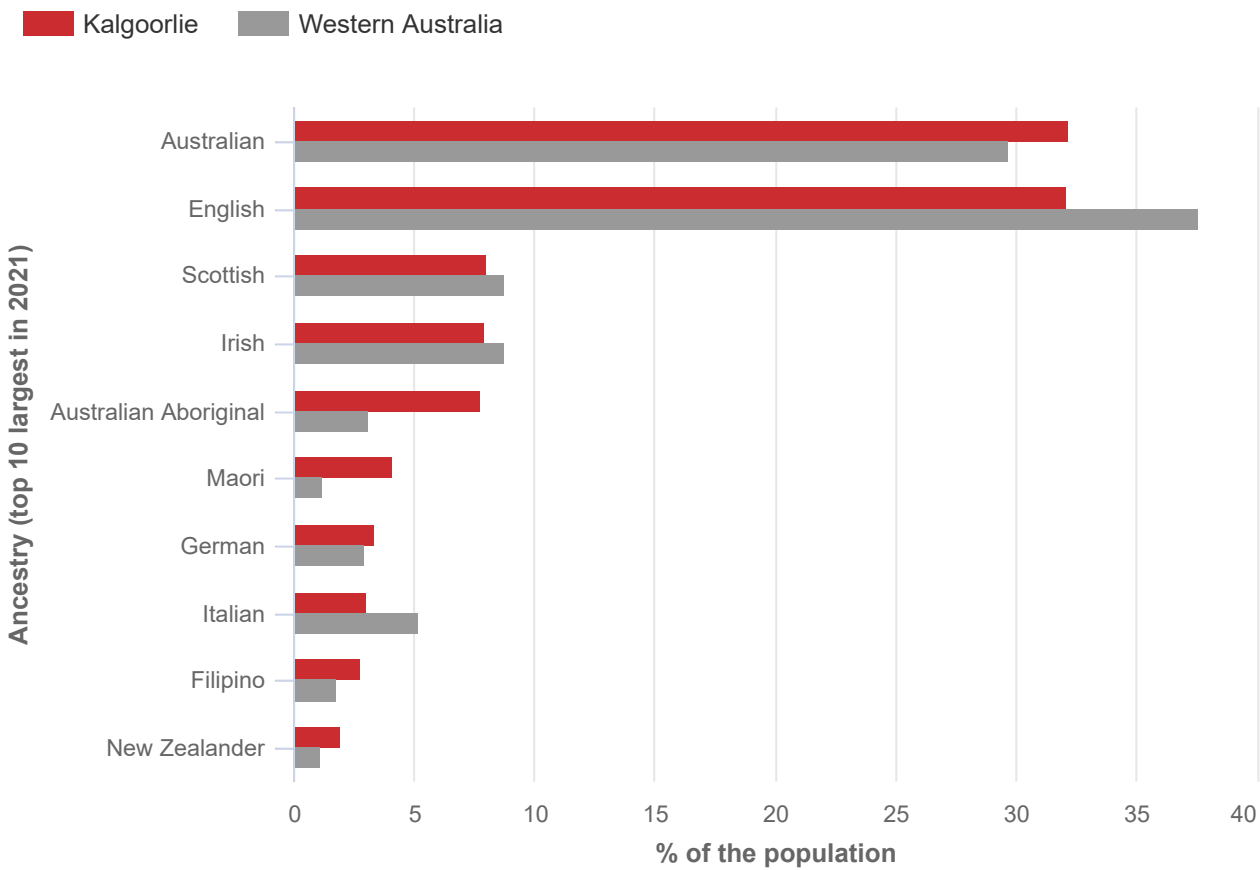
Ancestry - Totals

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Ancestry totals	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Not stated	5,384	12.0	5.0	4,432	9.7	6.0	+952
Total responses	44,962	--	--	45,733	--	--	-771
Total people	36,900	--	--	37,205	--	--	-305

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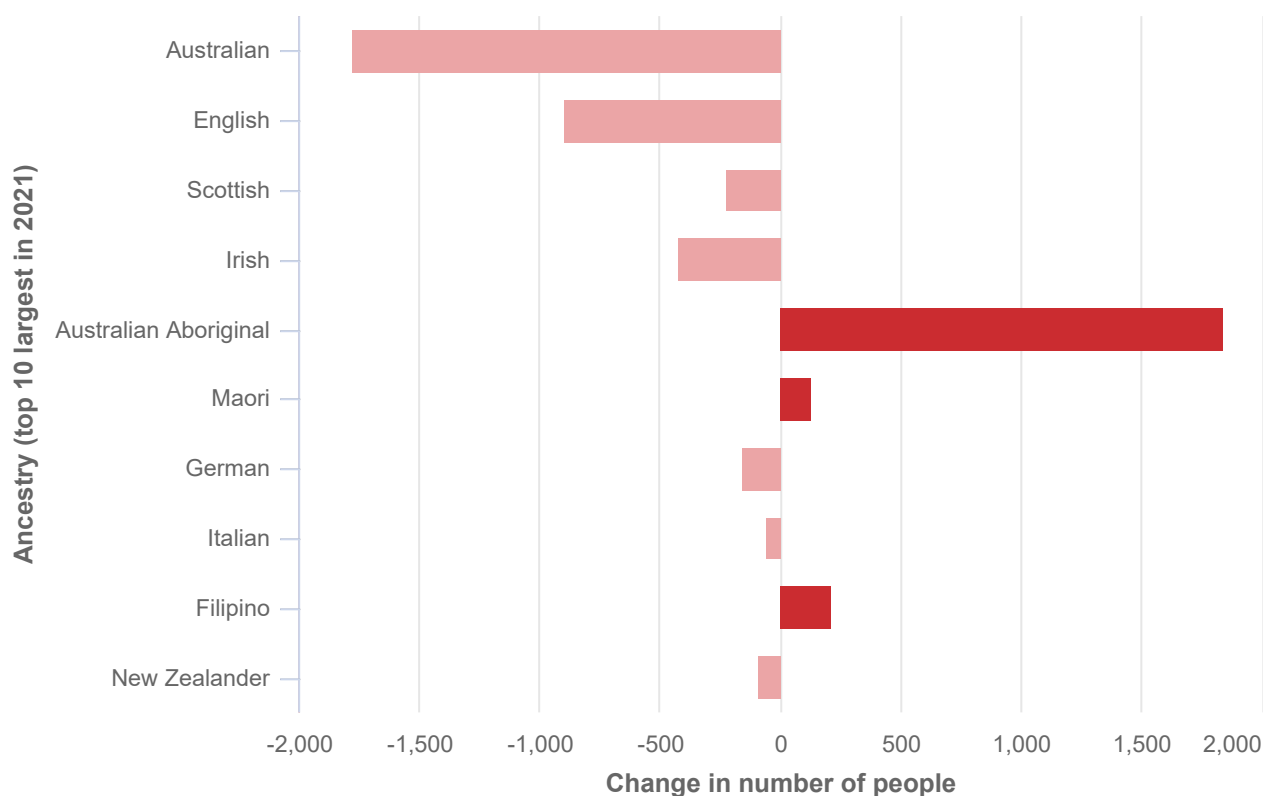
Ancestry, 2021



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Change in ancestry, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the ancestry responses of the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 shows that the top five ancestries nominated were:

- Australian (11,867 people or 32.2%)
- English (11,853 people or 32.1%)
- Scottish (2,950 people or 8.0%)
- Irish (2,927 people or 7.9%)
- Australian Aboriginal (2,850 people or 7.7%)

In combination these five ancestries account for 32,447 responses in total, or 87.93% of all responses.

The major differences between the ancestries of the population in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of people with Australian Aboriginal ancestry (7.7% compared to 3.0%)
- A *larger* percentage of people with Maori ancestry (4.0% compared to 1.2%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people with English ancestry (32.1% compared to 37.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people with Chinese ancestry (1.1% compared to 4.4%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the reported ancestries of the population in this area between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Australian Aboriginal (+1,838 persons)
- Australian (-1,775 persons)
- English (-892 persons)
- Irish (-421 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Birthplace

Country of Birth data identifies where people were born and is indicative of the level of cultural diversity in Kalgoorlie. The mix of Country of Birth groups is also indicative of historical settlement patterns, as source countries for Australia's immigration program have varied significantly over time.

To get a more complete picture of cultural and ethnic characteristics, Kalgoorlie's Country of Birth data should be viewed together with Ancestry, Language Spoken at Home and Religion.

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Birthplace - Summary

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Birthplace	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Total overseas born	8,296	22.5	32.2	8,480	22.8	32.2	-184
Australia	23,696	64.2	62.0	24,303	65.3	60.3	-607
Not stated	4,911	13.3	5.8	4,426	11.9	7.5	+485
Total Population	36,903	100.0	100.0	37,209	100.0	100.0	-306

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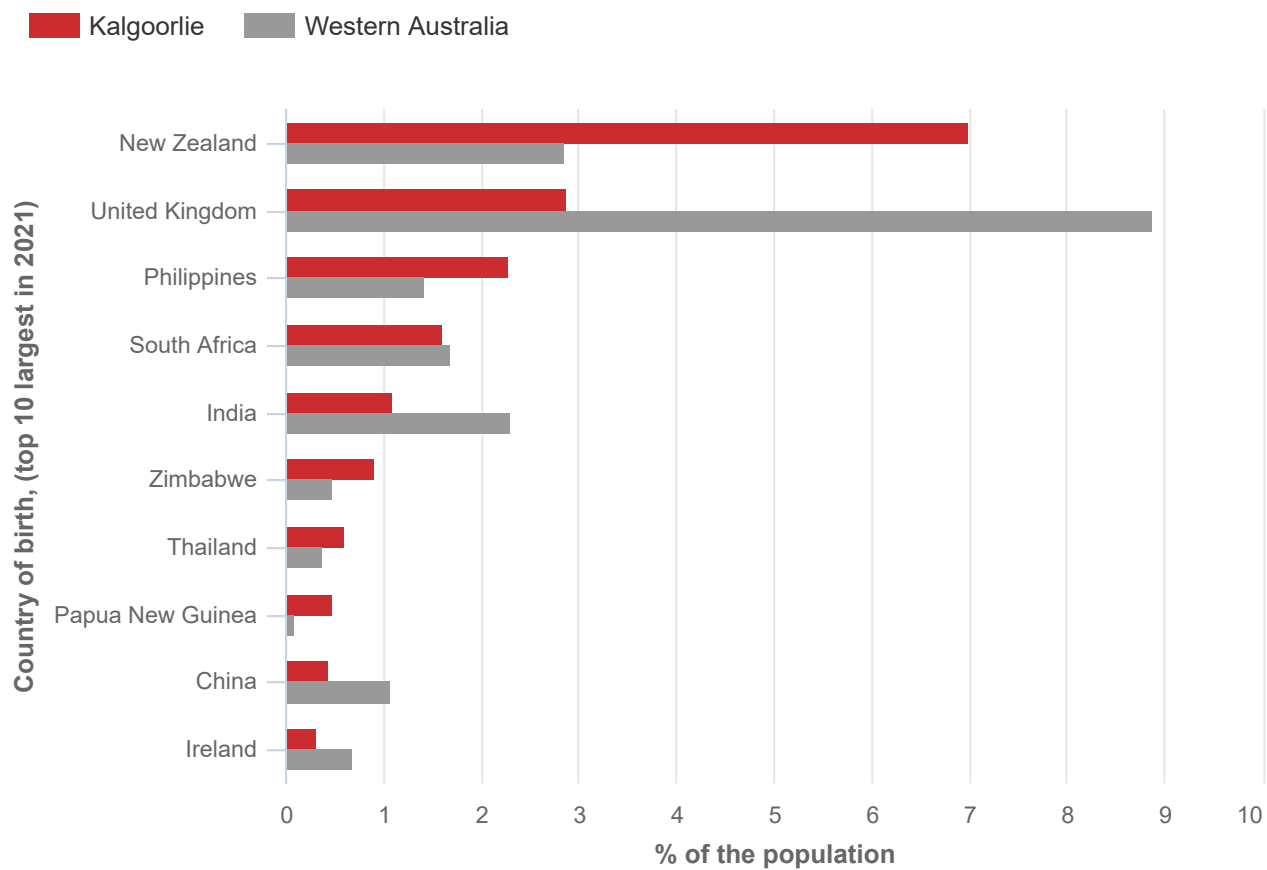
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Birthplace - Ranked by size

Kalgoorlie - Overseas born (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Birthplace	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
New Zealand	2,575	7.0	2.8	2,955	7.9	3.2	-380
United Kingdom	1,060	2.9	8.9	1,196	3.2	9.4	-136
Philippines	843	2.3	1.4	710	1.9	1.2	+133
South Africa	591	1.6	1.7	644	1.7	1.7	-53
India	400	1.1	2.3	379	1.0	2.0	+21
Zimbabwe	331	0.9	0.5	320	0.9	0.5	+11
Thailand	217	0.6	0.4	141	0.4	0.3	+76
Papua New Guinea	176	0.5	0.1	183	0.5	0.1	-7
China	160	0.4	1.1	184	0.5	1.1	-24
Ireland	111	0.3	0.7	166	0.4	0.7	-55

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

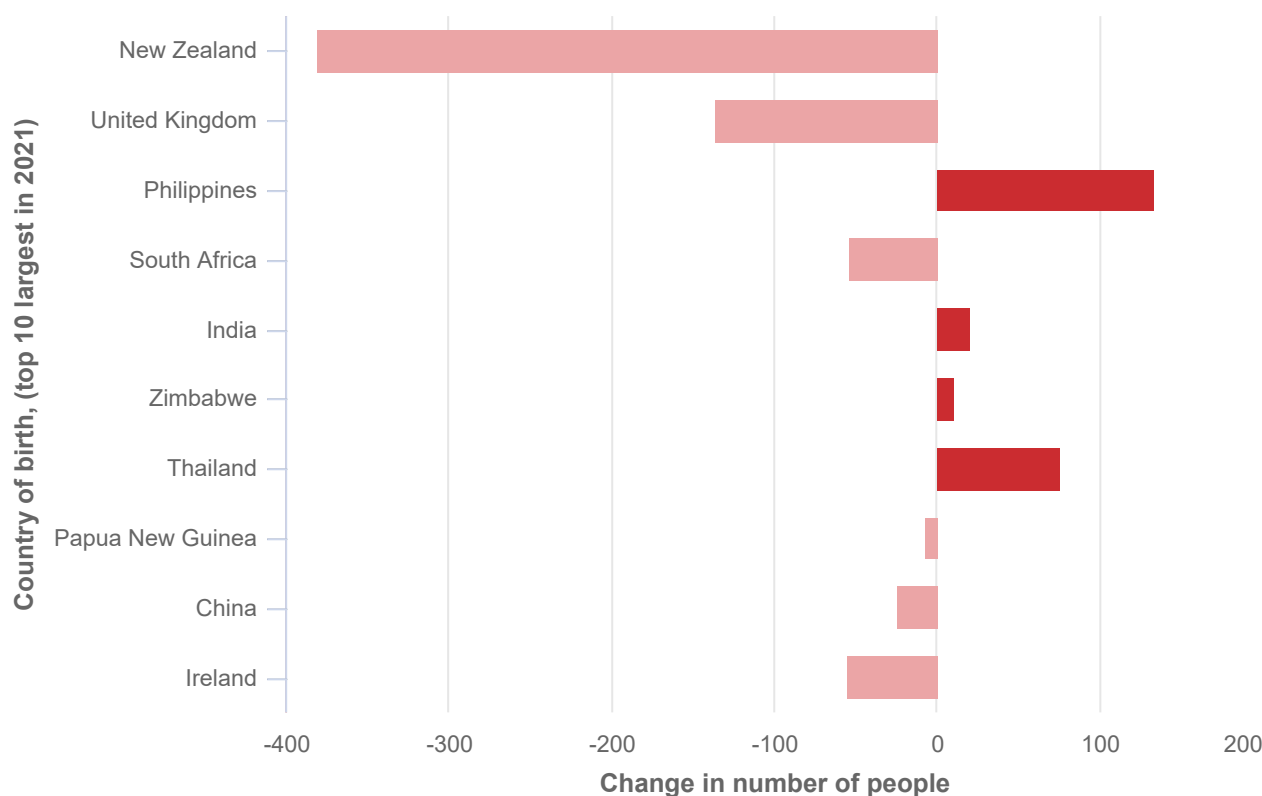
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Change in birthplace, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the country of birth of the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of people born overseas.

Overall, 22.5% of the population was born overseas, compared with 32.2% for Western Australia.

The largest non-English speaking country of birth in Kalgoorlie was Philippines, where 2.3% of the population, or 843 people, were born.

The major differences between the countries of birth of the population in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of people born in New Zealand (7.0% compared to 2.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people born in United Kingdom (2.9% compared to 8.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people born in India (1.1% compared to 2.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people born in Malaysia (0.2% compared to 1.2%)

Emerging groups

Between 2016 and 2021, the number of people born overseas decreased by 184 or 2.2%.

The largest changes in birthplace countries of the population in this area between 2016 and 2021 were for those born in:

- New Zealand (-380 persons)
- United Kingdom (-136 persons)
- Philippines (+133 persons)
- Thailand (+76 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Overseas arrivals

The Year of Arrival data records when the overseas born population arrived in Australia. The data shows the degree to which areas are 'ports' for new overseas arrivals and reveals the role of Kalgoorlie in housing the overseas-born. The number of recent overseas arrivals in an area is often determined by housing affordability, employment opportunities and pre-existing communities located in the area.

Kalgoorlie's Year of Arrival data, when used with Birthplace, Religion and Language Spoken at Home data, is a good indicator of the likely need for services in migrant communities.

Overseas arrivals

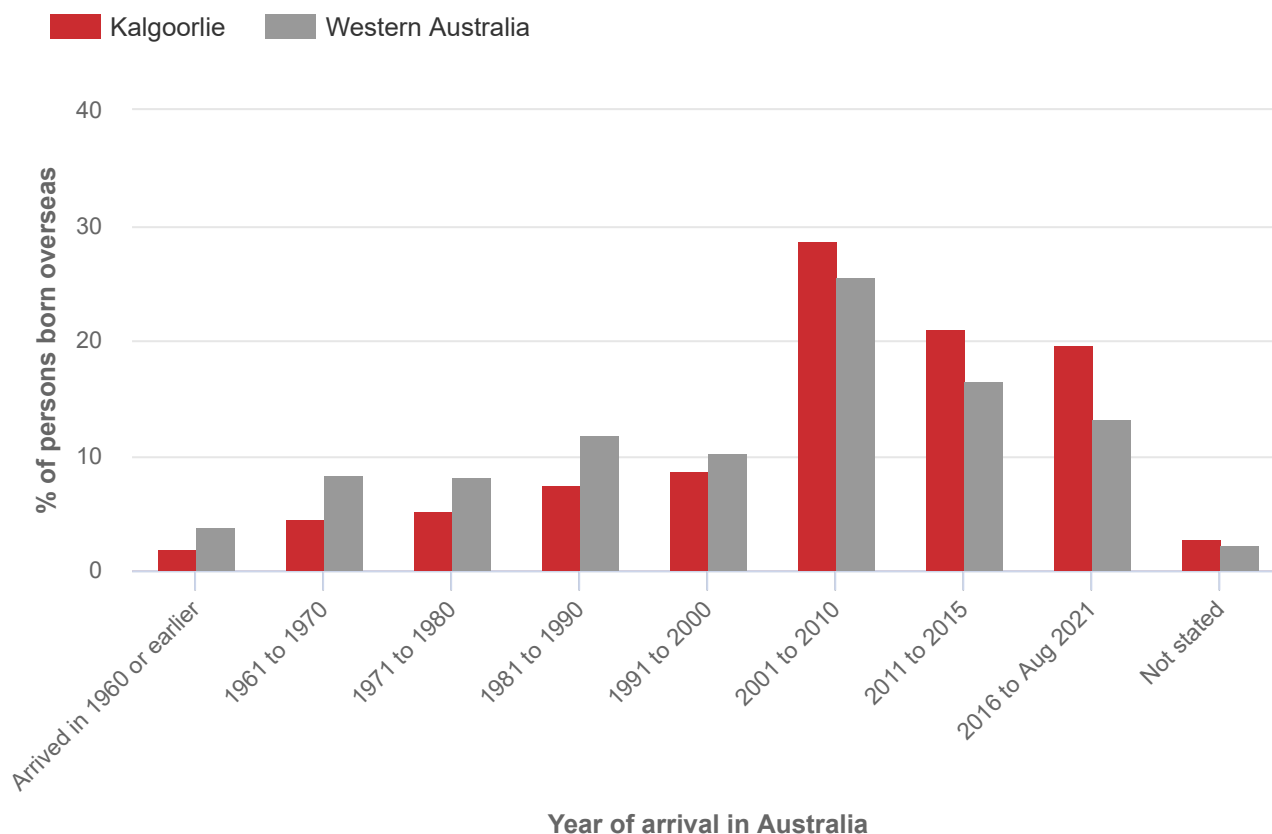
Kalgoorlie - Overseas born (Usual residence)		2021		
Year of arrival in Australia	Number	%	Western Australia %	
Arrived in 1960 or earlier	153	1.8	3.8	
1961 to 1970	380	4.6	8.4	
1971 to 1980	426	5.1	8.1	
1981 to 1990	618	7.4	11.9	
1991 to 2000	728	8.8	10.2	
2001 to 2010	2,387	28.8	25.5	
2011 to 2015	1,749	21.1	16.6	
2016 to Aug 2021	1,626	19.6	13.2	
Not stated	229	2.8	2.3	
Total	8,296	100.0	100.0	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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Overseas arrivals, 2021

Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the year of arrival for the overseas born population of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of people who arrived before 2001, and a larger proportion of recent overseas arrivals (those who arrived between 2016 to Aug 2021).

Overall, 27.8% of the overseas born population arrived before 2001, and 20% arrived during or after 2016, compared with 42.4% and 13.2% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences in year of arrival data in the population between Kalgoorlie and Western Australia are:

- A *larger* percentage of arrivals between 2016 to Aug 2021 (19.6% compared to 13.2%)
- A *larger* percentage of arrivals between 2011 to 2015 (21.1% compared to 16.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of arrivals between 1981 to 1990 (7.4% compared to 11.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of arrivals between 1961 to 1970 (4.6% compared to 8.4%)

Kalgoorlie

Proficiency in English

Proficiency in English measures the self-assessed proficiency in spoken English of people who speak a language other than English at home. The data, when viewed with other ethnic and cultural indicators, such as **Ancestry**, **Country of Birth**, **Language Spoken at Home** and **Religion**, reflects Kalgoorlie's ethnic composition and how long the overseas born have been in Australia. This helps service providers determine whether they need to communicate with the local population in languages other than English.

Proficiency in English

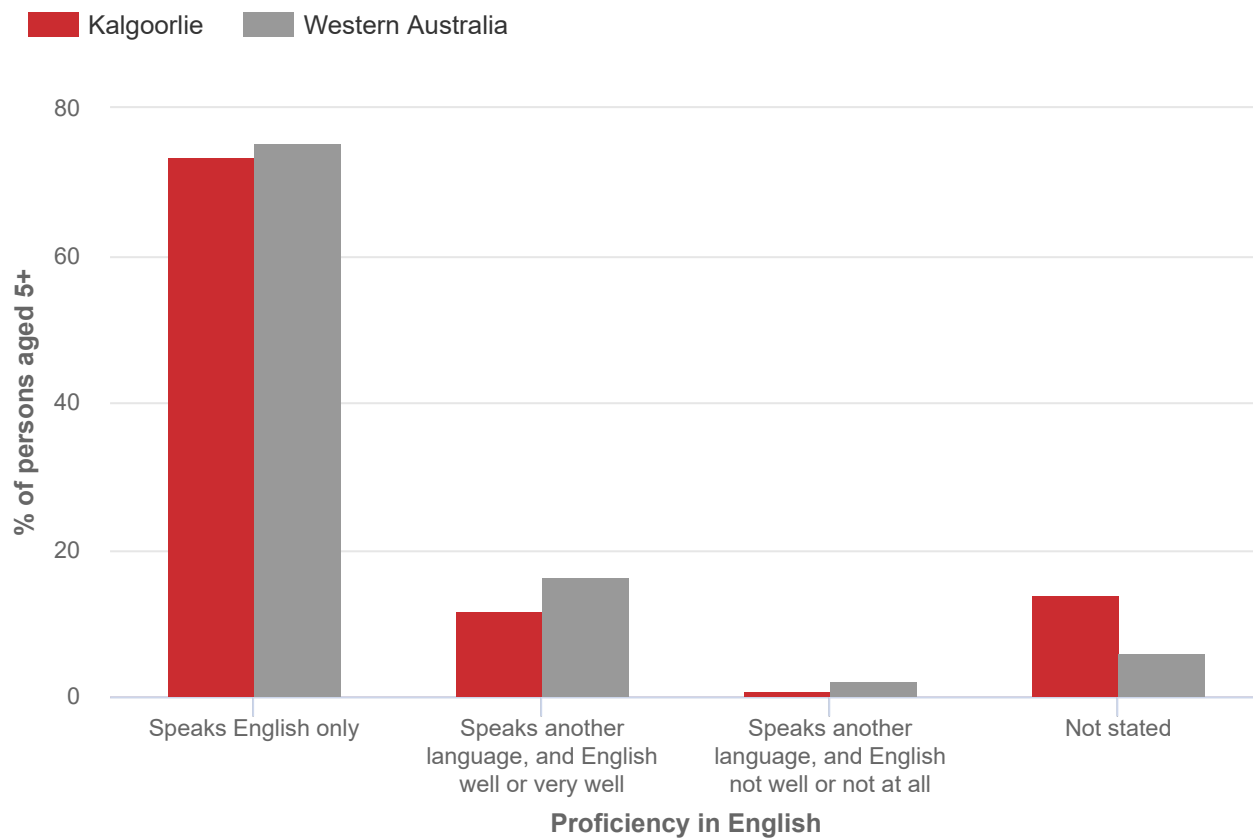
Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
English proficiency	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Speaks English only	27,111	73.5	75.3	28,860	77.5	75.2	-1,749
Speaks another language, and English well or very well	4,354	11.8	16.4	3,897	10.5	15.2	+457
Speaks another language, and English not well or not at all	321	0.9	2.3	323	0.9	2.5	-2
Not stated	5,117	13.9	6.0	4,135	11.1	7.1	+982
Total population	36,903	100.0	100.0	37,215	100.0	100.0	-312

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Proficiency in English, 2021

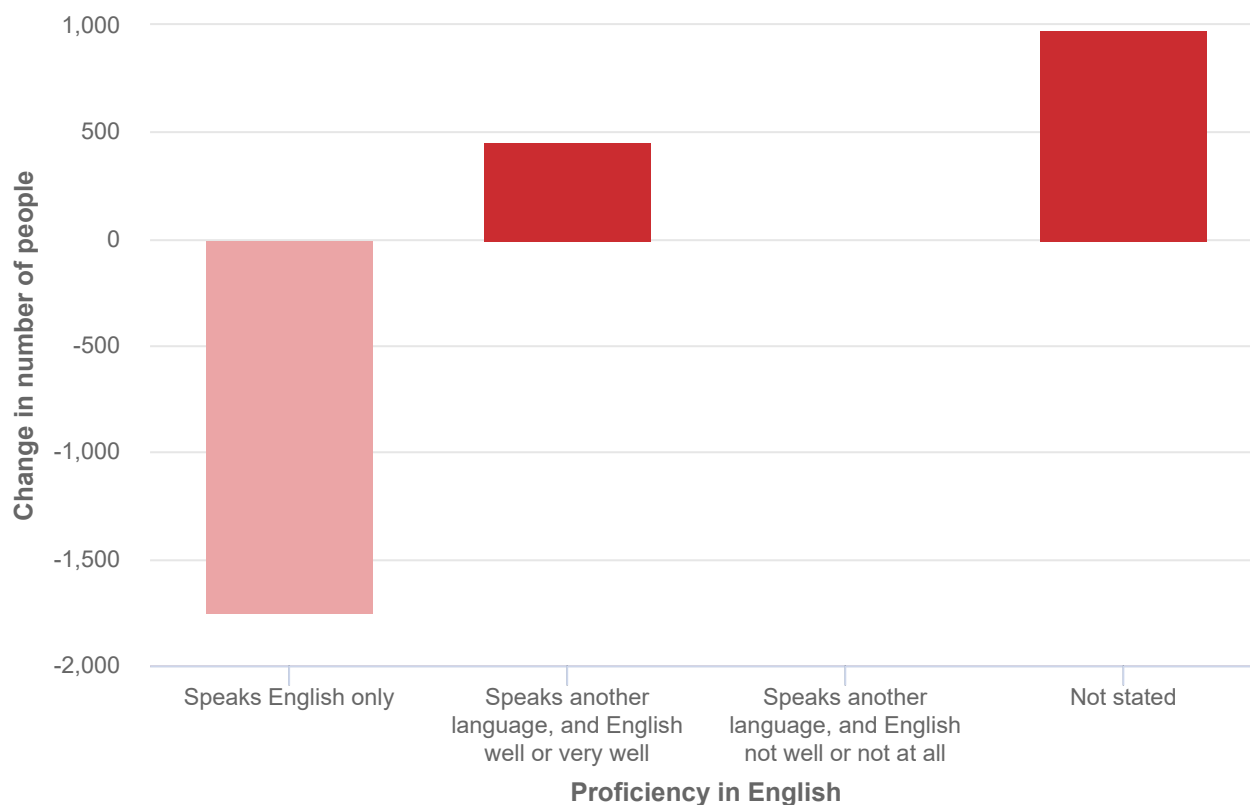
Total persons



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Change in Proficiency in English, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the proficiency in English data of the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people who spoke English only, as well as a lower proportion of people who spoke another language and English not well or not at all.

Overall, 73.5% of people spoke English only, and 0.9% spoke another language and English not well or not at all, compared with 75.3% and 2.3% respectively for Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The most significant changes in the proficiency in English of the population in this area between 2016 and 2021 were in those speaking:

- Speaks English only (-1,749 persons)
- Speaks another language, and English well or very well (+457 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Language spoken at home

Kalgoorlie's language statistics show the proportion of the population who speak a language at home other than English. They indicate how culturally diverse a population is and the degree to which different ethnic groups and nationalities are retaining their language.

Kalgoorlie's language statistics should be analysed in conjunction with **Country of Birth** and **Proficiency in English** to assist in identifying specific cultural and ethnic groups in the area and the services required by the multicultural community.

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Language spoken at home - Summary

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Language summary	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Speaks English only	27,111	73.5	75.3	28,860	77.6	75.2	-1,749
Non-English total	4,479	12.1	18.4	4,157	11.2	17.5	+322
Not stated	5,316	14.4	6.3	4,189	11.3	7.3	+1,127
Total Population	36,906	100.0	100.0	37,206	100.0	100.0	-300

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

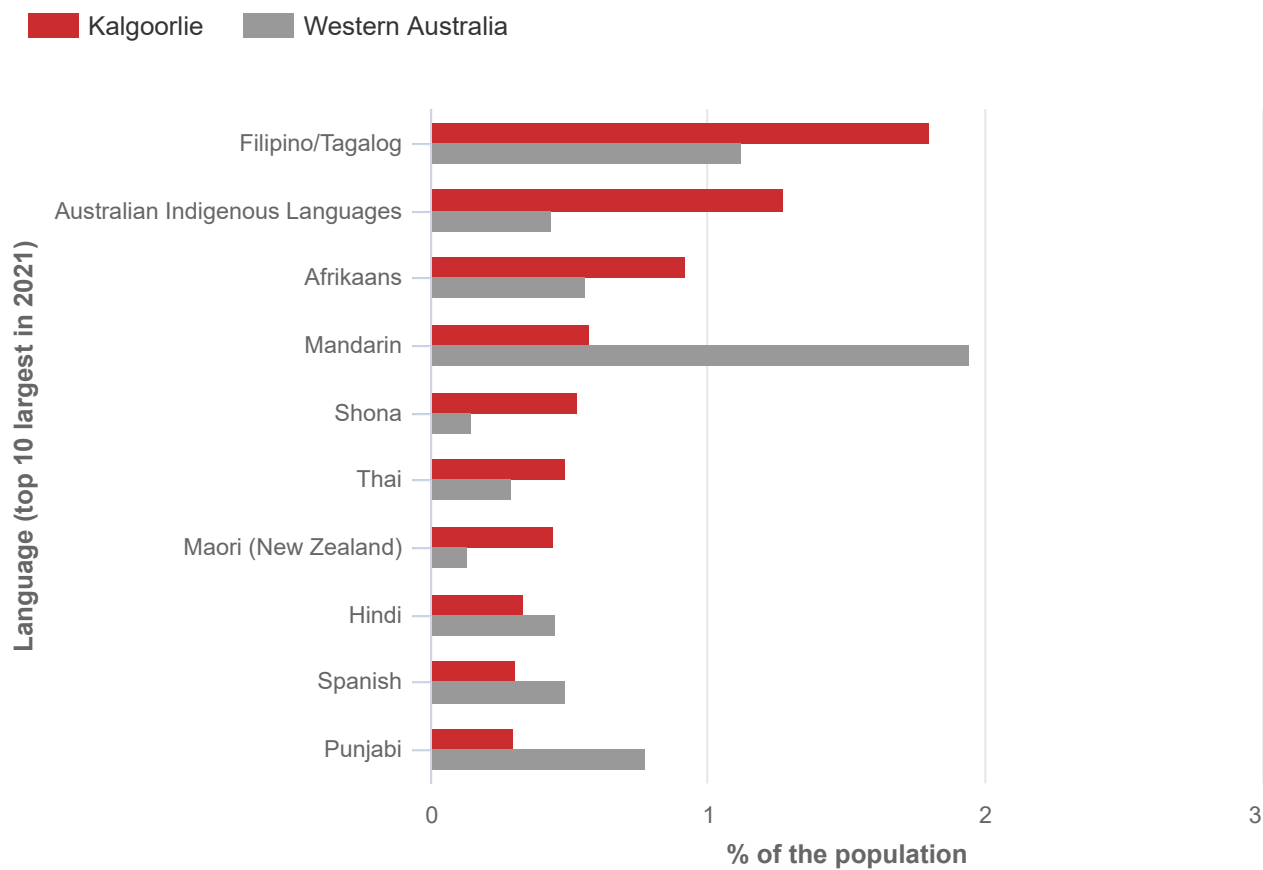
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Language spoken at home - Ranked by size

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Language (excludes English)	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Filipino/Tagalog	664	1.8	1.1	594	1.6	1.0	+70
Australian Indigenous Languages	470	1.3	0.4	533	1.4	0.4	-63
Afrikaans	339	0.9	0.6	430	1.2	0.6	-91
Mandarin	210	0.6	1.9	236	0.6	1.9	-26
Shona	194	0.5	0.1	161	0.4	0.1	+33
Thai	179	0.5	0.3	135	0.4	0.3	+44
Maori (New Zealand)	164	0.4	0.1	145	0.4	0.1	+19
Hindi	124	0.3	0.4	160	0.4	0.4	-36
Spanish	112	0.3	0.5	50	0.1	0.4	+62
Punjabi	110	0.3	0.8	64	0.2	0.5	+46

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

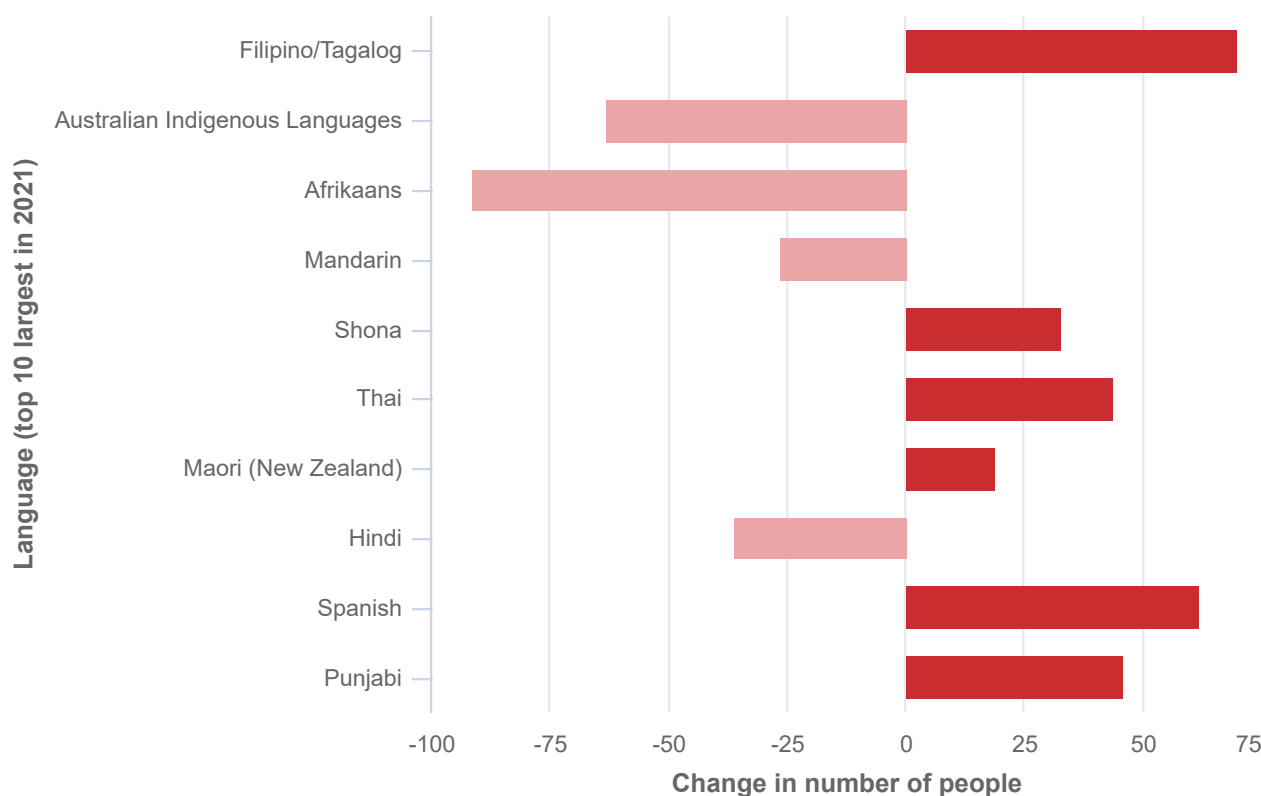
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Change in language spoken at home, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the language spoken at home by the population of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of people who spoke English only, as well as a smaller proportion of those speaking a non-English language (either exclusively, or in addition to English).

