

Inner West Council

2011 Census results

Balmain Ward

Comparison year: 2006

Benchmark area: Inner West Council area

Community profile reports Balmain Ward

community profile

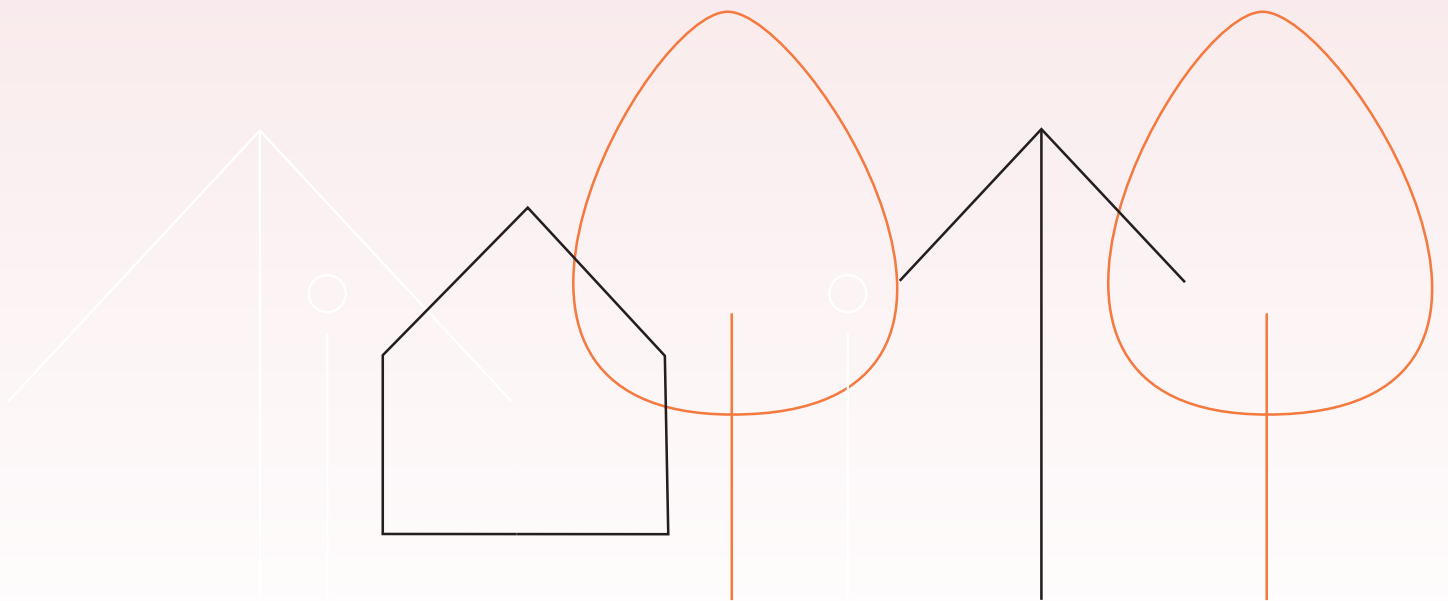


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Welcome to the Inner West Council area

Community Profile

The Inner West Council area is located in the inner-western Sydney suburbs, about 4-10 kilometres west of the Sydney CBD.

The Inner West Council area Community Profile provides demographic analysis for the Council and its suburbs based on results from the 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.

Important Statistics

Population

189,576

ABS ERP 2016

Land area

3,519

hectares (35 Km²)

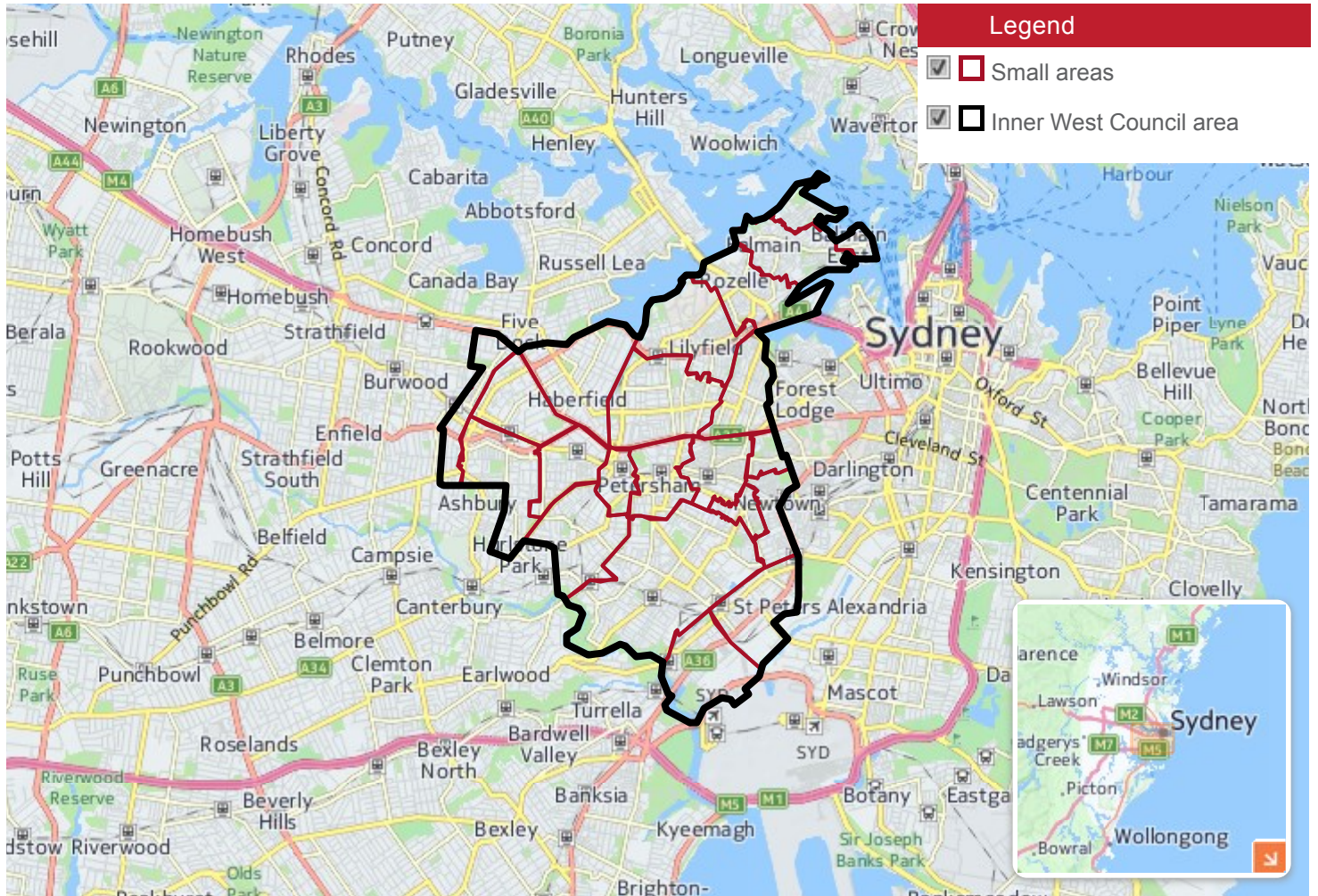
Population density

53.87

persons per hectare

Profile areas

Inner West Council area



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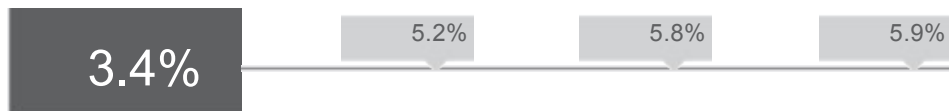
Population highlights



Vocational



Unemployment



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About the profile areas

Location and boundaries

Balmain Ward is bounded by Sydney Harbour in the north and north-east, The Crescent and Johnstons Creek in the south-east, Booth Street, Moore Street, Balmain Road and City-West Link Road in the south, and Iron Cove in the west.

Important

Statistics

Population

39,283

2016 ABS ERP

Land area

705

hectares (7 Km²)

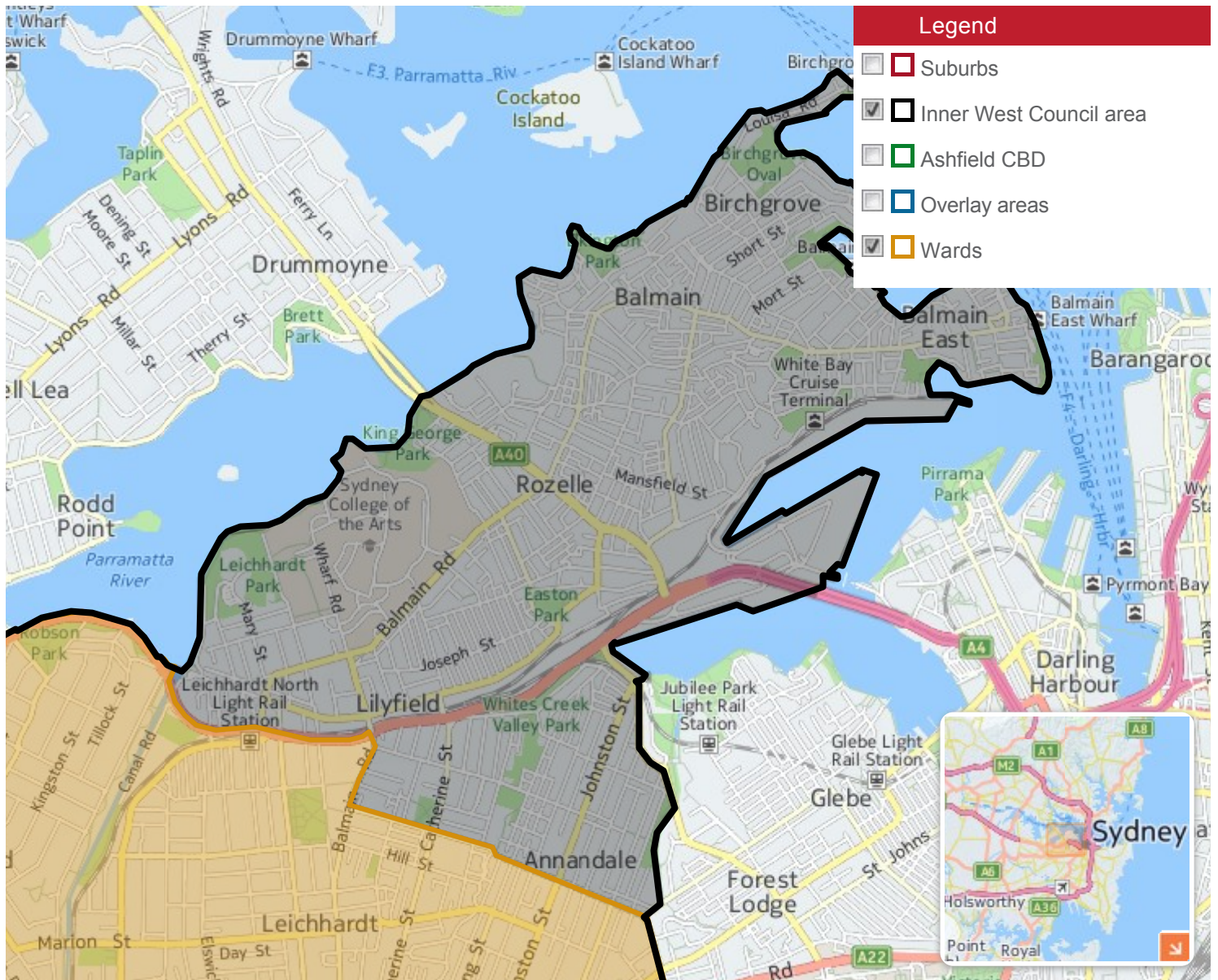
Population density

55.73

persons per hectare

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Settlement history

Settlement of the area dates from 1796 when the first land grant was made, with land used mainly for grazing, orcharding and farming. Residential and industrial growth took place from the late 1830s into the 1850s, aided by regular ferry connections from Sydney and the establishment of the shipyards. Callan Park Hospital opened in 1876 as an insane asylum, providing psychiatric services until its closure in 2008. Rapid development occurred during the late 1800s, with growth slowing during the early 1900s. Glebe Island was a major port from the early 1900s until 2008. Industrial growth continued from the post-war years, particularly along the foreshore. Residential growth resumed from the 1960s, with gentrification from the 1970s as many industries closed and new or renovated housing was built. The population increased gradually between 1996 and 2011 as new dwellings were added to the area.

Land use

Balmain Ward is a mixed use area, with residential, commercial, educational, industrial and port/maritime land use.

Major features

Major features of the area include White Bay Cruise Terminal, Balmain Shipyard, Glebe Island and White Bay (port facility), Balmain Wharf, Balmain East Wharf, Balmain West Wharf, Birchgrove Wharf, Yeend Street Wharf, Rozelle Bay Superyacht Marina, Sydney Heritage Fleet, Rozelle Rail Yards, Waterview Wharf Workshops, Balmain Marine Centre, Sydney Boathouse, Balmain Sailing Club, Cameron's Cove, NSW Police Marine Area Command, Sydney College of the Arts - The University of Sydney (Rozelle Campus), Sydney TAFE - Petersham College (Annandale Campus), University of Tasmania (School of Medicine Rozelle Campus), Balmain Hospital, the Darling Street commercial area, Annandale Village (shopping centre), Orange Grove Plaza, Balmain Town Hall, Clontarf Cottage, Whites Creek Cottage, Balmain Bowling Club, Leichhardt Bowling & Recreation Club, Dawn Fraser Baths, Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre, The Red Box Theatre, Le Montage Function Centre, Hannaford Community Centre, Jimmy Little Community Centre, Harbour Circle Walk, The Bay Run, Ann Cashman Reserve, Ballast Point Park, Birchgrove Oval, Birchgrove Park, Birrung Park, Bridgewater Park, Callan Park, Cohen Park, Colgate Foreshore Park, Datchett Street Reserve, Dickson Green, Elkington Park, Elliott Park, Ewenton Park, Fitzroy Avenue Park, Gallimore Avenue Reserve, Giovinazzo Grove, Gladstone Park, Hinsby Park, Hogan Park, Illoura Reserve, Issy Wyner Reserve, Johnston Street Reserve, Leichhardt Oval, Leichhardt Oval 2, Leichhardt Oval 3, Leichhardt Park, Leichhardt Peace Grove, Lookes Avenue Reserve, Miklouho-Maclay Park, Mort Bay Park, Origlass Park, Paringa Reserve, Propellor Park, Punch Park, R M Brownlee Reserve, Simmons Point Reserve, Stephen Street Park, Thornton Park, Water Street Reserve, Waterdale Park, White Bay Park, Whites Creek Valley Park, Whites Creek Wetlands, Wyner Reserve, Yurulbin Park, Loyalty Square, Sydney Community College and numerous other schools.

Included areas

Balmain Ward encompasses the suburbs of Balmain, Balmain East, Birchgrove and Rozelle, most of the suburb of Lilyfield, the northern section of the Inner West Council area part of the suburb of Annandale, and a small part of the suburb of Leichhardt.