Overall, 73.5% of the population spoke English only, and 12.1% spoke a non-English language, compared with 75.3% and 18.4% respectively for Western Australia.

The dominant language spoken at home, other than English, in Kalgoorlie was Filipino/Tagalog, with 1.8% of the population, or 664 people speaking this language at home.

The major difference between the languages spoken at home for the population of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia in 2021 was:

- A *smaller* percentage speaking Mandarin at home (0.6% compared to 1.9%)

Emerging groups

Between 2016 and 2021, the number of people who spoke a language other than English at home increased by 322 or 7.7%, and the number of people who spoke English only decreased by 1,749 or 6.1%.

The largest changes in the spoken languages of the population in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were for those speaking:

- Afrikaans (-91 persons)
- Filipino/Tagalog (+70 persons)
- Australian Indigenous Languages (-63 persons)
- Spanish (+62 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Religion

Kalgoorlie's religion statistics provide an indicator of cultural identity and ethnicity when observed in conjunction with other key variables. Religion data reveal the major concentrations of religions as well as revealing the proportion of people with no religious affiliation. There are a number of reasons for different religious compositions across areas including the country of birth and ethnic background of the population, the age of the population (belief in religion is generally stronger, the older the population) and changes in values and belief systems.

Kalgoorlie's religion statistics should be analysed in conjunction with other ethnicity statistics such as **Country of Birth** data and **Language Spoken** data to assist in identifying specific cultural and ethnic groups.

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Religion - Summary

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Religion totals	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Christian total	13,507	36.6	41.1	18,007	48.4	49.8	-4,500
Non Christian total	1,323	3.6	8.0	1,192	3.2	6.9	+131
Non-classifiable religious belief	221	0.6	0.6	288	0.8	0.7	-67
No Religion/secular beliefs	16,112	43.7	42.8	12,604	33.9	32.8	+3,508
Not stated	5,739	15.6	7.5	5,111	13.7	9.9	+628
Total Population	36,902	100.0	100.0	37,202	100.0	100.0	-300

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

Please refer to specific data notes for more information

Religion - Ranked by size

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Religion	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Western (Roman) Catholic	6,076	16.5	18.6	7,755	20.8	21.4	-1,679
Anglican	2,558	6.9	10.1	4,094	11.0	14.3	-1,536
Christian,nfd	1,468	4.0	3.4	0	--	3.4	+1,468
Baptist	600	1.6	1.6	722	1.9	1.7	-122
Uniting Church	506	1.4	1.6	882	2.4	2.3	-376
Presbyterian and Reformed	416	1.1	1.3	708	1.9	1.8	-292
Hinduism	402	1.1	2.0	337	0.9	1.6	+65
Buddhism	385	1.0	2.2	360	1.0	2.1	+25
Churches of Christ	335	0.9	0.3	579	1.6	0.3	-244
Islam	319	0.9	2.5	232	0.6	2.0	+87

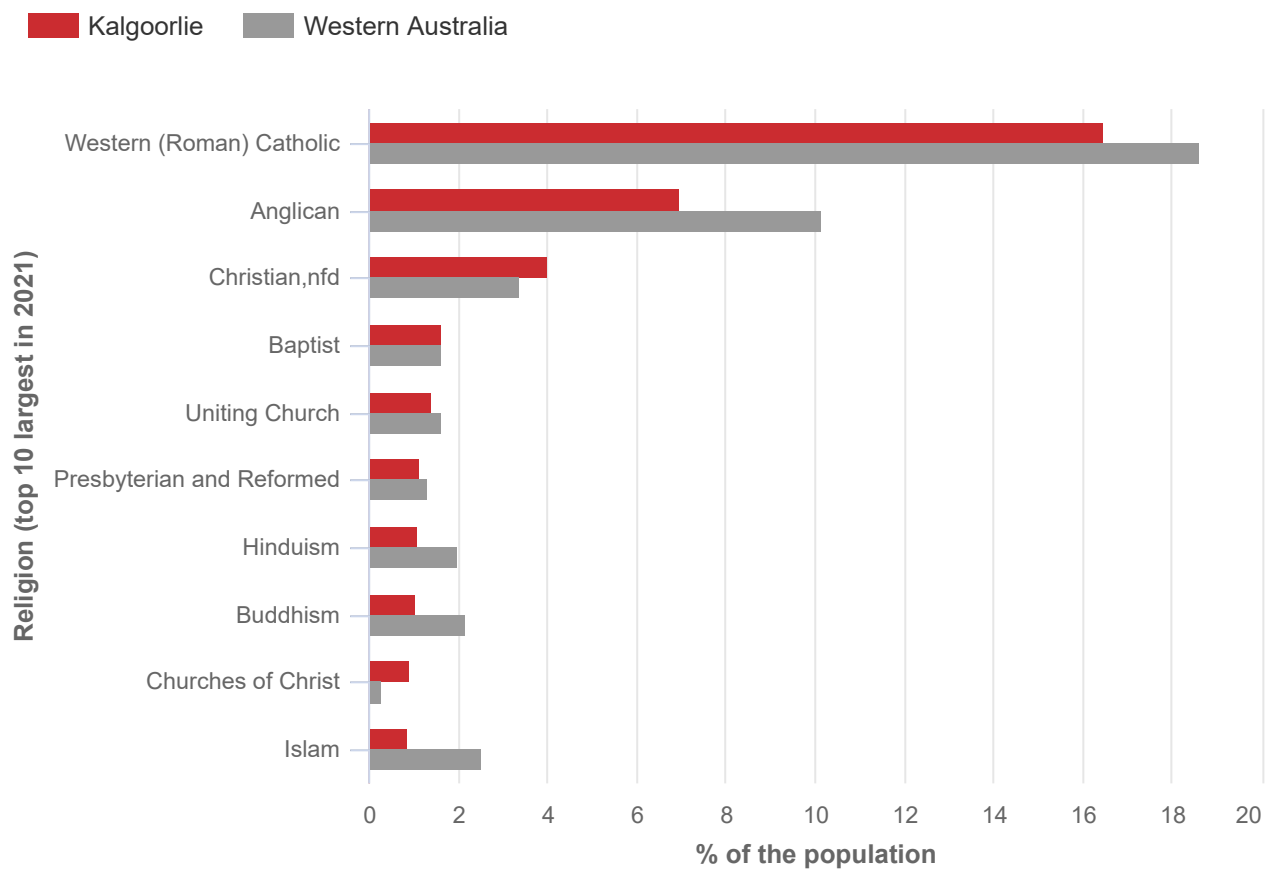
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Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

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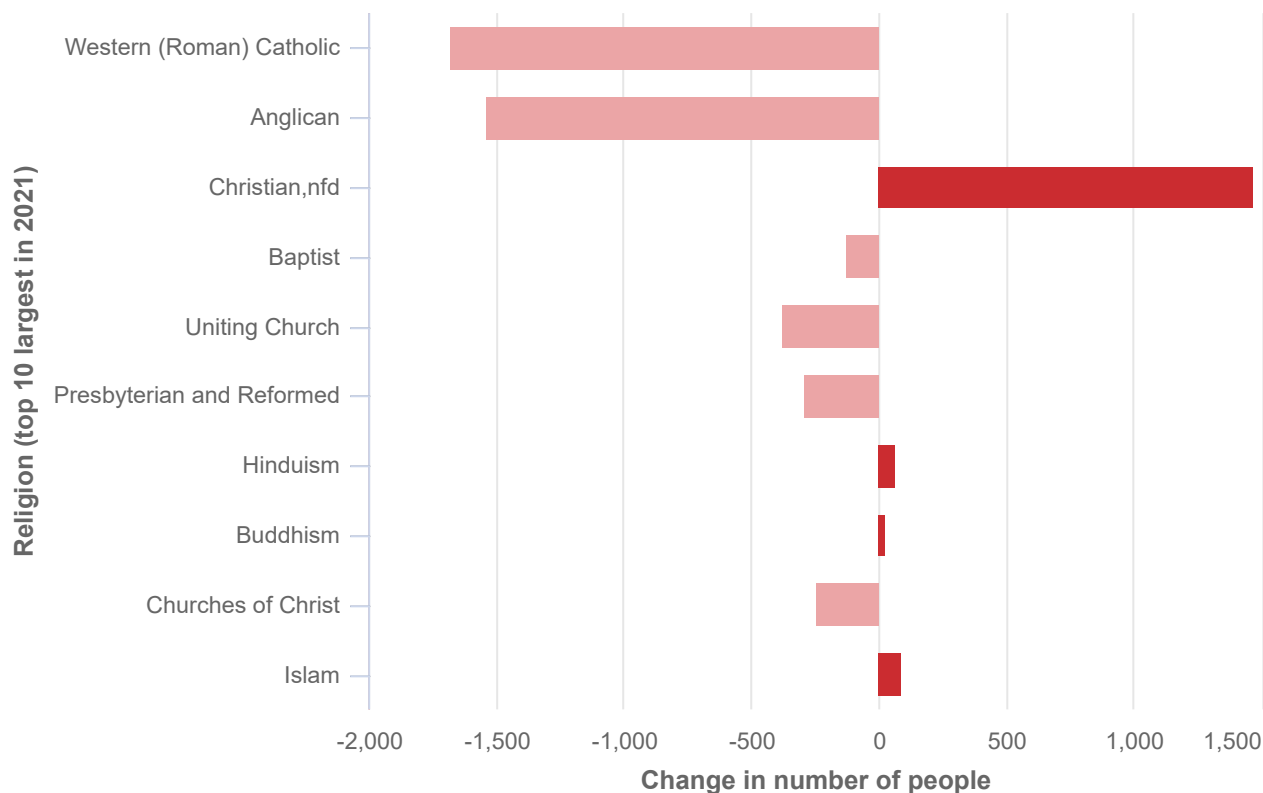
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Change in religion, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the religious affiliation of the population of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people who professed a religion and a higher proportion who stated they had no religion.

Overall, 40.2% of the population nominated a religion, and 43.7% said they had no religion, compared with 49.1% and 42.8% respectively for Western Australia.

The largest single religion in Kalgoorlie was Western (Roman) Catholic, with 16.5% of the population or 6,076 people as adherents.

The major differences between the religious affiliation for the population of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Anglican (6.9% compared to 10.1%)
- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Western (Roman) Catholic (16.5% compared to 18.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Islam (0.9% compared to 2.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Buddhism (1.0% compared to 2.2%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the religious affiliation of the population in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were for those who nominated:

- Western (Roman) Catholic (-1,679 persons)
- Other Christian (-1,589 persons)
- Anglican (-1,536 persons)
- Christian,nfd (+1,468 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Qualifications

Educational Qualifications relate to education outside of primary and secondary school and are one of the most important indicators of socio-economic status. With other data sources, such as **Employment Status**, **Income** and **Occupation**, Kalgoorlie's Educational Qualifications help to evaluate the economic opportunities and socio-economic status of the area and identify skill gaps in the labour market.

Learn more about planning education provision [here](#).

Highest qualification achieved

Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Qualification level	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Bachelor or Higher degree	3,534	12.1	23.8	3,222	11.1	20.5	+312
Advanced Diploma or Diploma	1,689	5.8	9.3	1,752	6.0	8.9	-63
Vocational	7,297	25.0	21.1	7,061	24.4	20.4	+236
No qualification	11,717	40.1	36.5	12,502	43.2	38.9	-785
Not stated	4,987	17.1	9.2	4,435	15.3	11.2	+552
Total persons aged 15+	29,224	100.0	100.0	28,972	100.0	100.0	+252

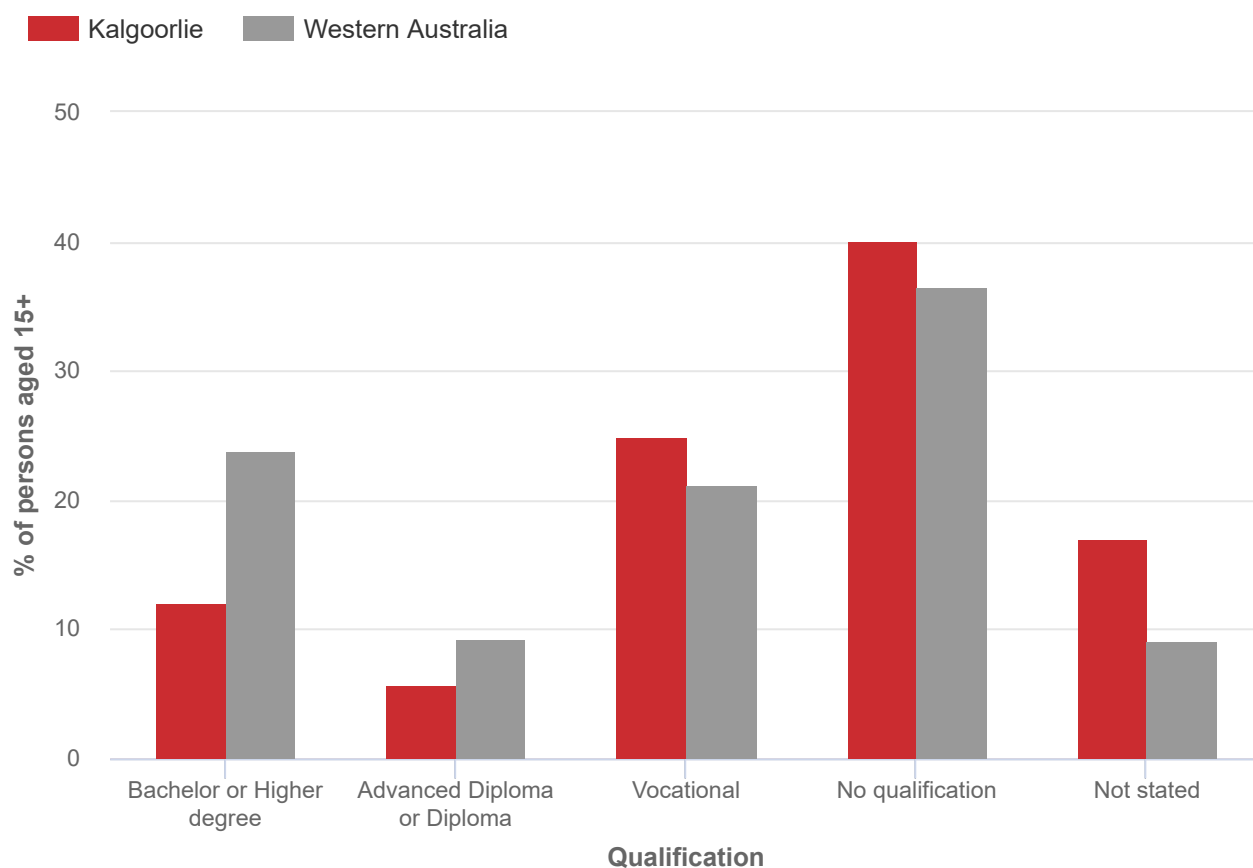
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[a People with university qualifications](#)

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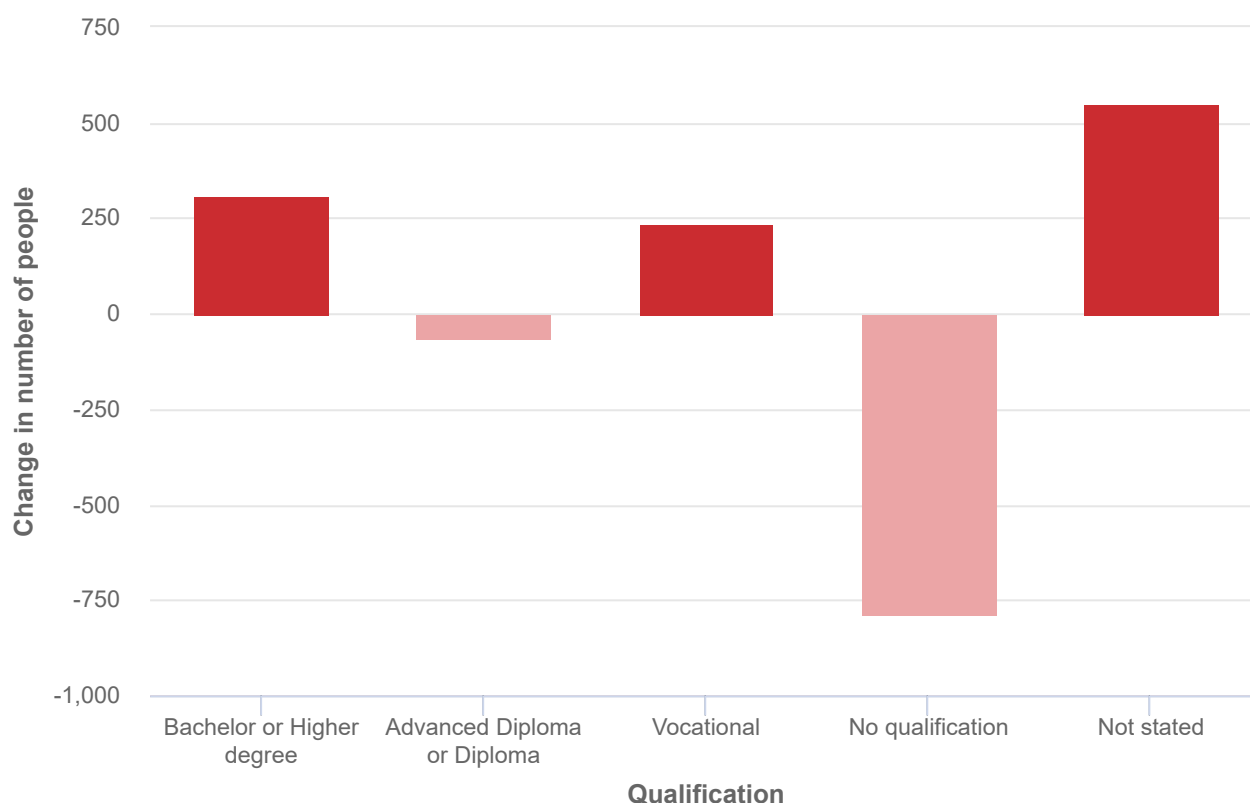
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Change in highest qualification achieved, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the qualifications of the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people holding formal qualifications (Bachelor or higher degree; Advanced Diploma or Diploma; or Vocational qualifications), and a higher proportion of people with no formal qualifications.

Overall, 42.8% of the population aged 15 and over held educational qualifications, and 40.1% had no qualifications, compared with 54.3% and 36.5% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between qualifications held by the population of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons with Vocational qualifications (25.0% compared to 21.1%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons with No qualifications (40.1% compared to 36.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons with Bachelor or Higher degrees (12.1% compared to 23.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons with Advanced Diploma or Diplomas (5.8% compared to 9.3%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the qualifications of the population in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were in those with:

- No qualifications (-785 persons)
- Bachelor or Higher degrees (+312 persons)
- Vocational qualifications (+236 persons)
- Advanced Diploma or Diplomas (-63 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Highest level of schooling

Kalgoorlie's school completion data is a useful indicator of socio-economic status. With other indicators, such as Proficiency in English, the data informs planners and decision-makers about people's ability to access services. Combined with Educational Qualifications it also allows assessment of the skill base of the population.

Learn more about planning education provision [here](#).

Highest level of secondary schooling completed

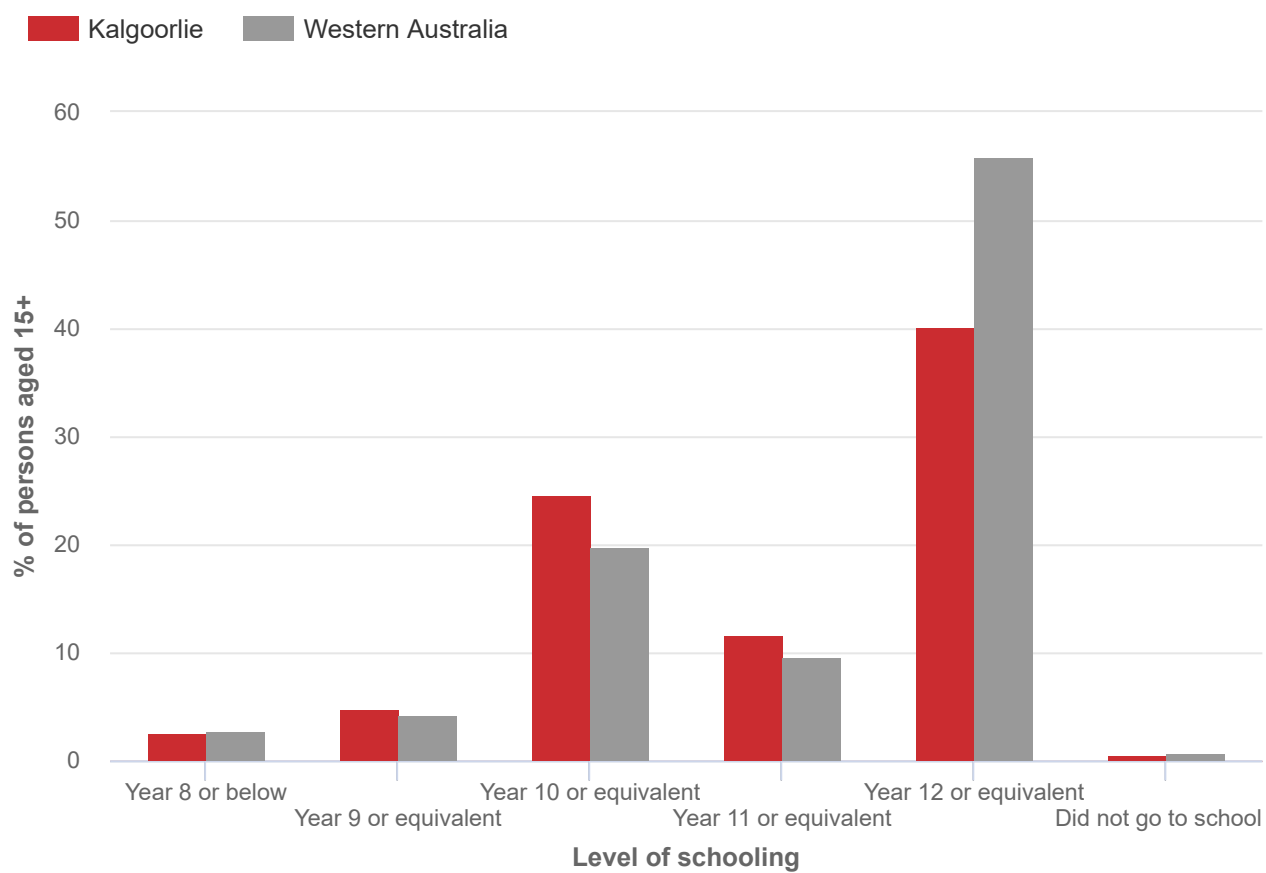
Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Level of schooling	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Year 8 or below	773	2.6	2.7	898	3.1	3.2	-125
Year 9 or equivalent	1,427	4.9	4.2	1,562	5.4	4.5	-135
Year 10 or equivalent	7,204	24.7	19.7	7,561	26.1	20.6	-357
Year 11 or equivalent	3,405	11.7	9.6	3,696	12.8	10.0	-291
Year 12 or equivalent	11,729	40.1	56.0	11,083	38.3	51.7	+646
Did not go to school	146	0.5	0.7	119	0.4	0.6	+27
Not stated	4,532	15.5	7.1	4,054	14.0	9.4	+478
Total persons aged 15+	29,216	100.0	100.0	28,973	100.0	100.0	+243

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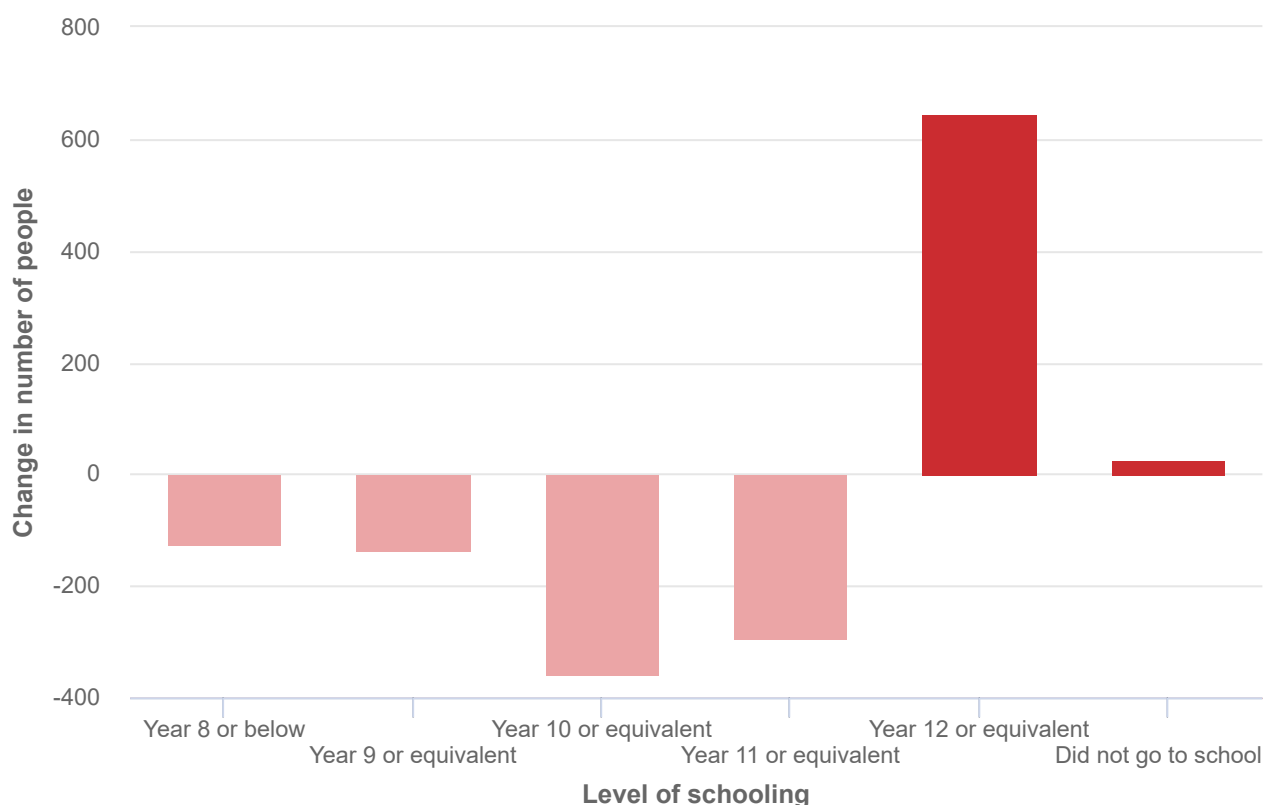
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Change in highest level of schooling completed, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the highest level of schooling attained by the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion of people who had left school at an early level (Year 10 or less) and a lower proportion of people who completed Year 12 or equivalent.

Overall, 32.7% of the population left school at Year 10 or below, and 40.1% went on to complete Year 12 or equivalent, compared with 27.3% and 56.0% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between the level of schooling attained by the population in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who completed year 10 or equivalent (24.7% compared to 19.7%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons who completed year 11 or equivalent (11.7% compared to 9.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who completed year 12 or equivalent (40.1% compared to 56.0%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the level of schooling attained by the population in Kalgoorlie, between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Year 12 or equivalent (+646 persons)
- Year 10 or equivalent (-357 persons)
- Year 11 or equivalent (-291 persons)
- Year 9 or equivalent (-135 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Education institution attending

The share of Kalgoorlie's population attending educational institutions reflects the age structure of the population, as it is influenced by the number of children attending school; proximity to tertiary education, which can mean young adults leaving home to be nearer to educational facilities and; the degree to which people are seeking out educational opportunities in adulthood, especially in their late teens and early twenties.

This data is often combined with **Age Structure** to identify areas with significant university student populations.

Learn more about planning education provision [here](#).

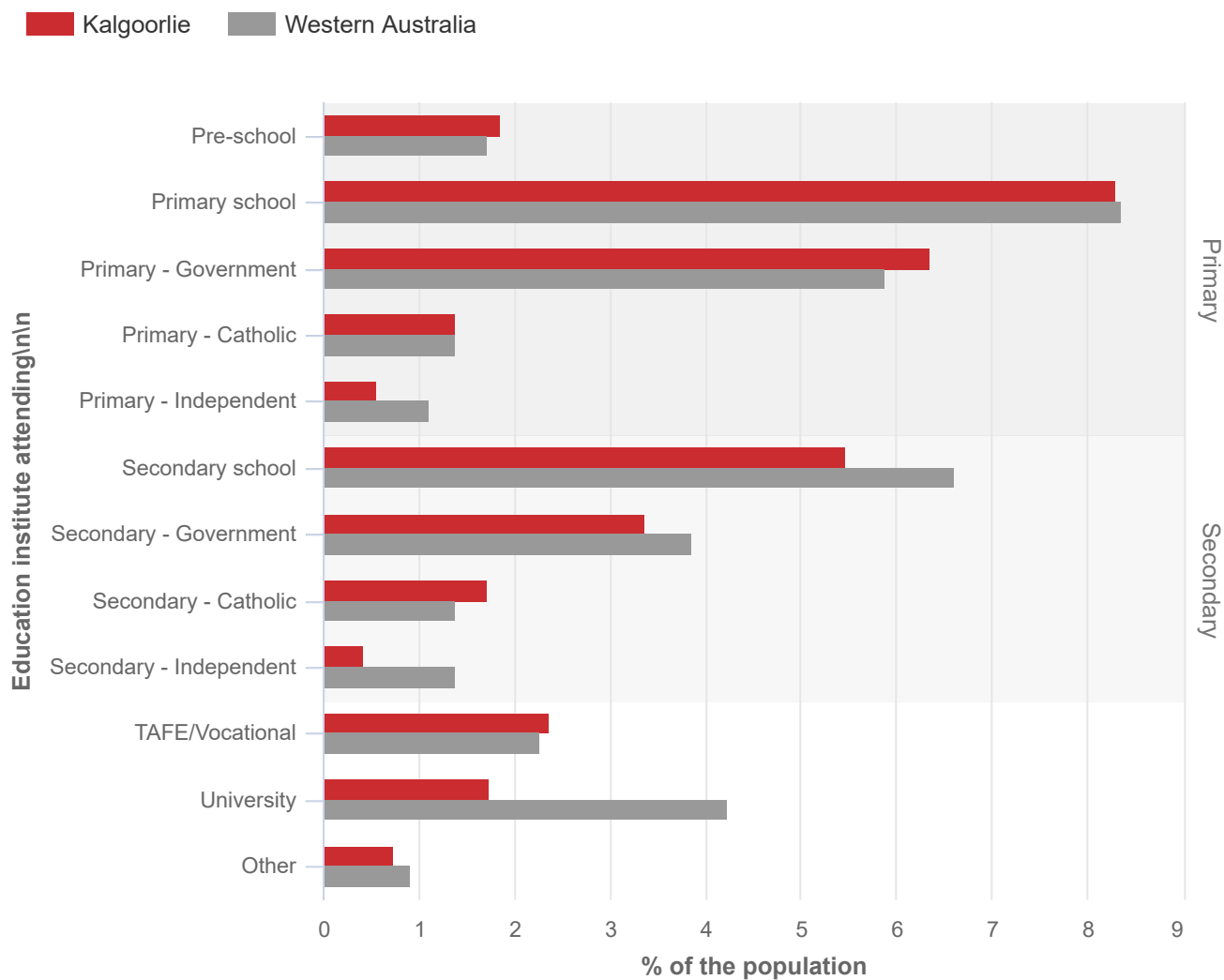
Education institution attending

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Type of institution	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Pre-school	681	1.8	1.7	479	1.5	1.2	+202
Primary school	3,062	8.3	8.4	0	--	8.5	+3,062
Primary - Government	2,346	6.4	5.9	2,630	8.3	5.9	-284
Primary - Catholic	510	1.4	1.4	583	1.8	1.5	-73
Primary - Independent	206	0.6	1.1	213	0.7	1.1	-7
Secondary school	2,019	5.5	6.6	0	--	6.3	+2,019
Secondary - Government	1,239	3.4	3.8	1,265	4.0	3.6	-26
Secondary - Catholic	631	1.7	1.4	680	2.1	1.4	-49
Secondary - Independent	149	0.4	1.4	194	0.6	1.4	-45
TAFE/Vocational	867	2.3	2.3	768	2.4	1.9	+99
University	639	1.7	4.2	682	2.2	4.3	-43
Other	268	0.7	0.9	198	0.6	0.7	+70
Not attending	24,148	65.4	69.7	25,017	79.1	69.0	-869
Not stated	5,225	14.2	6.3	4,494	14.2	8.0	+731
Total	36,909	100.0	100.0	31,638	100.0	100.0	+5,271

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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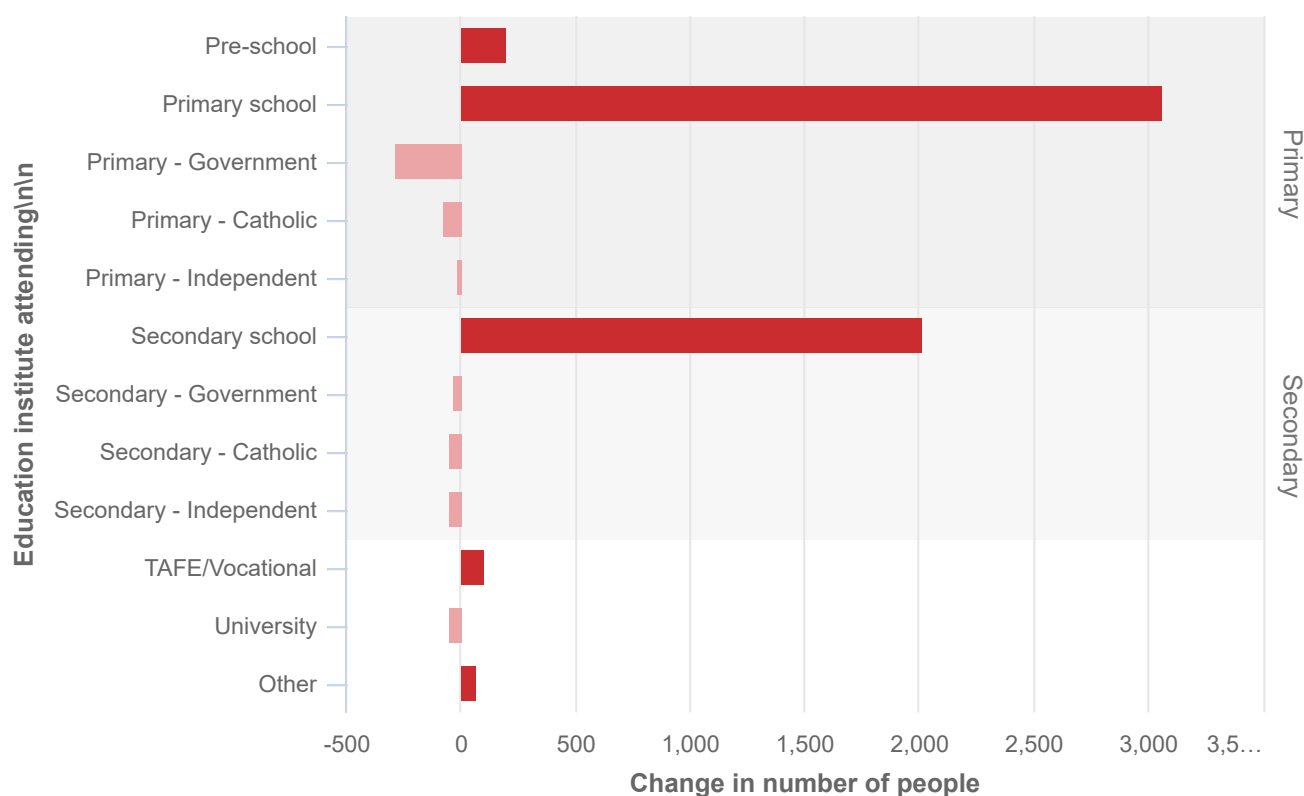
Education institution attending, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing, 2021](#) (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Change in education institution attending, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the share of the population attending educational institutions in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a similar proportion attending primary school, a lower proportion attending secondary school, and a lower proportion engaged in tertiary level education.

Overall, 8.3% of the population were attending primary school, 5.5% of the population were attending secondary institutions, and 4.1% were learning at a tertiary level, compared with 8.4%, 6.6% and 6.5% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between the share of the population attending learning institutions in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *smaller* percentage of persons not attending (65.4% compared to 69.7%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons attending University (1.7% compared to 4.2%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons attending a secondary school (any type) (5.5% compared to 6.6%)

Emerging groups

From 2016 to 2021, Kalgoorlie's population decreased by 294 people (+0.8%). This represents an average annual change of -0.16% per year over the period.

The largest changes in the number of persons attending education institutions in Kalgoorlie, between 2016 and 2021 were in those who nominated:

- Primary school (+3,062 persons)
- Secondary school (+2,019 persons)
- Primary - Government (-284 persons)
- Pre-school (+202 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Need for assistance

Kalgoorlie's disability statistics relate directly to need for assistance due to a severe or profound disability. The information may be used in the planning of local facilities, services such as day-care and occasional care and in the provision of information and support to carers. Kalgoorlie's disability statistics help in understanding the prevalence of people who need support in the community, and along with information on **Unpaid Care** to a person with a disability, how that support is provided.