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Population and dwellings

Population

Balmain Ward - Total persons	2011			2006			Change
Population	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
Estimated Resident Population	36,514	--	--	--	--	--	--
Usual Resident Population	34,195	--	--	32,375	--	--	+1,820
Enumerated Population	33,737	--	--	32,030	--	--	+1,707

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

Selected sub-population categories

Balmain Ward - Total people (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Population group	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
Males	16,264	47.6	48.6	15,539	48.0	48.8	+725
Females	17,931	52.4	51.4	16,836	52.0	51.2	+1,095
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population	309	0.9	1.1	280	0.9	1.1	+29
Australian citizens	28,186	82.4	80.1	25,961	80.2	78.9	+2,225
Eligible voters (citizens aged 18+)	22,419	65.6	64.7	21,152	65.3	64.5	+1,267
Population over 15	28,278	82.7	84.6	27,614	85.3	85.6	+664
Employed population	19,567	96.7	94.9	18,894	97.0	95.4	+673
Overseas visitors (enumerated)	317	--	--	413	--	--	-96

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2006 and 2011 (Usual residence). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

Dwellings

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
Dwellings	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
Total dwellings	16,269	100.0	100.0	16,042	100.0	100.0	+227
Occupied private dwellings	14,903	91.6	92.6	14,710	91.7	92.3	+193
Population in non-private dwellings	720	--	--	696	--	--	+24
Average household size (persons per dwelling)	2.24	--	2.32	2.16	--	2.27	+0.08

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2006 and 2011 (Enumerated). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

a Population density 2011

a Separate houses (low density dwellings) 2011

*Note that this is an experimental 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 is the OFFICIAL Inner West Council area population for 2016. For areas within the Inner West Council area, the ERP is not an official count but an experimental estimate which is subject to review after the next Census.

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 which is updated more frequently than every five years, the Australian Bureau of Statistics also produces "Estimated Resident Population" (ERP) numbers for the Inner West Council area. Estimates for areas within the Inner West Council area are based on aggregates of SA1s derived from population distributions applicable at the 2011 Census. Actual populations may vary slightly where population growth has not been uniform since the previous Census.

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)

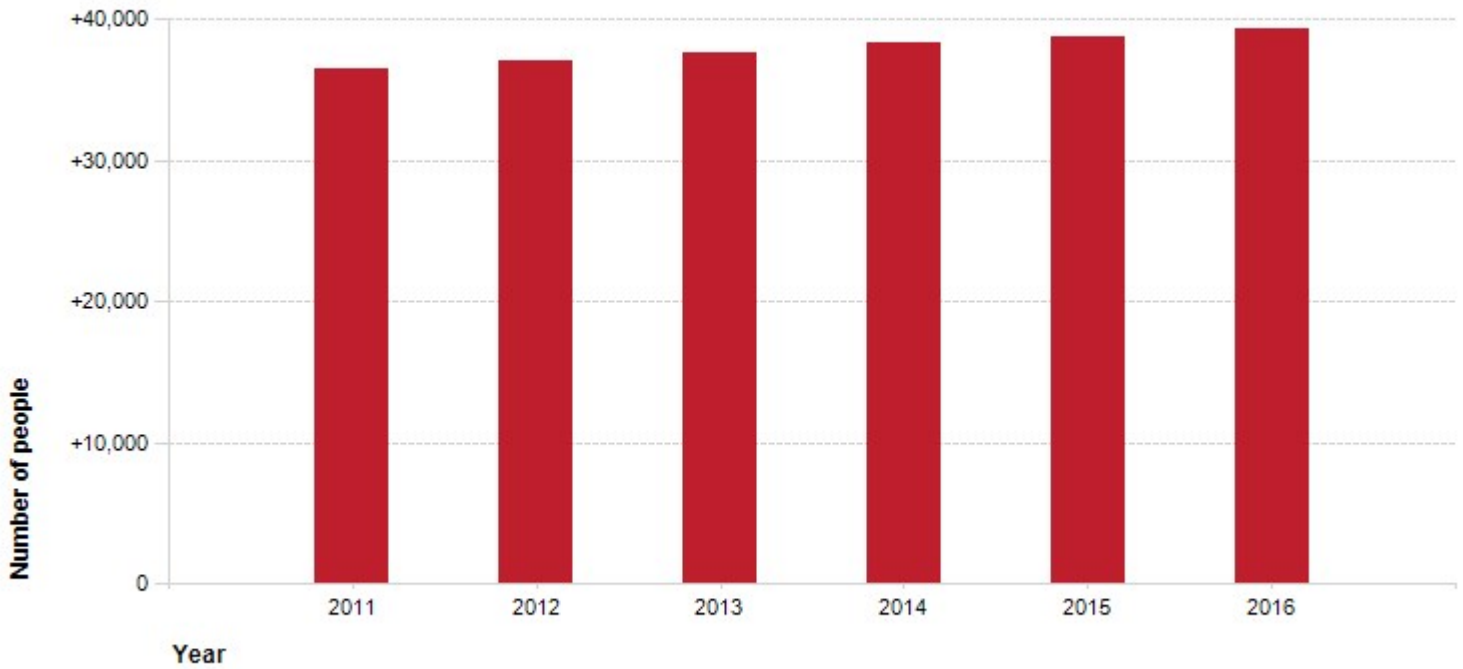
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Year (ending June 30)	Number	Change in number	Change in percent
2011	36,514	--	--
2012	37,068	+554	+1.52
2013	37,688	+620	+1.67
2014	38,272	+584	+1.55
2015	38,783	+511	+1.34
2016	39,283	+500	+1.29

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

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Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

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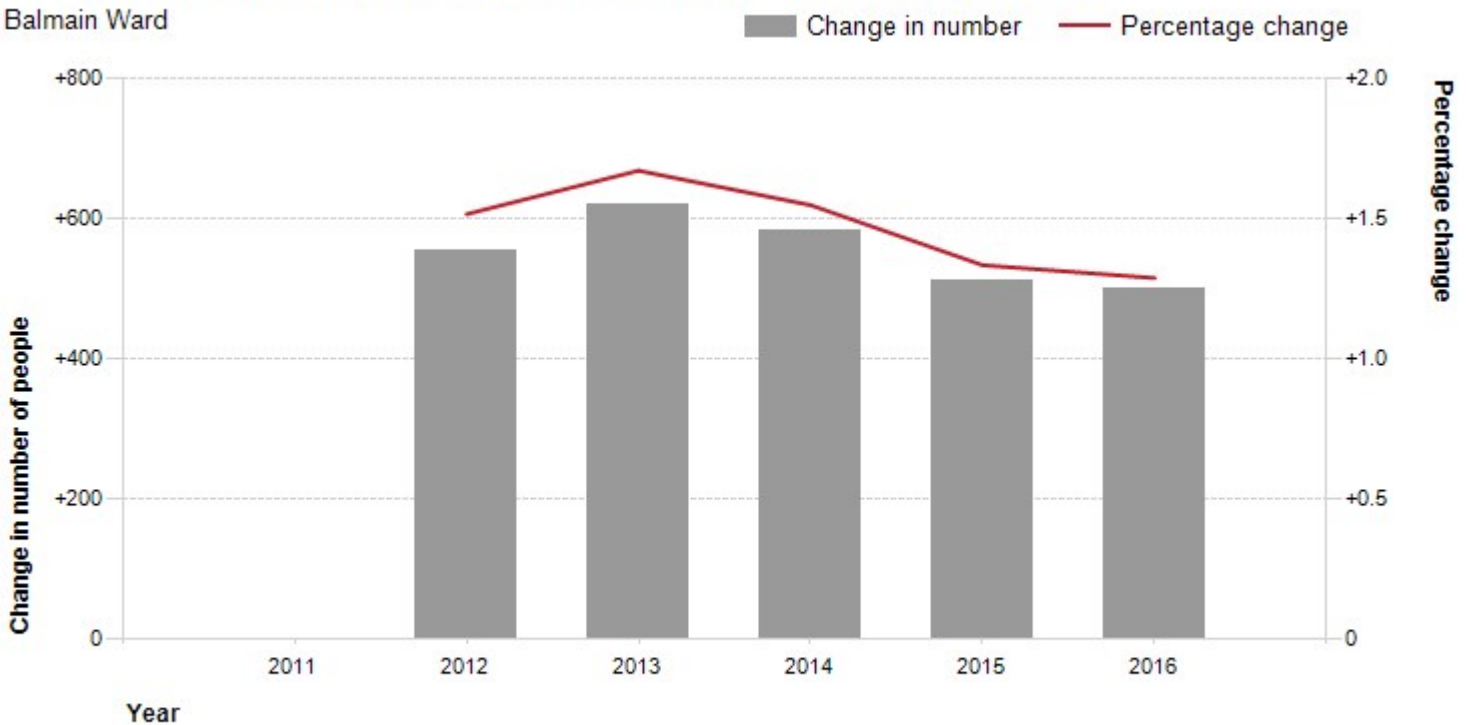


Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0). Compiled and presented by .id the population experts



Annual change in Estimated Resident Population (ERP)

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Service age groups

The Age Structure of Balmain Ward provides key insights into the level of demand for age based services and facilities such as child care. It is an indicator of Balmain Ward'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 Balmain Ward's Age Structure should be viewed in conjunction with [Household Types](#) and [Dwelling Types](#).

Age structure - Service age groups

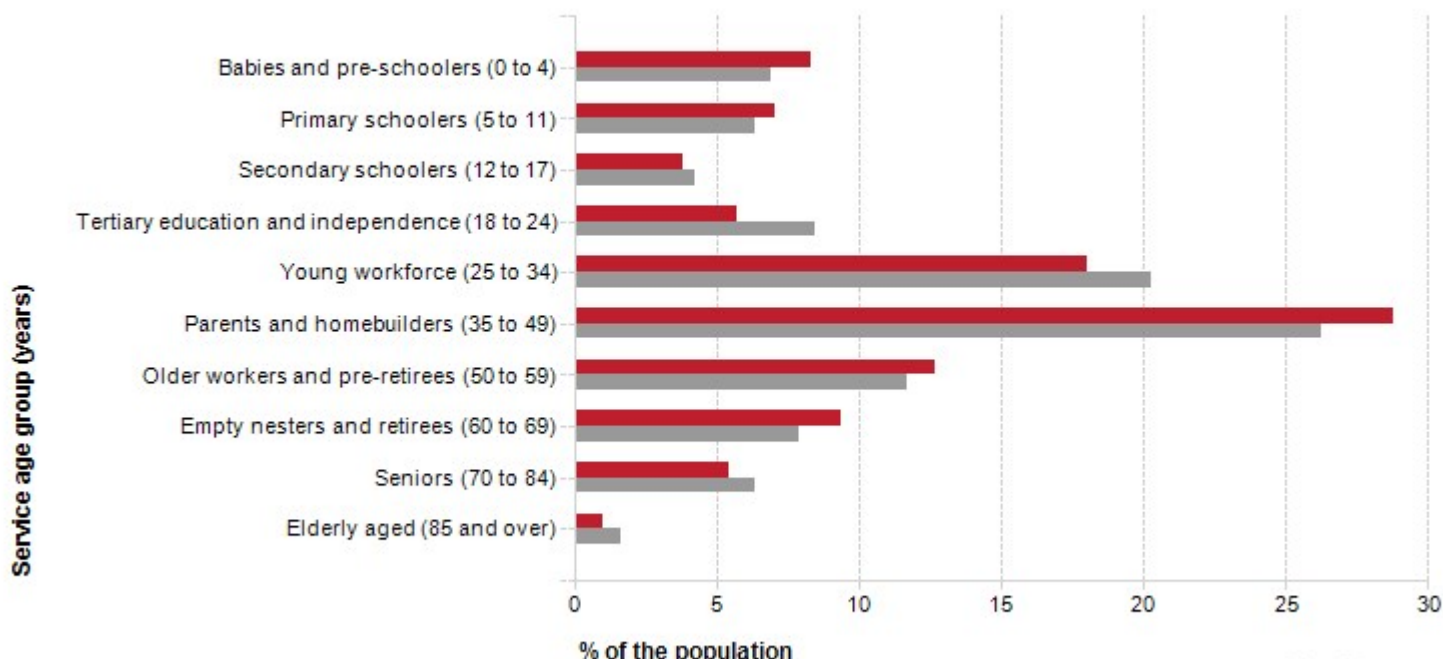
Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		
Service age group (years)	Number	%	%	Number	%	%	2006 to 2011
a Babies and pre-schoolers (0 to 4)	2,834	8.3	6.9	2,279	7.0	6.2	+554
a Primary schoolers (5 to 11)	2,398	7.0	6.3	1,748	5.4	5.9	+649
a Secondary schoolers (12 to 17)	1,287	3.8	4.2	1,429	4.4	4.7	-143
a Tertiary education and independence (18 to 24)	1,944	5.7	8.5	2,038	6.3	8.9	-95
a Young workforce (25 to 34)	6,153	18.0	20.3	6,915	21.4	21.0	-762
a Parents and homebuilders (35 to 49)	9,839	28.8	26.2	8,956	27.7	26.2	+883
a Older workers and pre-retirees (50 to 59)	4,329	12.7	11.7	4,486	13.9	11.9	-158
a Empty nesters and retirees (60 to 69)	3,208	9.4	7.9	2,401	7.4	7.1	+807
a Seniors (70 to 84)	1,858	5.4	6.3	1,727	5.3	6.6	+130
a Elderly aged (85 and over)	345	1.0	1.6	388	1.2	1.5	-43
Total	34,195	100.0	100.0	32,372	100.0	100.0	+1,823

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

Age structure - service age groups, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

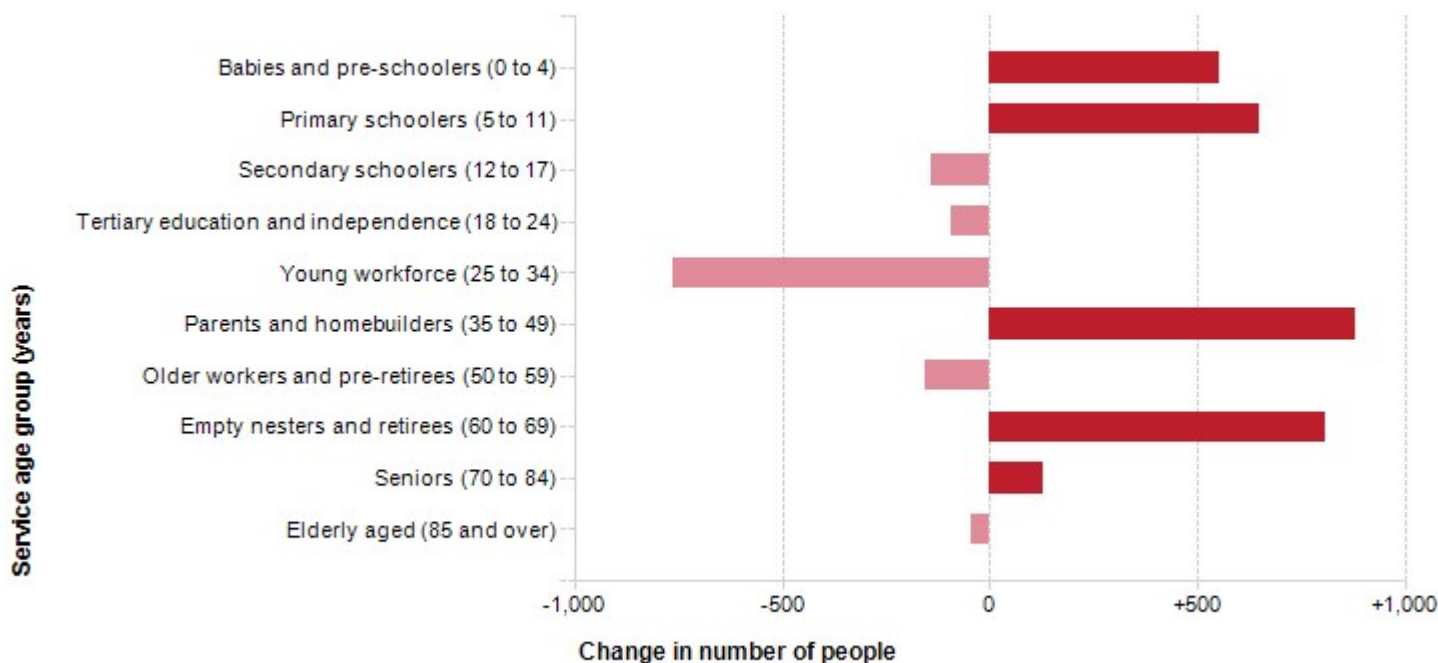


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Change in age structure - service age groups, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the service age groups of Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of people in the younger age groups (0 to 17 years) and a similar proportion of people in the older age groups (60+ years).

Overall, 19.1% of the population was aged between 0 and 17, and 15.8% were aged 60 years and over, compared with 17.5% and 15.8% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the age structure of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of 'Parents and homebuilders' (28.8% compared to 26.2%)
- A *larger* percentage of 'Empty nesters and retirees' (9.4% compared to 7.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 'Tertiary education & independence' (5.7% compared to 8.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 'Young workforce' (18.0% compared to 20.3%)

Emerging groups

From 2006 to 2011, Balmain Ward's population increased by 1,823 people (5.6%). This represents an average annual population change of 1.1% per year over the period.

The largest changes in the age structure in this area between 2006 and 2011 were in the age groups:

- Parents and homebuilders (35 to 49) (+883 people)
- Empty nesters and retirees (60 to 69) (+807 people)
- Young workforce (25 to 34) (-762 people)
- Primary schoolers (5 to 11) (+649 people)

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Five year age groups

The Age Structure of Balmain Ward provides key insights into the level of demand for age based services and facilities such as child care. It is also an indicator of Balmain Ward'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 Balmain Ward's Age Structure should be viewed in conjunction with [Household Types](#) and [Dwelling Types](#).

Age structure - Five year age groups

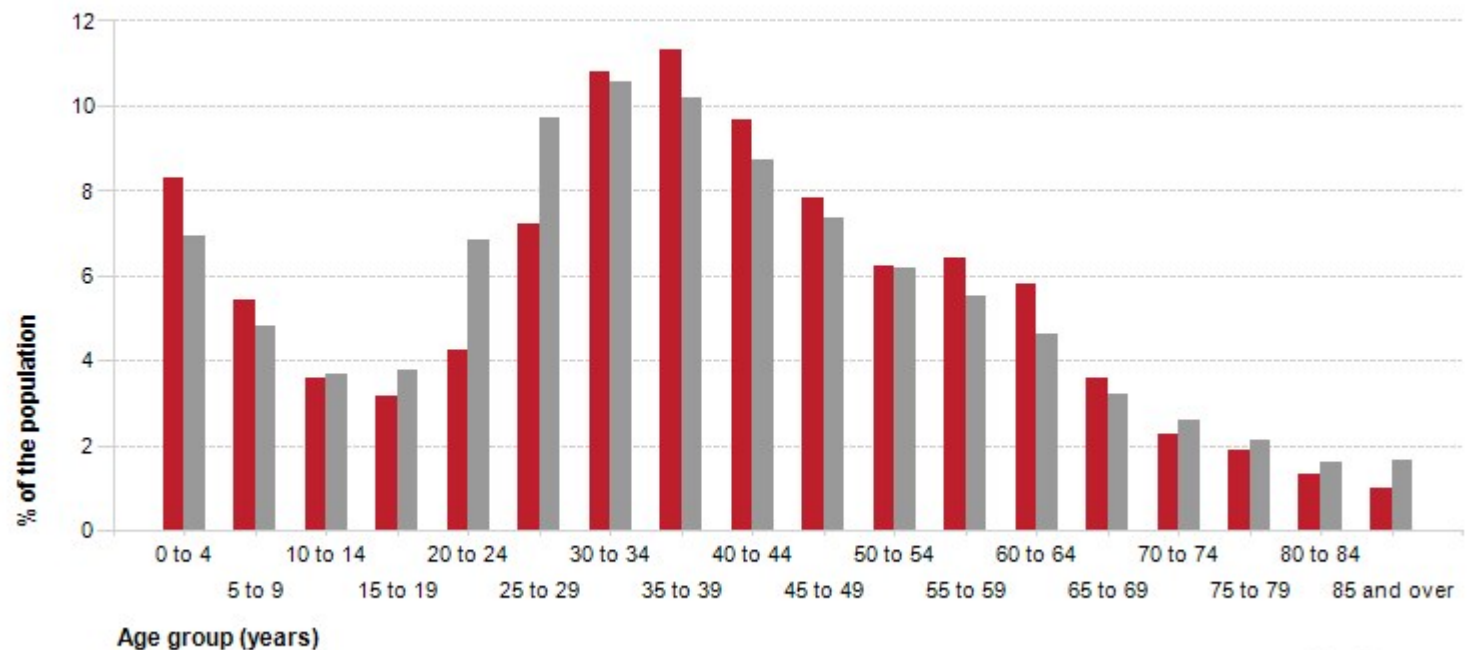
Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Five year age groups (years)							2006 to 2011
0 to 4	2,834	8.3	6.9	2,279	7.0	6.2	+554
5 to 9	1,851	5.4	4.8	1,306	4.0	4.3	+545
10 to 14	1,232	3.6	3.7	1,175	3.6	3.9	+56
15 to 19	1,087	3.2	3.8	1,126	3.5	4.2	-39
20 to 24	1,459	4.3	6.8	1,608	5.0	7.1	-150
25 to 29	2,461	7.2	9.7	2,856	8.8	9.6	-395
30 to 34	3,692	10.8	10.6	4,059	12.5	11.4	-367
35 to 39	3,870	11.3	10.2	3,786	11.7	10.4	+84
40 to 44	3,298	9.6	8.7	2,866	8.9	8.6	+431
45 to 49	2,671	7.8	7.4	2,303	7.1	7.1	+367
50 to 54	2,132	6.2	6.2	2,265	7.0	6.3	-134
55 to 59	2,197	6.4	5.5	2,220	6.9	5.6	-24
60 to 64	1,982	5.8	4.6	1,499	4.6	4.1	+482
65 to 69	1,226	3.6	3.2	901	2.8	3.0	+324
70 to 74	773	2.3	2.6	705	2.2	2.8	+68
75 to 79	641	1.9	2.1	574	1.8	2.2	+67
80 to 84	444	1.3	1.6	448	1.4	1.6	-4
85 and over	345	1.0	1.6	391	1.2	1.5	-46
Total population	34,195	100.0	100.0	32,375	100.0	100.0	+1,820

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [id](#), the population experts.

Age structure - five year age groups, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

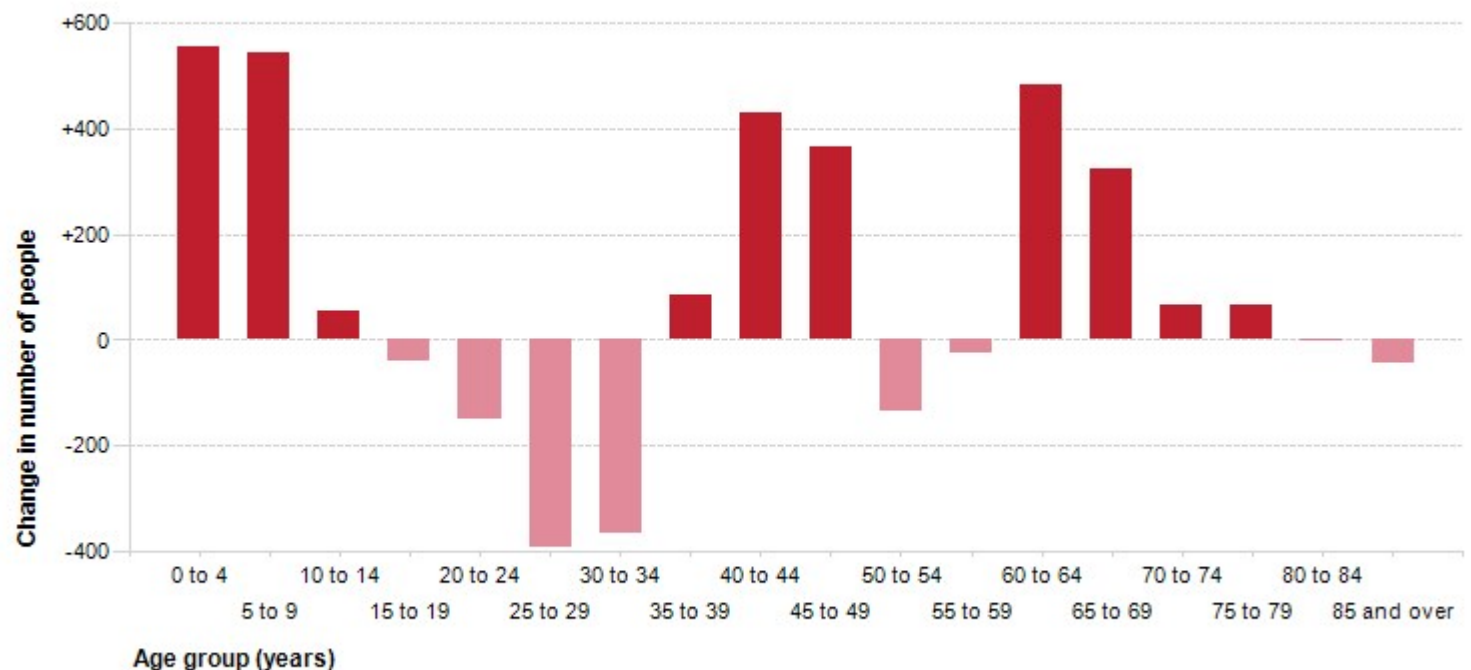


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Change in age structure - five year age groups, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the five year age groups of Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area 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, 17.3% of the population was aged between 0 and 15, and 10.0% were aged 65 years and over, compared with 15.4% and 11.2% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the age structure of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons aged 0 to 4 (8.3% compared to 6.9%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons aged 60 to 64 (5.8% compared to 4.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 20 to 24 (4.3% compared to 6.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 25 to 29 (7.2% compared to 9.7%)

Emerging groups

From 2006 to 2011, Balmain Ward's population increased by 1,820 people (5.6%). This represents an average annual population change of 1.1% per year over the period.

The largest changes in age structure in this area between 2006 and 2011 were in the age groups:

- 0 to 4 (+554 persons)
- 5 to 9 (+545 persons)
- 60 to 64 (+482 persons)
- 40 to 44 (+431 persons)

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Single year of age

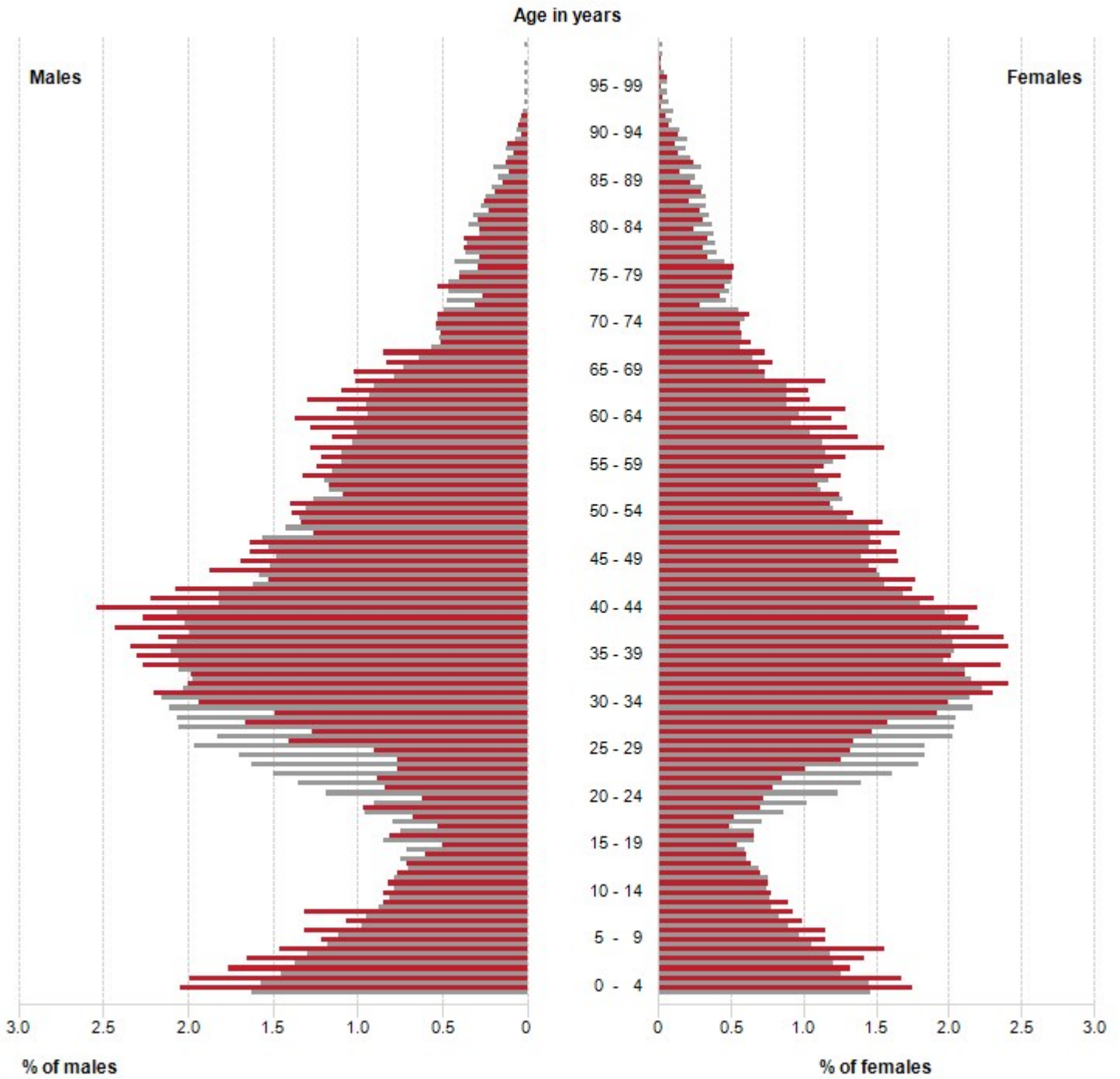
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Single year of age data is presented as an age-sex pyramid which enables the shape of the population to be compared geographically, temporally and by gender. For example, longer female life expectancy usually leads to the pyramid skewing to the right in the older age groups.

To get a more complete picture Balmain Ward's Age Structure should be viewed in conjunction with [Household Types](#) and [Dwelling Types](#).

Age and sex pyramid, 2011

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2011 (Usual residence data)
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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 Balmain Ward 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 Balmain Ward's ethnic characteristics.