*Please note: A person's reported need for assistance is based on a subjective assessment and should therefore be treated with caution. See the **specific data notes** for further detail.*

Need for assistance with core activities by age

Kalgoorlie - Persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Assistance needed by age group (years)	Number	% of total age group	Western Australia %	Number	% of total age group	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
0 to 4	22	0.8	1.2	21	0.7	1.0	+1
5 to 9	80	3.1	3.6	61	2.1	2.5	+19
10 to 19	126	2.9	3.4	94	2.1	2.4	+32
20 to 59	336	1.5	2.1	330	1.5	1.9	+6
60 to 64	83	3.9	4.9	84	5.0	4.8	-1
65 to 69	95	6.8	6.1	85	7.3	6.2	+10
70 to 74	122	12.8	8.9	66	10.1	8.7	+56
75 to 79	87	16.3	14.3	75	17.4	13.9	+12
80 to 84	78	24.7	24.4	75	28.7	23.3	+3
85 and over	112	48.3	45.6	91	49.2	42.7	+21
Total persons needing assistance	1,143	3.1	4.6	970	2.6	3.9	+173

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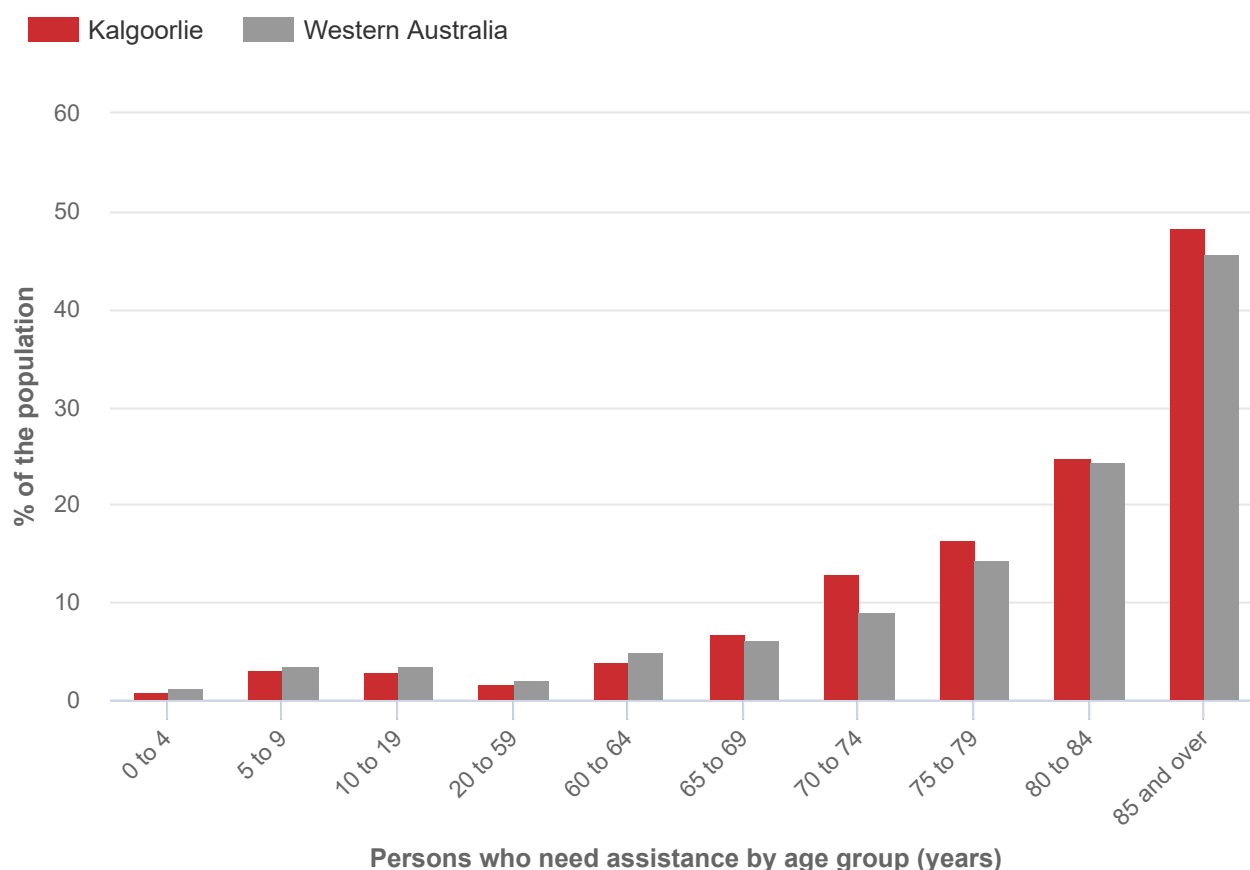
Need for assistance with core activities summary

Kalgoorlie - Total persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Assistance needed by age group (years)	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Total persons needing assistance	1,143	3.1	4.6	970	2.6	3.9	+173
Total persons not needing assistance	30,425	82.4	89.0	31,805	85.5	88.3	-1,380
Not stated	5,346	14.5	6.4	4,432	11.9	7.8	+914
Total Population	36,914	100.0	100.0	37,207	100.0	100.0	-293

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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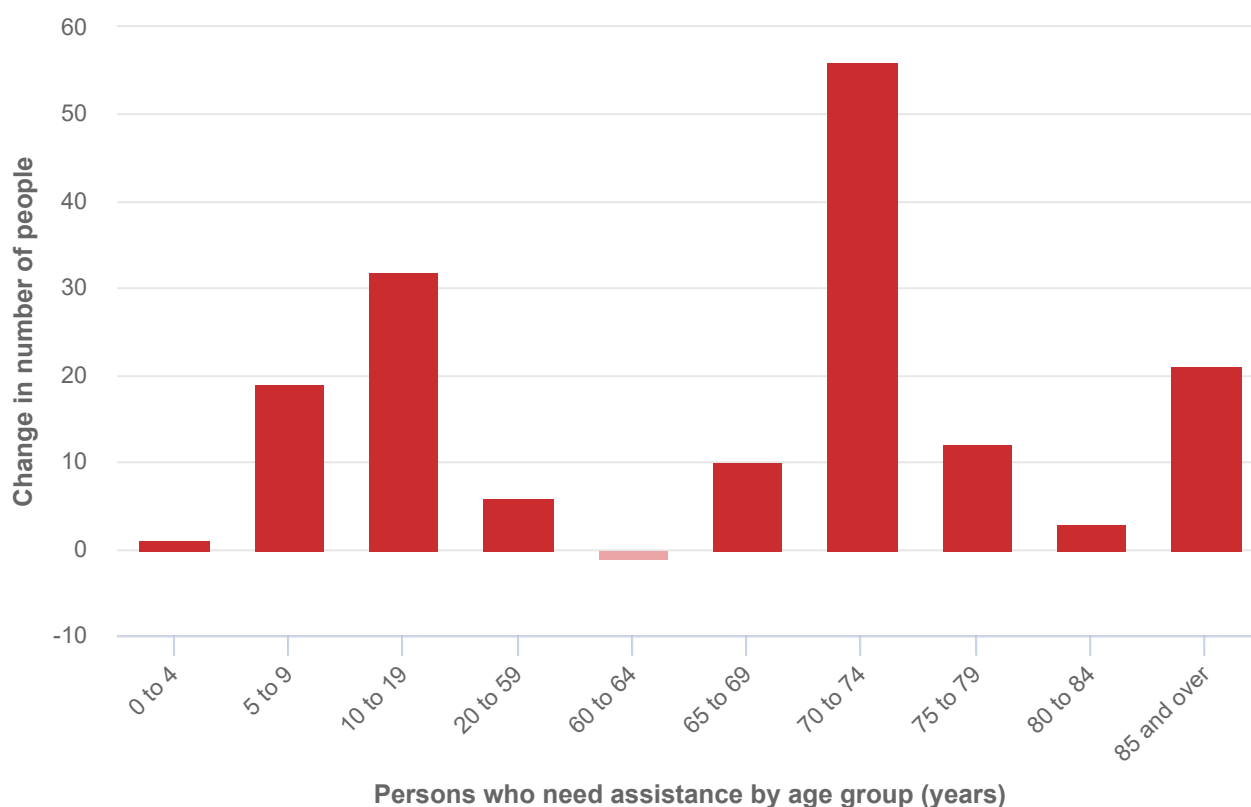
Need for assistance with core activities, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Change in need for assistance with core activities, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the need for assistance of people in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people who reported needing assistance with core activities.

Overall, 3.1% of the population reported needing assistance with core activities, compared with 4.6% for Western Australia.

The major differences in the age groups reporting a need for assistance in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons aged 70 to 74 (12.8% compared to 8.9%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons aged 85 and over (48.3% compared to 45.6%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons aged 75 to 79 (16.3% compared to 14.3%)

Emerging groups

The major difference in the age groups reporting a need for assistance between 2016 and 2021 in Kalgoorlie was in the age group:

- 70 to 74 (+56 persons)

Kalgoorlie

The 2021 Census looked for the first time at the level of incidence of selected long-term health conditions in the community. The Census question asked respondents if they have been diagnosed with a specific condition (or other condition) from a list of ten conditions plus "other". Combined, these ten conditions comprise approximately 60% of Australia's deaths, and even those which are not deadly contribute substantially to the burden of disease.

It is well known that socio-economic factors also contribute to morbidity and health outcomes, with lower-socio economic characteristics correlated with higher incidence of some health conditions. The inclusion of this topic in the Census enables these factors to be explored in more detail.

Also, in society, health conditions tend to increase with age. For these reasons, it is recommended that long-term health conditions data be viewed at in conjunction with **age structure**, **household income**, **educational qualifications**, and **need for assistance** datasets, along with the **SEIFA index of disadvantage**.

Long term health conditions

Kalgoorlie - Persons (Usual residence)	2021		
Long-term health conditions	Number	%	Western Australia %
Arthritis	2,078	5.6	7.6
Asthma	2,433	6.6	7.3
Cancer (including remission)	677	1.8	2.7
Dementia (including Alzheimer's)	131	0.4	0.7
Diabetes	1,619	4.4	4.4
Heart disease	944	2.6	3.6
Kidney disease	296	0.8	0.8
Lung condition	516	1.4	1.6
Mental health condition	2,360	6.4	8.3
Stroke	217	0.6	0.8
Other long-term health condition	1,986	5.4	7.4

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2021. Compiled and presented by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

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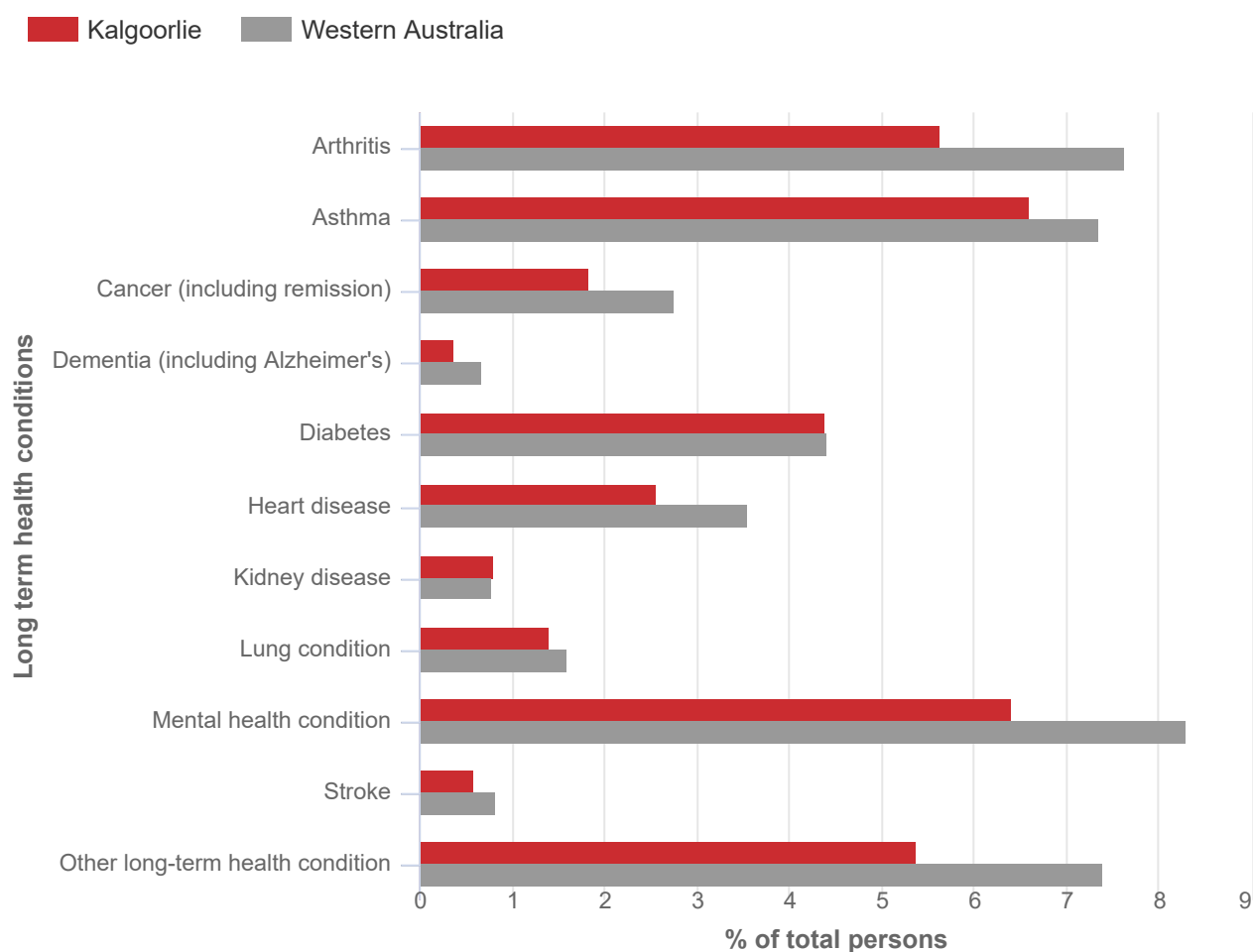
Long term health conditions - Summary

Kalgoorlie - Persons (Usual residence)		2021	
Long-term health conditions - Summary		Number	Western Australia %
Population with at least one long-term health condition		8,827	23.9
No long-term health conditions		21,797	59.1
Not stated		6,287	17.0
Total persons		36,911	100.0

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

Please refer to specific data notes for more information

Long term health conditions, all persons, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the long term health conditions of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people with a long-term health condition 23.9% compared to 29.9% in Western Australia.

The major differences in the long-term health conditions between Kalgoorlie and Western Australia are:

- A *smaller* percentage with other long-term health condition (5.4% compared to 7.4%)
- A *smaller* percentage with arthritis (5.6% compared to 7.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage with mental health condition (6.4% compared to 8.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage with heart disease (2.6% compared to 3.6%)

Kalgoorlie

Employment status

Kalgoorlie's employment statistics are an important indicator of socio-economic status. The levels of full or part-time employment, unemployment and labour force participation indicate the strength of the local economy and social characteristics of the population. Employment status is linked to a number of factors including **Age Structure**, which influences the number of people in the workforce; the economic base and employment opportunities available in the area and; the education and skill base of the population (**Occupations, Industries, Qualifications**).

The two most important measures are:

- Unemployment rate - the number of people looking for work, as a percentage of the labour force (employed and unemployed over 15)
- Participation rate - the labour force expressed as a percentage of the total population over 15

Please note that in the 2021 Census, due to the COVID pandemic and lockdowns in many areas, the proportion of people who were employed but away from work in the week before Census has increased. We have no information on whether these people were normally employed full or part time so this is shown separately.

Labour force status

Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)				2021			2016	Change
Labour force status	2021			2016			2016 to 2021	
	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %		
Total labour force (Participation rate)	19,046	65.2	63.9	19,185	66.2	62.9	-139	
Not in the labour force	5,941	20.3	29.8	6,395	22.1	29.8	-454	
Labour force status not stated	4,231	14.5	6.3	3,386	11.7	7.3	+845	
Total persons aged 15+	29,218	100.0	100.0	28,970	100.0	100.0	+248	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

Please refer to specific data notes for more information

Employment status

Kalgoorlie - Persons in the labour force (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Employment status	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Employed	18,357	96.4	94.9	1,768	9.2	92.2	+16,589
Employed full-time	13,217	69.4	57.1	12,980	67.7	57.0	+237
Employed part-time	3,883	20.4	32.0	3,878	20.2	30.0	+5
Employed, away from work	1,257	6.6	5.8	1,157	6.0	5.2	+100
Unemployed (Unemployment rate)	689	3.6	5.1	205	1.1	7.8	+484
Looking for full-time work	448	2.4	2.7	810	4.2	4.7	-362
Looking for part-time work	241	1.3	2.4	360	1.9	3.1	-119
Total labour force	19,046	100.0	100.0	19,185	100.0	100.0	-139

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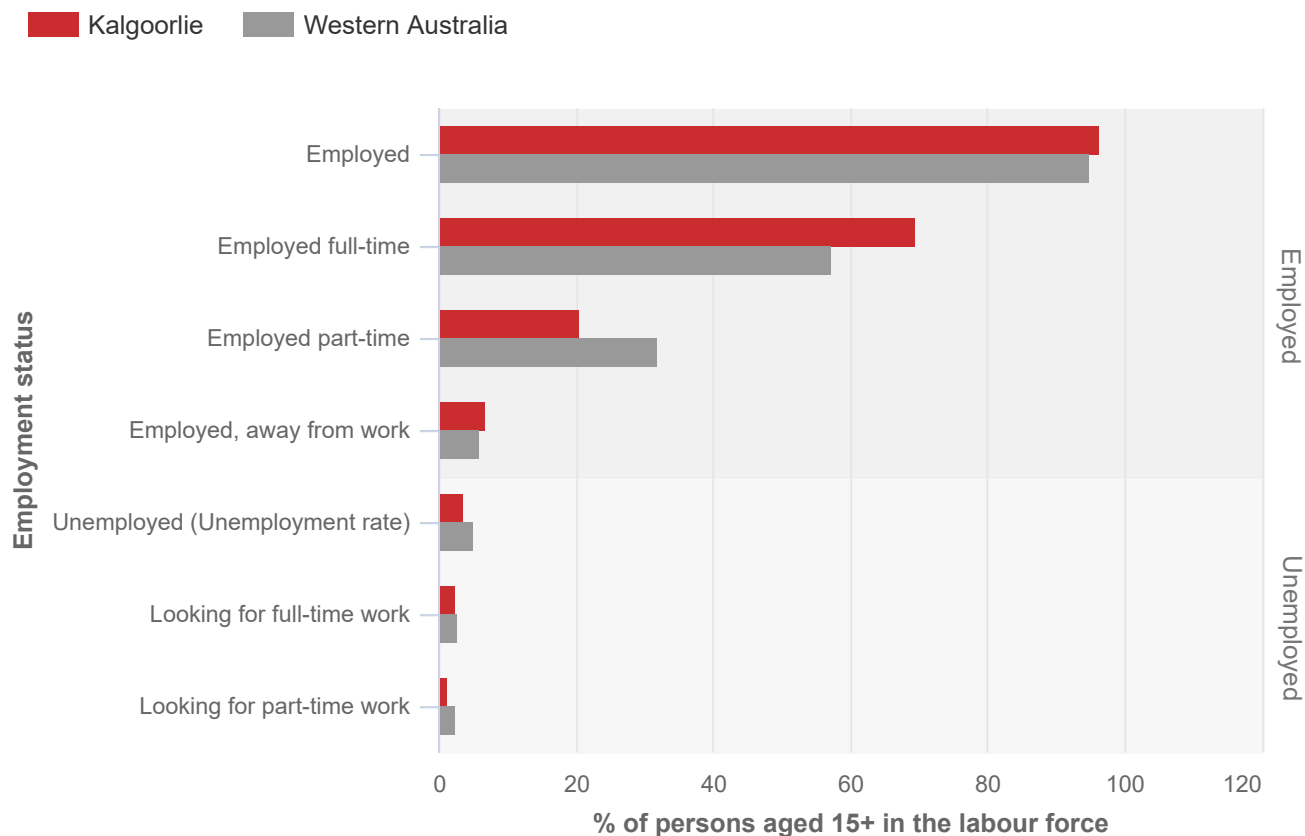
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- [a Youth unemployment rate \(persons aged 15-24\)](#)
- [a Seniors unemployment rate \(persons aged 55 or more\)](#)
- [a Disengaged youth \(aged 15-24 not employed or in education\)](#)
- [a People employed part-time](#)

Please refer to the specific data notes for more information

Employment status, 2021

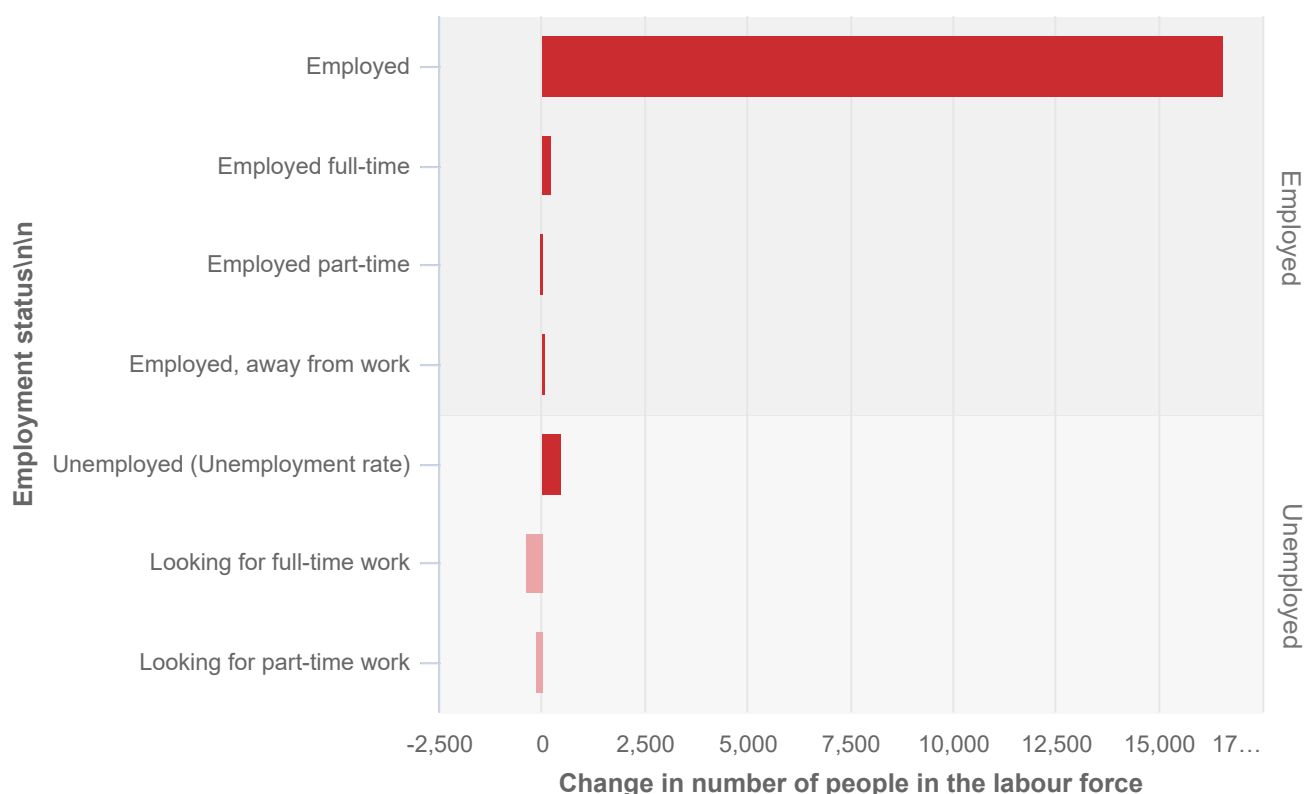
Total persons in the labour force



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing, 2021](#) (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Change in employment status, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons in the labour force



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

The size of Kalgoorlie's labour force in 2021 was 19,046, of which 3,883 were employed part-time and 13,217 were full time workers.

Analysis of the employment status (as a percentage of the labour force) in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion in employment, and a lower proportion unemployed. Overall, 96.4% of the labour force was employed, and 3.6% unemployed, compared with 94.9% and 5.1% respectively for Western Australia.

Analysis of the labour force participation rate of the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 shows that there was a higher proportion in the labour force (65.2%) compared with Western Australia (63.9%).

Emerging groups

Between 2016 and 2021, the number of people employed in Kalgoorlie showed an increase of 16,589, and the number unemployed showed an increase of 484. In the same period, the number of people in the labour force showed a decrease of 139 or 0.7%.

Kalgoorlie

Industry sector of employment

Kalgoorlie's industry statistics identify the industry sectors in which the residents work (which may be within the residing area or elsewhere). This will be influenced by the skill base and socio-economic status of the residents as well as the industries and employment opportunities present in the region.

When viewed in conjunction with **Residents Place of Work** data and **Method of Travel to Work**, industry sector statistics provide insights into the relationship between the economic and residential role of the area.

Industry sector of employment

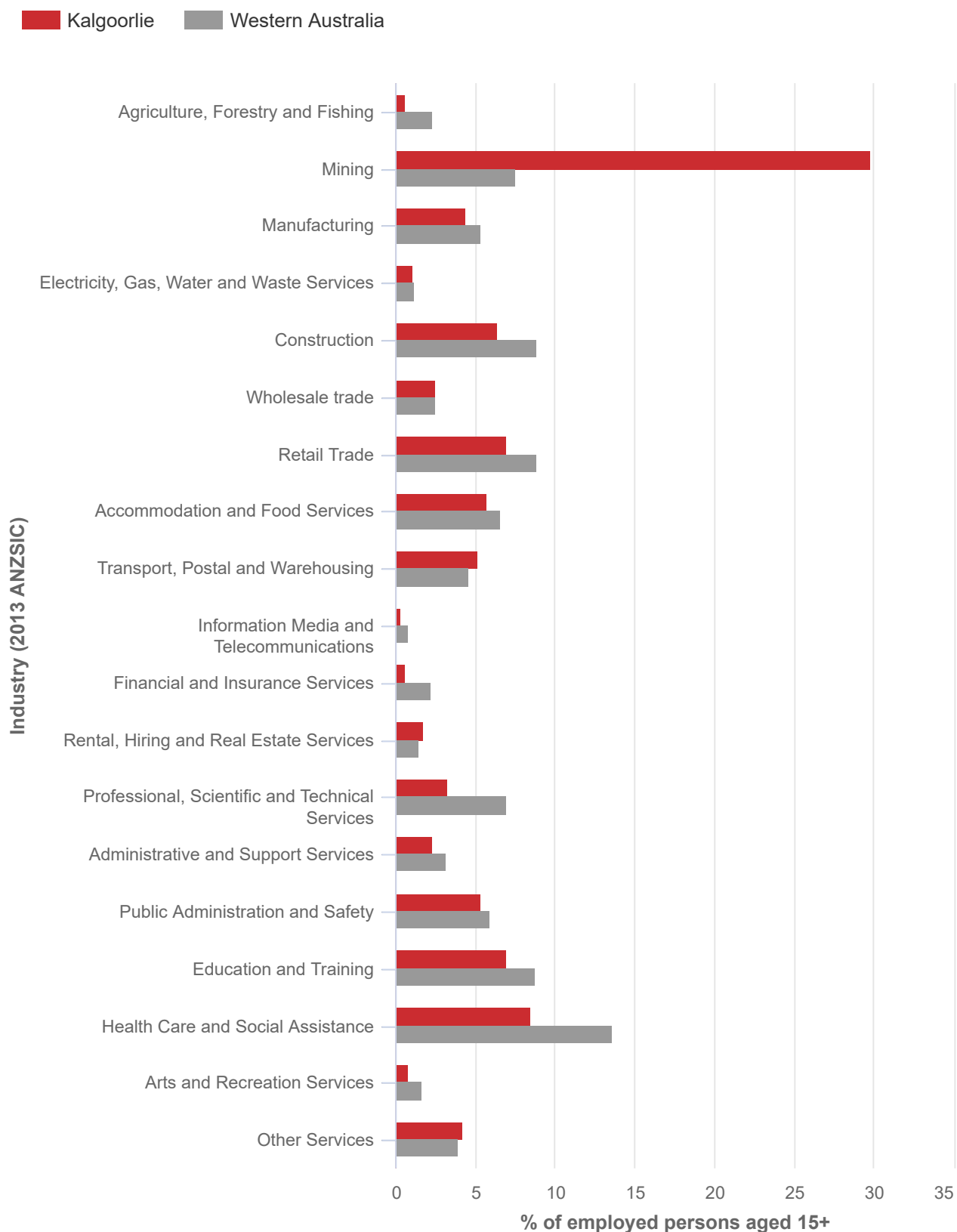
Kalgoorlie - Employed persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Industry sector	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	96	0.5	2.3	98	0.5	2.5	-2
Mining	5,465	29.8	7.5	5,211	28.9	6.3	+254
Manufacturing	794	4.3	5.3	735	4.1	5.6	+59
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	186	1.0	1.2	161	0.9	1.2	+25
Construction	1,172	6.4	8.8	1,120	6.2	9.8	+52
Wholesale trade	445	2.4	2.5	366	2.0	2.5	+79
Retail Trade	1,267	6.9	8.8	1,397	7.8	9.5	-130
Accommodation and Food Services	1,038	5.7	6.5	1,071	5.9	6.4	-33
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	941	5.1	4.5	948	5.3	4.6	-7
Information Media and Telecommunications	57	0.3	0.8	101	0.6	1.0	-44
Financial and Insurance Services	98	0.5	2.2	161	0.9	2.4	-63
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	308	1.7	1.4	293	1.6	1.7	+15
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	586	3.2	6.9	460	2.6	6.4	+126
Administrative and Support Services	418	2.3	3.1	501	2.8	3.3	-83
Public Administration and Safety	978	5.3	5.9	1,051	5.8	6.2	-73
Education and Training	1,276	7.0	8.8	1,275	7.1	8.7	+1
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,551	8.5	13.6	1,388	7.7	11.7	+163
Arts and Recreation Services	141	0.8	1.6	163	0.9	1.6	-22
Other Services	769	4.2	3.9	821	4.6	4.0	-52
Inadequately described or not stated	759	4.1	4.6	693	3.8	4.6	+66
Total employed persons aged 15+	18,345	100.0	100.0	18,014	100.0	100.0	+331

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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Industry sector of employment, 2021

Total employed persons



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Change in industry sector of employment, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total employed persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

An analysis of the jobs held by the resident population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 shows the three most popular industry sectors were:

- Mining (5,465 people or 29.8%)
- Health Care and Social Assistance (1,551 people or 8.5%)
- Education and Training (1,276 people or 7.0%)

In combination, these three industries employed 8,292 people in total or 45.2% of the total employed resident population.

In comparison, Western Australia employed 7.5% in Mining; 13.6% in Health Care and Social Assistance; and 8.8% in Education and Training.

The major differences between the jobs held by the population of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons employed in mining (29.8% compared to 7.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed in health care and social assistance (8.5% compared to 13.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed in professional, scientific and technical services (3.2% compared to 6.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed in construction (6.4% compared to 8.8%)

Emerging groups

The number of employed people in Kalgoorlie increased by 331 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in the jobs held by the resident population between 2016 and 2021 in Kalgoorlie were for those employed in:

- Mining (+254 persons)
- Health Care and Social Assistance (+163 persons)
- Retail Trade (-130 persons)
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (+126 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Occupation of employment

Kalgoorlie's occupation statistics quantify the occupations in which the residents work (which may be within the residing area or elsewhere). This will be influenced by the economic base and employment opportunities available in the area, education levels, and the working and social aspirations of the population. When viewed with other indicators, such as **Educational Qualifications** and **Individual Income**, Occupation is a key measure for evaluating Kalgoorlie's socio-economic status and skill base.

Occupation of employment

Kalgoorlie - Employed persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Occupation	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Managers	1,624	8.8	12.3	1,557	8.6	12.0	+67
Professionals	2,531	13.8	22.0	2,447	13.6	20.5	+84
Technicians and Trades Workers	4,023	21.9	15.3	3,874	21.5	16.2	+149
Community and Personal Service Workers	1,667	9.1	11.8	1,614	9.0	10.6	+53
Clerical and Administrative Workers	1,940	10.6	12.1	1,849	10.3	13.0	+91
Sales Workers	1,110	6.0	7.8	1,289	7.2	8.8	-179
Machinery Operators And Drivers	3,416	18.6	7.7	3,420	19.0	7.5	-4
Labourers	1,712	9.3	9.4	1,651	9.2	9.7	+61
Not stated or inadequately described	331	1.8	1.7	326	1.8	1.7	+5
Total employed persons aged 15+	18,354	100.0	100.0	18,027	100.0	100.0	+327

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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a People employed as Managers or Professionals

Occupation of employment, 2021

Total employed persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Change in occupation of employment, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total employed persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

An analysis of the jobs held by the resident population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 shows the three most popular occupations were:

- Technicians and Trades Workers (4,023 people or 21.9%)
- Machinery Operators And Drivers (3,416 people or 18.6%)
- Professionals (2,531 people or 13.8%)

In combination these three occupations accounted for 9,970 people in total or 54.3% of the employed resident population.

In comparison, Western Australia employed 15.3% in Technicians and Trades Workers; 7.7% in Machinery Operators And Drivers; and 22.0% in Professionals.

The major differences between the jobs held by the population of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons employed as Machinery Operators And Drivers (18.6% compared to 7.7%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons employed as Technicians and Trades Workers (21.9% compared to 15.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed as Professionals (13.8% compared to 22.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed as Managers (8.8% compared to 12.3%)

Emerging groups

The number of employed people in Kalgoorlie increased by 327 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in the occupations of residents between 2016 and 2021 in Kalgoorlie were for those employed as:

- Sales Workers (-179 persons)
- Technicians and Trades Workers (+149 persons)
- Clerical and Administrative Workers (+91 persons)
- Professionals (+84 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Method of travel to work

Kalgoorlie's commuting statistics reveal the main modes of transport by which residents get to work. There are a number of reasons why people use different modes of transport to get to work including the availability of affordable and effective public transport options, the number of motor vehicles available within a household, and the distance travelled to work.

Commuting data is very useful in transport planning as it informs decision-makers about the availability, effectiveness and utilisation of local transport options, particularly when analysed with **Residents Place of Work** data and **Car Ownership**.

WARNING: Method of travel to work relates to Census day, which for the 2021 Census occurred during COVID-19 lockdowns for large parts of Australia. In lockdown, many occupations were required to work from home if possible, and some industries were closed, so people did not go to work. For this reason, these categories may have increased, with corresponding declines in other methods of travel. Use the data with caution when comparing over time. For more details, please refer to the **data notes**.

Method of travel to work

Kalgoorlie - Employed persons (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Main method of travel	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Train	15	0.1	4.0	7	0.0	4.9	+8
Bus	758	4.1	3.3	1,058	5.9	4.3	-300
Tram	0	--	0.0	0	--	0.0	0
Ferry	15	0.1	0.0	3	0.0	0.0	+12
Taxi/ride-share	101	0.6	0.3	81	0.4	0.2	+20
Car - as driver	12,149	66.2	62.1	11,808	65.6	63.3	+341
Car - as passenger	1,376	7.5	4.6	1,403	7.8	4.9	-27
Truck	160	0.9	0.6	163	0.9	0.7	-3
Motorbike	71	0.4	0.3	122	0.7	0.5	-51
Bicycle	100	0.5	0.7	133	0.7	1.0	-33
Walked only	744	4.1	2.2	834	4.6	2.8	-90
Other	576	3.1	2.2	377	2.1	2.0	+199
Worked at home	443	2.4	7.5	319	1.8	4.3	+124
Did not go to work	1,732	9.4	11.7	1,437	8.0	10.1	+295
Not stated	102	0.6	0.5	264	1.5	1.1	-162
Total employed persons aged 15+	18,342	100.0	100.0	18,009	100.0	100.0	+333

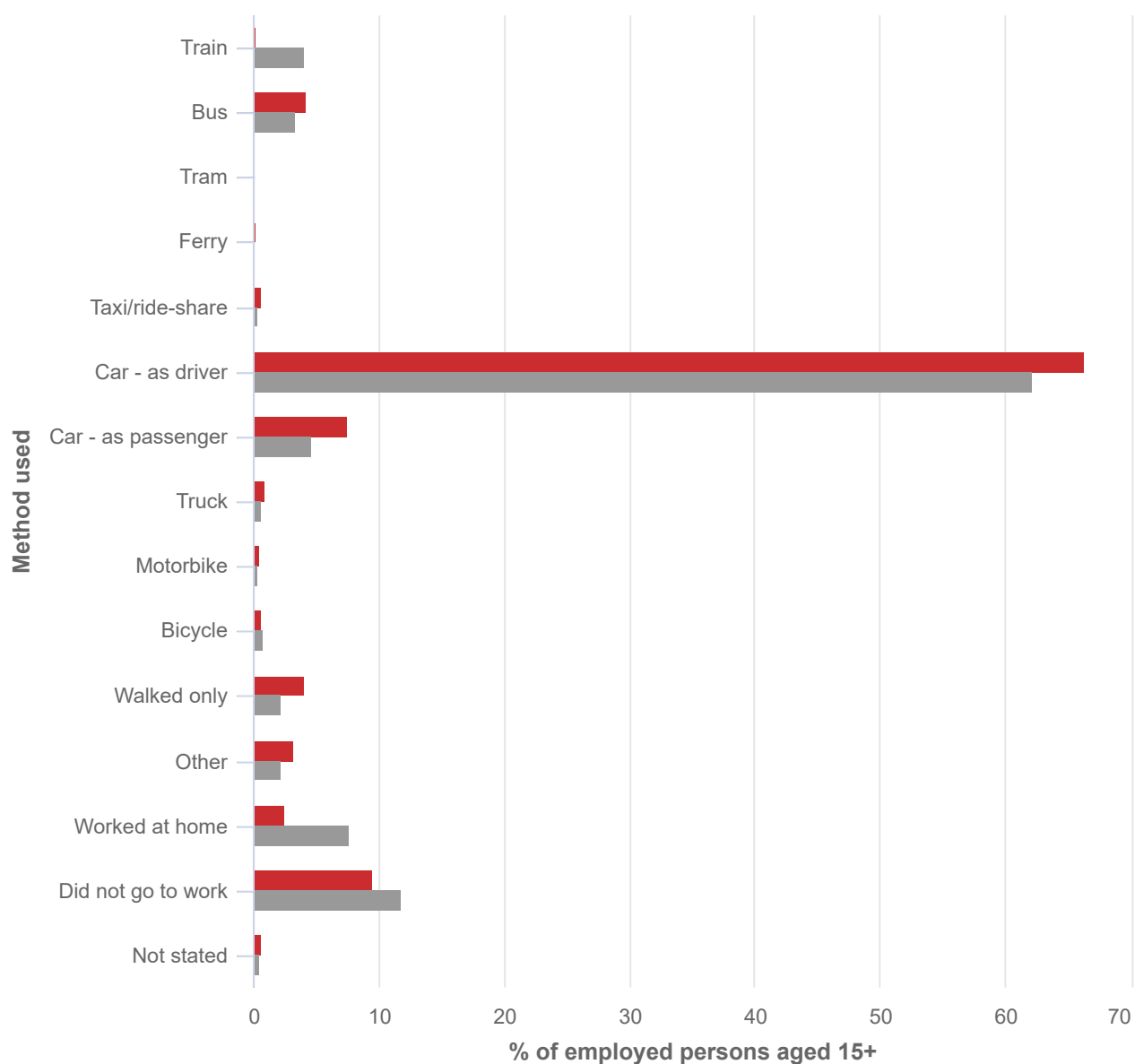
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- a People who travelled to work on public transport

Method of travel to work, 2021

Total employed persons

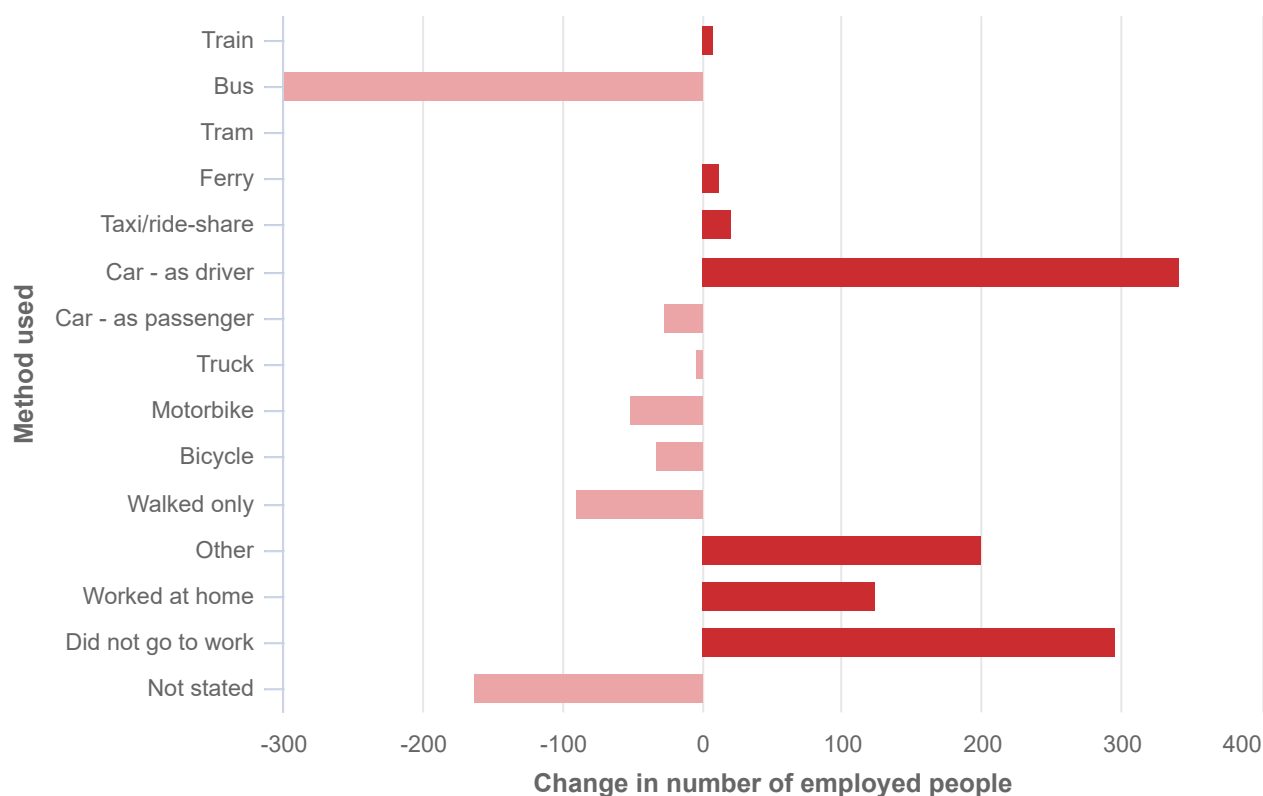
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Change in method of travel to work, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total employed persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

In 2021, there were 788 people who caught public transport to work (train, bus, tram or ferry) in Kalgoorlie, compared with 13,756 who drove in private vehicles (car – as driver, car – as passenger, motorbike, or truck).