Please note that the "Australian Aboriginal" and "Torres Strait Islander" categories in this topic are not considered to be a reliable estimate of the indigenous peoples of Australia. For information on this group, please use the "Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population" found on the [Population](#) page.

Ancestry - Ranked by size

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Ancestry	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
English	12,840	37.5	27.1	11,078	34.2	24.1	+1,762
Australian	10,169	29.7	24.0	10,559	32.6	25.5	-390
a Irish	5,360	15.7	12.3	4,748	14.7	11.2	+613
a Scottish	3,747	11.0	8.1	3,266	10.1	7.3	+481
Italian	1,659	4.9	6.4	1,568	4.8	6.5	+91
German	1,193	3.5	3.0	1,120	3.5	2.8	+73
Chinese	1,045	3.1	7.5	850	2.6	7.3	+195
Greek	728	2.1	4.4	770	2.4	4.7	-42
New Zealander	571	1.7	1.2	564	1.7	1.1	+7
Dutch	507	1.5	1.0	468	1.4	1.0	+39

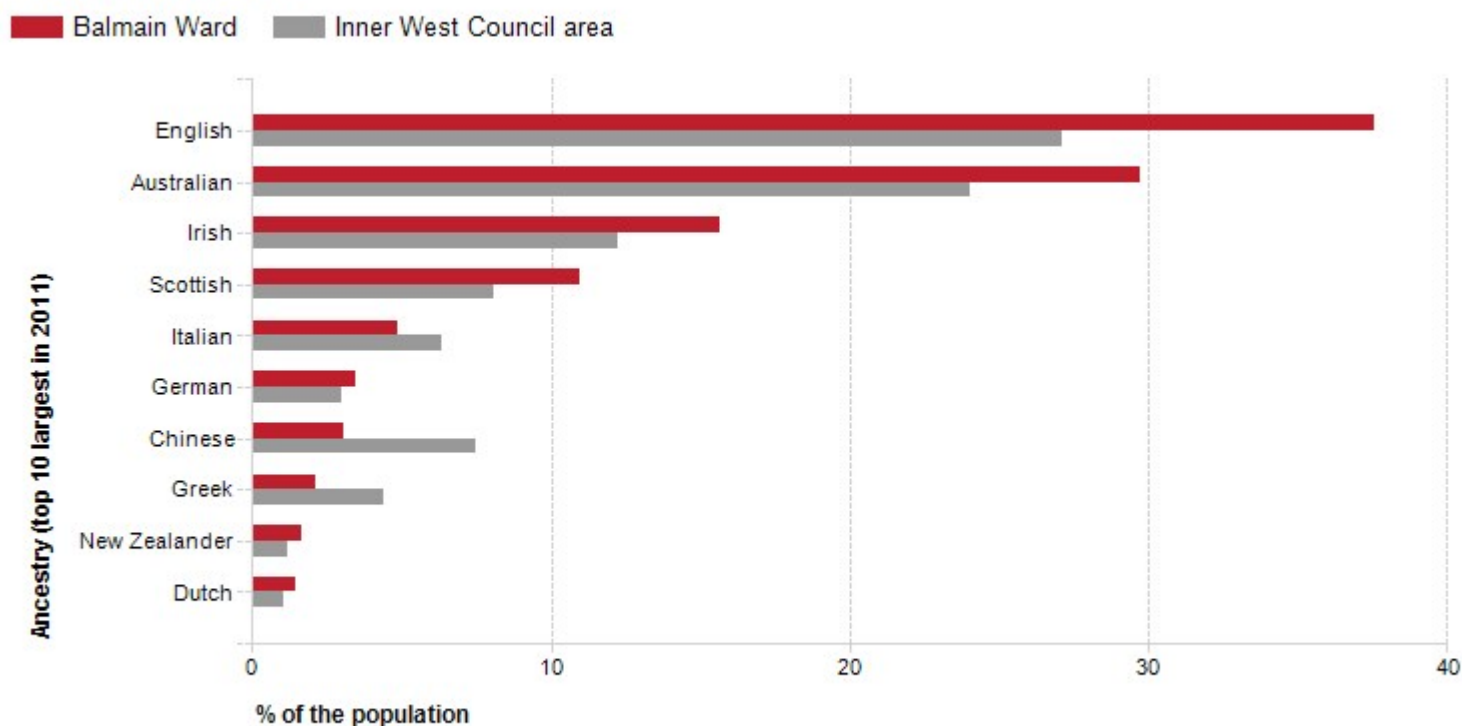
Excludes ancestries with fewer than 20 responses, or less than 0.1% of the total population.

Ancestry - Totals

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Ancestry totals	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Not stated	2,267	6.6	7.5	3,040	9.4	10.2	-773
Total people	34,195	100.0	100.0	32,372	100.0	100.0	+1,823
Total responses	46,940	--	--	44,024	--	--	+2,915

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [id](#), the population experts.

Ancestry, 2011

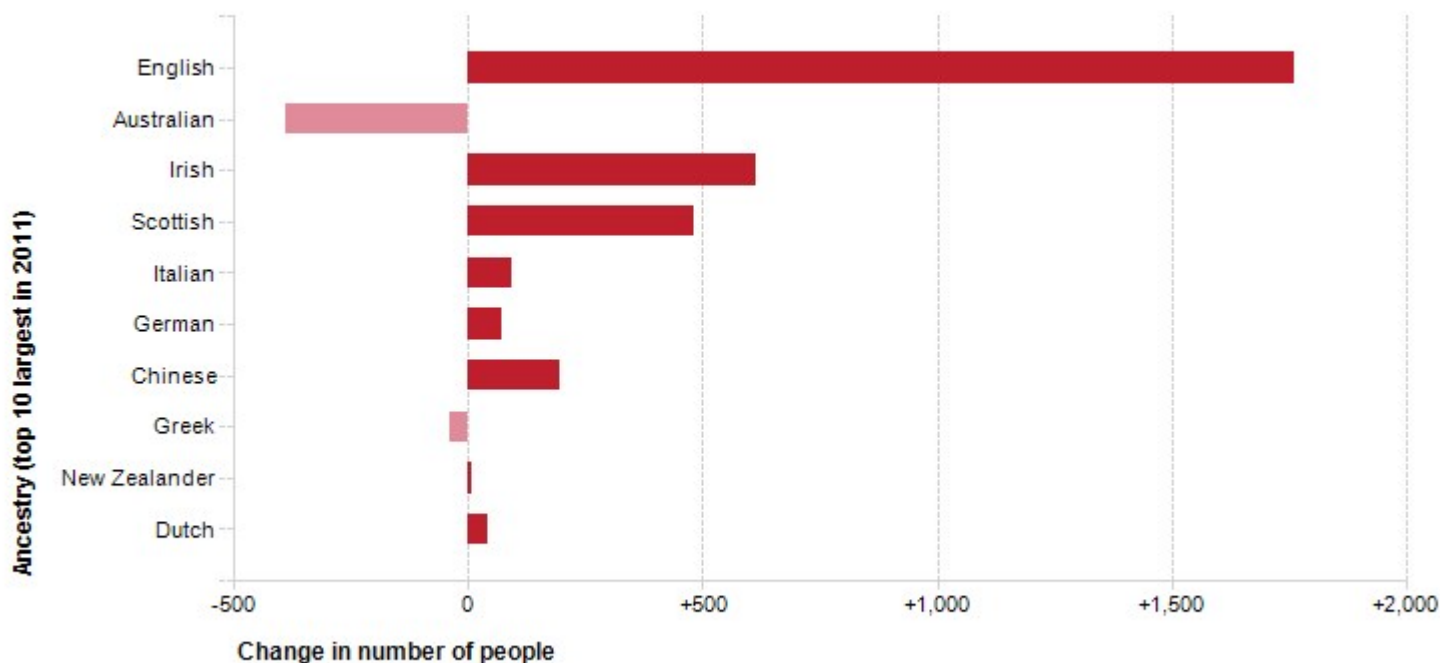


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Change in ancestry, 2006 to 2011

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the ancestry responses of the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 shows that the top five ancestries nominated were:

- English (12,840 people or 37.5%)
- Australian (10,169 people or 29.7%)
- Irish (5,360 people or 15.7%)
- Scottish (3,747 people or 11.0%)
- Italian (1,659 people or 4.9%)

In combination these five ancestries account for 33,775 responses in total, or 98.77% of all responses.

The major differences between the ancestries of the population in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of people with English ancestry (37.5% compared to 27.1%)
- A *larger* percentage of people with Australian ancestry (29.7% compared to 24.0%)
- A *larger* percentage of people with Irish ancestry (15.7% compared to 12.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people with Chinese ancestry (3.1% compared to 7.5%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the reported ancestries of the population in this area between 2006 and 2011 were:

- English (+1,762 persons)
- Irish (+613 persons)
- Scottish (+481 persons)
- Australian (-390 persons)

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Birthplace

Country of Birth data identifies where people were born and is indicative of the level of cultural diversity in Balmain Ward. 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, Balmain Ward's Country of Birth data should be viewed together with [Ancestry](#), [Language Spoken at Home](#) and [Religion](#).

Birthplace - Ranked by size

Balmain Ward - Overseas born (Usual residence)		2011		2006		Change	
Birthplace	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
United Kingdom	3,336	9.8	5.3	3,035	9.4	5.1	+302
New Zealand	1,129	3.3	2.5	1,053	3.3	2.6	+76
Ireland	387	1.1	0.8	330	1.0	0.6	+57
United States of America	356	1.0	0.7	304	0.9	0.6	+52
a Italy	348	1.0	2.0	425	1.3	2.4	-77
Germany	264	0.8	0.5	249	0.8	0.5	+16
South Africa	240	0.7	0.5	206	0.6	0.4	+34
a China	234	0.7	3.3	221	0.7	3.5	+13
a Greece	211	0.6	1.8	255	0.8	2.1	-44
Canada	165	0.5	0.4	134	0.4	0.3	+31

Excludes countries with fewer than 20 people, or less than 0.1% of the total population.

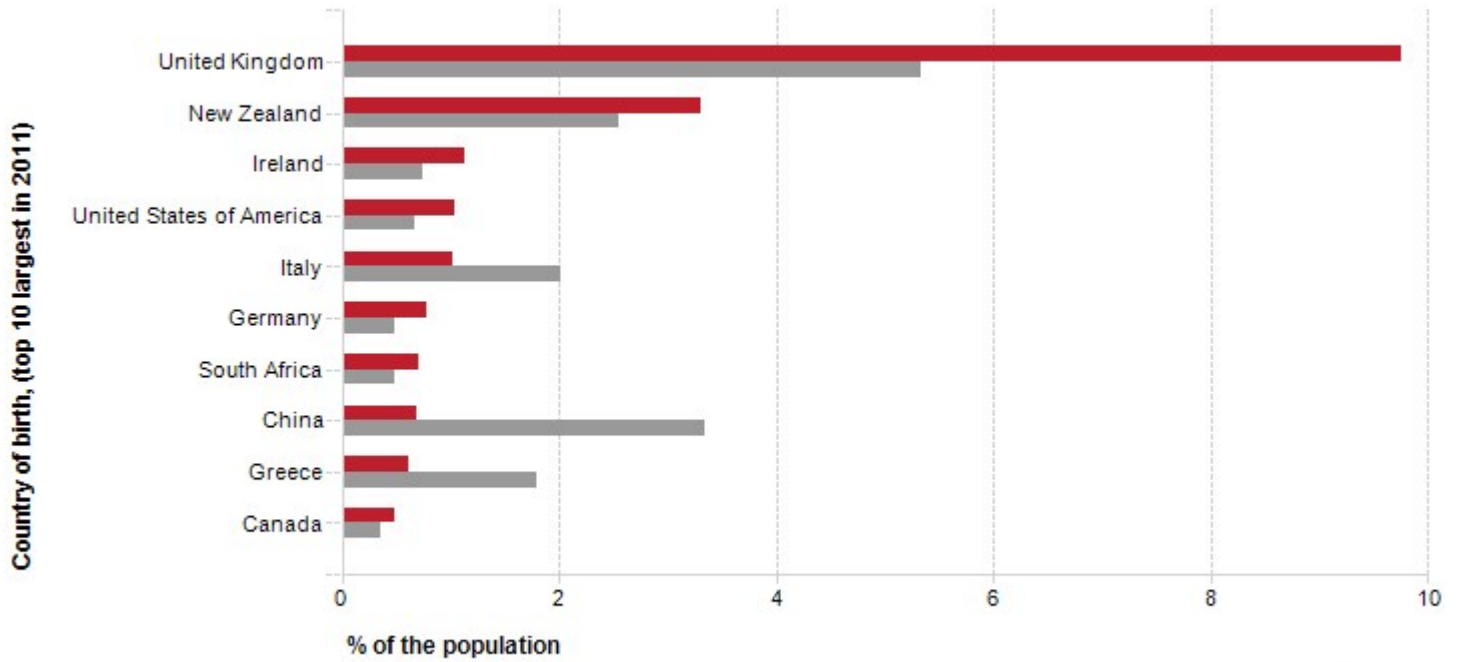
Birthplace - Summary

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)		2011		2006		Change	
Birthplace	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
a Total overseas born	9,714	28.4	34.8	8,736	27.0	34.4	+978
▪ a Non-English speaking backgrounds	4,101	12.0	24.7	3,674	11.3	24.8	+427
▪ Main English speaking countries	5,613	16.4	10.1	5,061	15.6	9.5	+552
Australia	22,380	65.4	58.4	20,683	63.9	56.2	+1,697
Not stated	2,116	6.2	6.8	2,974	9.2	9.5	-858
Total Population	34,210	100.0	100.0	32,393	100.0	100.0	+1,817

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Birthplace, 2011

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

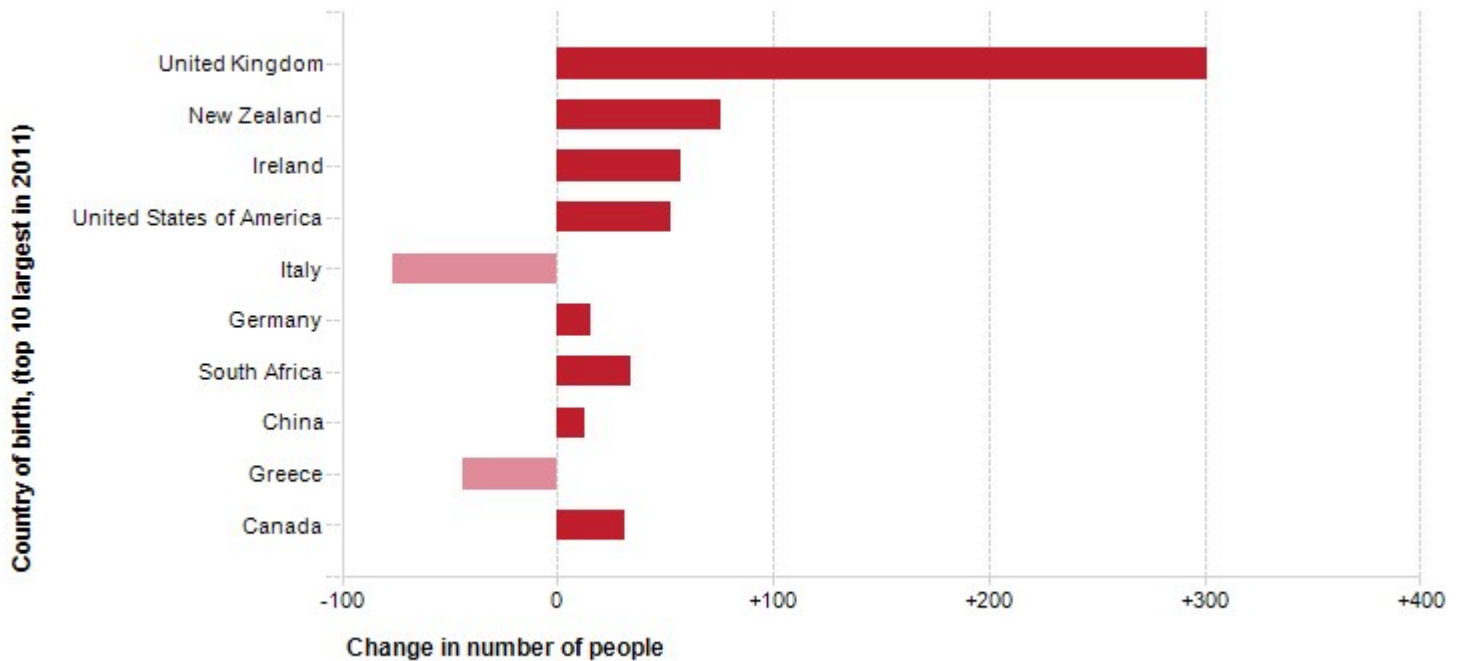


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Change in birthplace, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the country of birth of the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a smaller proportion of people born overseas, as well as a smaller proportion of people from a non-English speaking background.

Overall, 28.4% of the population was born overseas, and 12.0% were from a non-English speaking background, compared with 34.8% and 24.7% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The largest non-English speaking country of birth in Balmain Ward was Italy, where 1.0% of the population, or 348 people, were born.

The major differences between the countries of birth of the population in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of people born in United Kingdom (9.8% compared to 5.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people born in China (0.7% compared to 3.3%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people born in Vietnam (0.3% compared to 1.7%)
- A *smaller* percentage of people born in Greece (0.6% compared to 1.8%)

Emerging groups

Between 2006 and 2011, the number of people born overseas increased by 978 or 11.2%, and the number of people from a non-English speaking background increased by 427 or 11.6%.

The largest changes in birthplace countries of the population in this area between 2006 and 2011 were for those born in:

- United Kingdom (+302 persons)
- Italy (-77 persons)
- New Zealand (+76 persons)
- India (+60 persons)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward 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.

Balmain Ward'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

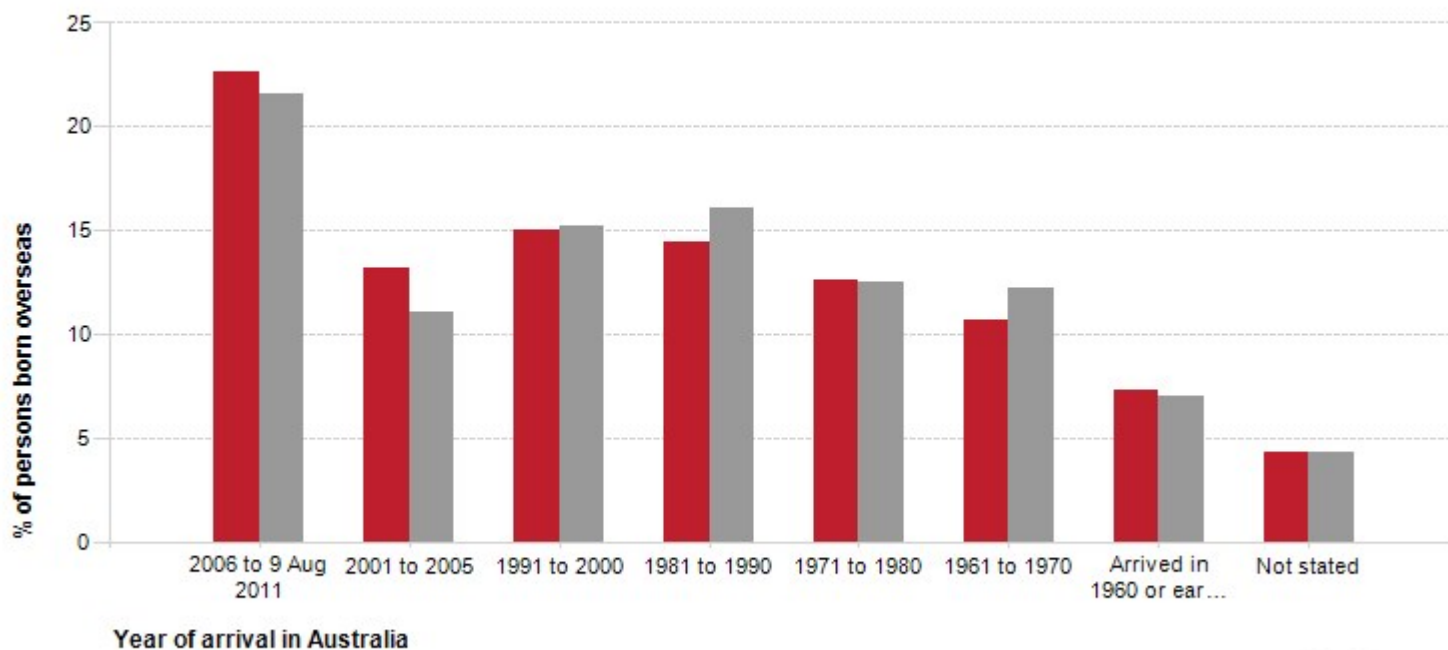
Balmain Ward - Overseas born (Usual residence)		2011		
Year of arrival in Australia		Number	%	Inner West Council area %
a	2006 to 9 Aug 2011	2,192	22.6	21.6
	2001 to 2005	1,283	13.2	11.1
	1991 to 2000 (10 year period)	1,455	15.0	15.2
	1981 to 1990 (10 year period)	1,399	14.4	16.1
	1971 to 1980 (10 year period)	1,219	12.6	12.5
	1961 to 1970 (10 year period)	1,036	10.7	12.2
	Arrived in 1960 or earlier	704	7.3	7.0
	Not stated	414	4.3	4.3
	Total	9,702	100.0	100.0

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2011 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

Overseas arrivals, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the year of arrival for the overseas born population of Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area 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 2006 and 2011).

Overall, 59.9% of the overseas born population arrived before 2001, and 22.6% arrived during or after 2006, compared with 63.0% and 21.6% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences in year of arrival data in the population between Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area are:

- A *larger* percentage of arrivals between 2001 and 2005 (13.2% compared to 11.1%)
- A *larger* percentage of arrivals between 2006 and 9 Aug 2011 (22.6% compared to 21.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of arrivals between 1981 and 1990 (14.4% compared to 16.1%)
- A *smaller* percentage of arrivals between 1961 and 1970 (10.7% compared to 12.2%)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward'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

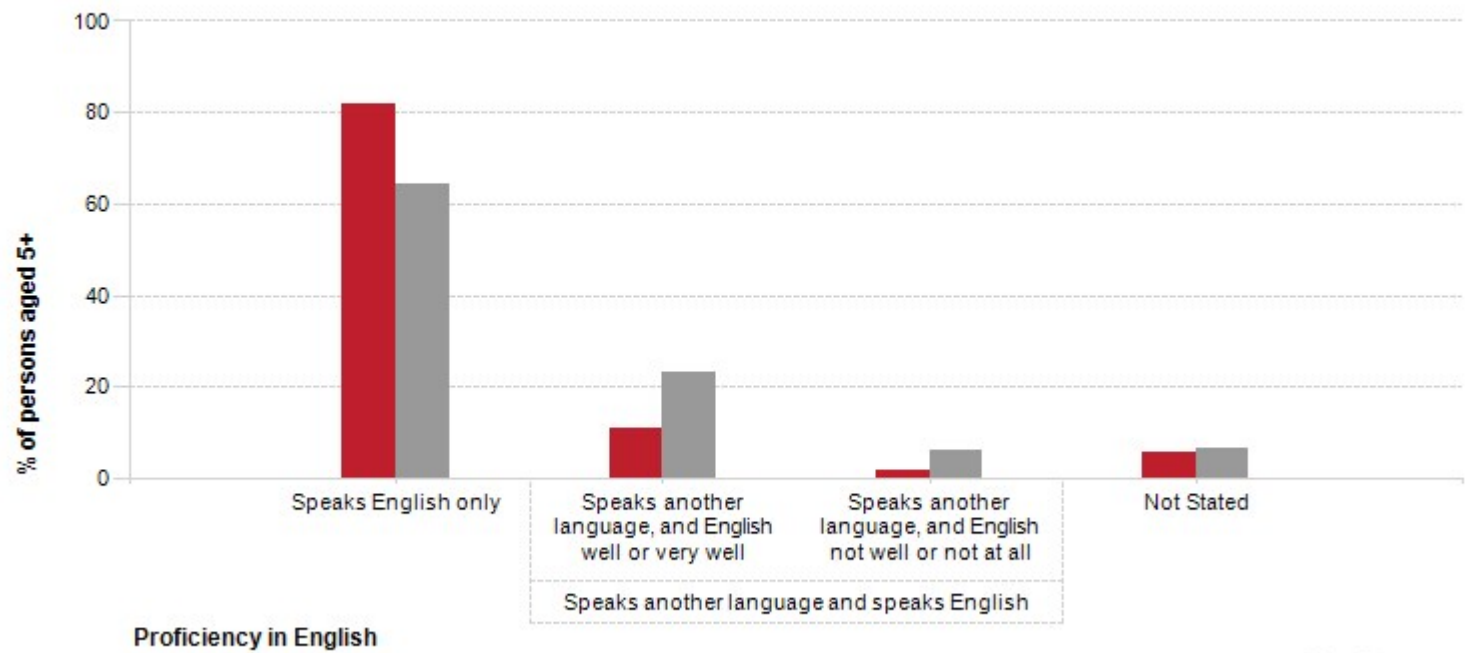
Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
English proficiency							
Speaks English only	28,034	82.0	64.5	26,041	80.4	62.0	+1,993
Speaks another language, and English well or very well	3,740	10.9	23.3	3,110	9.6	22.8	+630
Speaks another language, and English not well or not at all	552	1.6	5.9	604	1.9	6.8	-52
Not Stated	1,871	5.5	6.3	2,641	8.2	8.4	-770
Total population	34,197	100.0	100.0	32,396	100.0	100.0	+1,801

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Proficiency in English, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

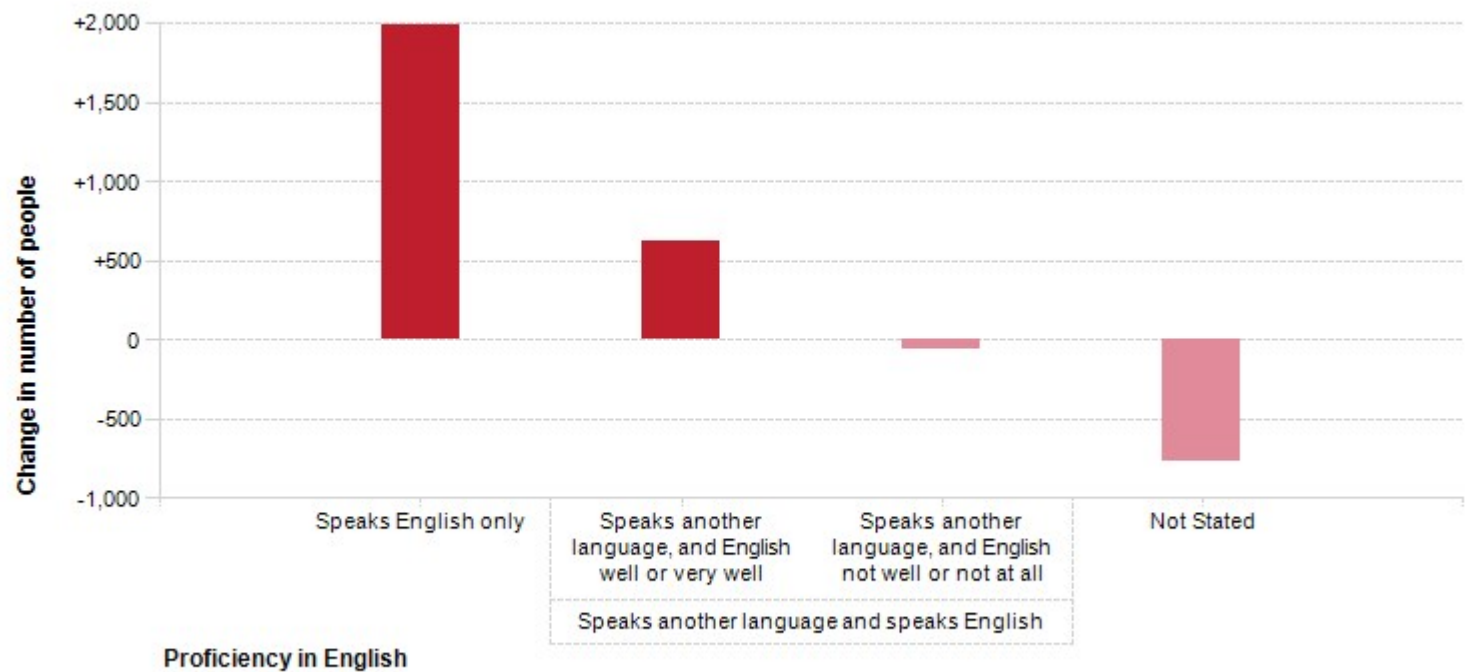


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Change in Proficiency in English, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the proficiency in English data of the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of people who spoke English only, and a lower proportion of people who spoke another language and English not well or not at all.

Overall, 82.0% of people spoke English only, and 1.6% spoke another language and English not well or not at all, compared with 64.5% and 5.9% respectively for Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

The most significant changes in the proficiency in English of the population in this area between 2006 and 2011 were in those speaking:

- Speaks English only (+1,993 persons)
- Speaks another language, and English well or very well (+630 persons)
- Speaks another language, and English not well or not at all (-52 persons)

Balmain Ward

Language spoken at home

Balmain Ward'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.

Balmain Ward'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.

Language spoken at home - Ranked by size

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		
Language (excludes English)		%	%		%	%	
a Italian	634	1.9	3.3	670	2.1	3.7	-36
Greek	428	1.3	3.5	514	1.6	3.9	-86
German	251	0.7	0.4	244	0.8	0.4	+7
Cantonese	250	0.7	2.1	222	0.7	2.4	+28
Spanish	221	0.6	1.4	196	0.6	1.3	+25
a Mandarin	204	0.6	3.0	186	0.6	3.1	+18
French	203	0.6	0.5	158	0.5	0.4	+45
a Arabic	162	0.5	1.7	112	0.3	1.9	+50
Vietnamese	135	0.4	2.0	73	0.2	2.1	+62
Japanese	124	0.4	0.4	106	0.3	0.4	+18

Excludes languages with fewer than 20 people speaking them at home, or less than 0.1% of the total population.