Analysis of the method of travel to work of the residents in Kalgoorlie in 2021, compared to Western Australia, shows that 4.3% used public transport, while 73.7% used a private vehicle, compared with 7.4% and 66.7% respectively in Western Australia.

The major differences in persons between the method of travel to work of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who travelled by car (as driver) (66.2% compared to 62.1%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons who travelled by car (as a passenger) (7.5% compared to 4.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who worked at home (2.4% compared to 7.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who travelled by train (0.1% compared to 4.0%)

Emerging groups

The number of employed people in Kalgoorlie increased by 333 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in the method of travel to work by resident population in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were for those nominated:

- Car - as driver (+341 persons)
- Bus (-300 persons)
- Did not go to work (+295 persons)
- Other (+199 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Disengagement by age

Engagement in employment and education looks at the level of participation by age and sex of the population in the labour market, or full or part-time education. A full time employed or full-time student would be "Fully engaged", while part-time students may be fully engaged if they are also employed, or partly engaged if they are not working. Engagement in the labour and education market is highly dependent on age. Retirees are generally disengaged, while stay-at-home parents are also likely to be disengaged. The rate of engagement, particularly in the younger and working age groups can be affected by access to strong employment and education markets and is a measure of socio-economic status and the level of welfare dependency in an area. For more detail on employment and educational characteristics associated with disengagement, please look at [Employment Status](#), [Qualifications](#) and [Educational Institution Attending](#).

Further reading: [Using demographics to inform gender equality](#)

Workforce and educational engagement by age

Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)		2021			2016			Change
Age group	Engagement status	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
15 to 24 years	Fully engaged	2,796	62.2	72.5	2,844	62.0	70.7	-48
15 to 24 years	Partially engaged	523	11.6	13.0	560	12.2	12.3	-37
15 to 24 years	Disengaged	515	11.5	8.8	704	15.3	10.5	-189
15 to 24 years	Undetermined/Not stated	660	14.7	5.7	482	10.5	6.5	+178
15 to 24 years	Total	4,494	100.0	100.0	4,590	100.0	100.0	-96
25 to 54 years	Fully engaged	9,246	55.1	55.6	9,688	55.0	53.7	-442
25 to 54 years	Partially engaged	2,785	16.6	23.6	3,003	17.0	22.1	-218
25 to 54 years	Disengaged	2,003	11.9	13.6	2,721	15.4	16.4	-718
25 to 54 years	Undetermined/Not stated	2,741	16.3	7.2	2,205	12.5	7.9	+536
25 to 54 years	Total	16,775	100.0	100.0	17,617	100.0	100.0	-842
55 to 64 years	Fully engaged	2,175	48.0	41.0	1,873	46.1	37.9	+302
55 to 64 years	Partially engaged	838	18.5	25.2	701	17.3	23.9	+137
55 to 64 years	Disengaged	892	19.7	27.8	932	23.0	30.9	-40
55 to 64 years	Undetermined/Not stated	623	13.8	5.9	554	13.6	7.3	+69
55 to 64 years	Total	4,528	100.0	100.0	4,060	100.0	100.0	+468
65 years and over	Fully engaged	476	13.9	6.5	315	11.7	5.7	+161
65 years and over	Partially engaged	334	9.7	9.4	220	8.2	8.6	+114
65 years and over	Disengaged	2,116	61.6	76.2	1,762	65.3	74.4	+354
65 years and over	Undetermined/Not stated	507	14.8	7.9	402	14.9	11.2	+105
65 years and over	Total	3,433	100.0	100.0	2,699	100.0	100.0	+734
Total aged 15+	Fully engaged	14,693	50.3	46.2	14,720	50.8	45.8	-27
Total aged 15+	Partially engaged	4,480	15.3	19.5	4,484	15.5	18.5	-4

Workforce and educational engagement by age

Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)		2021			2016			Change
Age group	Engagement status	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Total aged 15+	Disengaged	5,526	18.9	27.4	6,119	21.1	27.6	-593
Total aged 15+	Undetermined/Not stated	4,531	15.5	6.9	3,643	12.6	8.2	+888
Total aged 15+	Total	29,230	100.0	100.0	28,966	100.0	100.0	+264

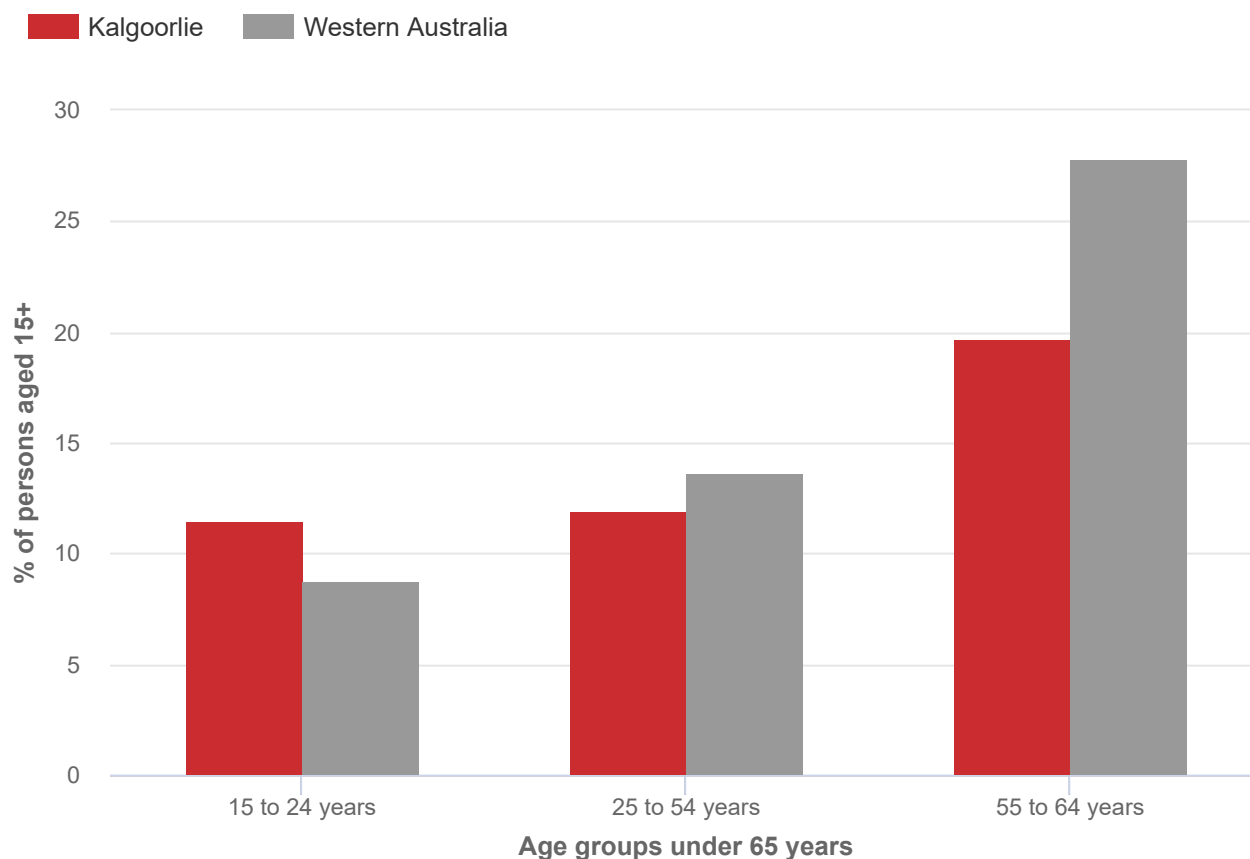
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a Disengaged youth (aged 15-24 not employed or in education)

Disengaged persons by age, 2021

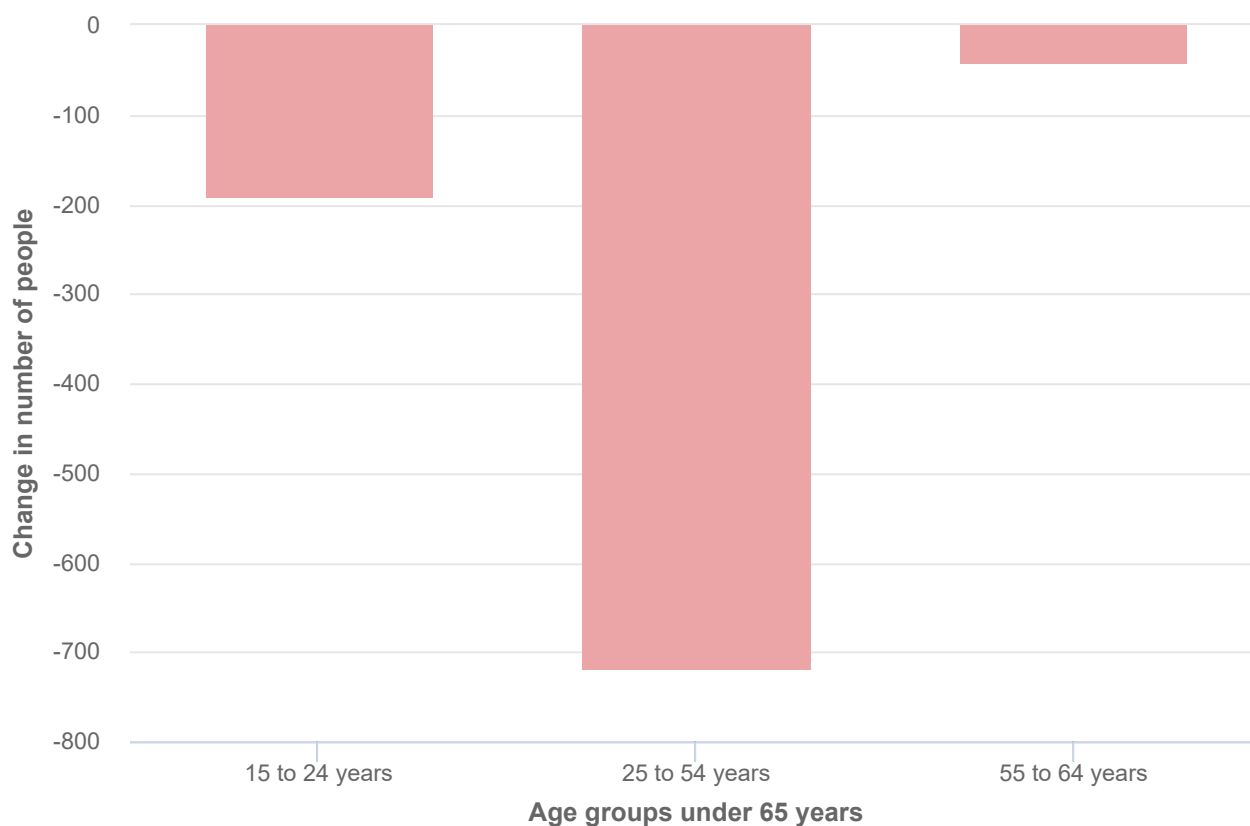
Total disengaged persons under 65 years



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Change in disengaged persons by age, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total disengaged persons under 65 years



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Dominant groups

The number of people aged 15 to 24 years in Kalgoorlie in 2016 was 4,494, of this, 11.5% were disengaged and 11.6% were partially engaged, compared to 8.8% and 13.0% respectively for Western Australia.

Emerging groups

Between 2016 and 2021, the number of people 15 to 24 years in Kalgoorlie showed a decrease of -96.

The number of disengaged people aged 15 to 24 years showed a decrease of 189 or 26.8%.

Kalgoorlie

Volunteer work

The voluntary work sector is an important part of Australia's economy. The level of volunteering can indicate the cohesiveness of the community and how readily individuals are able to contribute to that community. Factors impacting on the level of volunteering in Kalgoorlie include the **Age Structure** of the population, the level of **Proficiency in English**, **Income** and **Education** levels.

Volunteer numbers for the 2021 Census declined in many parts of Australia due to lockdowns and COVID-19 distancing measures.

Volunteer work

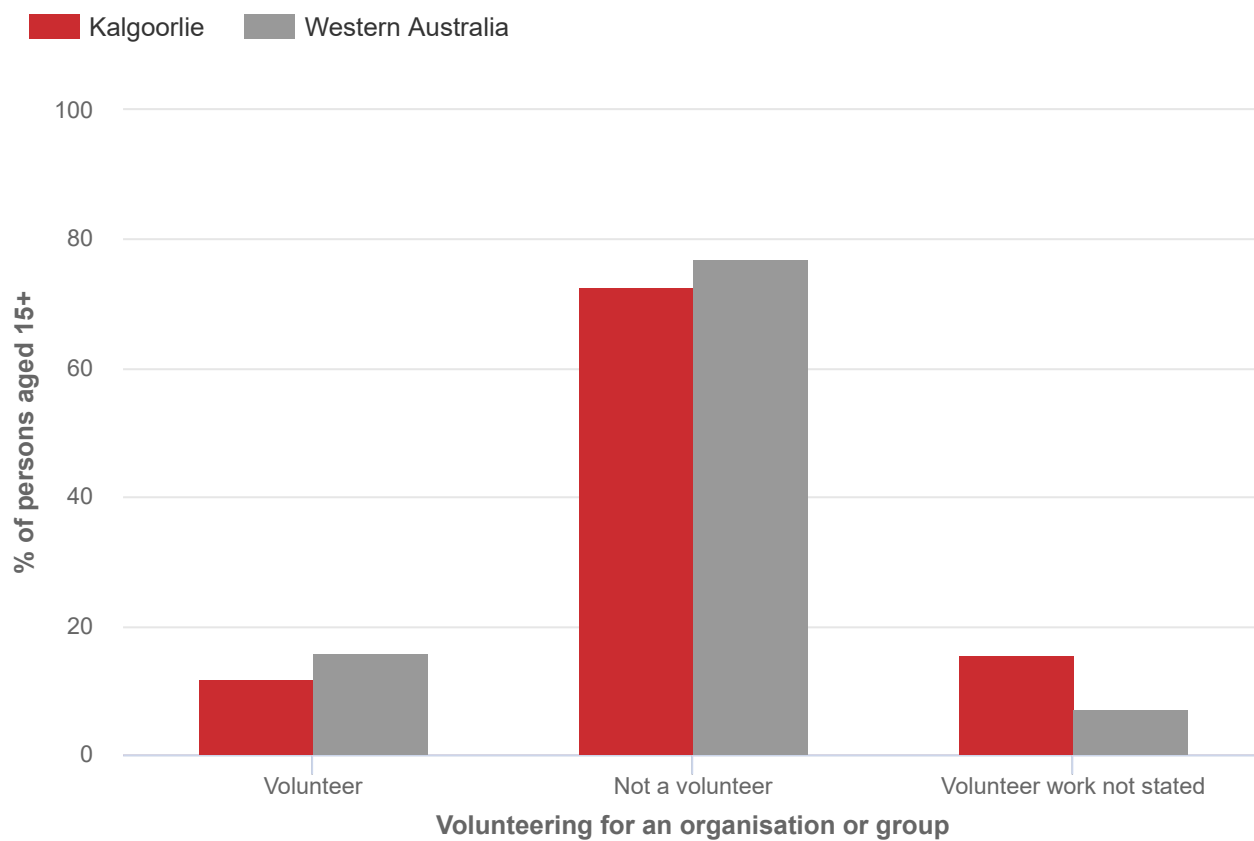
Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Volunteer status	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Volunteer	3,459	11.8	15.9	4,836	16.7	19.0	-1,377
Not a volunteer	21,190	72.5	77.0	20,216	69.8	72.1	+974
Volunteer work not stated	4,571	15.6	7.1	3,915	13.5	8.9	+656
Total persons aged 15+	29,220	100.0	100.0	28,967	100.0	100.0	+253

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Volunteer work, 2021

Total persons



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Change in volunteer work, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Usual residence data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the voluntary work performed by the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people who volunteered for an organisation or group.

Overall, 11.8% of the population reported performing voluntary work, compared with 15.9% for Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The number of volunteers in Kalgoorlie decreased by 1,377 people between 2016 and 2021.

Kalgoorlie

Unpaid domestic work

There has been increased interest in identifying, acknowledging and valuing the unpaid work that supports home and community life. The changing amount of time spent on unpaid housework in different **Household Types** and, particularly the distribution of this work within the household, can indicate the changing roles of males, females and older children in society. The level of unpaid domestic work in Kalgoorlie may also be related to **Household Income**, as higher income households are able to outsource some of these tasks.

Unpaid domestic work

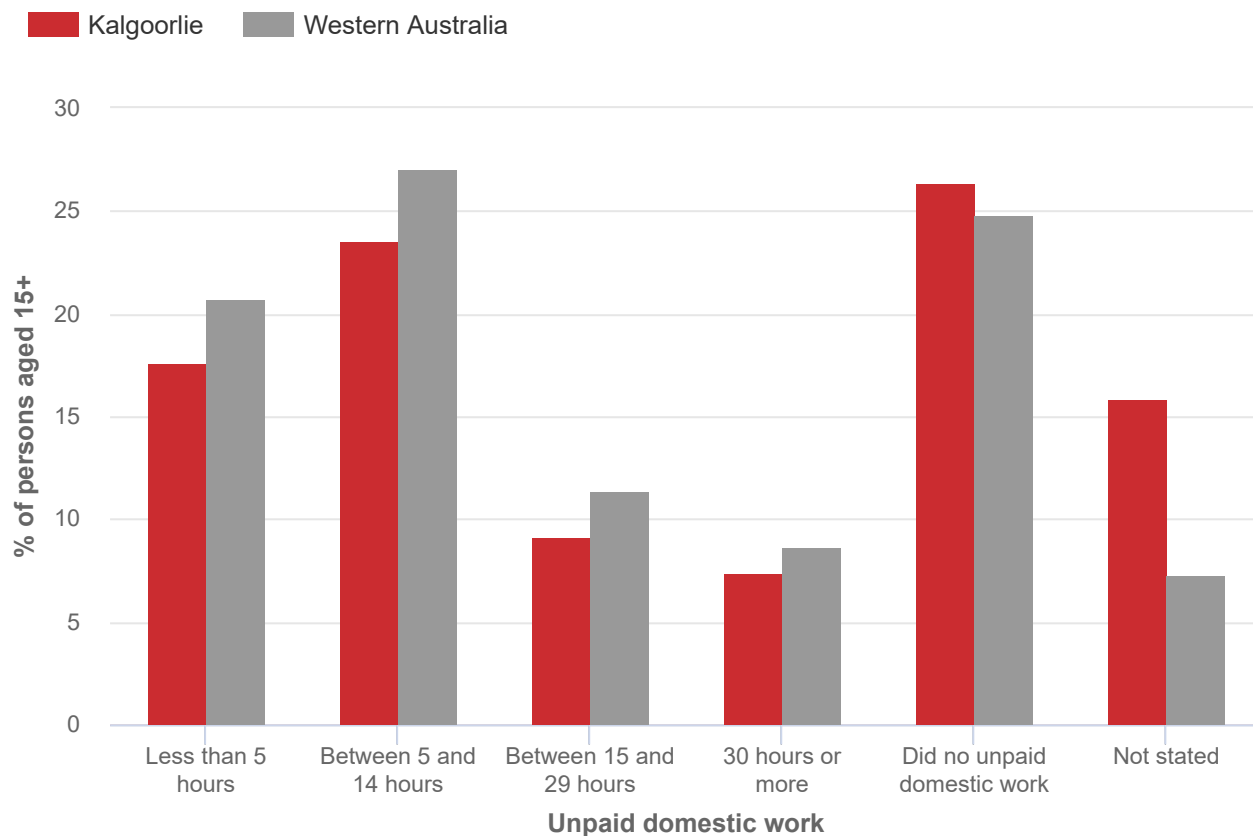
Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Hours spent on unpaid domestic work	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Did unpaid domestic work	16,868	57.7	67.9	18,376	63.4	69.4	-1,508
Less than 5 hours	5,158	17.7	20.8	5,984	20.7	22.4	-826
Between 5 and 14 hours	6,885	23.6	27.1	7,042	24.3	26.1	-157
Between 15 and 29 hours	2,663	9.1	11.4	2,790	9.6	11.4	-127
30 hours or more	2,162	7.4	8.7	2,560	8.8	9.5	-398
Did no unpaid domestic work	7,723	26.4	24.8	6,531	22.5	21.2	+1,192
Not stated	4,629	15.8	7.3	4,056	14.0	9.4	+573
Total persons aged 15+	29,220	100.0	100.0	28,963	100.0	100.0	+257

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Unpaid domestic work, 2021

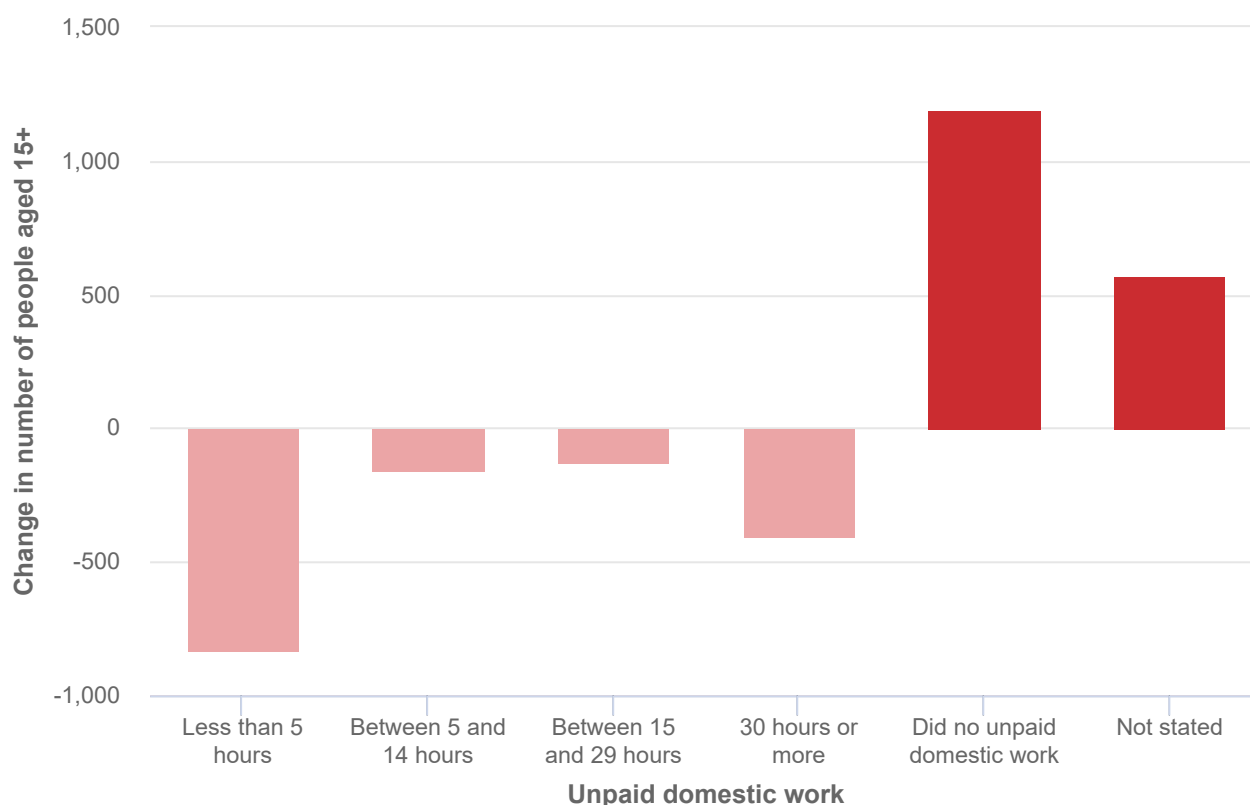
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Change in unpaid domestic work, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the unpaid domestic work performed by the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of persons who performed 15 hours or more of unpaid domestic work per week.

Overall, 17% of the population reported performing 15 hours or more of unpaid domestic work, compared with 20.1% for Western Australia.

The major differences between the share of the population performing unpaid domestic work in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *smaller* percentage of persons who did unpaid domestic work (total) (57.7% compared to 67.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who did between 5 and 14 hours of domestic work (23.6% compared to 27.1%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who did less than 5 hours of domestic work (17.7% compared to 20.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who did between 15 and 29 hours of domestic work (9.1% compared to 11.4%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the number of people performing unpaid domestic work in Kalgoorlie, between 2016 and 2021 were those who:

- Did unpaid domestic work (-1,508 persons)
- Did no unpaid domestic work (+1,192 persons)
- Less than 5 hours (-826 persons)
- 30 hours or more (-398 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Unpaid care

The proportion of people providing unpaid care for the aged and disabled in Kalgoorlie can be an important indicator of the level of demand for aged care services and facilities by local and state governments. An increasing proportion of carers among the population may indicate inadequate aged care provision, or the need for in-home support, or support for the carers themselves. The level of care provided by individuals is likely to be affected by Household Income, Age Structure and the ethnic makeup of the community (Language Spoken), as well as the sense of community cohesiveness.

Unpaid care

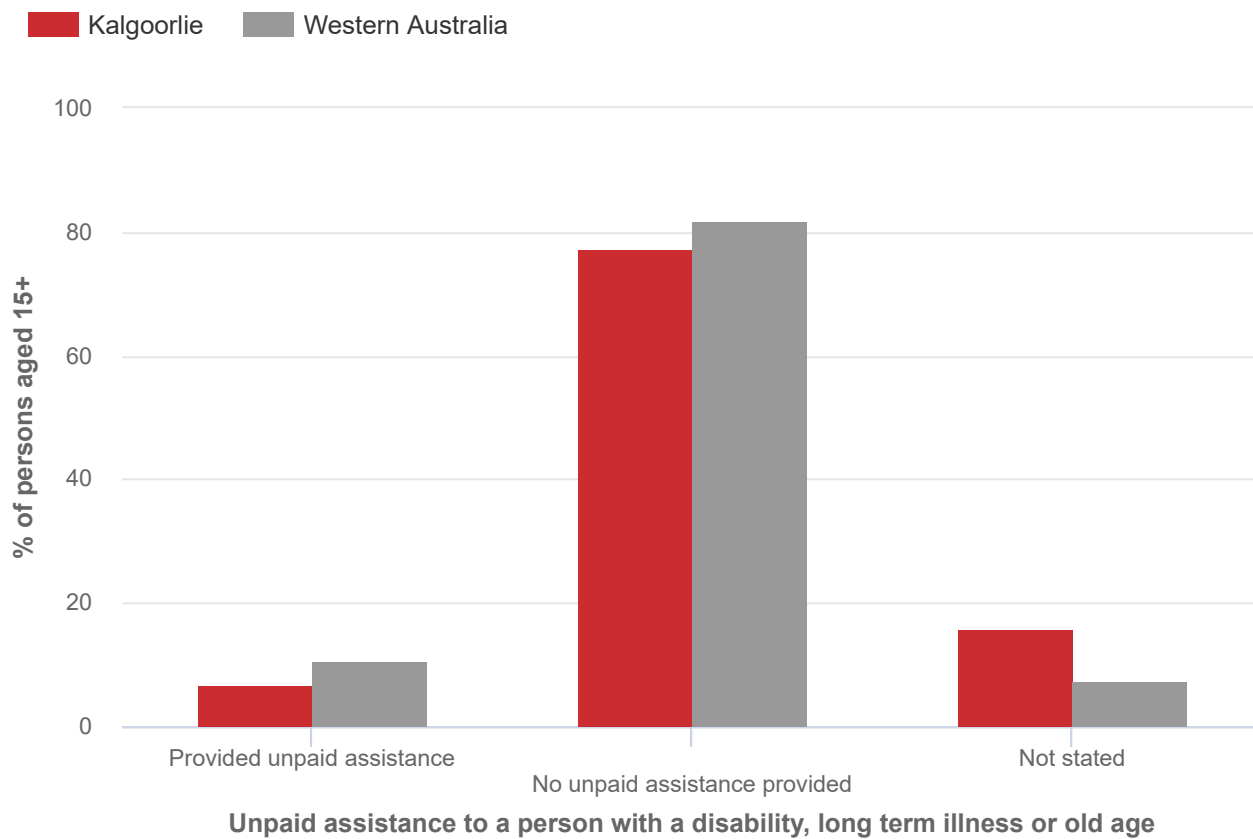
Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Assistance to a person with a disability, long term illness or old age	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Provided unpaid assistance	1,995	6.8	10.7	1,968	6.8	9.8	+27
No unpaid assistance provided	22,553	77.2	81.9	22,872	79.0	80.7	-319
Not stated	4,668	16.0	7.3	4,127	14.2	9.5	+541
Total persons aged 15+	29,216	100.0	100.0	28,967	100.0	100.0	+249

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Unpaid care, 2021

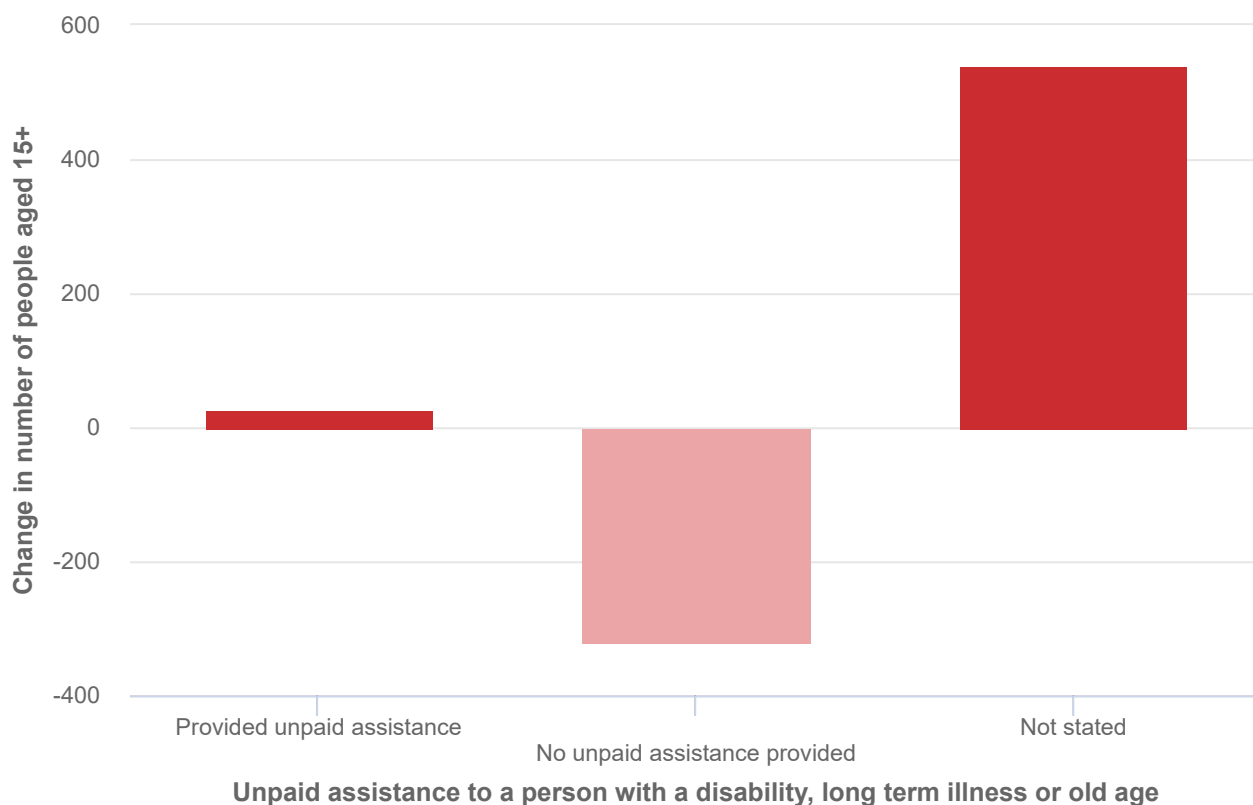
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Change in unpaid care, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the unpaid care provided by the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people who provided unpaid care either to family members or others.

Overall, 6.8% of the population provided unpaid care, compared with 10.7% for Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The number of people who provided unpaid assistance to a person with a disability, long term illness or old age in Kalgoorlie increased by 27 between 2016 and 2021.

Kalgoorlie

Unpaid childcare

The role of unpaid childcare in Kalgoorlie is determined by many different factors. For example areas with high levels of unpaid child care may have a dominance of single income families with one significant earner, or there could be a lack of provision of paid child care in the area. The level to which people care for others children can also indicate the role of extended family (eg. grandparents caring for grandchildren, family day care).

The role of unpaid child care is a complex one so this topic should be viewed in conjunction with several others, including Household Type, Employment, Household Income and Educational Attendance.