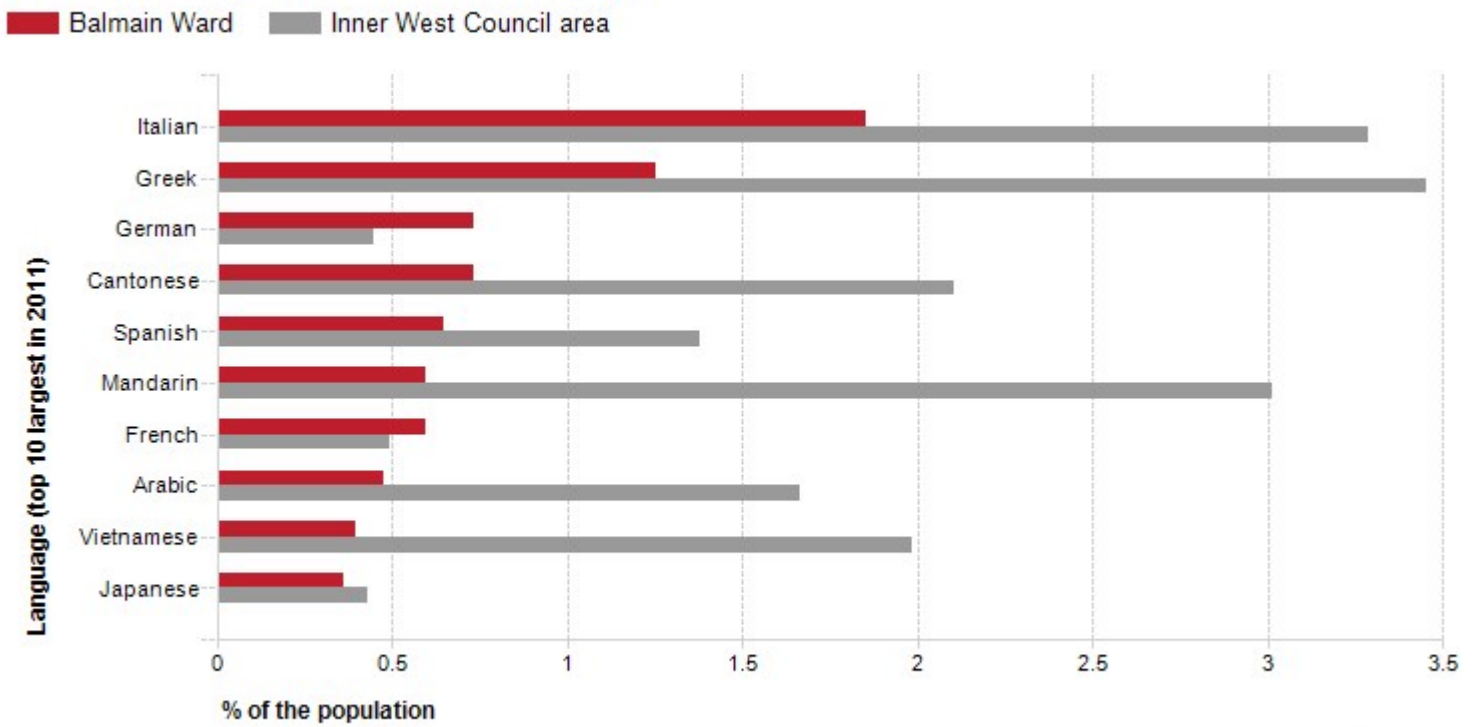
Language spoken at home - Summary

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		
Language summary		%	%		%	%	
Speaks English only	28,031	81.9	64.5	26,073	80.5	62.1	+1,958
Non-English total	4,316	12.6	29.2	3,641	11.2	29.6	+675
Not stated	1,869	5.5	6.3	2,669	8.2	8.3	-800
Total Population	34,216	100.0	100.0	32,383	100.0	100.0	+1,833

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Language spoken at home, 2011

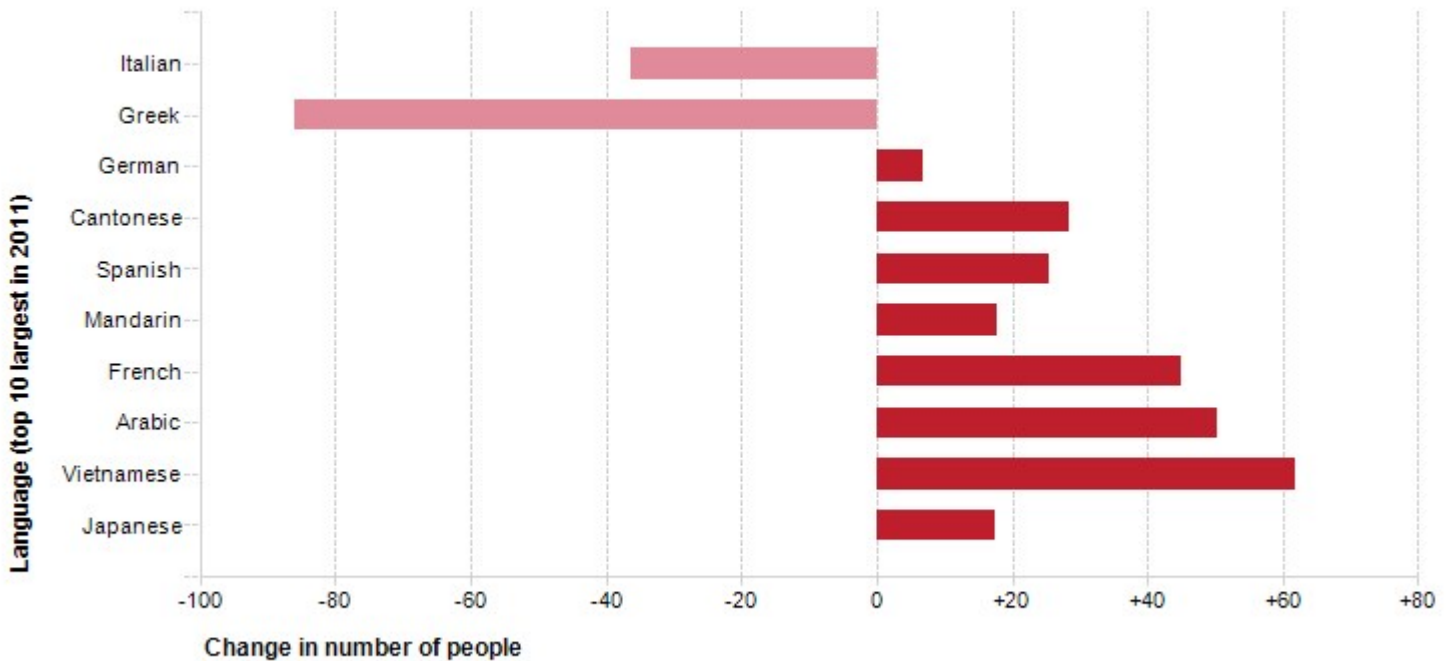


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Change in language spoken at home, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the language spoken at home by the population of Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of people who spoke English only, and a smaller proportion of those speaking a non-English language (either exclusively, or in addition to English).

Overall, 81.9% of the population spoke English only, and 12.6% spoke a non-English language, compared with 64.5% and 29.2% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The dominant language spoken at home, other than English, in Balmain Ward was Italian, with 1.9% of the population, or 634 people speaking this language at home.

The major differences between the languages spoken at home for the population of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area in 2011 were:

- A *smaller* percentage speaking Mandarin at home (0.6% compared to 3.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage speaking Greek at home (1.3% compared to 3.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage speaking Vietnamese at home (0.4% compared to 2.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage speaking Italian at home (1.9% compared to 3.3%)

Emerging groups

Between 2006 and 2011, the number of people who spoke a language other than English at home increased by 675 or 18.5%, and the number of people who spoke English only increased by 1,958 or 7.5%.

The largest changes in the spoken languages of the population in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were for those speaking:

- Greek (-86 persons)
- Vietnamese (+62 persons)
- Arabic (+50 persons)

Balmain Ward

Religion

Balmain Ward'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.

Balmain Ward'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.

Religion - Ranked by size

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Western (Roman) Catholic	8,586	25.1	25.7	8,255	25.5	27.7	+332
Anglican	5,125	15.0	9.8	5,732	17.7	11.4	-607
Presbyterian and Reformed	765	2.2	1.7	735	2.3	1.8	+30
Uniting Church	740	2.2	1.8	823	2.5	2.1	-83
Buddhism	668	2.0	4.2	576	1.8	4.2	+92
Greek Orthodox	662	1.9	4.1	725	2.2	4.7	-63
Christian,nfd	300	0.9	1.1	214	0.7	0.9	+87
Islam	253	0.7	1.9	151	0.5	1.9	+102
Lutheran	240	0.7	0.4	184	0.6	0.4	+56
Judaism	231	0.7	0.5	244	0.8	0.4	-13

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Excludes religions with fewer than 20 adherents, or less than 0.1% of the total population.

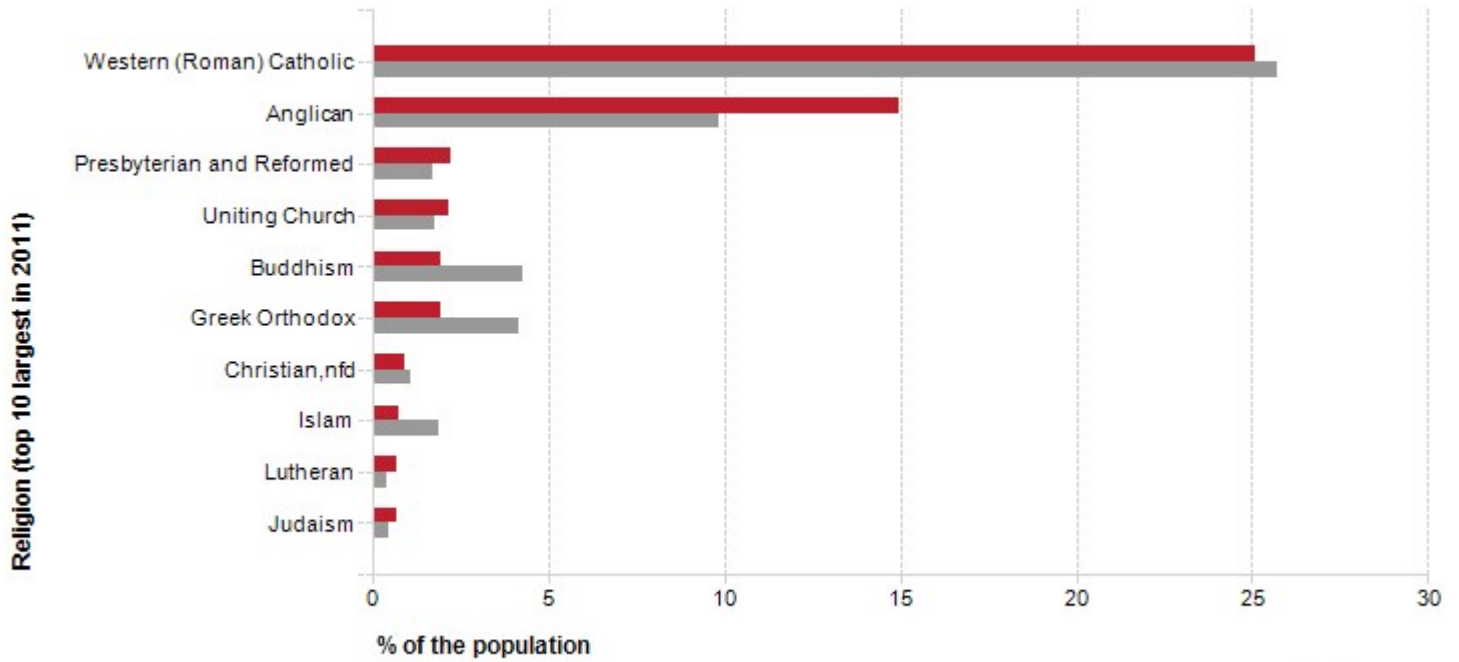
Religion - Summary

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Religion totals							2006 to 2011
a Christian total	17,216	50.3	48.5	17,382	53.7	53.1	-166
a Non Christian total	1,489	4.4	9.5	1,270	3.9	8.6	+219
Non-classifiable religious belief	461	1.3	1.3	403	1.2	1.2	+58
a No religion	12,111	35.4	31.8	8,978	27.7	24.2	+3,133
Not stated	2,937	8.6	9.0	4,362	13.5	13.0	-1,425
Total Population	34,214	100.0	100.0	32,394	100.0	100.0	+1,820

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Religion, 2011

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

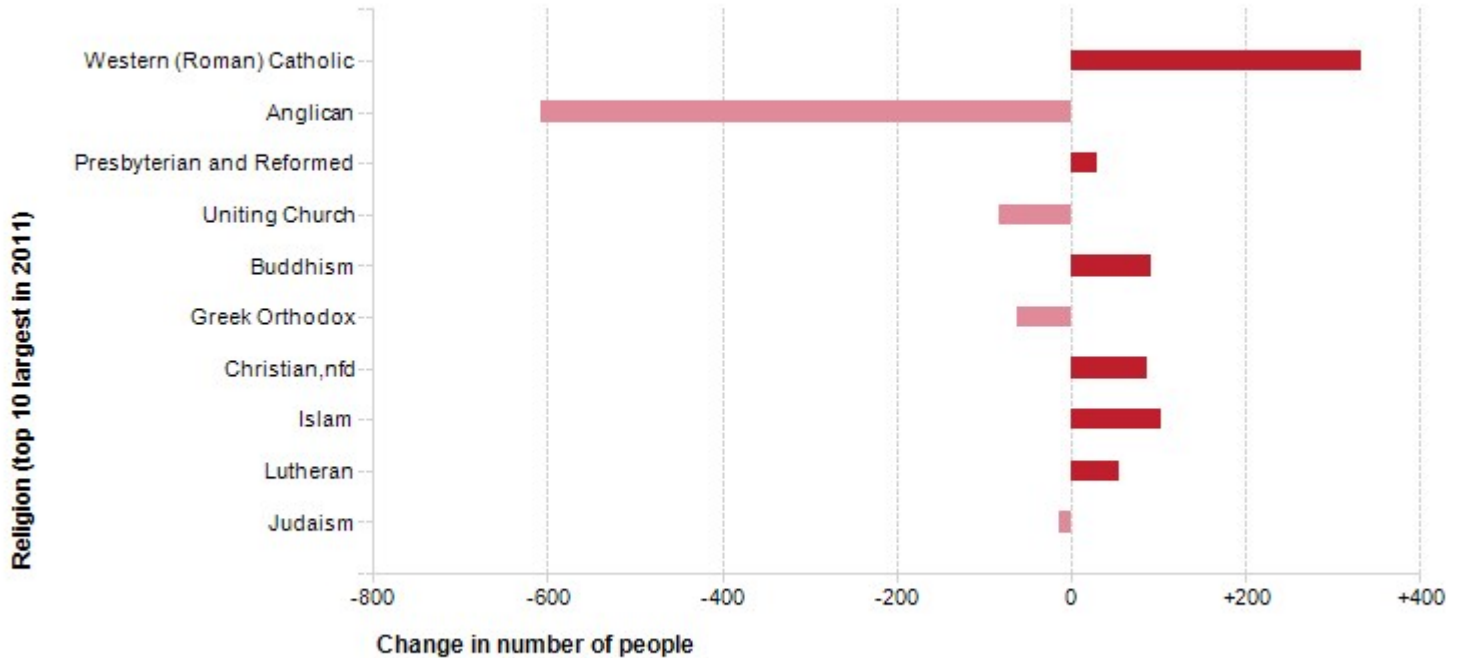


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Change in religion, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the religious affiliation of the population of Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a lower proportion of people who professed a religion and a higher proportion who stated they had no religion.