Unpaid childcare

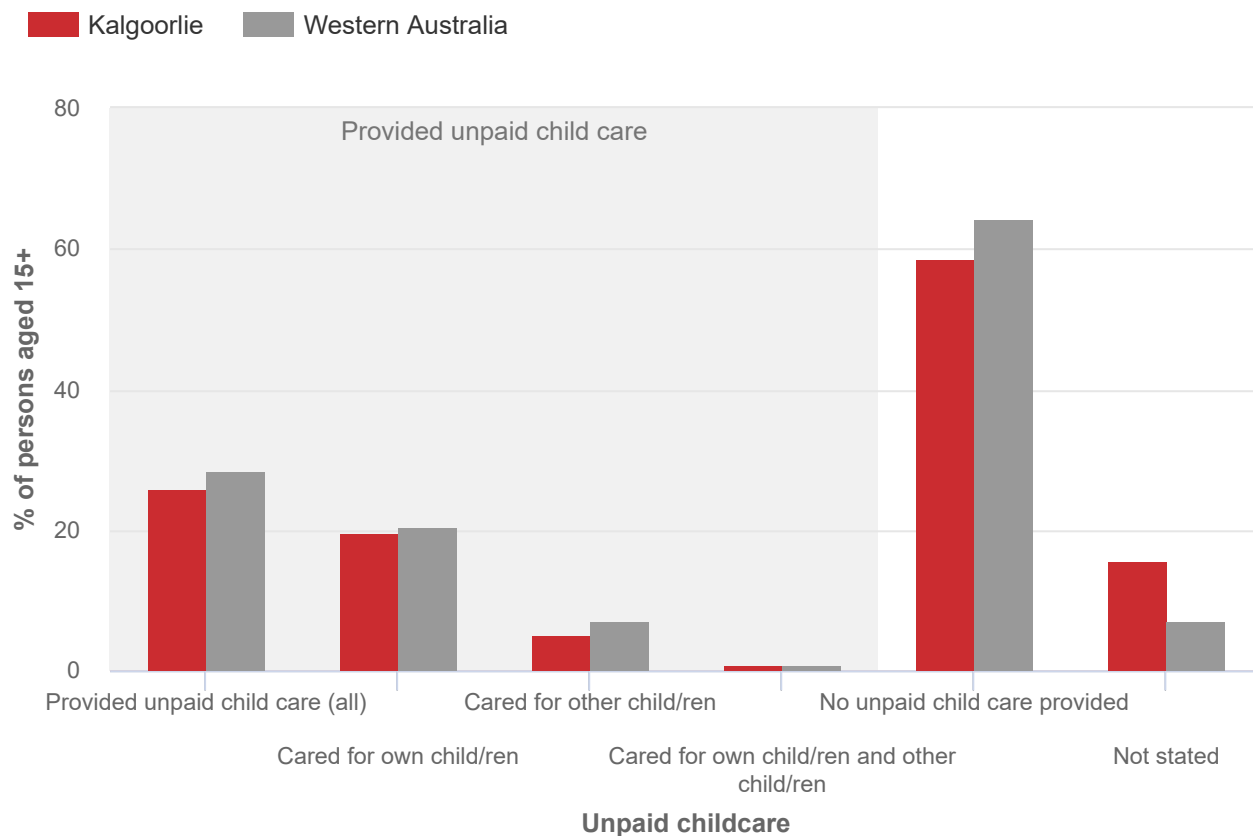
Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Unpaid child care	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Provided unpaid child care (all)	7,535	25.8	28.5	8,327	28.7	28.5	-792
Cared for own child/ren	5,772	19.8	20.5	6,438	22.2	20.6	-666
Cared for other child/ren	1,482	5.1	7.1	1,607	5.5	7.0	-125
Cared for own child/ren and other child/ren	281	1.0	0.9	282	1.0	0.8	-1
No unpaid child care provided	17,111	58.6	64.4	16,703	57.7	62.6	+408
Not stated	4,574	15.7	7.1	3,934	13.6	9.0	+640
Total persons aged 15+	29,220	100.0	100.0	28,964	100.0	100.0	+256

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Unpaid childcare, 2021

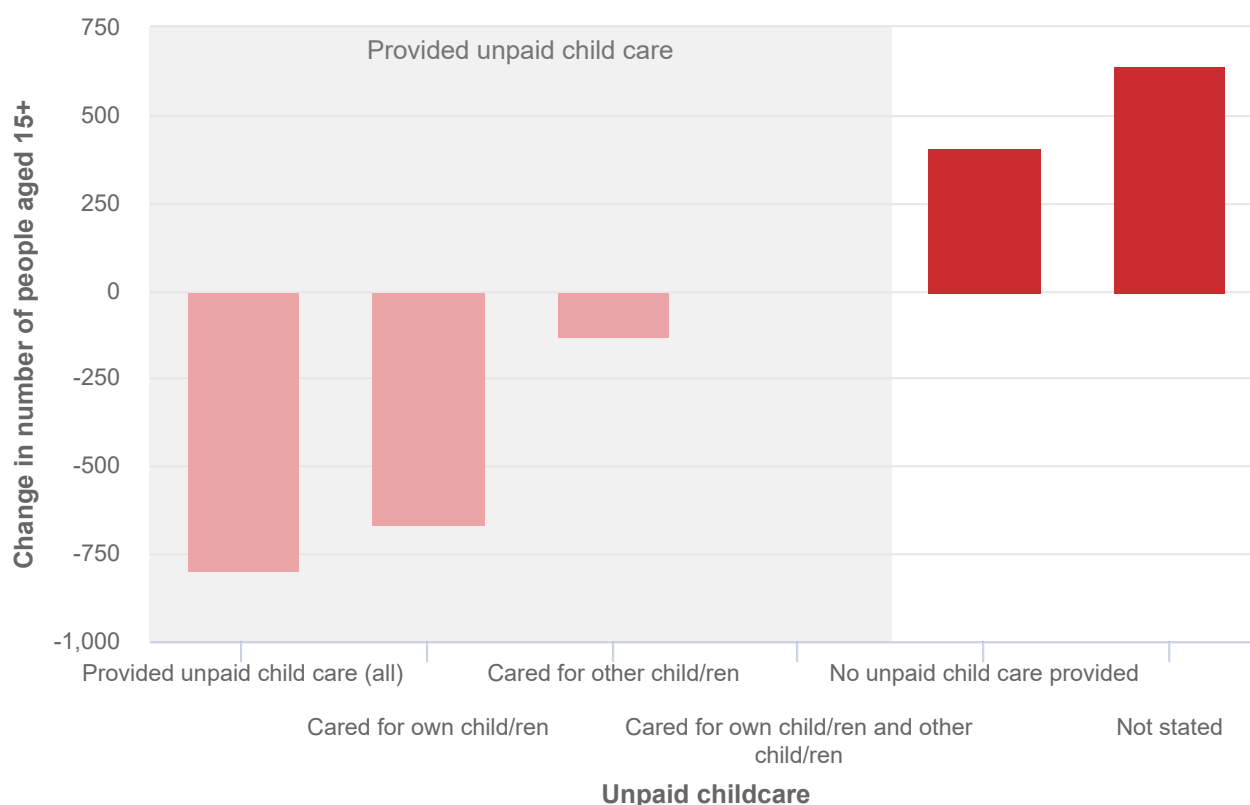
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Change in unpaid childcare, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the unpaid child care provided by the population in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of people who provided unpaid child care either to their own or to other children. Overall, 25.8% of the population provided unpaid child care, compared with 28.5% for Western Australia.

The major differences between the share of the population providing unpaid child care in Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *smaller* percentage who did not provide care for children (58.6% compared to 64.4%)
- A *smaller* percentage who provided unpaid childcare for other child/ren (5.1% compared to 7.1%)

Emerging groups

The number of people who provided unpaid child care for their own and/or other people's children in Kalgoorlie decreased by 792 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in the number of people performing unpaid child care in Kalgoorlie, between 2016 and 2021 were those who:

- Cared for own child/ren (-666 persons)
- No unpaid child care provided (+408 persons)
- Cared for other child/ren (-125 persons)

Kalgoorlie

Individual income

Individual Income statistics are an indicator of socio-economic status. With other data sources, such as **Household Income**, **Qualifications and Occupation**, they help tell the story of the economic opportunities and socio-economic status of Kalgoorlie. The amount of income an individual receives is linked to a number of factors including **employment status**, **age** (as for instance students and retirees often receive a lower income), **qualifications** and **type of employment**.

The incomes presented on this page are for the latest Census year only. For comparison of incomes over time, go to **Individual Income Quartiles**.

Weekly individual income

Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)		2021	
Weekly gross income	Number	%	Western Australia %
Negative Income/ Nil income	2,185	7.5	8.8
\$1 - \$149	694	2.4	3.5
\$150 - \$299	969	3.3	4.9
\$300 - \$399	1,248	4.3	7.1
\$400 - \$499	1,332	4.6	7.0
\$500 - \$649	1,334	4.6	6.8
\$650 - \$799	1,328	4.5	6.3
\$800 - \$999	1,569	5.4	7.2
\$1,000 - \$1,249	2,001	6.8	8.5
\$1,250 - \$1,499	1,767	6.0	6.7
\$1,500 - \$1,749	2,017	6.9	6.1
\$1,750 - \$1,999	1,846	6.3	4.7
\$2,000 - \$2,999	3,985	13.6	8.8
\$3,000 - \$3,499	1,143	3.9	2.3
\$3,500 or more	1,037	3.5	3.6
Not stated	4,758	16.3	7.7
Total persons aged 15+	29,213	100.0	100.0

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Weekly individual income, 2021

Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of individual income levels in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion of people earning a high income (those earning \$2,000 per week or more) and a lower proportion of low income people (those earning less than \$500 per week).

Overall, 21.1% of the population earned a high income, and 22.0% earned a low income, compared with 14.7% and 31.3% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between Kalgoorlie's individual incomes and Western Australia's individual incomes were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who earned \$2,000 - \$2,999 (13.6% compared to 8.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who earned \$300 - \$399 (4.3% compared to 7.1%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who earned \$400 - \$499 (4.6% compared to 7.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who earned \$500 - \$649 (4.6% compared to 6.8%)

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Individual income quartiles

Kalgoorlie's income statistics are an indicator of socio-economic status. With other data sources, such as Household Income, Qualifications and Occupation, they help tell the story of the area's economic opportunities and socio-economic status. Individual income levels are not comparable over time because of the influences of economic change such as wage level fluctuations and inflation. The income quartile method is the most objective method of comparing change in the income profile of a community over time.

A detailed explanation of how Individual Income quartiles are calculated and interpreted is available in [specific data notes](#).

Individual income quartiles

Kalgoorlie - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2021			2016			Change
Quartile group	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Lowest group	4,871	19.9	25.0	5,424	21.8	25.0	-553
Medium lowest	4,599	18.8	25.0	4,832	19.4	25.0	-232
Medium highest	5,765	23.6	25.0	5,560	22.3	25.0	+205
Highest group	9,218	37.7	25.0	9,067	36.4	25.0	+151
Total persons aged 15+	24,455	100.0	100.0	24,884	100.0	100.0	-429

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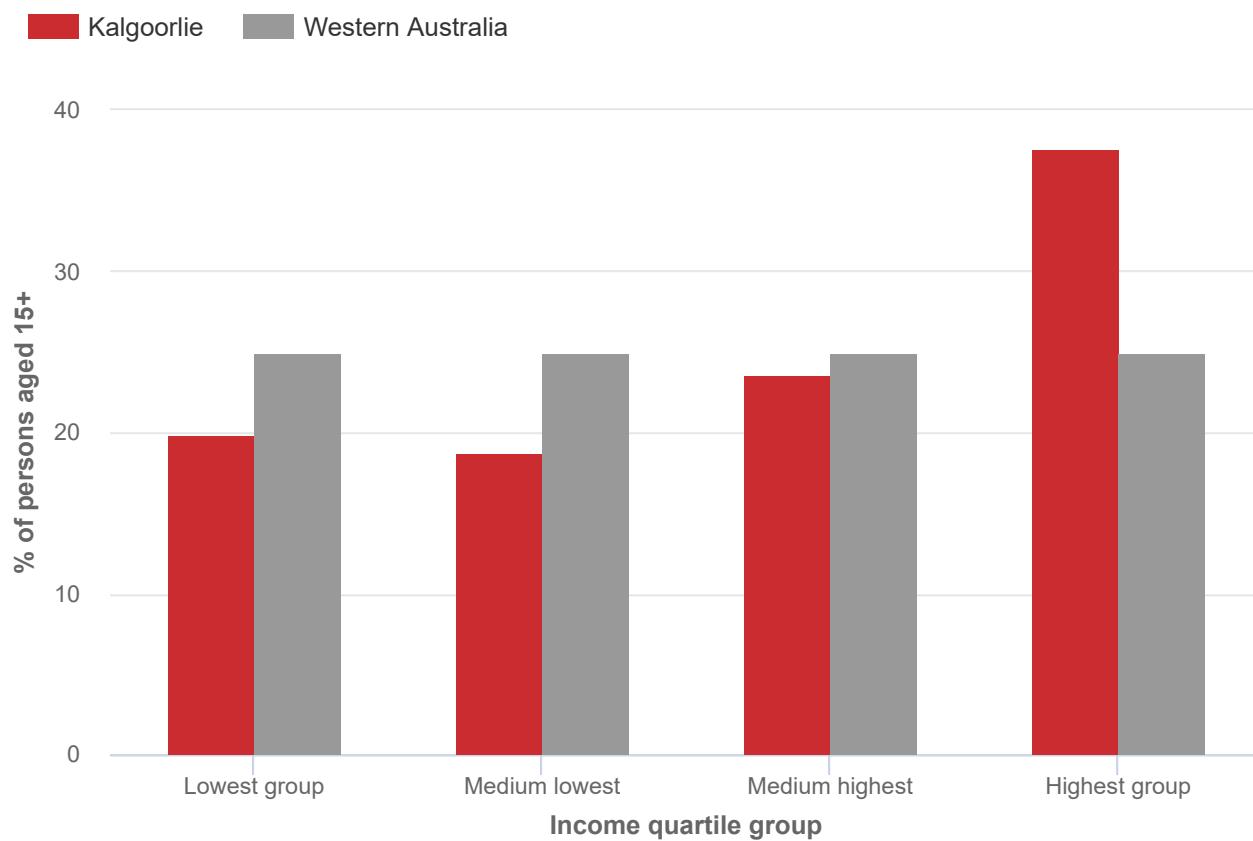
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Individual income - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from income data for WA - Total persons aged 15+	Weekly income by Census year				
Individual quartile ranges	2021	2016	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$381	\$0 to \$322	\$0 to \$284	\$0 to \$219	\$0 to \$178
Medium lowest	\$382 to \$848	\$323 to \$723	\$285 to \$661	\$220 to \$500	\$179 to \$374
Medium highest	\$849 to \$1,599	\$724 to \$1,407	\$662 to \$1,271	\$501 to \$941	\$375 to \$692
Highest group	\$1,600 and over	\$1,408 and over	\$1,272 and over	\$942 and over	\$693 and over

Individual income quartiles, 2021

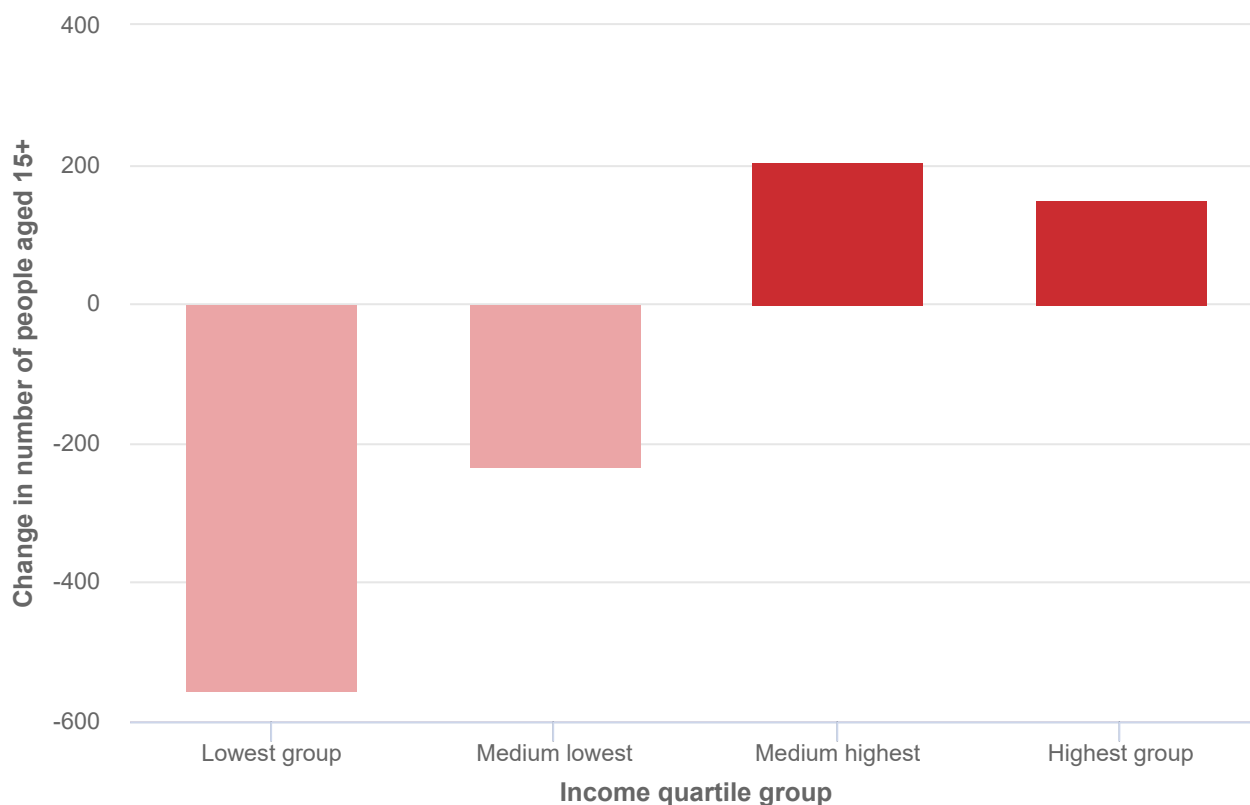
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Change in individual income quartiles, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Income quartiles allow us to compare relative income-earning capabilities across time. Analysis of the distribution of the population by income quartile in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was greater proportion of persons in the highest income quartile and a lesser proportion in the lowest income quartile.

Emerging groups

The most significant change in Kalgoorlie in persons between 2016 and 2021 was in the lowest quartile which showed a slight decrease of -553 persons.

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Household income

Households form the common 'economic unit' in our society. Kalgoorlie's Household Income is one of the most important indicators of socio-economic status. With other data sources, such as **Qualifications** and **Occupation**, it helps to reveal the economic opportunities and socio-economic status of Kalgoorlie. It is important to note that income data is not necessarily a measure of wealth. For example, if an area has a large number of retirees this will produce a higher proportion of households with low income but the retirees may have large capital wealth. For this reason, household income should be viewed in conjunction with **Age** and **Household Composition**.

The incomes presented on this page are for the latest Census year only. For comparison of incomes over time, go to **Household Income Quartiles**.

[Learn more about the characteristics of low-income households here.](#)

Weekly household income

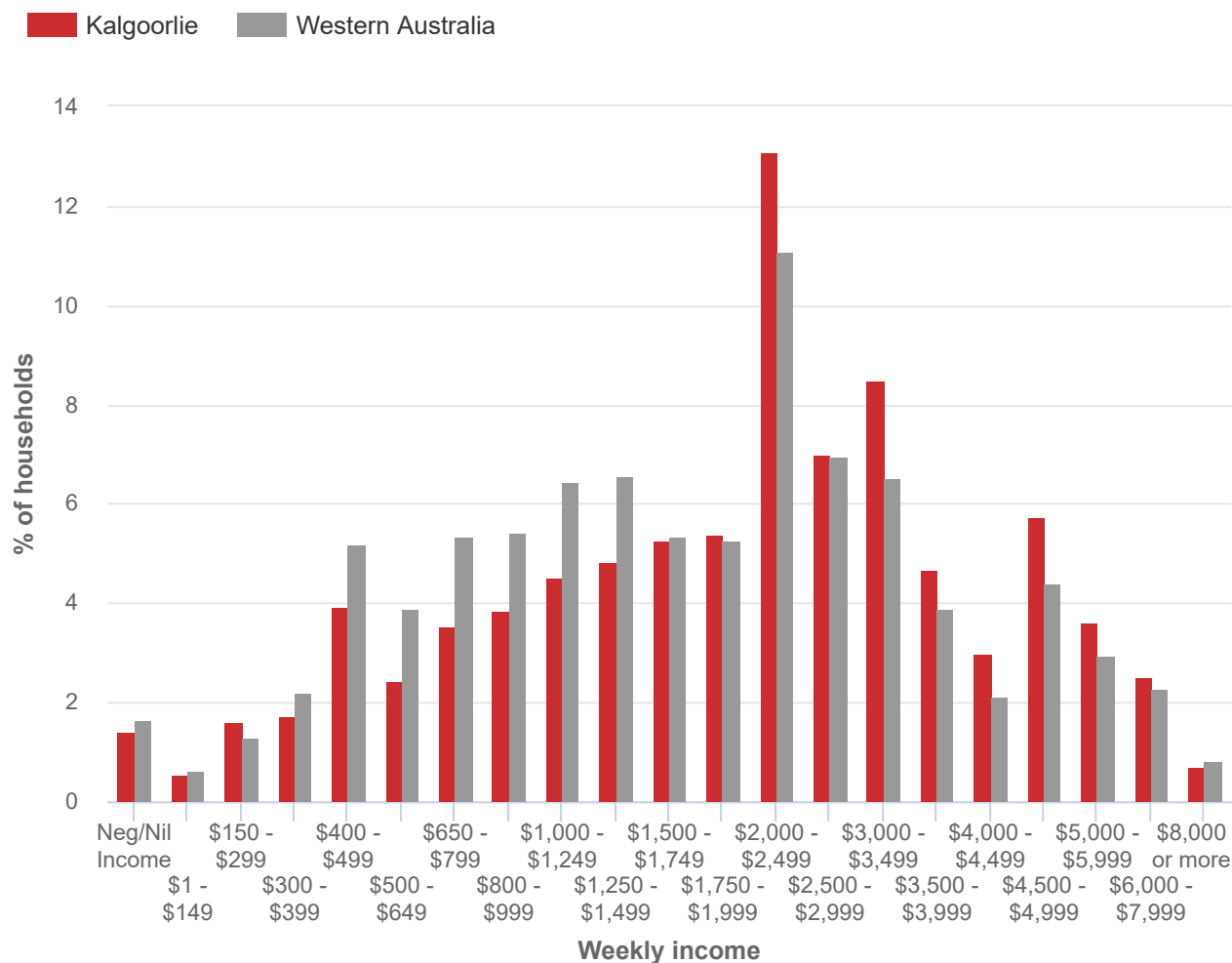
Kalgoorlie - Total households (Enumerated)		2021	
Weekly income	Number	%	Western Australia %
Neg/Nil Income	184	1.4	1.6
\$1 - \$149	70	0.5	0.6
\$150 - \$299	213	1.6	1.3
\$300 - \$399	226	1.7	2.2
\$400 - \$499	516	3.9	5.2
\$500 - \$649	317	2.4	3.9
\$650 - \$799	464	3.6	5.3
\$800 - \$999	505	3.9	5.4
\$1,000 - \$1,249	593	4.5	6.5
\$1,250 - \$1,499	630	4.8	6.6
\$1,500 - \$1,749	690	5.3	5.4
\$1,750 - \$1,999	702	5.4	5.3
\$2,000 - \$2,499	1,709	13.1	11.1
\$2,500 - \$2,999	915	7.0	7.0
\$3,000 - \$3,499	1,111	8.5	6.5
\$3,500 - \$3,999	613	4.7	3.9
\$4,000 - \$4,499	389	3.0	2.1
\$4,500 - \$4,999	748	5.7	4.4
\$5,000 - \$5,999	474	3.6	3.0
\$6,000 - \$7,999	329	2.5	2.3
\$8,000 or more	90	0.7	0.8
Not stated	1,576	12.1	9.6
Total households	13,064	100.0	100.0

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2021. Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Please refer to specific data notes for more information

- a** Low income households (less than \$800 per week)
- a** High income households (more than \$3,000 per week)
- a** Median household income

Weekly household income, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of household income levels in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a larger proportion of high income households (those earning \$3,000 per week or more) and a lower proportion of low income households (those earning less than \$800 per week).

Overall, 28.7% of the households earned a high income and 15.2% were low income households, compared with 23.0% and 20.2% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences between the household incomes of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of households who earned Not stated (12.1% compared to 9.6%)
- A *larger* percentage of households who earned \$2,000 - \$2,499 (13.1% compared to 11.1%)
- A *larger* percentage of households who earned \$3,000 - \$3,499 (8.5% compared to 6.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of households who earned \$1,000 - \$1,249 (4.5% compared to 6.5%)

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Household income quartiles

Households form the common 'economic unit' in our society. Household Income is one of the most important indicators of socio-economic status. With other data sources, such as **Qualifications** and **Occupation**, it helps to reveal Kalgoorlie's socio-economic status and economic opportunities. Household income levels are not comparable over time because of the influences of economic change such as wage level fluctuations and inflation. The income quartile method is a powerful and objective way of looking at income data and in particular, how it is changing.

A detailed explanation of how Household Income quartiles are calculated and interpreted is available in **specific data notes**.

Learn more about the characteristics of low-income households [here](#).

Household income quartiles

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Quartile group	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Lowest group	2,213	19.3	25.0	2,141	19.3	25.0	+72
Medium lowest	2,348	20.4	25.0	2,232	20.1	25.0	+115
Medium highest	3,245	28.2	25.0	3,299	29.7	25.0	-55
Highest group	3,681	32.0	25.0	3,438	30.9	25.0	+243
Total Households	11,488	100.0	100.0	11,112	100.0	100.0	+376

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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Household income - Quartile group dollar ranges

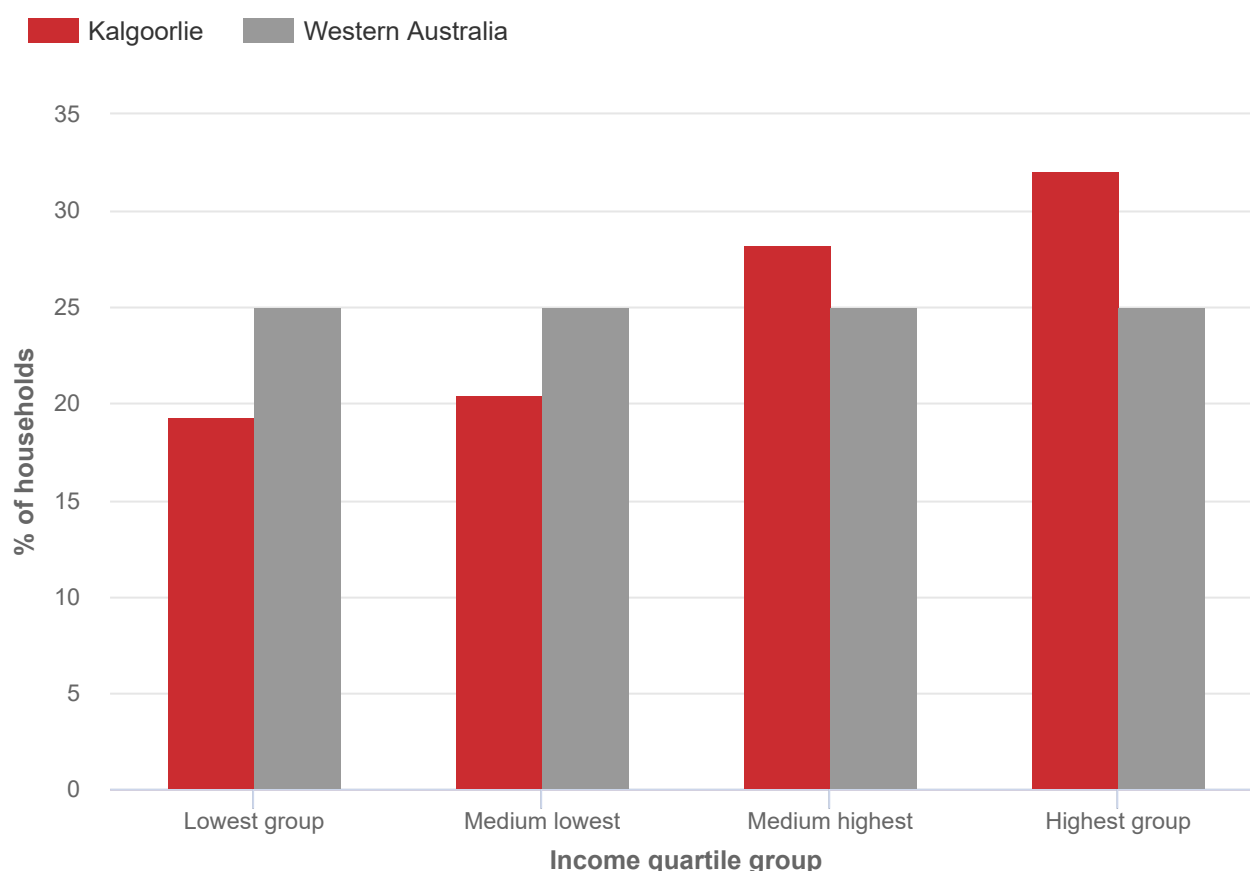
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Weekly income by Census year

Household income ranges	2021	2016	2011	2006	2001	1996	1991
Lowest group	\$0 to \$888	\$0 to \$790	\$0 to \$693	\$0 to \$565	\$0 to \$416	\$0 to \$348	\$0 to \$305
Medium lowest	\$889 to \$1,804	\$791 to \$1,582	\$694 to \$1,405	\$566 to \$1,062	\$417 to \$783	\$349 to \$651	\$306 to \$556
Medium highest	\$1,805 to \$3,032	\$1,583 to \$2,614	\$1,406 to \$2,507	\$1,063 to \$1,774	\$784 to \$1,311	\$652 to \$1,094	\$557 to \$910
Highest group	\$3,033 and over	\$2,615 and over	\$2,508 and over	\$1,775 and over	\$1,312 and over	\$1,095 and over	\$911 and over

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- a High income households (more than \$3,000 per week)
- a Median household income

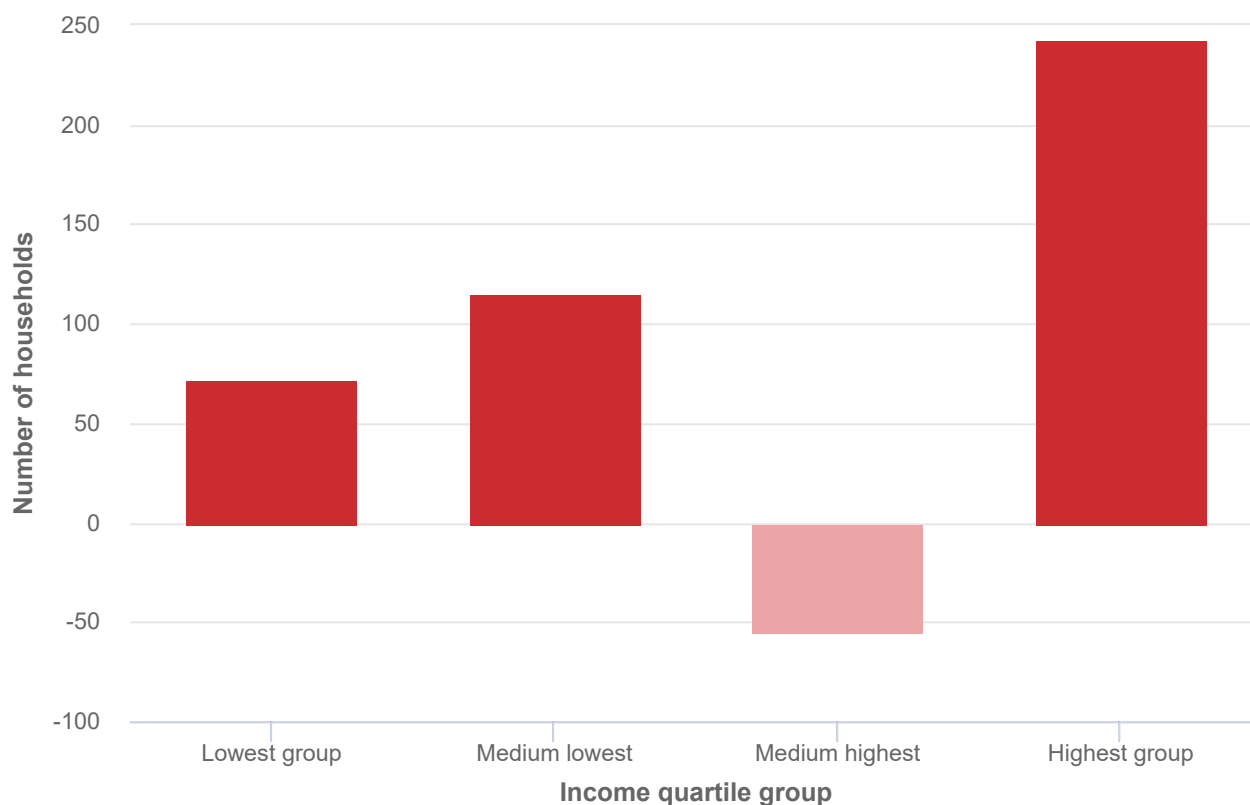
Household income quartiles, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Change in household income quartile, 2016 to 2021

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Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Income quartiles allow us to compare relative income-earning capabilities across time. Analysis of the distribution of households by income quartile in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was greater proportion of households in the highest income quartile and a lesser proportion in the lowest income quartile.

Emerging groups

The most significant change in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 was in the highest quartile which showed an increase of 243 households.

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Equivalised household income

While **Household Income** is a useful measure, it is difficult to tell if changes over time and between geographic areas are due to actual changes in income levels, or due to changes in household size and composition. For example, an increase in lower income households could be due to job losses in key economic sectors, or simply due to decreasing household size as adult children leave home.

Equivalised Household Income puts all households on an equal footing independent of household size and composition to enable a true comparison between areas and over time. It is an indicator of the income resource available to a household of standard size and is the best measure of the changing economic fortunes of households living in Kalgoorlie.

A detailed explanation of how Equivalised Household Income quartiles are calculated and interpreted is available in [specific data notes](#).

Learn more about the characteristics of low-income households [here](#).

Equivalised household income quartiles

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Quartile group	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Lowest group	1,949	18.3	25.0	1,953	18.6	25.0	-3
Medium lowest	1,851	17.4	25.0	1,923	18.3	25.0	-72
Medium highest	2,927	27.5	25.0	2,938	27.9	25.0	-11
Highest group	3,932	36.9	25.0	3,703	35.2	25.0	+229
Total Households	10,662	100.0	100.0	10,519	100.0	100.0	+143

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

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Equivalised household income - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from income data for WA Weekly income by Census year

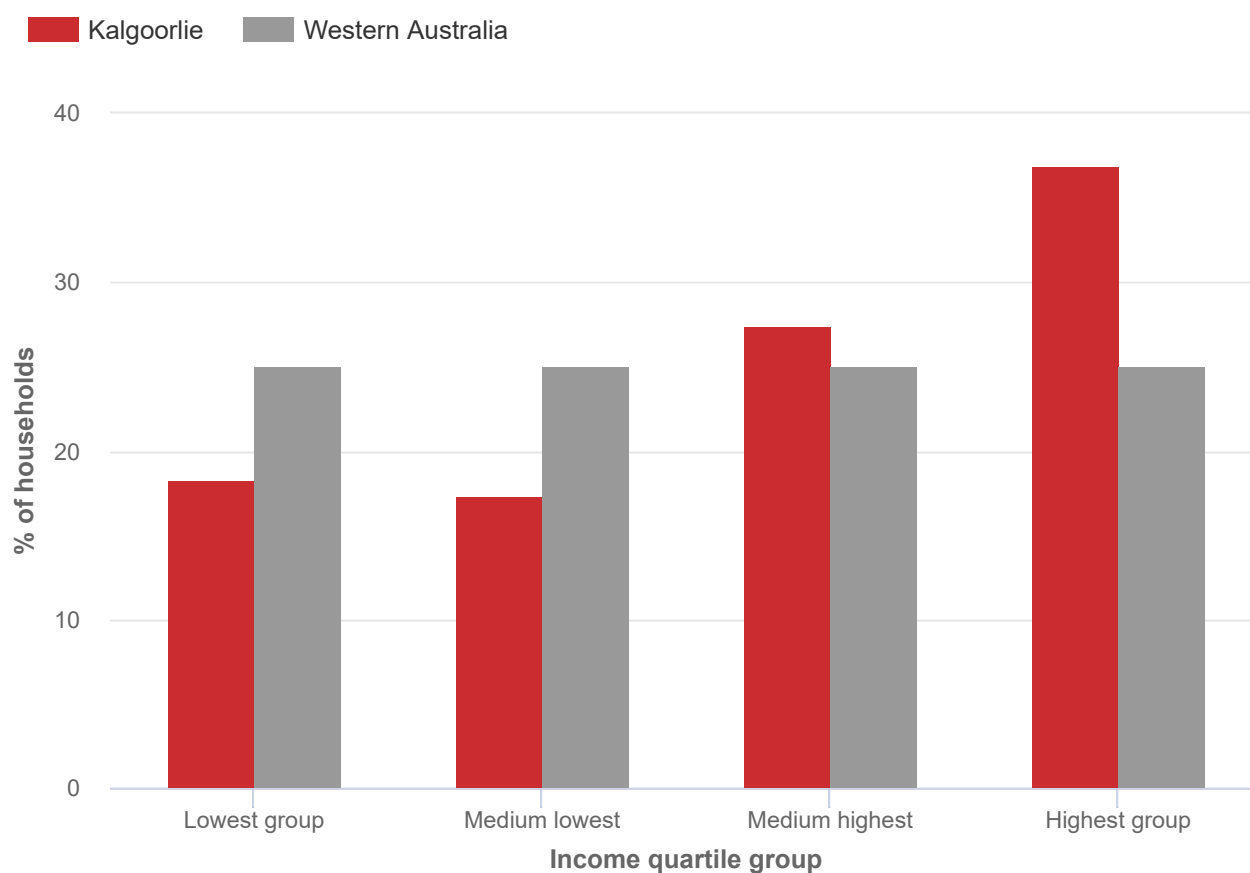
Equivalised household income ranges	2021	2016	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$616	\$0 to \$538	\$0 to \$485	\$0 to \$374	\$0 to \$285
Medium lowest	\$617 to \$1,121	\$539 to \$971	\$486 to \$878	\$375 to \$654	\$286 to \$487
Medium highest	\$1,122 to \$1,774	\$972 to \$1,559	\$879 to \$1,383	\$655 to \$1,039	\$488 to \$766
Highest group	\$1,775 and over	\$1,560 and over	\$1,384 and over	\$1,040 and over	\$767 and over

a Low income households (less than \$800 per week).

a High income households (more than \$3,000 per week).

a Median household income

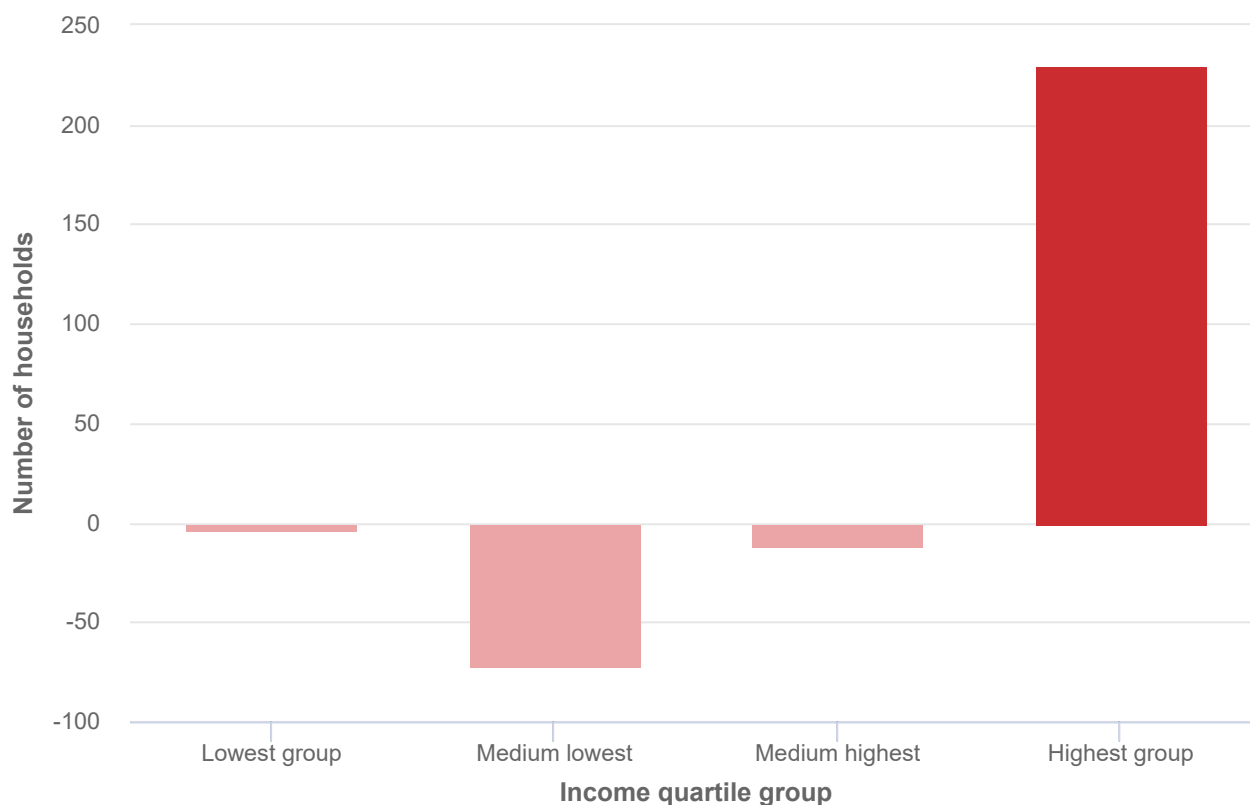
Equivalised household income quartiles, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Change in equivalised household income quartiles, 2016 to 2021

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Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Equivalised income quartiles allow us to compare relative income-earning capabilities across time. Because the data is equivalised, households of different size and composition are placed on an equal footing.