Overall, 54.7% of the population nominated a religion, and 35.4% said they had no religion, compared with 58.0% and 31.8% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The largest single religion in Balmain Ward was Western (Roman) Catholic, with 25.1% of the population or 8,586 people as adherents.

The major differences between the religious affiliation for the population of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage who nominated Anglican (15.0% compared to 9.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Buddhism (2.0% compared to 4.2%)
- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Greek Orthodox (1.9% compared to 4.1%)
- A *smaller* percentage who nominated Hinduism (0.5% compared to 2.3%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the religious affiliation of the population in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were for those who nominated:

- Anglican (-607 persons)
- Western (Roman) Catholic (+332 persons)
- Islam (+102 persons)
- Buddhism (+92 persons)

Balmain Ward

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](#), Balmain Ward's Educational Qualifications help to evaluate the economic opportunities and socio-economic status of the area and identify skill gaps in the labour market.

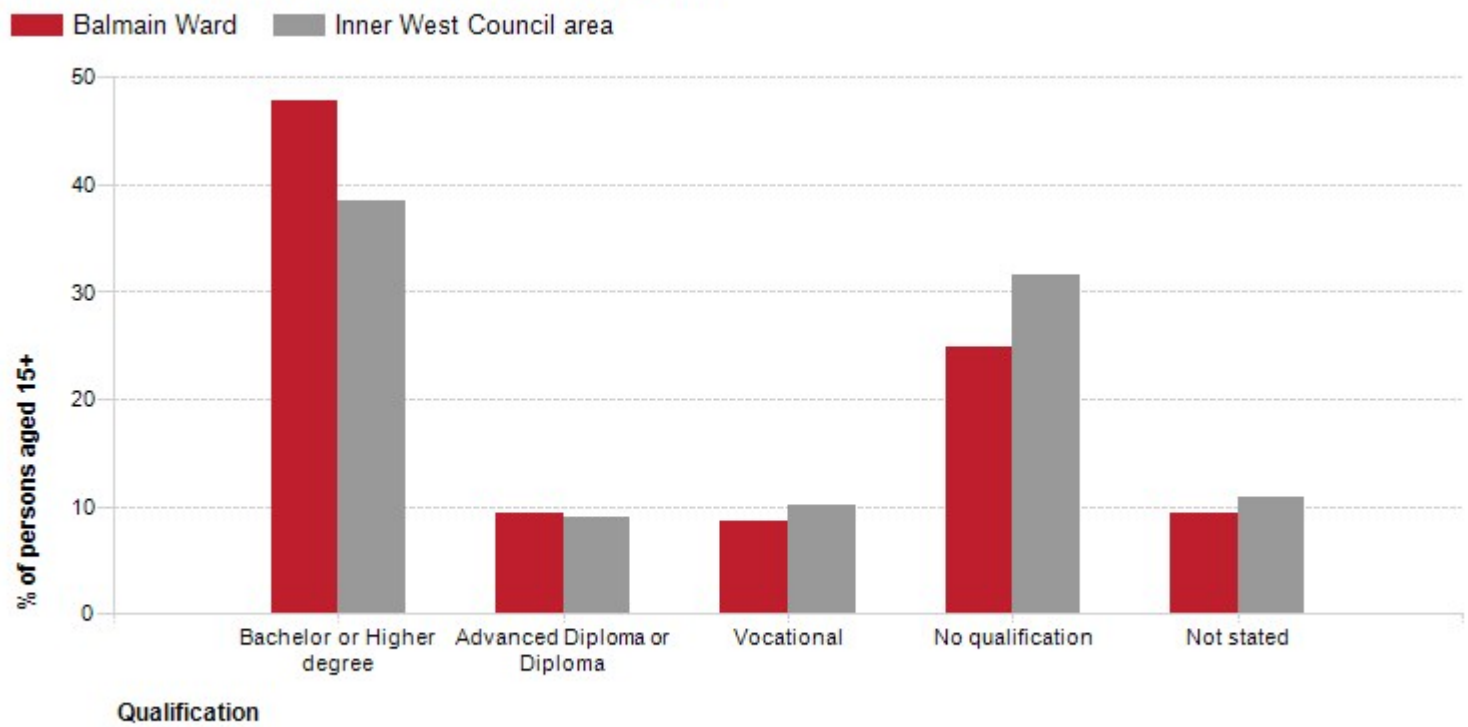
Highest qualification achieved

Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011		2006		Change		
Qualification level	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Bachelor or Higher degree	13,576	47.8	38.5	11,239	40.7	31.7	+2,337
Advanced Diploma or Diploma	2,653	9.3	9.0	2,518	9.1	8.2	+135
Vocational	2,462	8.7	10.0	2,614	9.5	10.4	-152
a No qualification	7,073	24.9	31.5	7,563	27.4	35.1	-490
Not stated	2,643	9.3	10.9	3,680	13.3	14.5	-1,037
Total persons aged 15+	28,407	100.0	100.0	27,614	100.0	100.0	+793

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

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Highest qualification achieved, 2011

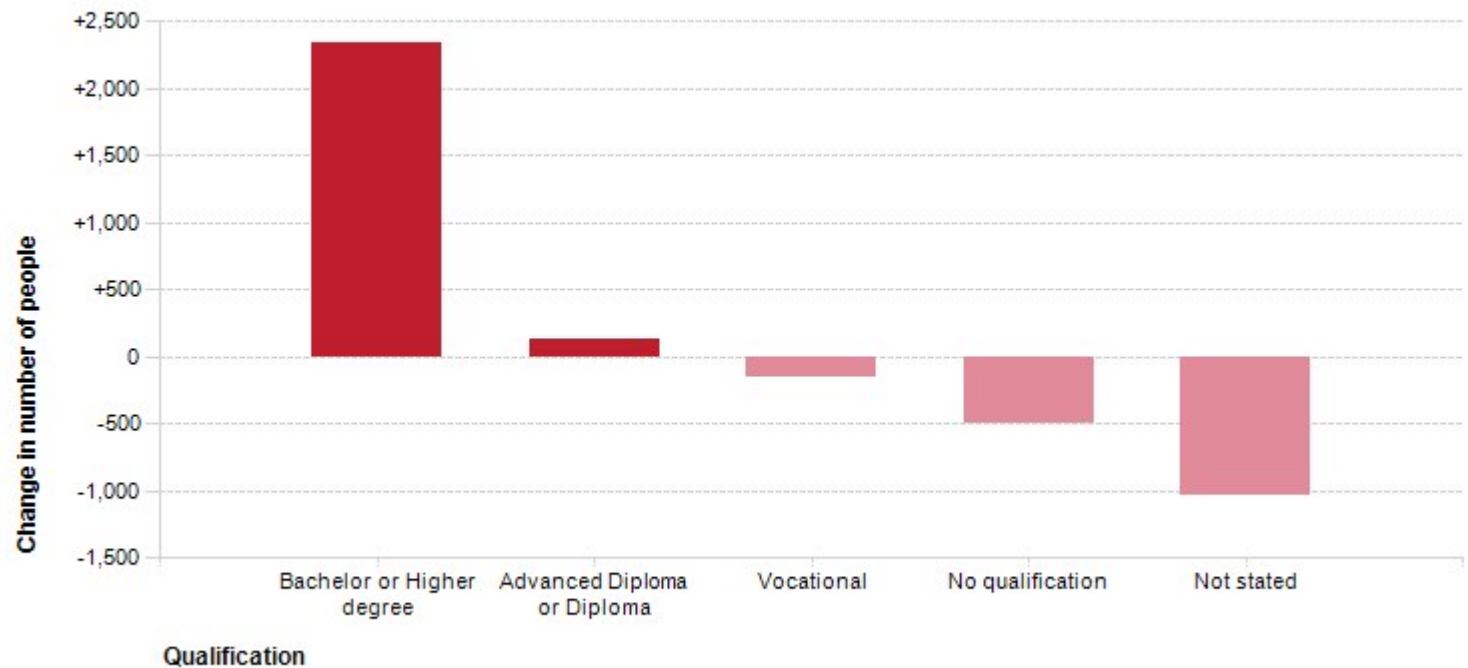


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Change in highest qualification achieved, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the qualifications of the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of people holding formal qualifications (Bachelor or higher degree; Advanced Diploma or Diploma; or Vocational qualifications), and a lower proportion of people with no formal qualifications. Overall, 65.8% of the population aged 15 and over held educational qualifications, and 24.9% had no qualifications, compared with 57.6% and 31.5% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between qualifications held by the population of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons with Bachelor or Higher degrees (47.8% compared to 38.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons with No qualifications (24.9% compared to 31.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons with Vocational qualifications (8.7% compared to 10.0%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the qualifications of the population in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were in those with:

- Bachelor or Higher degrees (+2,337 persons)
- No qualifications (-490 persons)
- Vocational qualifications (-152 persons)
- Advanced Diploma or Diplomas (+135 persons)

Balmain Ward

Highest level of schooling

Balmain Ward'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.

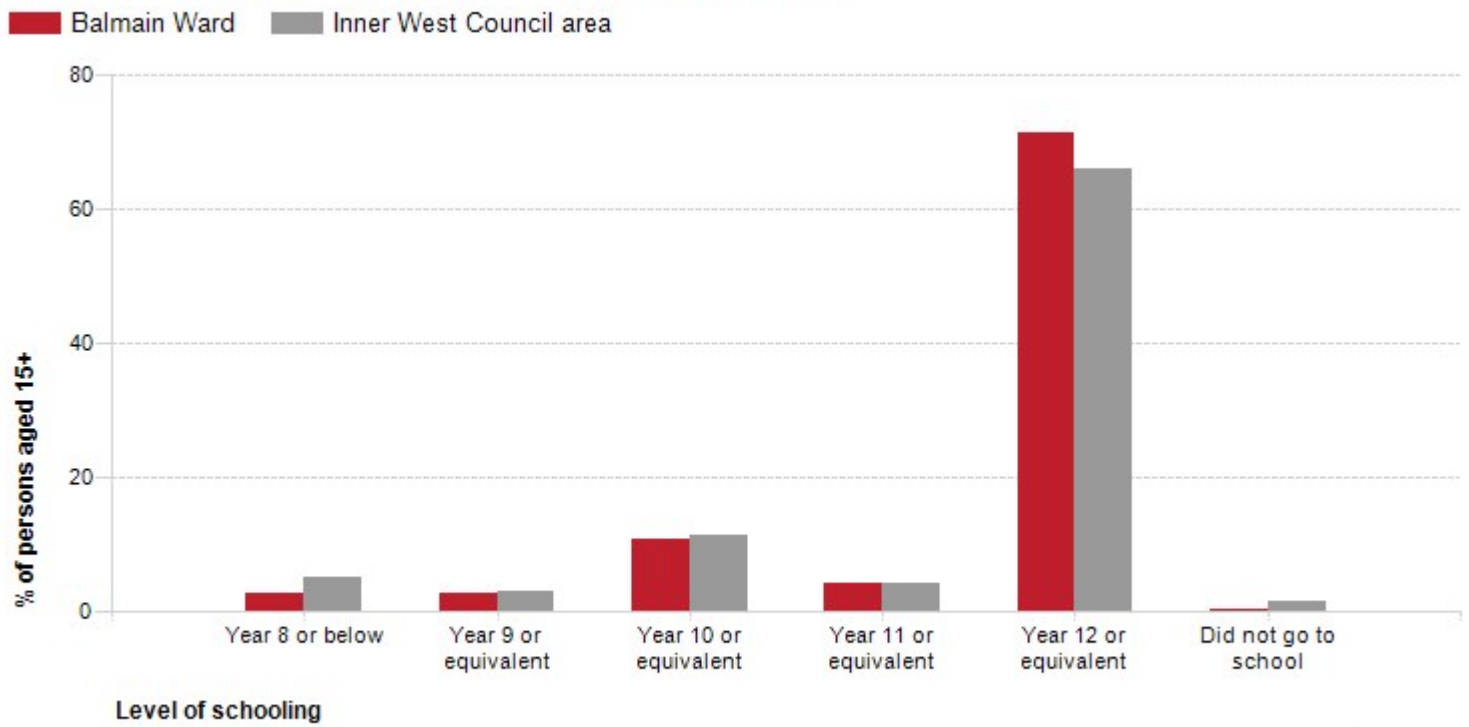
Highest level of secondary schooling completed

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011		2006		Change		
Level of schooling	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Year 8 or below	748	2.6	5.0	945	3.4	6.3	-197
Year 9 or equivalent	789	2.8	3.0	854	3.1	3.3	-65
Year 10 or equivalent	3,035	10.7	11.3	3,345	12.1	12.9	-310
Year 11 or equivalent	1,196	4.2	4.1	1,151	4.2	4.4	+45
Year 12 or equivalent	20,221	71.5	66.0	18,227	66.0	59.4	+1,994
Did not go to school	108	0.4	1.4	134	0.5	1.7	-26
Not stated	2,178	7.7	9.1	2,977	10.8	12.0	-799
Total persons aged 15+	28,275	100.0	100.0	27,633	100.0	100.0	+642

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a [People with below Year 11 schooling](#)

Highest level of schooling completed, 2011

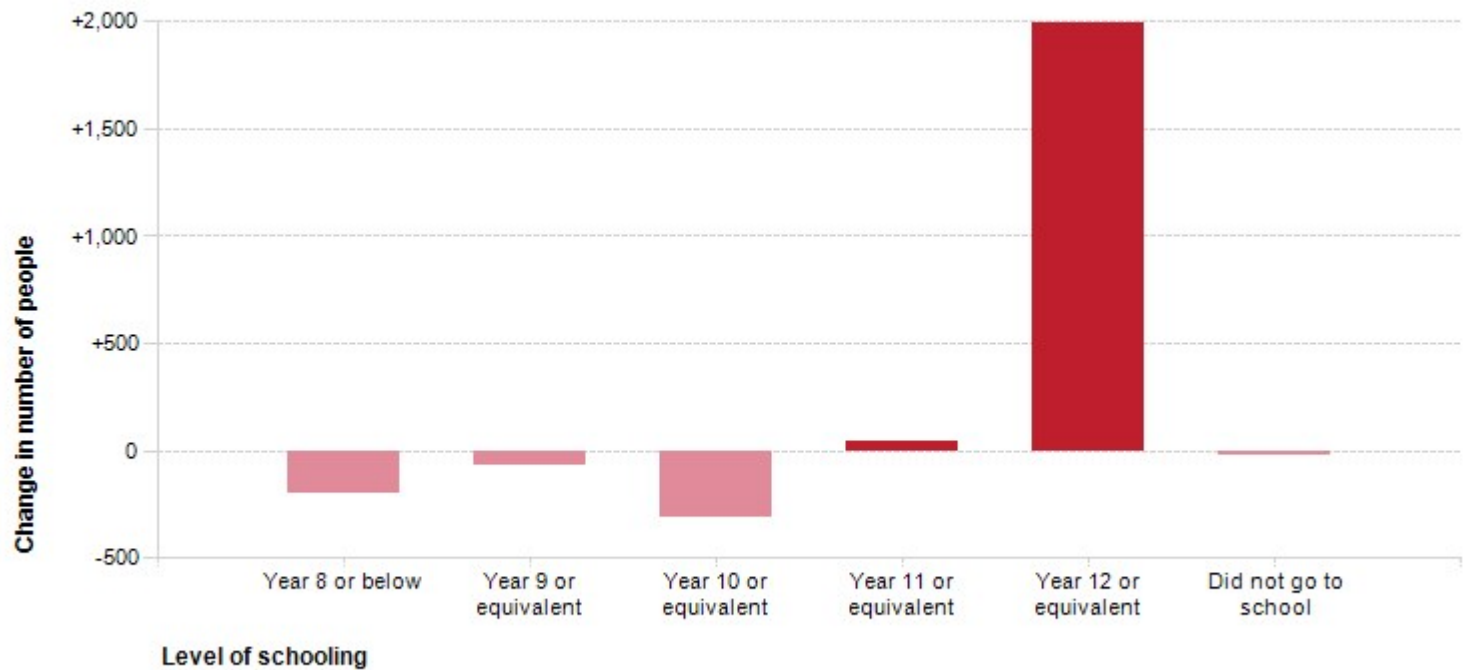


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Change in highest level of schooling completed, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the highest level of schooling attained by the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a lower proportion of people who had left school at an early level (Year 10 or less) and a higher proportion of people who completed Year 12 or equivalent.