Analysis of the distribution of households by income quartile in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a greater proportion of households in the highest equivalised income quartile, and a lesser proportion in the lowest equivalised income quartile.

Emerging groups

The most significant change in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 was in the highest quartile which showed an increase of 229 households.

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Household type

Kalgoorlie's household and family structure is one of the most important demographic indicators. It reveals the area's residential role and function, era of settlement and provides key insights into the level of demand for services and facilities as most are related to age and household types.

To continue building the story, Kalgoorlie's Household Summary should be viewed in conjunction with Households with Children, Households without Children, Household Size, Age Structure and Dwelling Type.

If you're looking at this data to prepare a housing strategy, [learn more here](#).

Household type

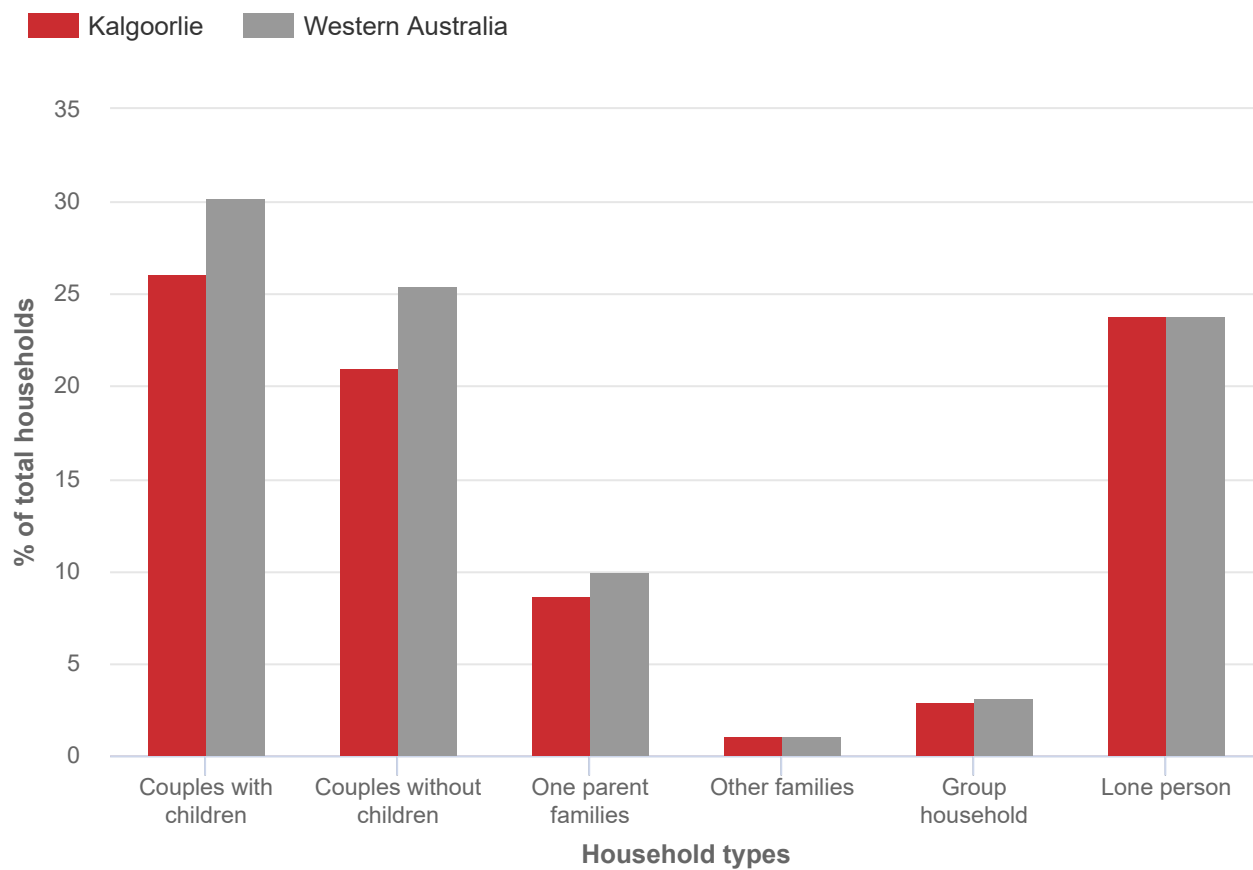
Kalgoorlie - Total households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Households by type	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Couples with children	3,721	26.1	30.2	4,126	29.5	30.9	-405
Couples without children	3,008	21.1	25.4	2,959	21.2	25.6	+49
One parent families	1,234	8.6	10.0	1,181	8.4	9.6	+53
Other families	147	1.0	1.1	131	0.9	1.2	+16
Group household	412	2.9	3.2	464	3.3	3.5	-52
Lone person	3,402	23.8	23.8	3,119	22.3	21.8	+283
Other not classifiable household	1,242	8.7	3.6	1,219	8.7	5.2	+23
Visitor only households	1,112	7.8	2.7	785	5.6	2.4	+327
Total households	14,278	100.0	100.0	13,984	100.0	100.0	+294

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021](#). Compiled and presented by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

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- [a One parent families with dependent children](#)
- [a Couple families with dependent children](#)
- [a Young couples \(aged 15-44 years\) without children](#)
- [a Older couples \(65 years and over\) without children](#)
- [a Young lone person households \(aged 15-44 years\)](#)
- [a Older lone person households \(aged 65 years and over\)](#)
- [a Average household size](#)

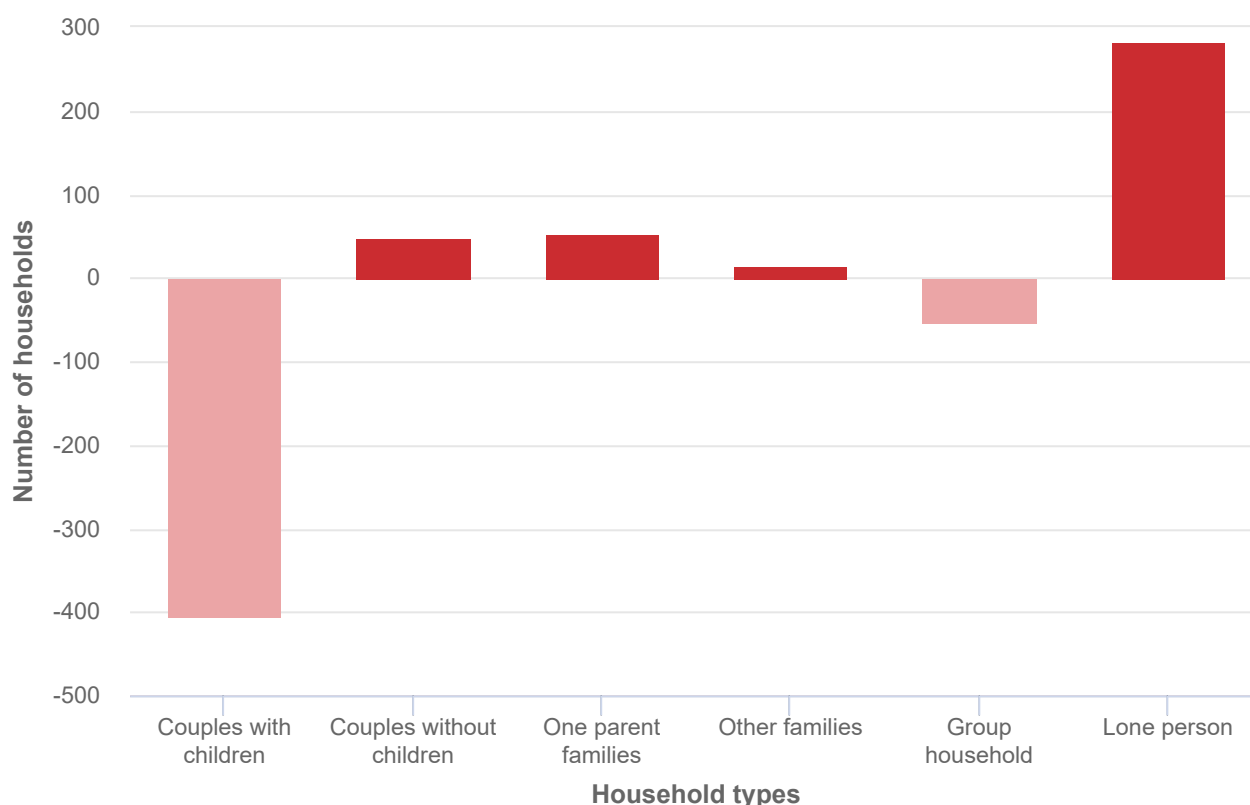
Household type, 2021



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Change in household type, 2016 to 2021

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Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the household/family types in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of couple families with child(ren) as well as a lower proportion of one-parent families. Overall, 26.1% of total families were couple families with child(ren), and 8.6% were one-parent families, compared with 30.2% and 10.0% respectively for Western Australia.

There were a similar proportion of lone person households and a lower proportion of couples without children. Overall, the proportion of lone person households was 23.8% compared to 23.8% in Western Australia while the proportion of couples without children was 21.1% compared to 25.4% in Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The number of households in Kalgoorlie increased by 294 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in family/household types in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Couples with children (-405 households)
- Lone person (+283 households)
- One parent families (+53 households)
- Group household (-52 households)

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Households with children

Households with Children require different services and facilities than other household types, and their needs change as both adults and children age. When many families in an area are at the same stage in their individual lifecycles, it creates a suburb lifecycle. Knowing where a suburb is in a cycle of change helps planners make evidence-based decisions about the demand for services both now and in the future.

For Households with Children in Kalgoorlie, life stage is based on the age of children in the household. The age of the parent(s) is not taken into account.

- **Young children:** Children aged under 15 only
- **Mixed age children:** One or more children under 15 and one or more children over 15 (must have 2 or more children)
- **Older children:** Children aged 15 and over only

To continue building the story, Kalgoorlie's Household data should be viewed in conjunction with **Household Size**, **Age Structure** and **Dwelling Type**.

Households with children by life stage

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Households with children	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Couples with children	3,721	26.1	30.2	4,126	29.5	30.9	-405
Couples with young children	2,376	16.6	17.1	2,638	18.9	17.5	-262
Couples with mixed-age children	520	3.6	4.3	626	4.5	4.3	-106
Couples with older children	825	5.8	8.8	862	6.2	9.1	-37
Single parents with children	1,234	8.6	10.0	1,181	8.4	9.6	+53
Single parents with young children	595	4.2	3.9	592	4.2	3.7	+3
Single parents with mixed-age children	154	1.1	1.3	137	1.0	1.2	+17
Single parents with older children	485	3.4	4.8	452	3.2	4.7	+33
Total households with children	4,955	34.7	40.2	5,307	38.0	40.4	-352
Total households	14,278	100.0	100.0	13,984	100.0	100.0	+294

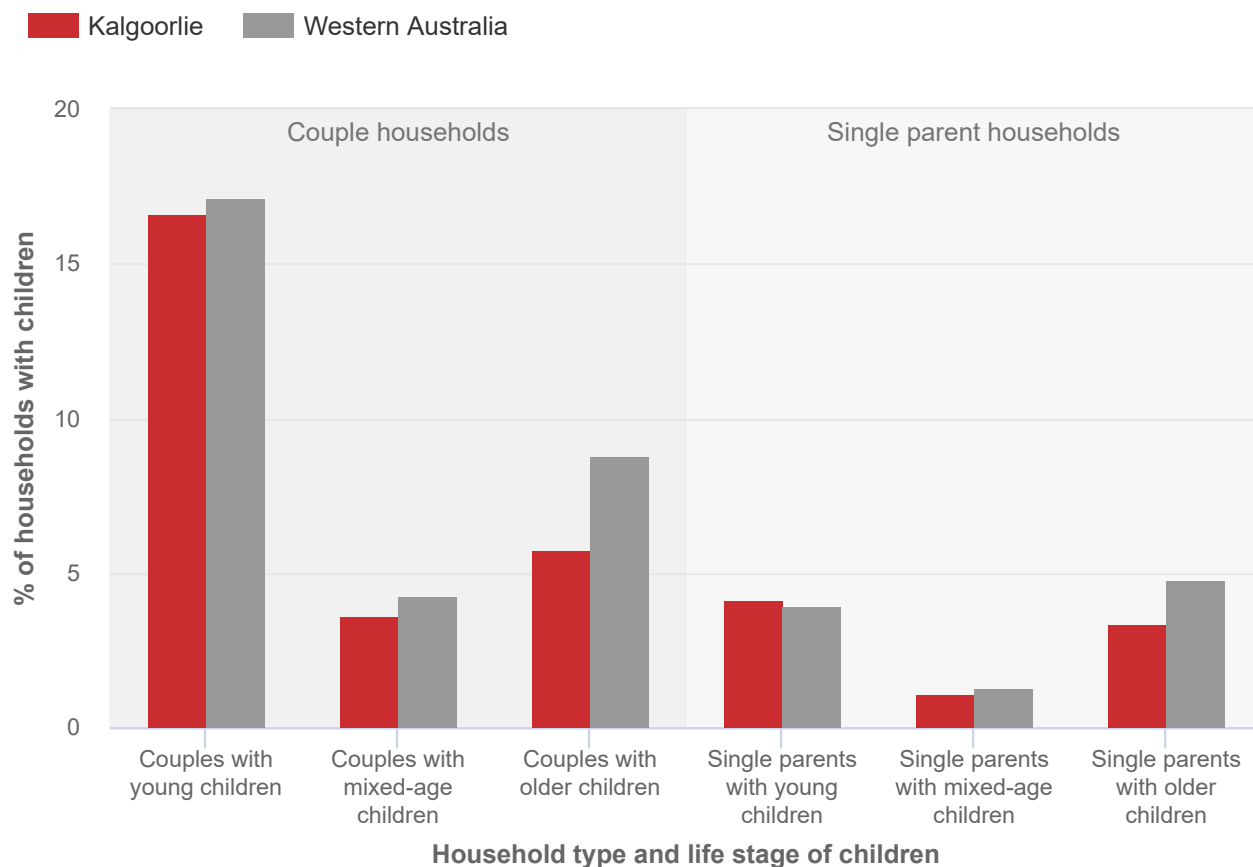
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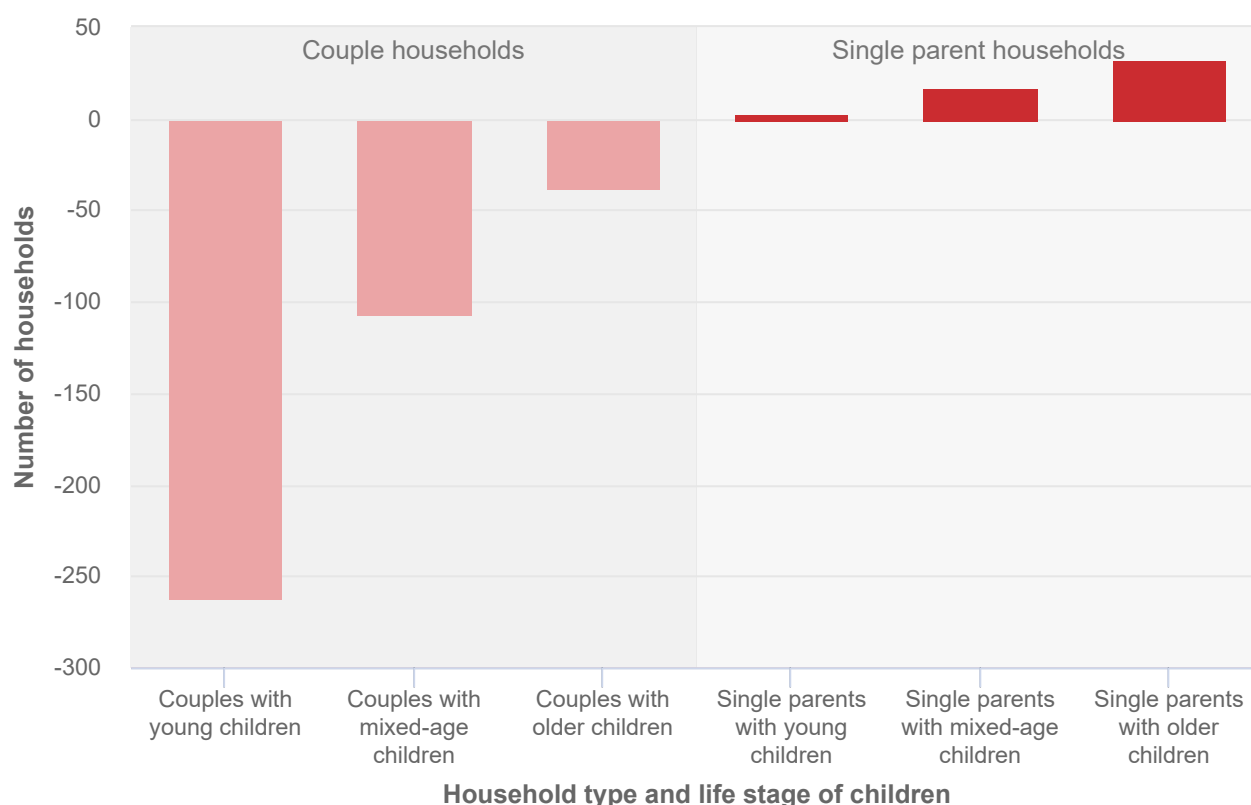
Households with children, 2021



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Change in households with children, 2016 to 2021

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the families with children in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a similar proportion of couples with young children, and a smaller proportion of couples with older children.

Overall, 16.6% of total households with children were couple with young children, and 5.8% were couples with older children, compared with 17.1% and 8.8% respectively for Western Australia.

There were a similar proportion of single parent households with young children and a smaller proportion of single parent households with older children. Overall, the proportion of single parent households with young children was 4.2% compared to 3.9% in Western Australia while the proportion of single parent households with older children was 3.4% compared to 4.8% in Western Australia.

Emerging groups

Between 2016 and 2021, the number of households with children decreased by 352 households or 6.6%.

The largest changes in households with children in this area between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Couples with young children (-262 households)
- Couples with mixed-age children (-106 households)

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Households without children

Households without Children include couples without children and lone person households. They require different services depending on the age of the people in the households. For example young couples who have not had children (yet) compared to older "empty nester" couples whose children may have left home.

For Households without Children in Kalgoorlie, life stage is based on the age of the household reference person (usually person 1 on the Census form):

- **Young:** Aged 15-44
- **Middle-aged:** Aged 45-64
- **Older:** Aged 65 and over

To continue building the story, Kalgoorlie's Household data should be viewed in conjunction with **Household Size**, **Age Structure** and **Dwelling Type**.

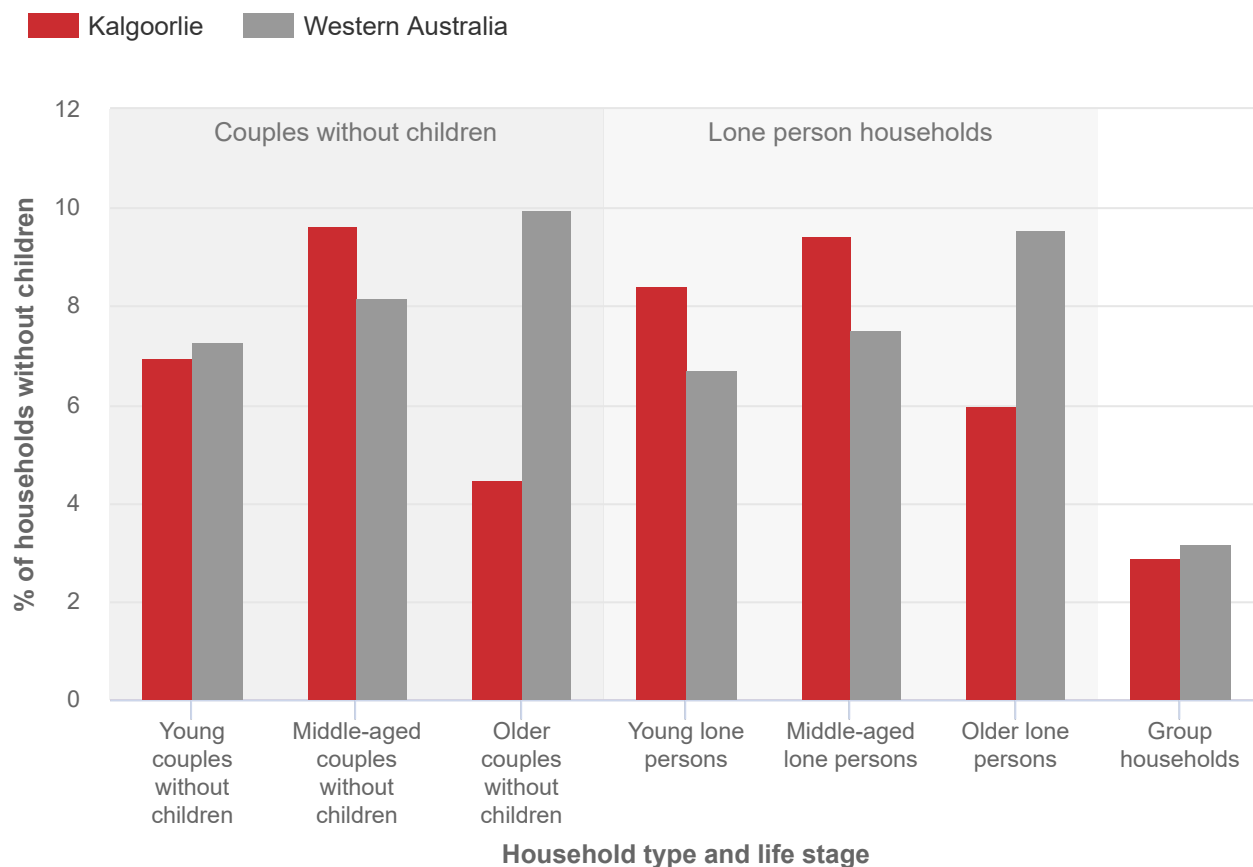
Households without children by life stage

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Households without children	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Couples without children	3,008	21.1	25.4	2,959	21.2	25.6	+49
Young couples without children	992	6.9	7.3	1,085	7.8	7.8	-93
Middle-aged couples without children	1,377	9.6	8.2	1,364	9.8	8.6	+13
Older couples without children	639	4.5	10.0	510	3.6	9.1	+129
Lone person households	3,402	23.8	23.8	3,119	22.3	21.8	+283
Young lone persons	1,200	8.4	6.7	1,121	8.0	6.1	+79
Middle-aged lone persons	1,347	9.4	7.5	1,319	9.4	7.3	+28
Older lone persons	855	6.0	9.6	679	4.9	8.3	+176
Group households	412	2.9	3.2	464	3.3	3.5	-52
Total households without children	6,822	47.8	52.4	6,542	46.8	50.8	+280
Total households	14,278	100.0	100.0	13,984	100.0	100.0	+294

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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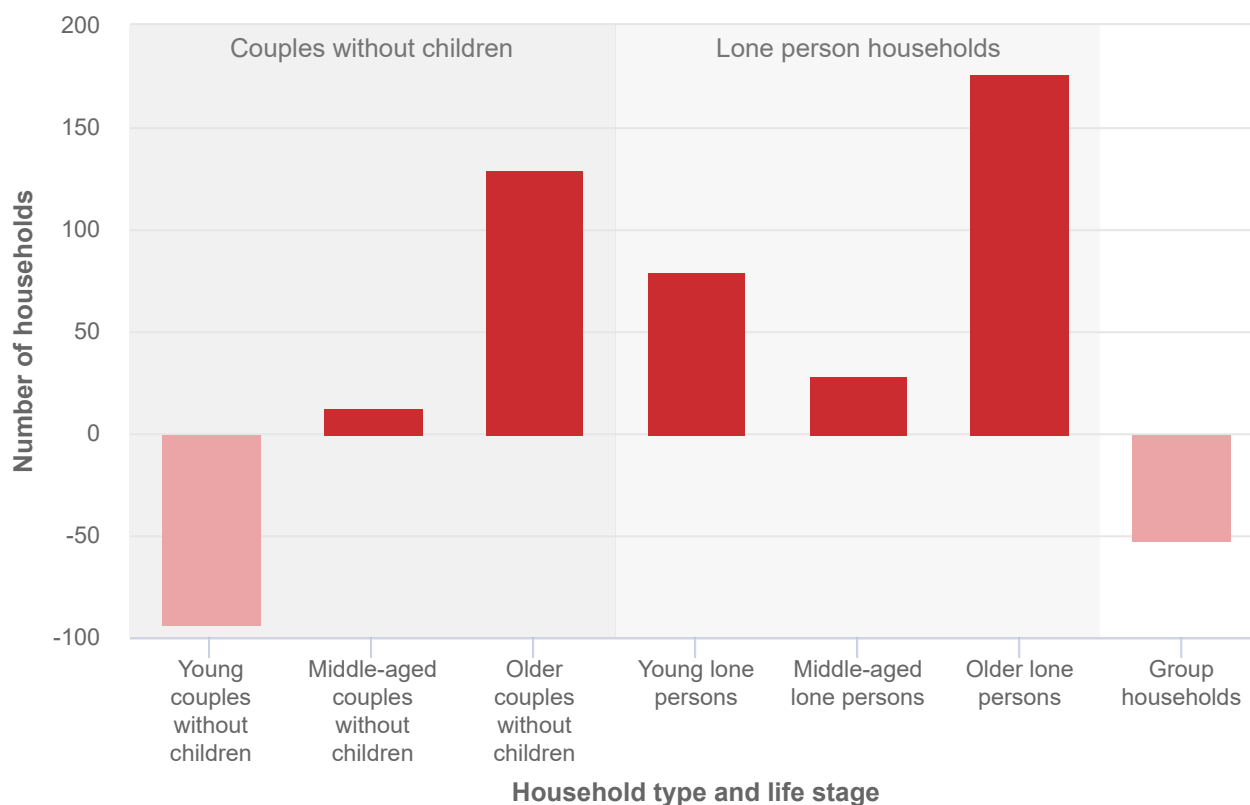
Households without children, 2021



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Change in households without children, 2016 to 2021

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the households without children in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a similar proportion of young couples without children, a larger proportion of middle-aged couples without children, and a smaller proportion of older couples without children.

In addition, there were a larger proportion of young lone person households, a larger proportion of middle-aged lone person households, and a smaller proportion of older lone person households.

Emerging groups

Between 2016 and 2021, the number of households without children increased by 280.

The largest changes in households without children in Kalgoorlie, between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Older lone persons (+176 persons)
- Older couples without children (+129 persons)
- Young couples without children (-93 persons)
- Young lone persons (+79 persons)

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Household size

The size of households in general follows the life-cycle of families. Households are usually small at the stage of relationship formation (early marriage), and then increase in size with the advent of children. They later reduce in size again as these children reach adulthood and leave home. Household size can also be influenced by a lack (or abundance) of affordable housing. Overseas migrants and indigenous persons often have a tradition of living with extended family members which significantly affects household size.

Household size in Australia has generally declined since the 1970s, but the rate of decline has slowed in recent years.

An increasing household size in an area may indicate a lack of affordable housing opportunities for young people, an increase in the birth rate or an increase in family formation in the area. A declining household size may indicate children leaving the area when they leave home, an increase in retirees settling in the area, or an attraction of young singles and couples to the area.

For greater insight, Kalgoorlie's Household Size data should be viewed in conjunction with Household Summary, Age Structure, Dwelling Type, Household Income and Language Spoken at Home.

Household size

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Number of persons usually resident	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
1 person	3,404	28.5	25.4	3,122	26.0	23.6	+282
2 persons	3,762	31.5	33.5	3,720	31.0	33.9	+42
3 persons	1,833	15.4	15.9	1,899	15.8	16.3	-66
4 persons	1,712	14.3	15.9	1,871	15.6	16.4	-159
5 persons	798	6.7	6.4	888	7.4	6.7	-90
6 or more persons	427	3.6	2.9	488	4.1	3.1	-61
Total classifiable households	11,936	100.0	100.0	11,988	100.0	100.0	-52

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

Please refer to specific data notes for more information

Household size - Summary

Kalgoorlie - Enumerated	2021			2016			Change
Dwellings	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Occupied private dwellings	14,293	--	--	13,999	--	--	+294
Persons in occupied private dwellings	34,192	--	--	34,909	--	--	-717
<i>Average household size (persons per dwelling)</i>	2.39	--	2.48	2.49	--	2.52	-0.10

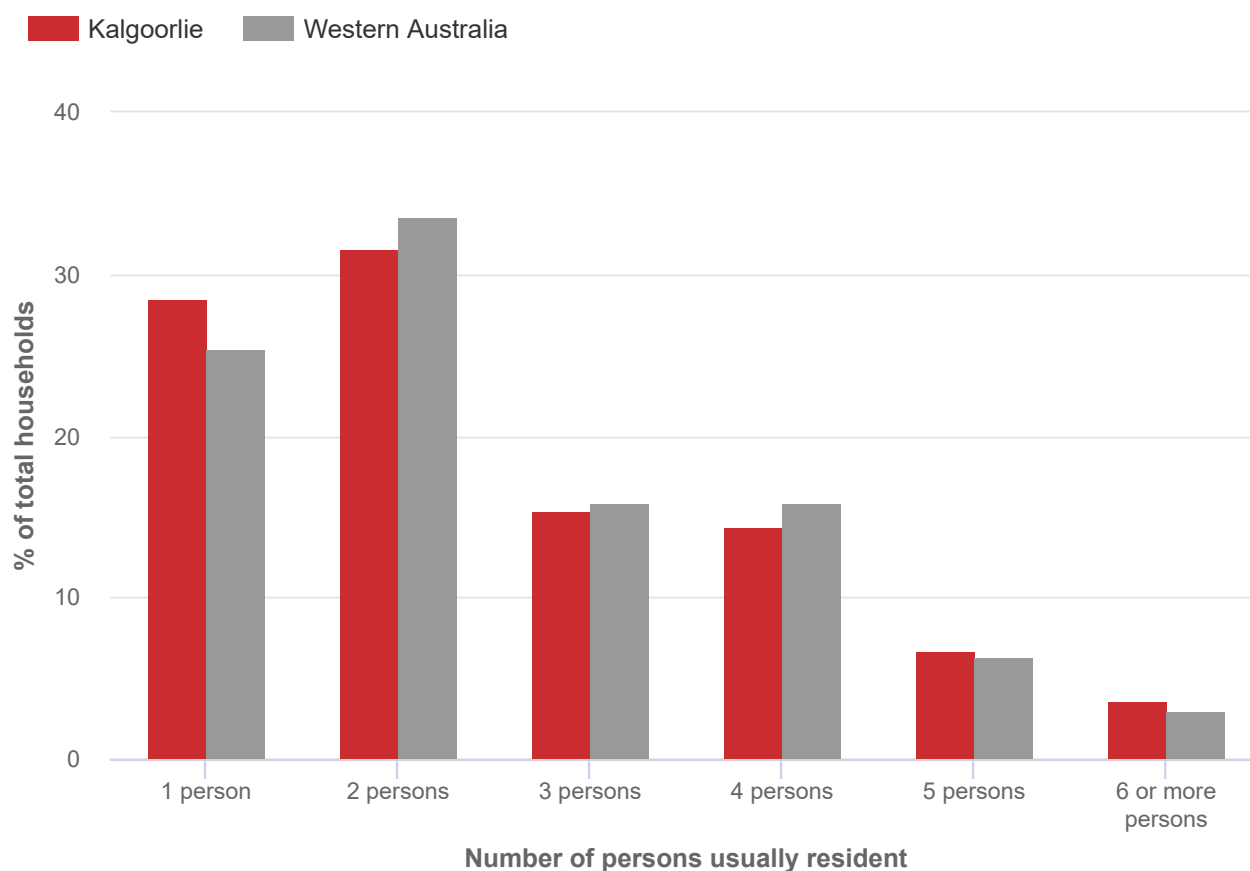
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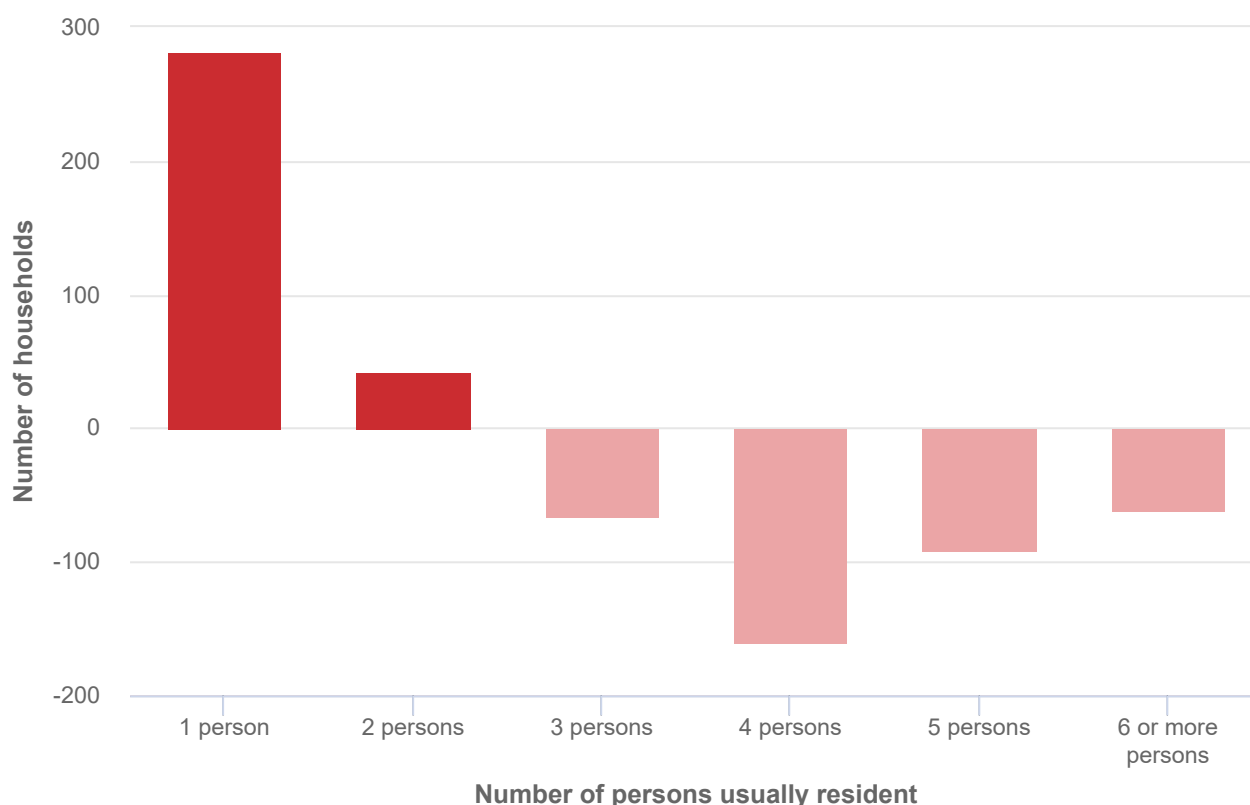
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Change in household size, 2016 to 2021

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the number of persons usually resident in a household in Kalgoorlie compared with Western Australia shows that there were a higher proportion of lone person households, and a lower proportion of larger households (those with 4 persons or more). Overall there were 28.5% of lone person households, and 24.6% of larger households, compared with 25.4% and 25.2% respectively for Western Australia.

The major differences in the household size for Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of households with 1 person usually resident (28.5% compared to 25.4%)
- A *smaller* percentage of households with 2 persons usually resident (31.5% compared to 33.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of households with 4 persons usually resident (14.3% compared to 15.9%)

Emerging groups

The number of households in Kalgoorlie decreased by 52 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in the number of persons usually resident in a household in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were:

- 1 person (+282 households)
- 4 persons (-159 households)
- 5 persons (-90 households)
- 3 persons (-66 households)

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Family blending

Information on blended and intact families can be an indicator of the level of family breakup and repartnering within the area, and a potential indicator of socio-economic disadvantage. Family blending only applies to couple families with children. For information more broadly about household and family types, including single-parent families, please see Household Type, Households with Children, and Households without Children.

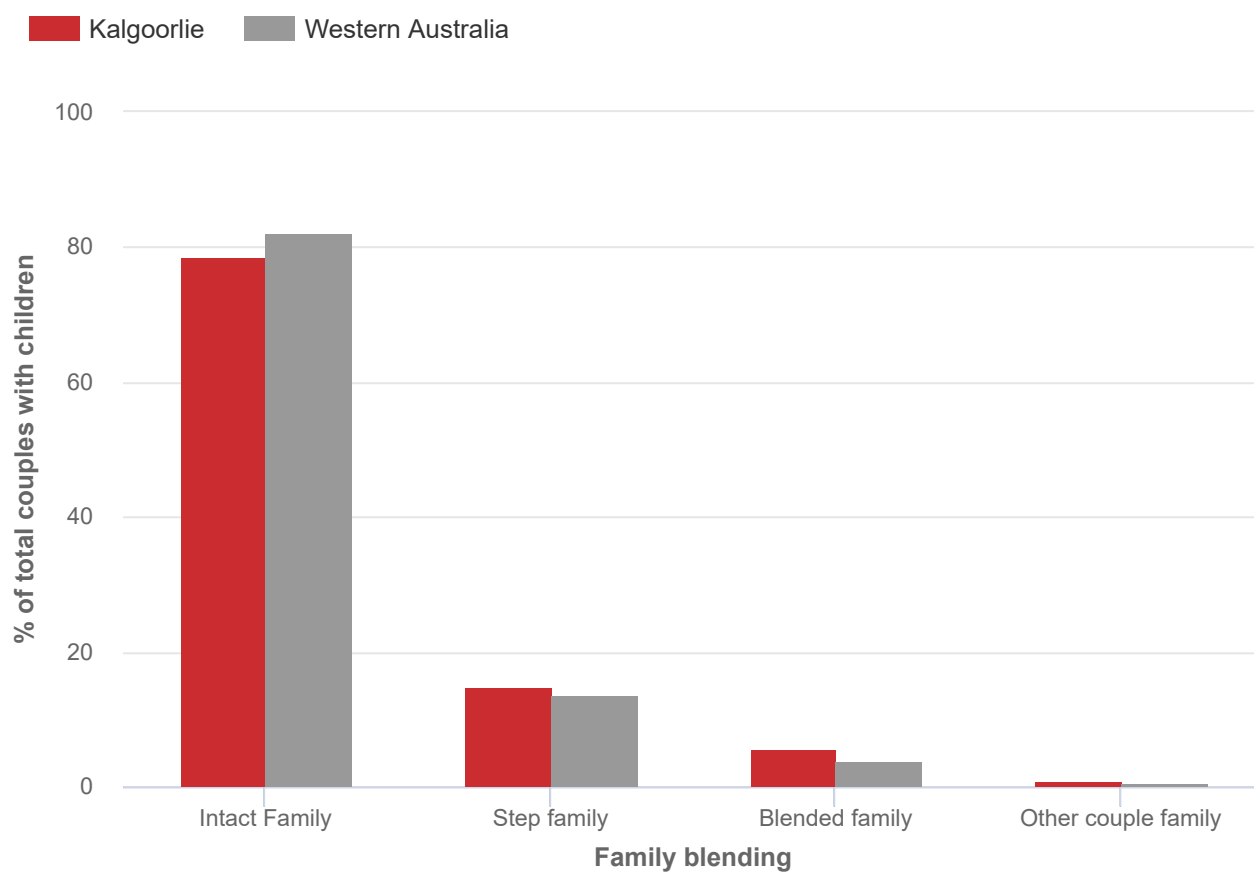
Family blending

Kalgoorlie - Total couples with children (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Family blending by type	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Intact Family	2,959	78.7	82.2	3,589	86.1	88.9	-630
Step family	554	14.7	13.5	291	7.0	6.6	+263
Blended family	213	5.7	3.8	263	6.3	3.9	-50
Other couple family	36	1.0	0.6	24	0.6	0.6	+12
Total couples with children	3,762	100.0	100.0	4,167	100.0	100.0	-405

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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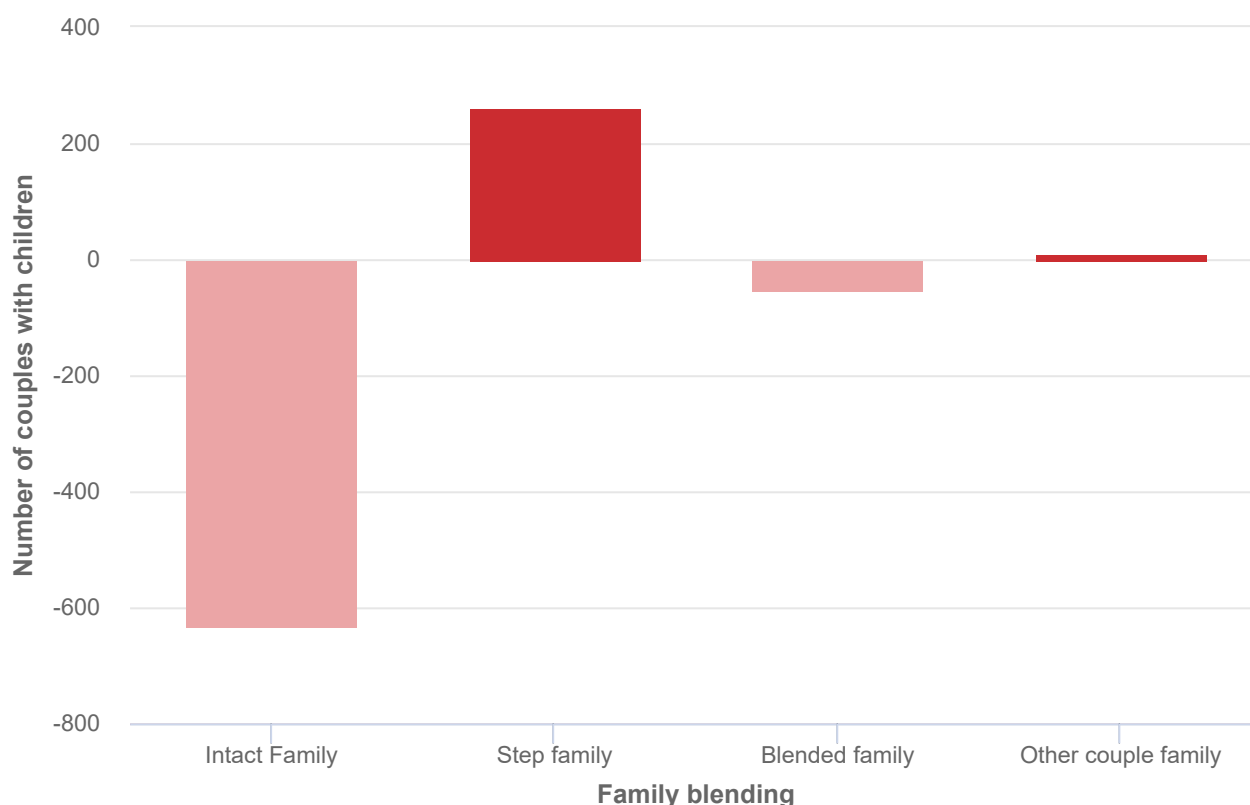
Family blending, 2021



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Change in family blending, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the family blending in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion of step families as well as a higher proportion of blended families. Overall, 14.7% of total couple families with children were step families, and 5.7% were blended families, compared with 13.5% and 3.8% respectively for Western Australia.

There were a similar proportion of other families and a lower proportion of couples without children. Overall, the proportion of other families was 1.0% compared to 0.6% in Western Australia while the proportion of intact families was 78.7% compared to 82.2% in Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The number of couple families with children in Kalgoorlie decreased by 405 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in family blending in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Intact Family (-630 couples with children)
- Step family (+263 couples with children)
- Blended family (-50 couples with children)

Kalgoorlie

Dwelling type

Dwelling Type is an important determinant of Kalgoorlie's residential role and function. A greater concentration of higher density dwellings is likely to attract more young adults and smaller households, often renting. Larger, detached or separate dwellings are more likely to attract families and prospective families. The residential built form often reflects market opportunities or planning policy, such as building denser forms of housing around public transport nodes or employment centres.

Dwelling Type statistics should be viewed in conjunction with **Household Size**, **Household Types**, **Housing Tenure** and **Age Structure** for a more complete picture of the housing market in Kalgoorlie.

If you're looking at this data to prepare a housing strategy, [learn more here](#).

Dwelling structure

Kalgoorlie - Dwellings (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Dwelling type	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Separate house	12,892	75.8	77.1	12,642	76.3	76.5	+250
Medium density	2,956	17.4	15.9	2,863	17.3	17.3	+93
High density	0	--	4.8	0	--	4.0	0
Caravans, cabin, houseboat	764	4.5	1.5	704	4.2	1.4	+60
Other	149	0.9	0.4	139	0.8	0.5	+10
Not stated	239	1.4	0.4	225	1.4	0.4	+14
Total Private Dwellings	17,000	100.0	100.0	16,573	100.0	100.0	+427

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2016 and 2021. Compiled and presented by .id (informed decisions).

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Dwelling type

Kalgoorlie	2021			2016			Change
Dwelling type	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Occupied private dwellings	14,293	83.3	89.5	13,999	83.6	87.4	+294
Unoccupied private dwellings	2,713	15.8	10.3	2,576	15.4	12.4	+137
Non private dwellings	148	0.9	0.2	163	1.0	0.2	-15
Total dwellings	17,154	100.0	100.0	16,738	100.0	100.0	+416

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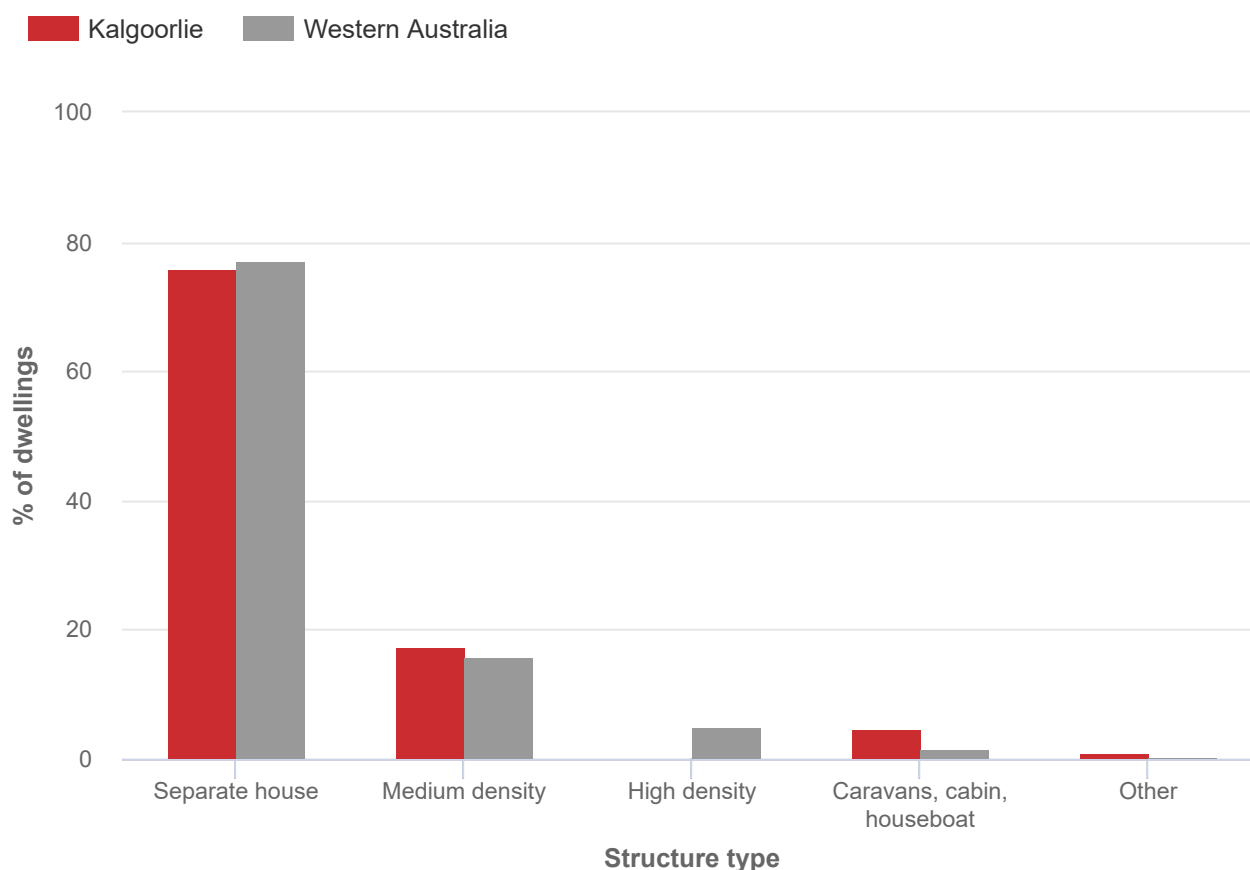
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a People in non-private dwellings

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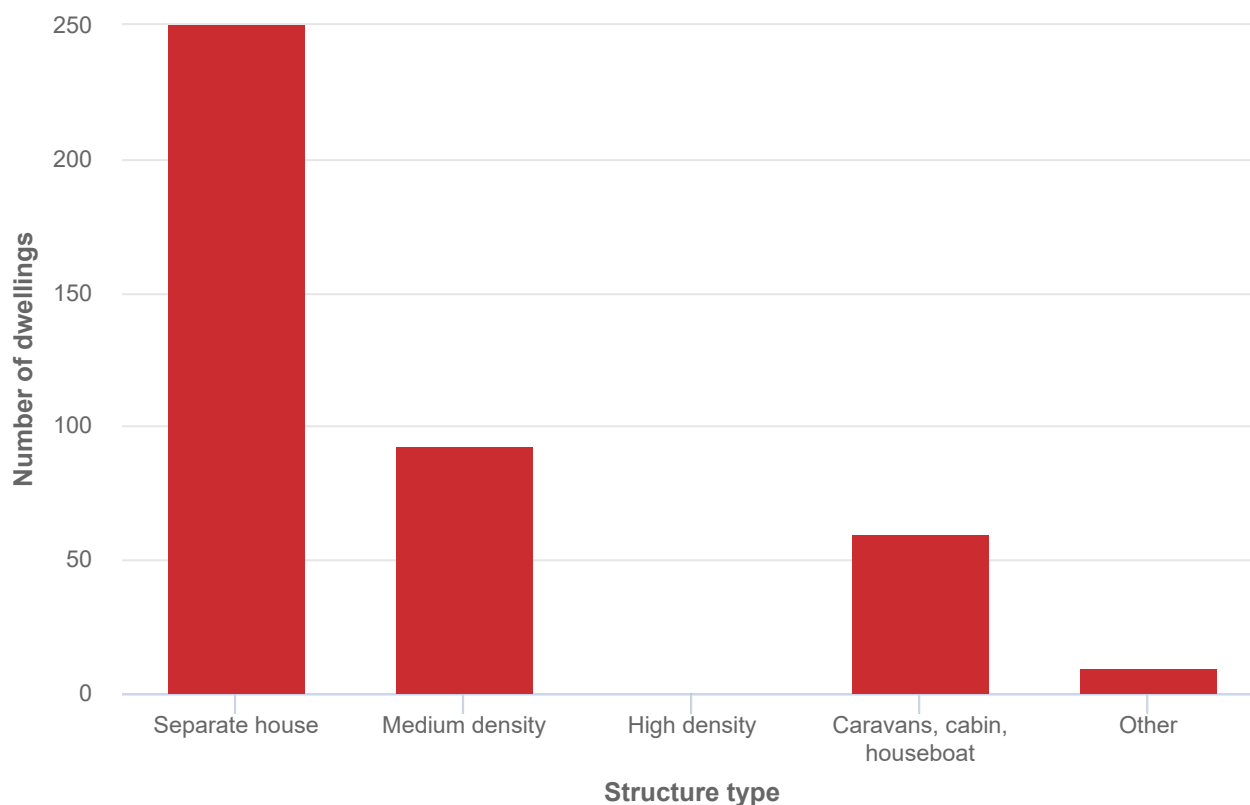
Dwelling structure, 2021



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Change in dwelling structure, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2016 and 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

In 2021, there were 12,892 separate houses in the area, 2,956 medium density dwellings, and no high density dwellings. In addition, there were 764 caravans/cabins/houseboats in the area.

Analysis of the types of dwellings in Kalgoorlie in 2021 shows that 75.8% of all dwellings were separate houses; 17.4% were medium density dwellings, and 0% were in high density dwellings, compared with 77.1%, 15.9%, and 4.8% in the Western Australia respectively.

In 2021, a total of 83.3% of the dwellings in Kalgoorlie were occupied on Census night, compared to 89.5% in Western Australia. The proportion of unoccupied dwellings was 15.8%, which is larger compared to that found in Western Australia (10.3%).

Emerging groups

The total number of dwellings in Kalgoorlie increased by 416 between 2016 and 2021.

The largest changes in the type of dwellings found in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were:

- Separate house (+250 dwellings)
- Medium density (+93 dwellings)
- Caravans, cabin, houseboat (+60 dwellings)

Kalgoorlie

Number of bedrooms per dwelling

The Number of Bedrooms in a dwelling is an indicator of the size of dwellings, and when combined with **Dwelling Type** information, provides insight into the role Kalgoorlie plays in the housing market. For example, an area of high density dwellings that are predominantly 1-2 bedroom are likely to attract students, single workers and young couples, whereas a high density area with dwellings that are predominantly 2-3 bedroom may attract more empty nesters and some families.

In combination with **Household Type** and **Household Size**, the Number of Bedrooms can also indicate issues around housing affordability, overcrowding and other socio-economic factors.

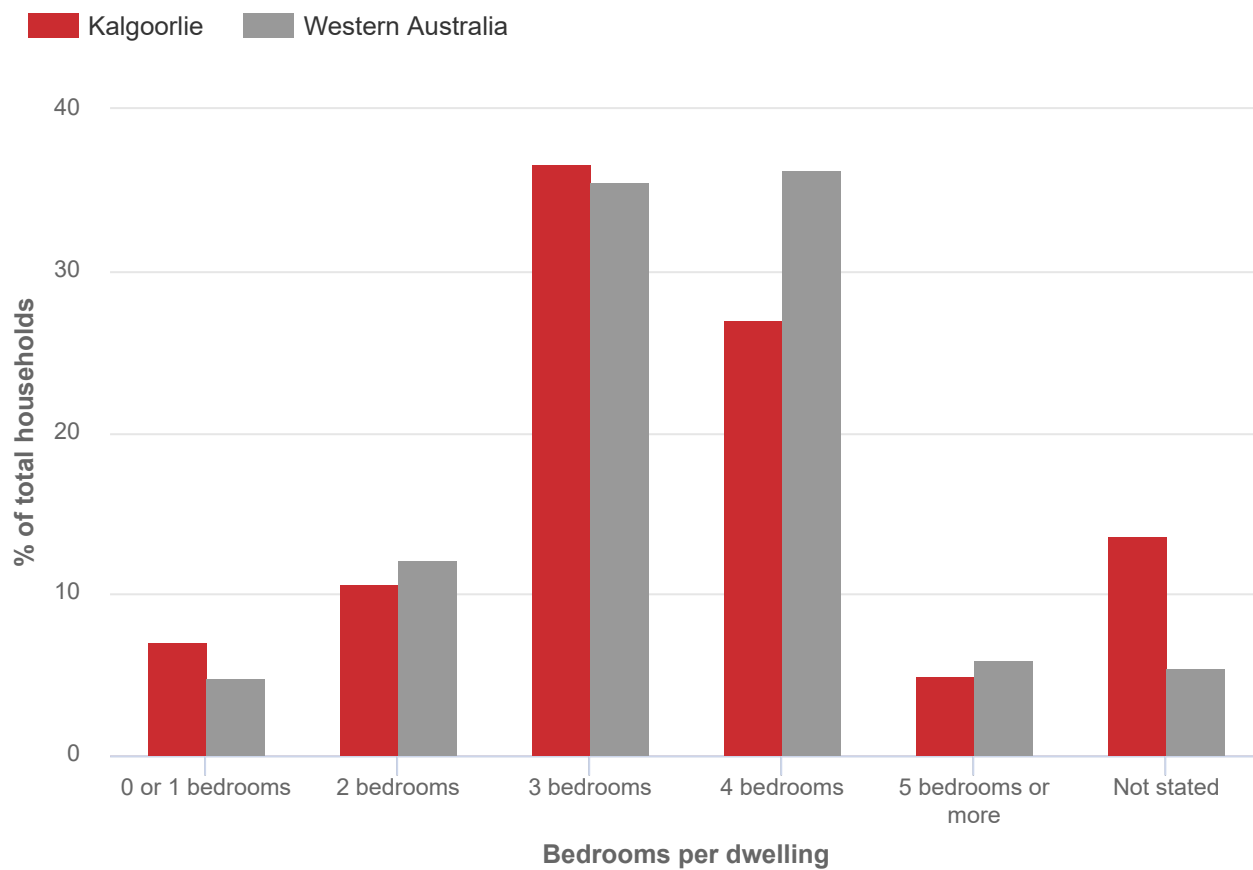
Number of bedrooms per dwelling

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Number of bedrooms	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
0 or 1 bedrooms	1,011	7.1	4.8	867	6.2	4.3	+144
2 bedrooms	1,530	10.7	12.1	1,580	11.3	11.7	-50
3 bedrooms	5,241	36.7	35.5	5,273	37.7	35.4	-32
4 bedrooms	3,853	27.0	36.2	3,709	26.5	35.4	+144
5 bedrooms or more	703	4.9	6.0	648	4.6	5.6	+55
Not stated	1,954	13.7	5.4	1,921	13.7	7.7	+33
Total households	14,292	100.0	100.0	13,998	100.0	100.0	+294

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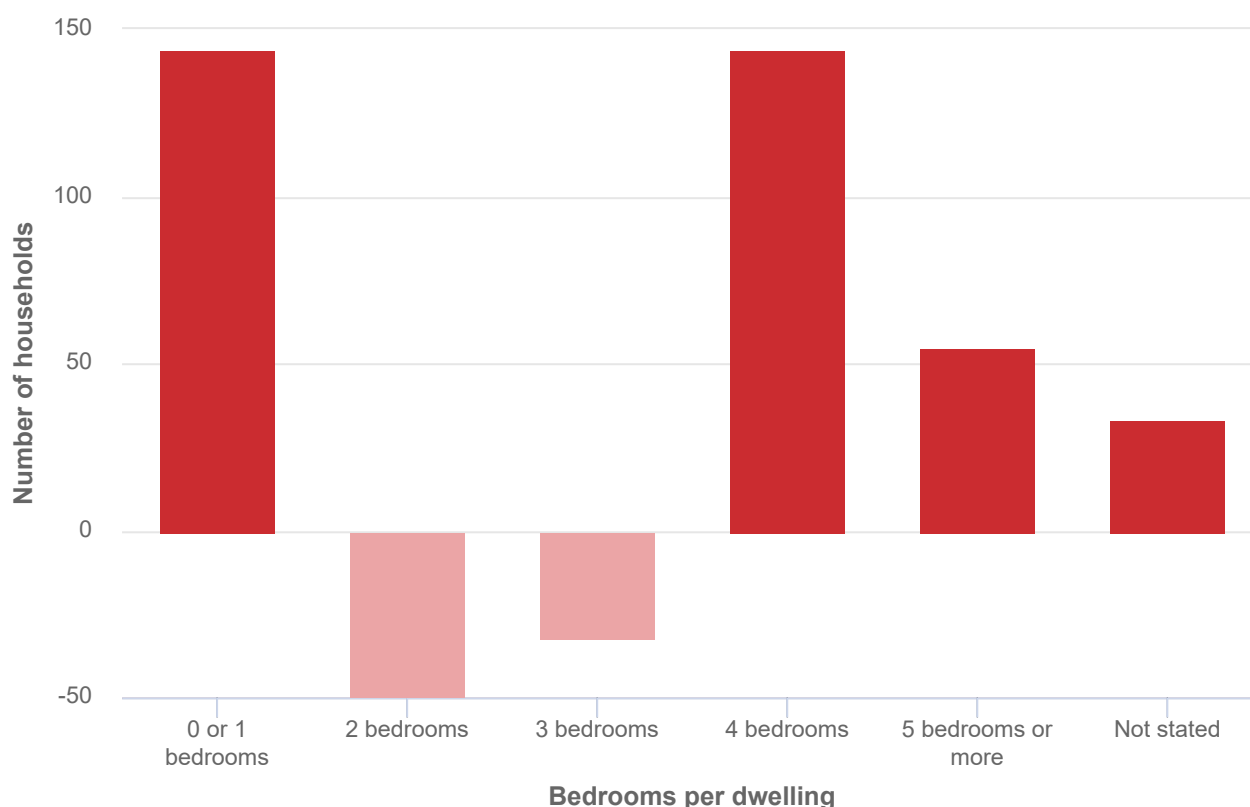
Number of bedrooms per dwelling, 2021



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Change in number of bedrooms per dwelling, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the number of bedrooms in dwellings in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a higher proportion of dwellings with 2 bedrooms or less, and a lower proportion of dwellings with 4 or more bedrooms.

Overall, 17.8% of households were in dwellings with 2 bedrooms or less, and 31.9% of 4 or more bedroom dwellings, compared with 16.9% and 42.2% for Western Australia respectively.

The major differences between the number of bedrooms per dwelling of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of dwellings with 1 or no bedrooms (includes bedsitters) (7.1% compared to 4.8%)
- A *larger* percentage of 3 bedroom dwellings (36.7% compared to 35.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 4 bedroom dwellings (27.0% compared to 36.2%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 2 bedroom dwellings (10.7% compared to 12.1%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the number of bedrooms per dwelling in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were:

- 0 or 1 bedrooms (+144 dwellings)
- 4 bedrooms (+144 dwellings)
- 5 bedrooms or more (+55 dwellings)
- 2 bedrooms (-50 dwellings)

Kalgoorlie

Internet connection

Please note: For the 2021 Census, the ABS dropped the question regarding household internet connection. This page shows data for the 2016 and previous Censuses only.

An internet connection is now an important utility for most households in Australia. It is increasingly required for accessing essential information and taking part in the digital economy. Australia-wide in 2016, nearly 80% of all households had internet access. However, this decreases with age – seniors are less likely to have internet access at home. The lack of internet access is likely to indicate a level of disadvantage and could be related to socio-economic factors, age, or geographical isolation.

Internet connectivity in Kalgoorlie should be looked at in conjunction with **Household Type and Age Structure**, as well as **Education Levels**.

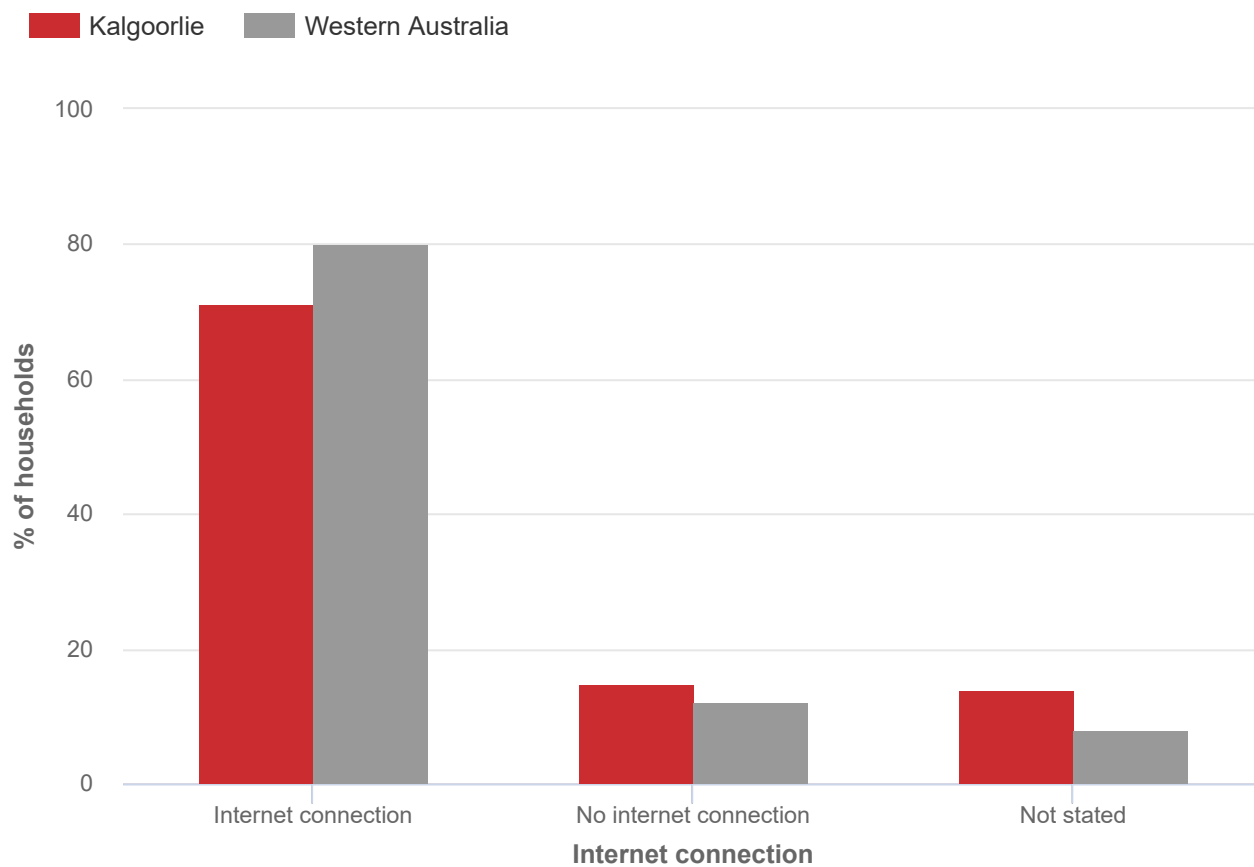
Type of internet connection

Kalgoorlie - Households	2016			2011			Change
Connection type	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2011 to 2016
Internet connection	9,971	71.2	80.1	9,582	67.3	75.0	+389
No internet connection	2,086	14.9	12.1	2,645	18.6	17.3	-559
Not stated	1,942	13.9	7.9	2,014	14.1	7.6	-73
Total households	13,999	100.0	100.0	14,241	100.0	100.0	-243

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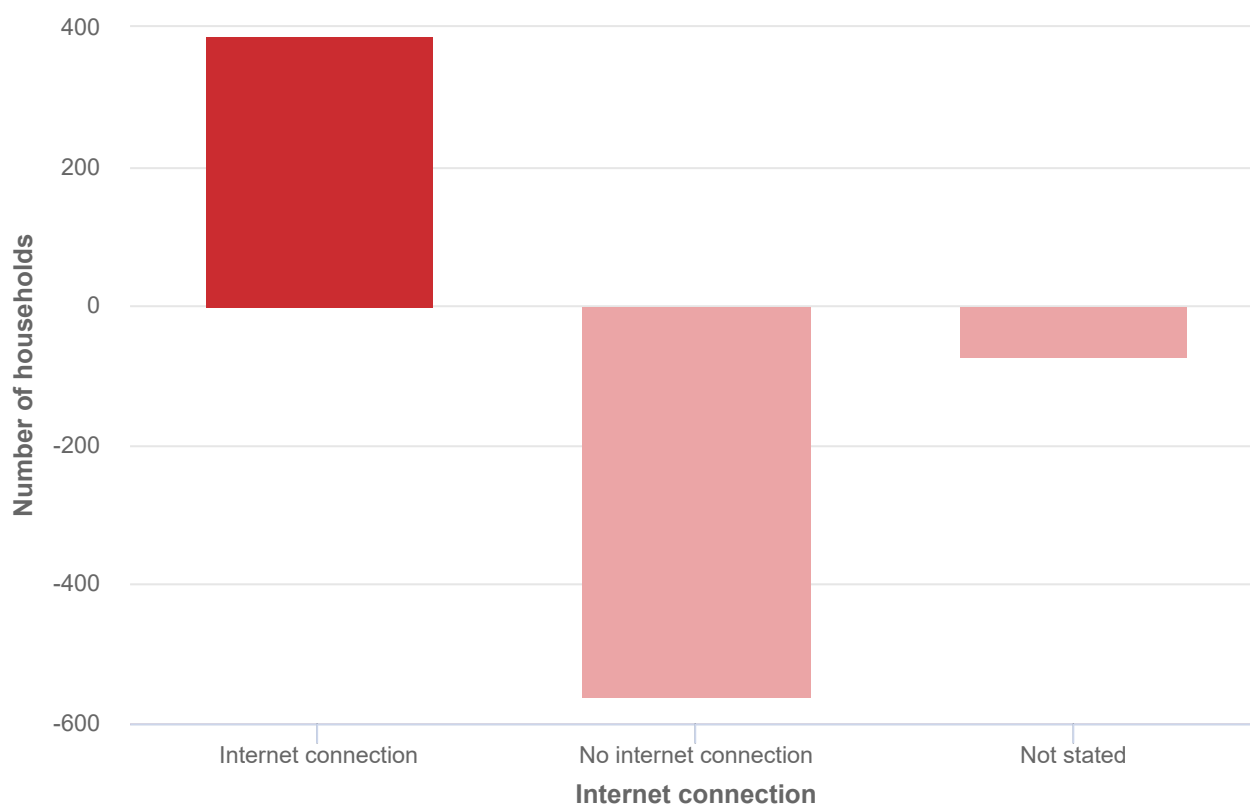
Type of internet connection, 2016



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Change in type of internet connection, 2011 to 2016

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the type of internet connection of households in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a lower proportion of households with an internet connection

Overall 71.2% of households had an internet connection, compared with 80.1% in Western Australia.

Emerging groups

Between 2011 and 2016 the number of households with an internet connection increased by 389.

Kalgoorlie

Number of cars per household

The ability of the population to access services and employment is strongly influenced by access to transport. The number of motor vehicles per household in Kalgoorlie quantifies access to private transport and will be influenced by **Age Structure** and **Household Type**, which determine the number of adults present; access to **Public Transport**; distance to shops, services, employment and education; and **Household Income**. Depending on these factors, car ownership can be seen as a measure of advantage or disadvantage, or a neutral socio-economic measure, which impacts on the environment and quality of life.

Car ownership

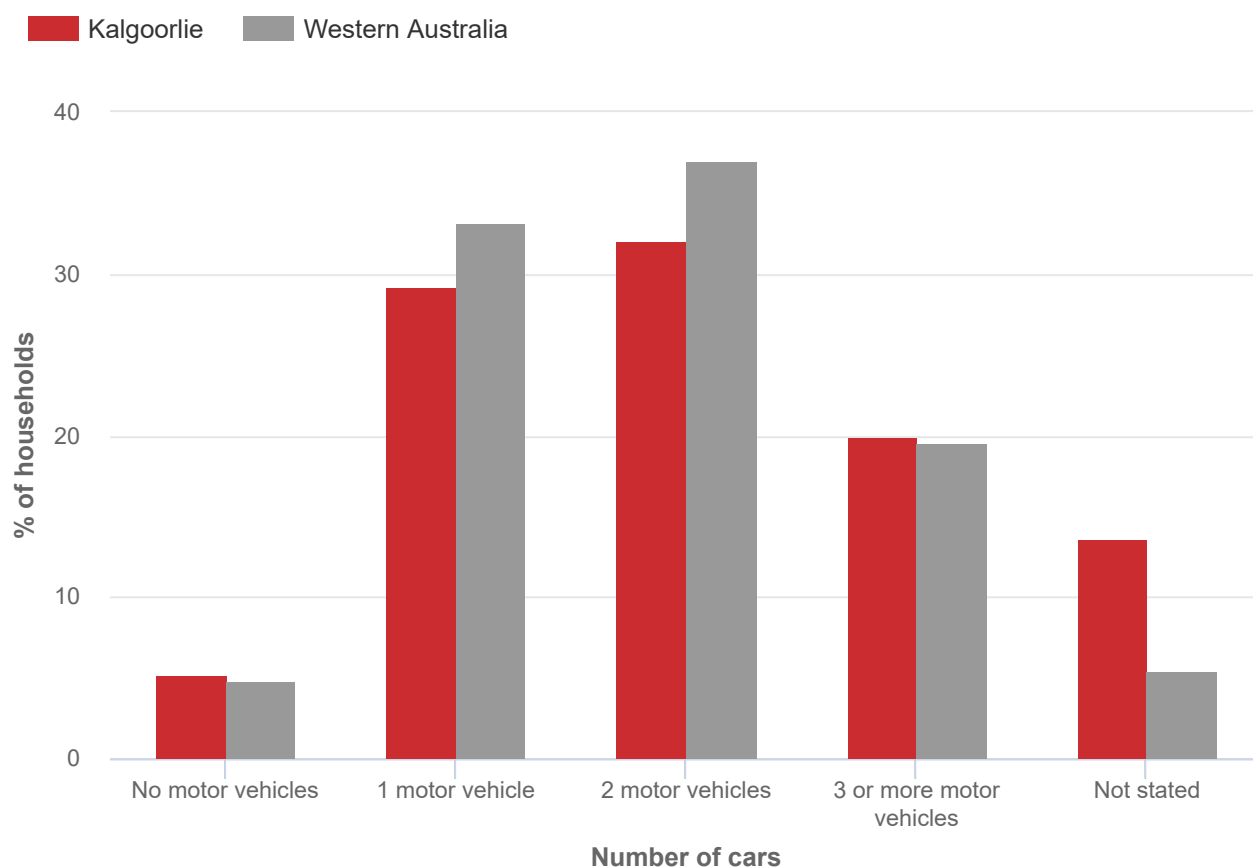
Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Number of cars	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
No motor vehicles	736	5.2	4.8	675	4.8	4.8	+61
1 motor vehicle	4,178	29.2	33.2	3,983	28.5	30.3	+195
2 motor vehicles	4,577	32.0	37.0	4,552	32.5	36.4	+25
3 or more motor vehicles	2,843	19.9	19.5	2,705	19.3	20.1	+138
Not stated	1,951	13.7	5.4	2,081	14.9	8.5	-130
Total households	14,285	100.0	100.0	13,996	100.0	100.0	+289

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a People who travelled to work by car

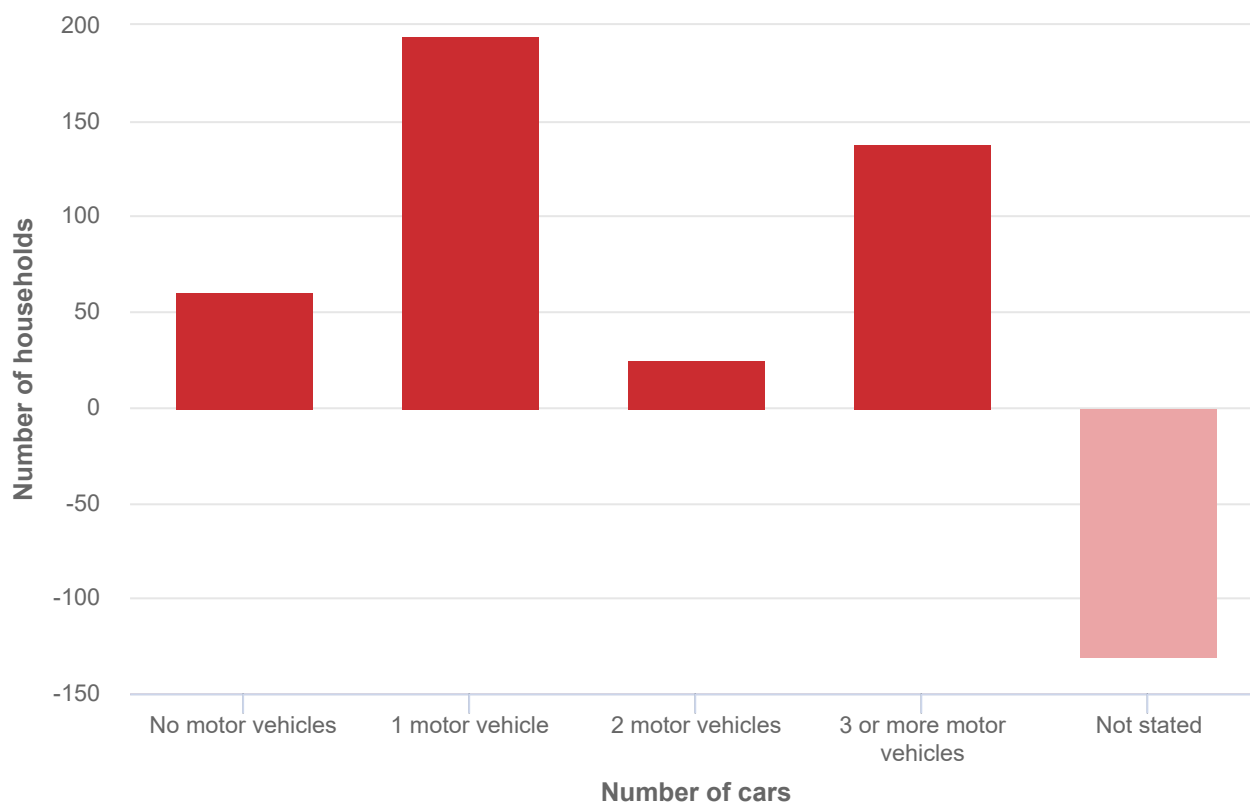
Car ownership, 2021



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Change in car ownership, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the car ownership of the households in Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that 81.2% of the households owned at least one car, while 5.2% did not, compared with 89.8% and 4.8% respectively in Western Australia.

Of those that owned at least one vehicle, there was a smaller proportion who owned just one car; a smaller proportion who owned two cars; and a similar proportion who owned three cars or more.

Overall, 29.2% of the households owned one car; 32.0% owned two cars; and 19.9% owned three cars or more, compared with 33.2%; 37.0% and 19.5% respectively for Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the household car ownership in Kalgoorlie between 2016 and 2021 were:

- 1 motor vehicle (+195 households)
- 3 or more motor vehicles (+138 households)
- No motor vehicles (+61 households)

Kalgoorlie

Housing tenure

Kalgoorlie's Housing Tenure data provides insights into its socio-economic status as well as the role it plays in the housing market. For example, a high concentration of private renters may indicate a transient area attractive to young singles and couples, while a concentration of home owners indicates a more settled area with mature families and empty-nesters (**Household Summary**). Tenure can also reflect built form (**Dwelling Type**), with a significantly higher share of renters in high density housing and a substantially larger proportion of home-owners in separate houses, although this is not always the case.

In conjunction with other socio-economic status indicators in Kalgoorlie, Tenure data is useful for analysing housing markets, housing affordability and identifying public housing areas.

Further reading: [How can Councils influence affordable housing.](#)

Housing tenure

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2011			Change
Tenure type	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2011 to 2021
Fully owned	2,562	17.9	28.3	2,398	16.9	28.7	+163
Mortgage	4,610	32.3	37.6	4,720	33.3	35.5	-110
Renting - Total	4,749	33.2	26.4	4,661	32.9	26.7	+88
Renting - Social housing	795	5.6	3.5	968	6.8	4.3	-173
Renting - Private	3,919	27.4	22.7	3,653	25.8	22.1	+266
Renting - Not stated	35	0.2	0.2	40	0.3	0.2	-5
Other tenure type	398	2.8	2.2	526	3.7	2.5	-129
Not stated	1,973	13.8	5.4	1,862	13.1	6.6	+110
Total households	14,292	100.0	100.0	14,169	100.0	100.0	+122

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Housing tenure, 2021



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Change in housing tenure, 2011 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the housing tenure of households of Kalgoorlie in 2021 compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of households who owned their dwelling; a smaller proportion purchasing their dwelling; and a larger proportion who were renters.

Overall, 17.9% of households owned their dwelling; 32.3% were purchasing, and 33.2% were renting, compared with 28.3%, 37.6% and 26.4% respectively for Western Australia.

Emerging groups

The largest changes in housing tenure categories for the households in Kalgoorlie between 2011 and 2021 were:

- Renting - Private (+266 households)
- Renting - Social housing (-173 households)
- Fully owned (+163 households)
- Other tenure type (-129 households)

The total number of households in Kalgoorlie increased by 123 between 2011 and 2021.

Kalgoorlie

Housing loan repayments

Mortgage repayments are directly related to house prices in Kalgoorlie, length of occupancy and the level of equity of home owners. When viewed with **Household Income** data it may also indicate the level of housing stress households in the community are under. In mortgage belt areas it is expected that households will be paying a higher proportion of their income on their housing compared to well-established areas. First home buyer areas are also likely to have larger mortgages than upgrader areas where households move in with equity from elsewhere.

Mortgage payment levels are not directly comparable over time because of inflation. For comparison of mortgage payments over time, go to **Housing Loan Quartiles**.

Further reading: [How can Councils influence affordable housing.](#)

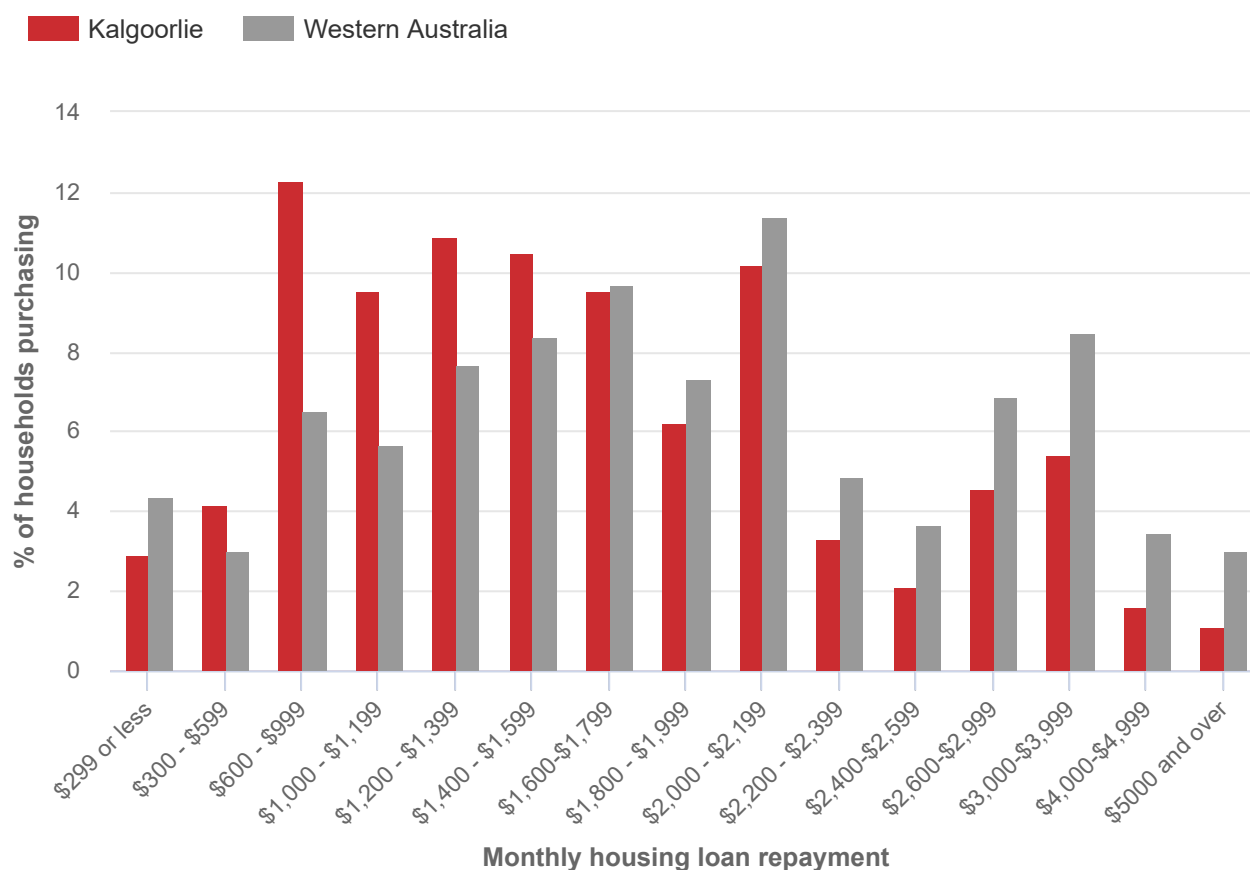
Monthly housing loan repayments

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)		2021	
Monthly repayment amount	Number	%	Western Australia %
\$299 or less	134	2.9	4.4
\$300 - \$599	192	4.2	3.0
\$600 - \$999	567	12.3	6.5
\$1,000 - \$1,199	440	9.6	5.7
\$1,200 - \$1,399	502	10.9	7.7
\$1,400 - \$1,599	482	10.5	8.4
\$1,600-\$1,799	439	9.5	9.7
\$1,800 - \$1,999	287	6.2	7.3
\$2,000 - \$2,199	470	10.2	11.4
\$2,200 - \$2,399	153	3.3	4.9
\$2,400-\$2,599	96	2.1	3.7
\$2,600-\$2,999	211	4.6	6.9
\$3,000-\$3,999	250	5.4	8.5
\$4,000-\$4,999	75	1.6	3.4
\$5000 and over	51	1.1	3.0
Not stated	255	5.5	5.6
Total	4,604	100.0	100.0

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Monthly housing loan repayments, 2021



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the monthly housing loan repayments of households in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of households paying high mortgage repayments (\$2,600 per month or more), and a larger proportion of households with low mortgage repayments (less than \$1,200 per month).

Overall, 12.7% of households were paying high mortgage repayments, and 29.0% were paying low repayments, compared with 21.8% and 19.6% respectively in Western Australia.

The major differences between the household loan repayments of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of \$600 - \$999 (12.3% compared to 6.5%)
- A *larger* percentage of \$1,000 - \$1,199 (9.6% compared to 5.7%)
- A *larger* percentage of \$1,200 - \$1,399 (10.9% compared to 7.7%)
- A *smaller* percentage of \$3,000-\$3,999 (5.4% compared to 8.5%)

Kalgoorlie

Housing loan quartiles

Mortgage repayments in Kalgoorlie are directly related to house prices, length of occupancy and the level of equity of home owners. When viewed with **Household Income** data it may also indicate the level of housing stress in the community.

The quartile method is the most objective method of comparing change in the mortgage payment profile of a community over time.

A detailed explanation of how Housing Loan Repayment quartiles are calculated and interpreted is available in [specific data notes](#).

Housing loan quartiles

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2016			Change
Loan repayment quartile group	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2016 to 2021
Lowest group	1,594	36.7	25.0	1,359	29.9	25.0	+235
Medium lowest	1,235	28.4	25.0	1,447	31.8	25.0	-212
Medium highest	884	20.3	25.0	1,016	22.4	25.0	-132
Highest group	634	14.6	25.0	723	15.9	25.0	-89
Total households with stated mortgage repayments	4,349	100.0	100.0	4,547	100.0	100.0	-198

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Housing loan - Quartile group dollar ranges

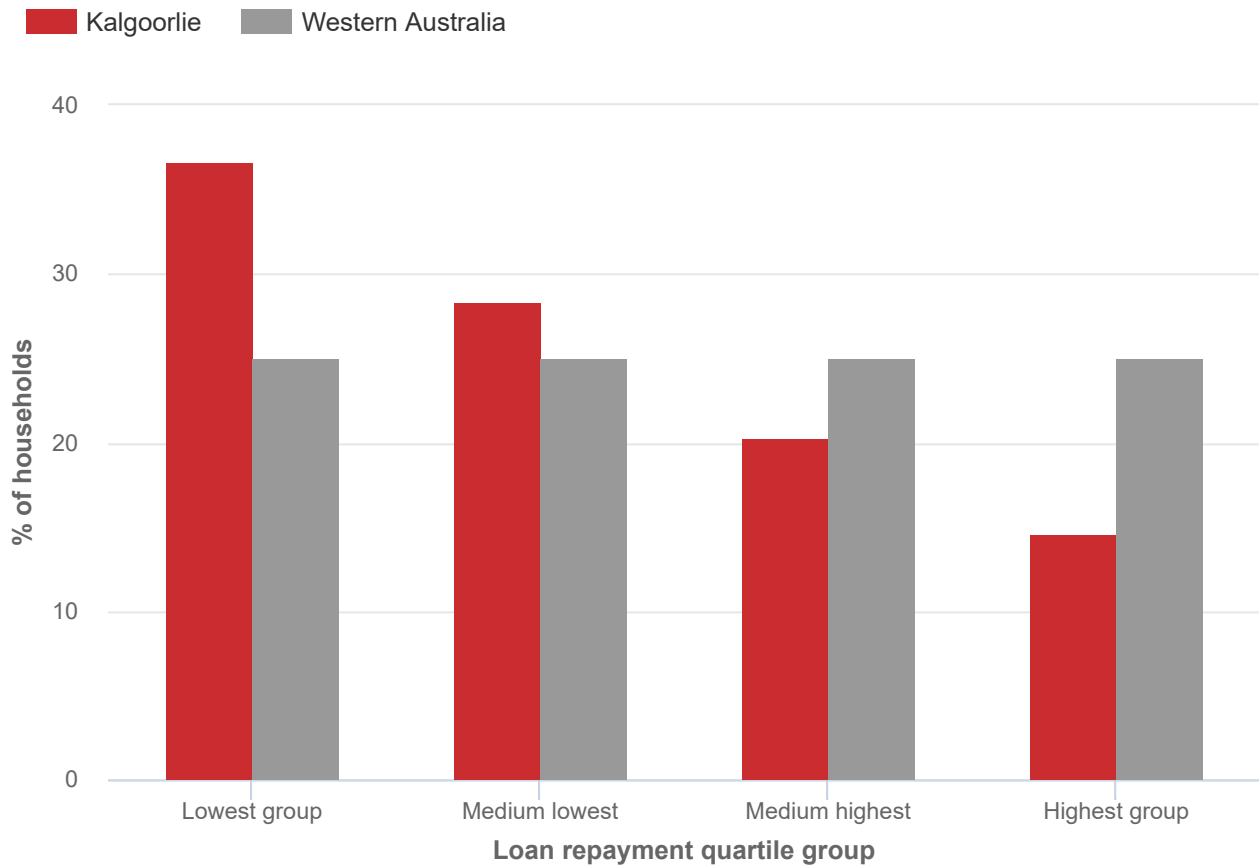
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Monthly housing loan repayments by Census year

Housing loan repayment ranges	2021	2016	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$1,303	\$0 to \$1,314	\$0 to \$1,221	\$0 to \$826	\$0 to \$605
Medium lowest	\$1,304 to \$1,851	\$1,315 to \$1,995	\$1,222 to \$1,969	\$827 to \$1,241	\$606 to \$855
Medium highest	\$1,852 to \$2,501	\$1,996 to \$2,685	\$1,970 to \$2,786	\$1,242 to \$1,791	\$856 to \$1,161
Highest group	\$2,502 and over	\$2,686 and over	\$2,787 and over	\$1,792 and over	\$1,162 and over

- a Home owners (households who fully own their dwelling)
- a Households with a mortgage
- a Median weekly mortgage repayments
- a Households paying high mortgage repayments (\$2600 or more)

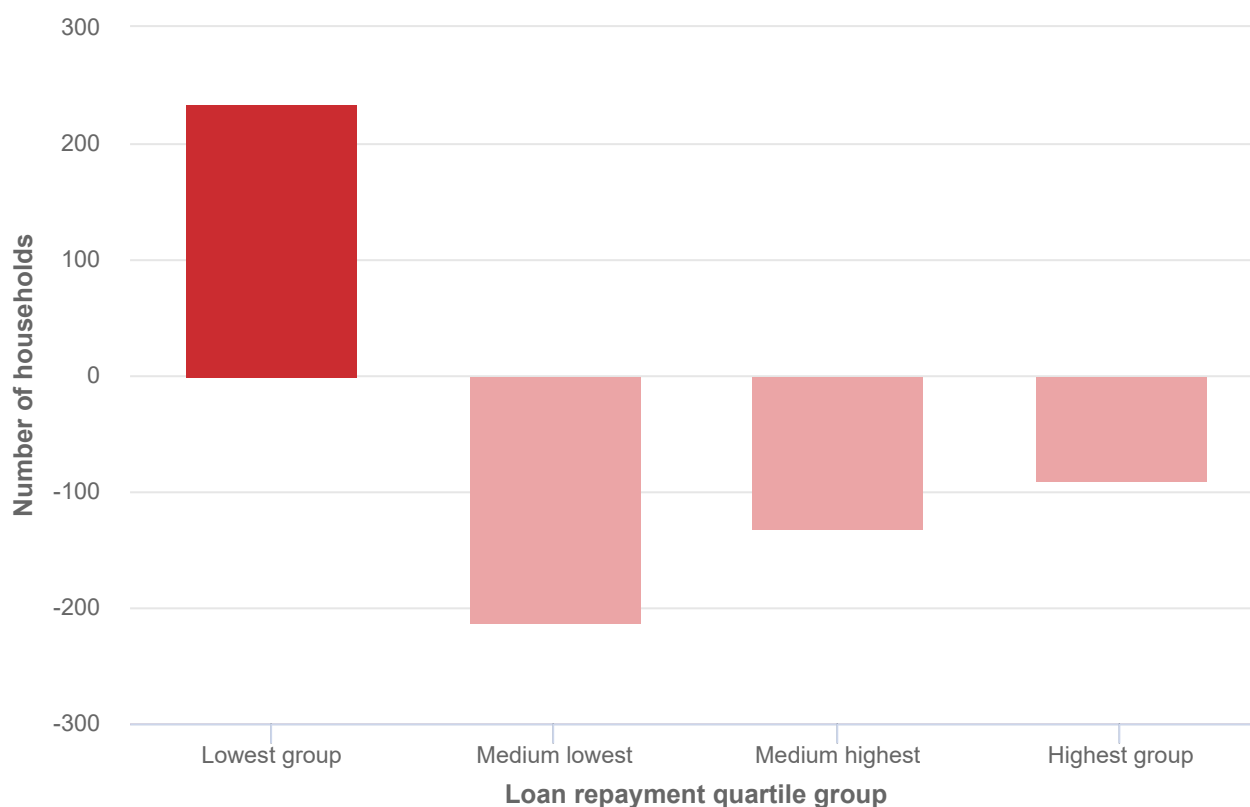
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Change in housing loan quartiles, 2016 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



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Dominant groups

Housing loan repayment quartiles allow us to compare relative repayment liabilities across time. Analysis of the distribution of households by housing loan repayment quartiles in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of households in the highest repayment quartile, and a larger proportion in the lowest repayment quartile.

Emerging groups

The total number of households with a mortgage in Kalgoorlie decreased by 4,547 between 2016 and 2021. The most significant change in Kalgoorlie during this period was in the lowest quartile which showed an increase of 235 households.

Kalgoorlie

Housing rental payments

Rental payments can be a better measure of the cost of housing in Kalgoorlie than mortgage repayments because they are not contingent on length of occupancy or equity in the dwelling.

High rental payments may indicate desirable areas with mobile populations who prefer to rent, or a housing shortage, or gentrification. Low rental payments may indicate public housing (check **Tenure Type**), or areas where low income households move by necessity for a lower cost of living.

Rental payments are not directly comparable over time because of inflation. For comparison of rental payments over time, go to **Housing Rental Quartiles**.

Further reading: [How can Councils influence affordable housing](#).

Weekly housing rental payments

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021		
Weekly rental amount	Number	%	Western Australia %
Less than \$100	228	4.8	3.1
\$100-\$149	380	8.0	6.0
\$150-\$199	418	8.8	5.3
\$200-\$249	541	11.4	7.2
\$250-\$299	615	13.0	11.2
\$300-\$349	721	15.2	16.0
\$350-\$399	575	12.1	16.0
\$400-\$449	337	7.1	11.2
\$450-\$499	202	4.3	7.0
\$500-\$549	140	2.9	4.0
\$550-\$649	157	3.3	3.9
\$650-\$749	34	0.7	1.8
\$750-\$849	18	0.4	1.0
\$850+	18	0.4	1.7
Not stated	362	7.6	4.7
Total households renting	4,746	100.0	100.0

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing 2021](#). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

[Please refer to specific data notes for more information](#)

- a Households renting social housing
- a Households renting privately
- a Median weekly rental payments
- a High rental payments (more than \$450 per week)

Weekly housing rental payments, 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Analysis of the weekly housing rental payments of households in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of households paying high rental payments (\$450 per week or more), and a larger proportion of households with low rental payments (less than \$250 per week).

Overall, 12.0% of households were paying high rental payments, and 33.0% were paying low payments, compared with 19.4% and 21.6% respectively in Western Australia.

The major differences between the housing rental payments of Kalgoorlie and Western Australia were:

- A *larger* percentage of \$200-\$249 (11.4% compared to 7.2%)
- A *larger* percentage of \$150-\$199 (8.8% compared to 5.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of \$400-\$449 (7.1% compared to 11.2%)
- A *smaller* percentage of \$350-\$399 (12.1% compared to 16.0%)

Kalgoorlie

Housing rental quartiles

Rental payments in Kalgoorlie are indicative of its residential role and function and are directly related to the value of residential property. When viewed with **Household Income** data they may also indicate the level of 'housing stress' in the community.

The quartile method is the most objective method of comparing change in the rental costs of a community over time.

A detailed explanation of how Housing Rental Payment quartiles are calculated and interpreted is available in [specific data notes](#).

Housing rental quartiles

Kalgoorlie - Households (Enumerated)	2021			2011			Change
Quartile group	Number	%	Western Australia %	Number	%	Western Australia %	2011 to 2021
Lowest group	1,689	38.5	25.0	1,560	38.2	25.0	+130
Medium lowest	1,163	26.5	25.0	1,132	27.7	25.0	+32
Medium highest	828	18.9	25.0	825	20.2	25.0	+3
Highest group	701	16.0	25.0	569	13.9	25.0	+133
Total households with stated rent	4,384	100.0	100.0	4,087	100.0	100.0	+297

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2021](#). Compiled and presented by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

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Housing rental - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from rental payment data for WA

Weekly housing rental payments by Census year

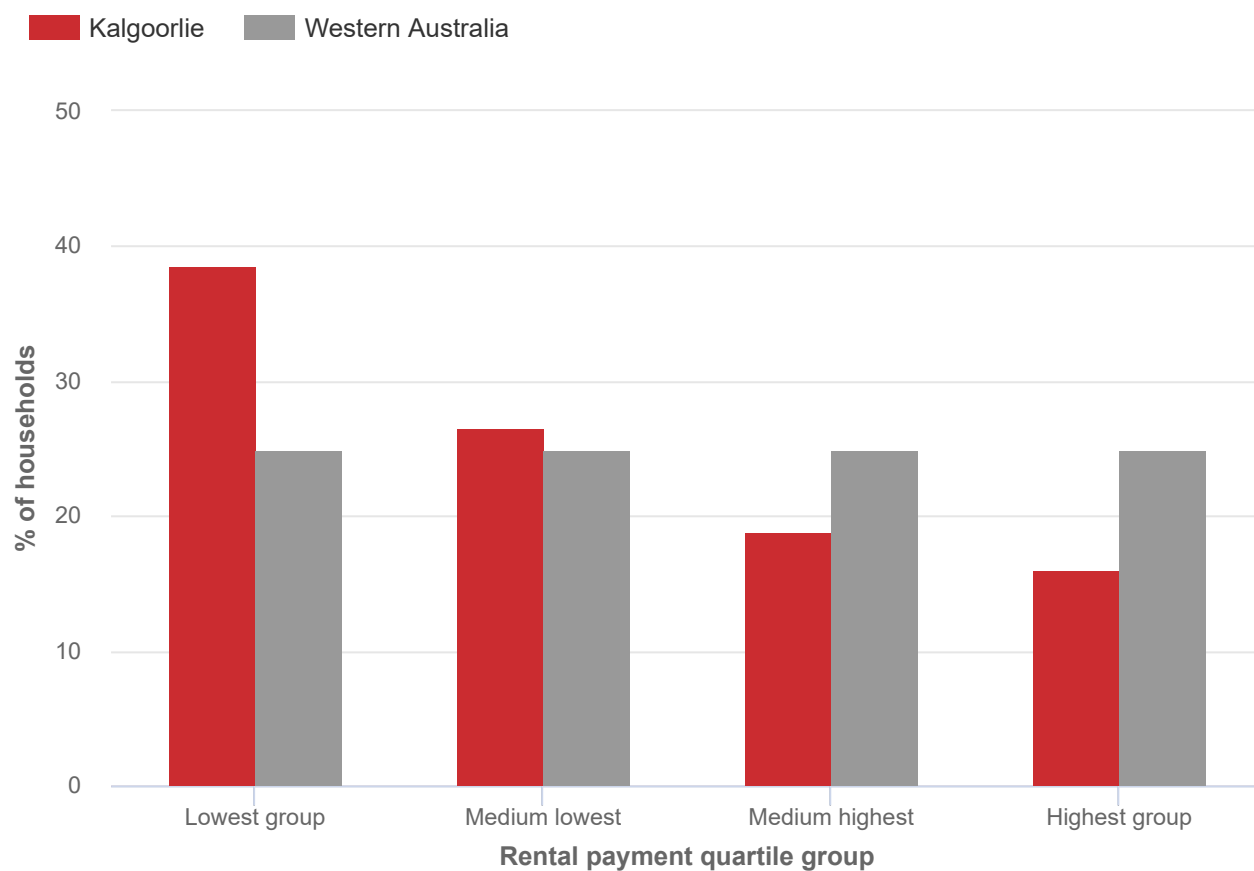
Rental payment ranges	2021	2016	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$259	\$0 to \$254	\$0 to \$200	\$0 to \$123	\$0 to \$93
Medium lowest	\$260 to \$345	\$255 to \$356	\$201 to \$308	\$124 to \$176	\$94 to \$132
Medium highest	\$346 to \$429	\$357 to \$437	\$309 to \$385	\$177 to \$230	\$133 to \$177
Highest group	\$430 and over	\$438 and over	\$386 and over	\$231 and over	\$178 and over

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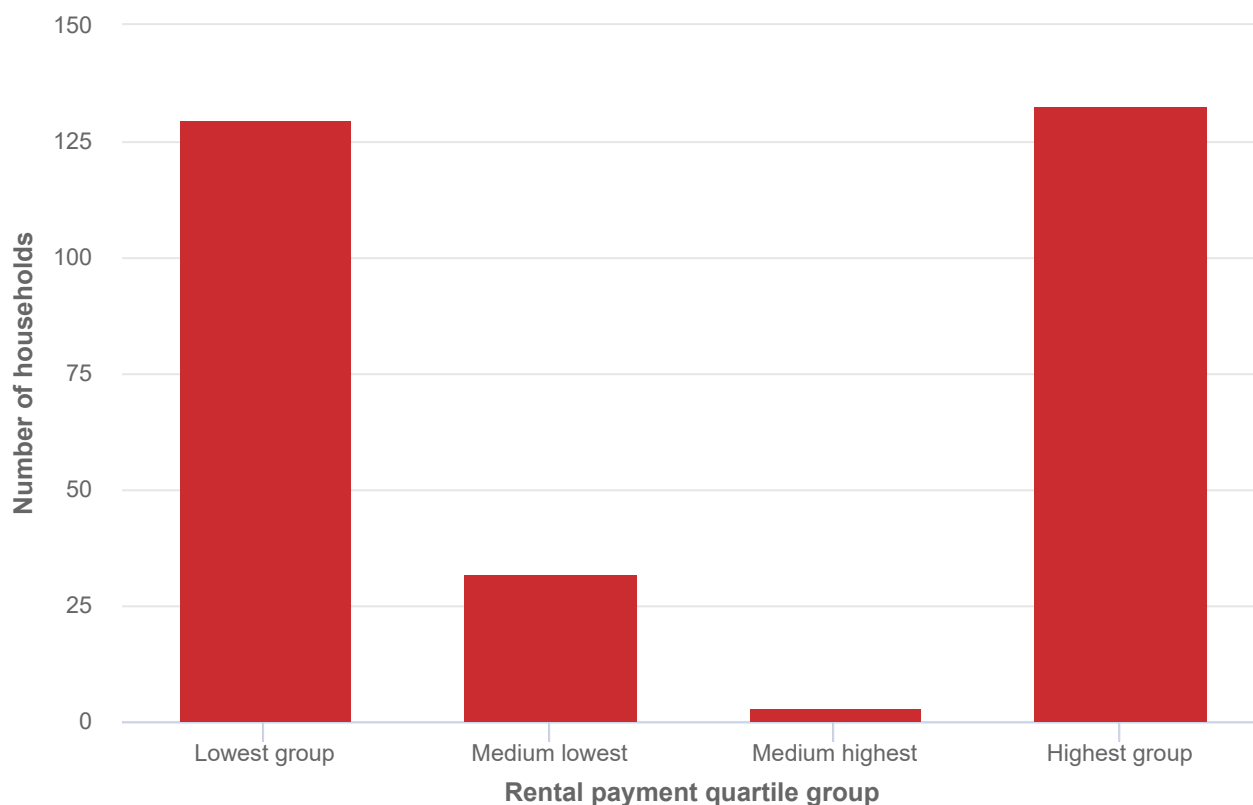
Housing rental quartiles for 2021



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id (informed decisions).

Change in housing rental quartiles, 2011 to 2021

Kalgoorlie



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2011 and 2021 (Enumerated data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions).

Dominant groups

Rental payment quartiles allow us to compare relative rental liabilities across time. Analysis of the distribution of households by rental payment quartiles in Kalgoorlie compared to Western Australia shows that there was a smaller proportion of households in the highest payment quartile, and a larger proportion in the lowest payment quartile.

Emerging groups

The total number of households renting their dwelling in Kalgoorlie increased by 297 between 2011 and 2021. The most significant change during this period was in the highest quartile which showed an increase of 133 households.

Western Australia

Residential building approvals

The Western Australia Parliamentary Library's building approvals are used as a leading indicator of the general level of residential development, economic activity, employment and investment. Residential building activity depends on many factors that vary with the state of the economy including interest rates, availability of mortgage funds, government spending, and business investment. Large financial changes or shocks, such as the Global Financial Crisis of 2008/09 can be observed in the data. However, the number of building approvals can fluctuate substantially from year to year simply as a result of the short-term nature of many construction projects, and the cyclical nature of the industry.

Residential building approvals

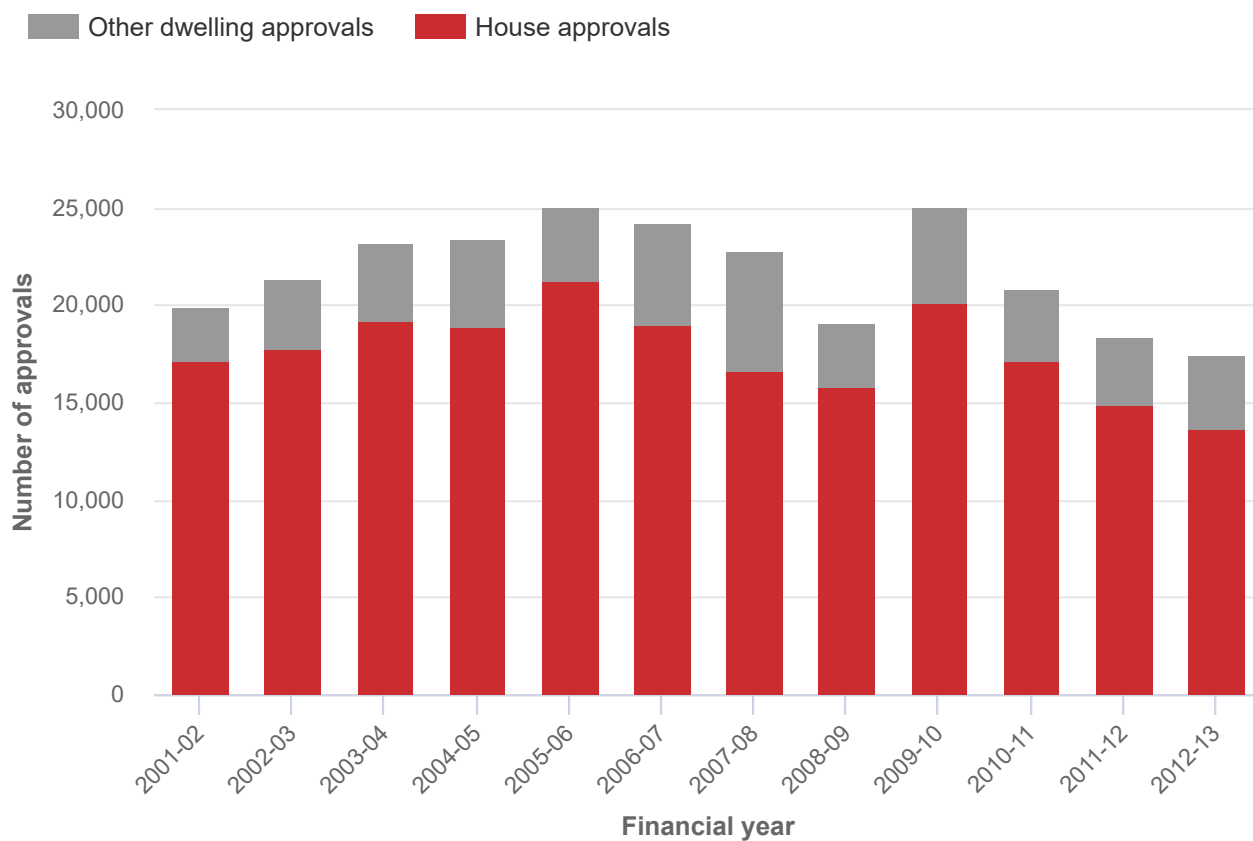
Western Australia Parliamentary Library				Number			Annual change		
Year (ending June 30)	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total			
2012-13	13,651	3,815	17,466	-1,287	+412	-875			
2011-12	14,938	3,403	18,341	-2,213	-252	-2,465			
2010-11	17,151	3,655	20,806	-3,033	-1,179	-4,212			
2009-10	20,184	4,834	25,018	+4,343	+1,543	+5,886			
2008-09	15,841	3,291	19,132	-769	-2,929	-3,698			
2007-08	16,610	6,220	22,830	-2,355	+938	-1,417			
2006-07	18,965	5,282	24,247	-2,271	+1,460	-811			
2005-06	21,236	3,822	25,058	+2,324	-732	+1,592			
2004-05	18,912	4,554	23,466	-321	+537	+216			
2003-04	19,233	4,017	23,250	+1,461	+403	+1,864			
2002-03	17,772	3,614	21,386	+648	+840	+1,488			
2001-02	17,124	2,774	19,898	--	--	--			

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Building Approvals, Australia (8731.0). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#) (informed decisions)

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Residential building approvals

Western Australia Parliamentary Library



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Western Australia

About the community profile

Demographic change across Australia is recorded by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) in the Census collections every five years. Population experts .id (**informed decisions**) analyse and convert these raw figures into stories of place to inform council staff, community groups, investors, business, students and the general public.

The Western Australia Parliamentary Library Electorate Profiles provides demographic analysis for the State and its suburbs based on results from the 2016, 2011, 2006, 2001, 1996 and 1991 Censuses of Population and Housing. The profile is updated with population estimates when the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) releases new figures such as the annual Estimated Resident Population (ERP).

Suburb boundaries and Census questions change over time, but .id manages the data to ensure that there is an accurate time series provided for the current geographic boundaries. You can read more about this in the **Geography Notes** section.

Results for the Western Australia Parliamentary Library include population, age structure, ethnicity, ancestry, religion, income, qualifications, occupations, employment, unemployment, disability, disadvantage, volunteering, childcare, family structure, household structure, housing tenure, mortgage and rental payments, and the size and type of the dwellings people live in.

The Community Profile presents this information in clear maps, tables and charts with concise factual commentary to answer three important questions:

1. What are the characteristics of the people who live here?
2. How are they changing?
3. How do they compare to other areas?

This provides the basis for making evidence-based decisions about how to provide services for the community as it changes.

You can be confident about the quality of the information as it is derived from Australian Bureau of Statistics data, analysed and presented by population experts and funded by the Western Australia Parliamentary Library.