Overall, 16.6% of the population left school at Year 10 or below, and 71.5% went on to complete Year 12 or equivalent, compared with 20.7% and 66.0% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the level of schooling attained by the population in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who completed year 12 or equivalent (71.5% compared to 66.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who completed year 8 or below (2.6% compared to 5.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who did not go to school (0.4% compared to 1.4%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the level of schooling attained by the population in Balmain Ward, between 2006 and 2011 were:

- Year 12 or equivalent (+1,994 persons)
- Year 10 or equivalent (-310 persons)
- Year 8 or below (-197 persons)
- Year 9 or equivalent (-65 persons)

Balmain Ward

Education institution attending

The share of Balmain Ward'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.

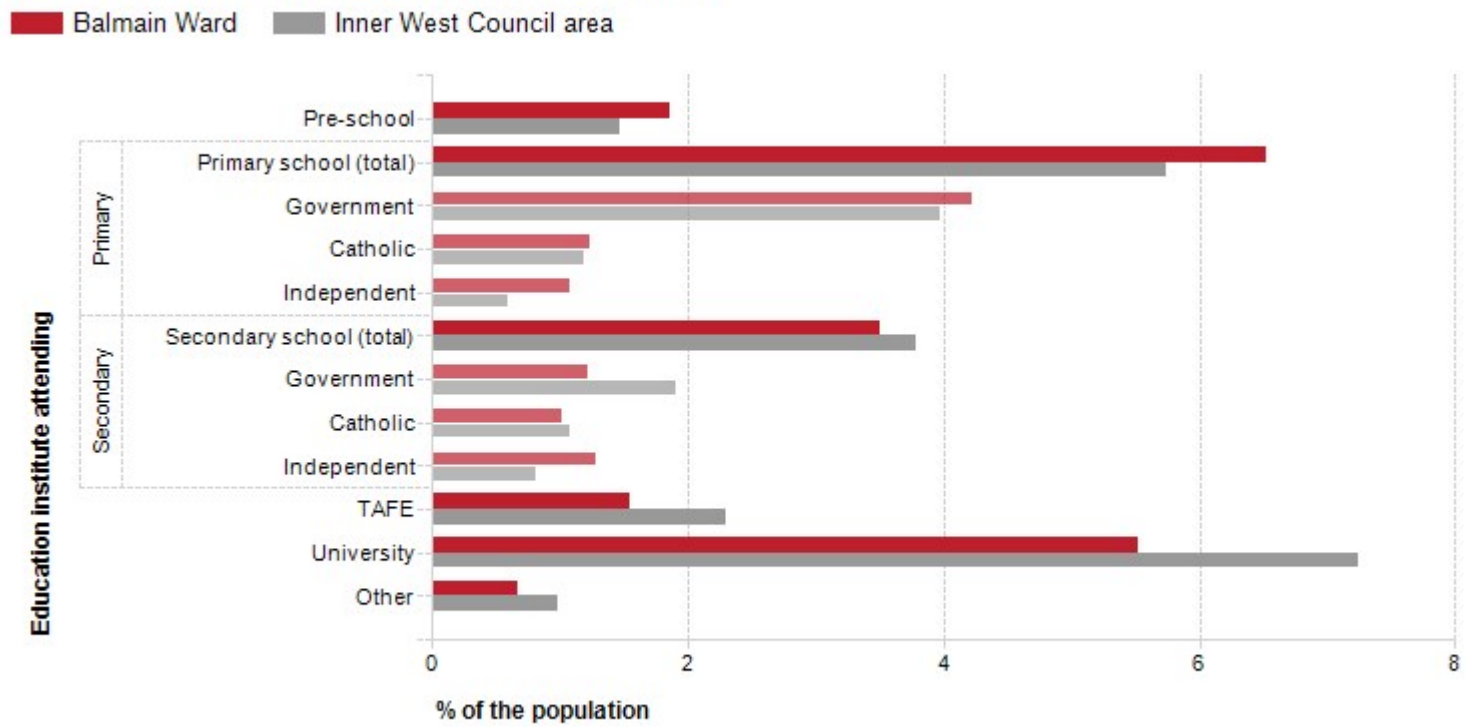
This data is often combined with [Age Structure](#) to identify areas with significant university student populations.

Education institution attending

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Type of institution	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Pre-school	636	1.9	1.5	495	1.5	1.3	+141
Primary school	2,232	6.5	5.7	1,599	4.9	5.1	+633
▪ Primary - Government	1,442	4.2	4.0	1,044	3.2	3.5	+398
▪ Primary - Catholic	423	1.2	1.2	334	1.0	1.2	+89
▪ Primary - Independent	367	1.1	0.6	221	0.7	0.4	+146
Secondary school	1,196	3.5	3.8	1,181	3.6	4.0	+15
▪ Secondary - Government	414	1.2	1.9	525	1.6	2.1	-111
▪ Secondary - Catholic	345	1.0	1.1	301	0.9	1.1	+44
▪ Secondary - Independent	437	1.3	0.8	355	1.1	0.7	+82
a TAFE	529	1.5	2.3	491	1.5	2.4	+38
a University	1,887	5.5	7.2	1,772	5.5	6.5	+115
Other	226	0.7	1.0	270	0.8	1.0	-44
a Not attending	25,332	74.1	71.1	23,574	72.8	69.6	+1,758
Not stated	2,165	6.3	7.4	2,994	9.2	10.1	-829
Total	34,203	100.0	100.0	32,375	100.0	100.0	+1,828

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

Education institution attending, 2011

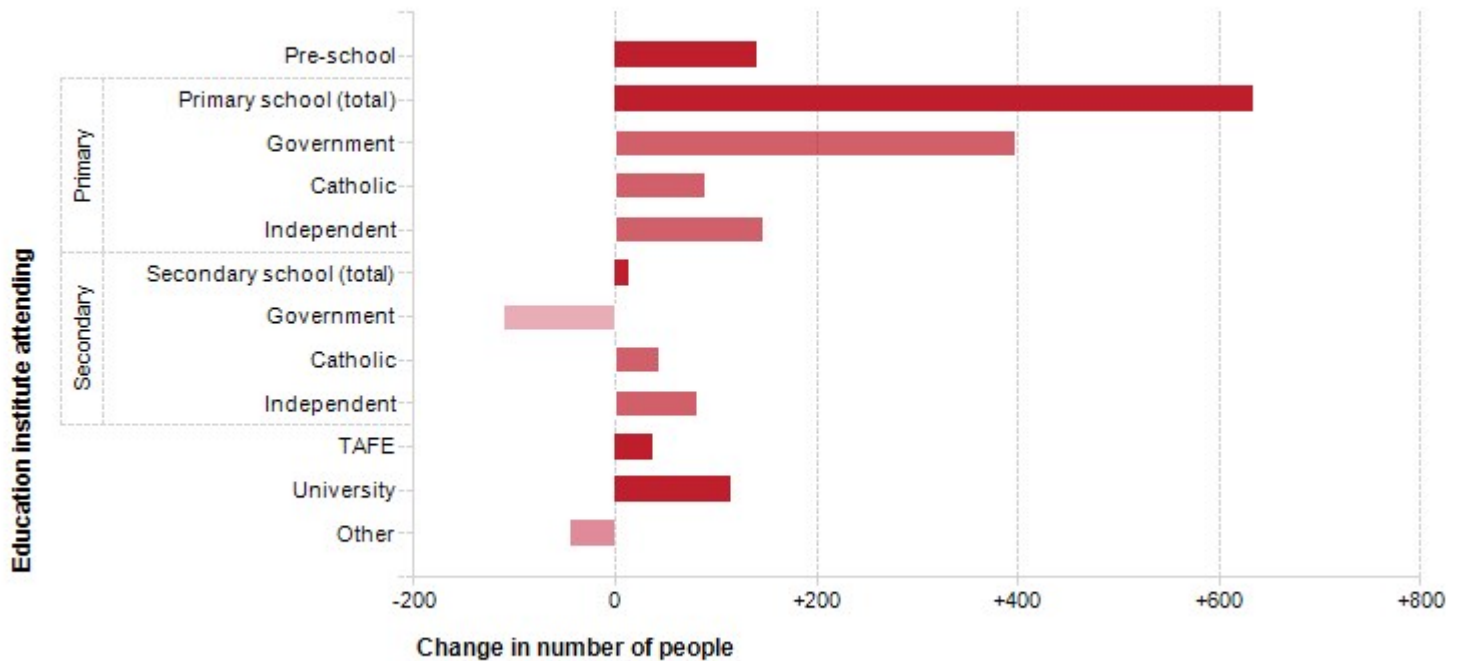


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Change in education institution attending, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the share of the population attending educational institutions in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion attending primary school, a similar proportion attending secondary school, and a lower proportion engaged in tertiary level education.

Overall, 6.5% of the population were attending primary school, 3.5% of the population were attending secondary institutions, and 7.1% were learning at a tertiary level, compared with 5.7%, 3.8% and 9.5% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the share of the population attending learning institutions in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons not attending (74.1% compared to 71.1%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons attending University (5.5% compared to 7.2%)

Emerging groups

From 2006 to 2011, Balmain Ward's population increased by 1,827 people (+5.6%). This represents an average annual change of 1.1% per year over the period.

The largest changes in the number of persons attending education institutions in Balmain Ward, between 2006 and 2011 were in those who nominated:

- Primary school (+633 persons)
- Primary - Government (+398 persons)
- Primary - Independent (+146 persons)
- Pre-school (+141 persons)

Balmain Ward

Need for assistance

Balmain Ward'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. Balmain Ward'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

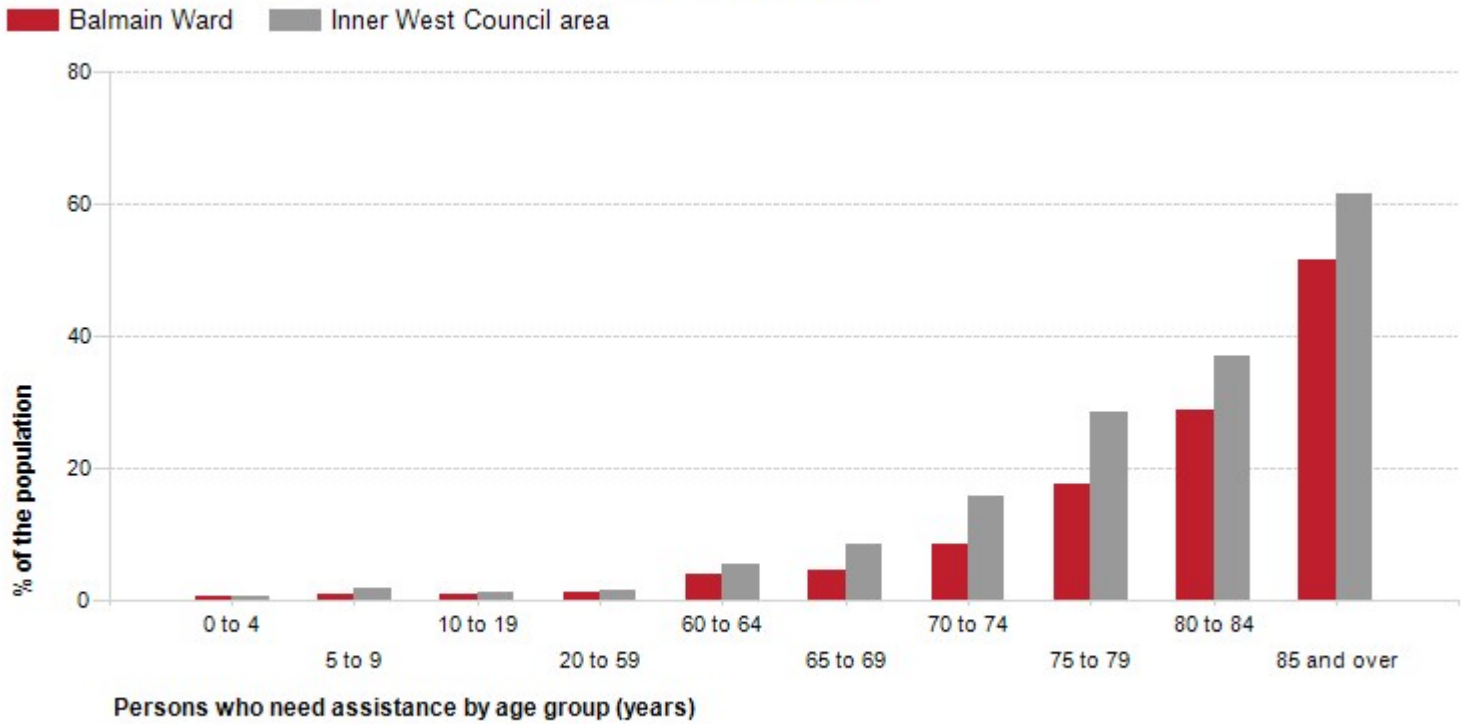
Balmain Ward - Persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	% of total age group	Inner West Council area %	Number	% of total age group	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Assistance needed by age group (years)							
0 to 4	10	0.4	0.4	9	0.4	0.4	+1
5 to 9	17	0.9	1.6	25	1.8	1.4	-8
10 to 19	18	0.8	1.2	37	1.6	1.0	-19
20 to 59	272	1.3	1.5	264	1.2	1.5	+7
60 to 64	79	3.9	5.5	43	2.9	5.4	+35
65 to 69	60	4.5	8.3	52	5.5	8.1	+8
70 to 74	69	8.6	15.7	90	12.5	15.7	-21
75 to 79	108	17.6	28.5	101	17.0	24.7	+7
80 to 84	133	28.9	37.0	142	33.8	35.4	-10
85 and over	186	51.7	61.5	168	47.5	56.5	+18
Total persons needing assistance	952	2.8	4.3	933	2.9	4.1	+19

Need for assistance with core activities

Balmain Ward - Total persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Assistance needed by age group (years)							
a Total persons needing assistance	952	2.8	4.3	933	2.9	4.1	+19
Total persons not needing assistance	31,092	90.9	88.7	28,679	88.5	87.0	+2,412
Not stated	2,159	6.3	6.9	2,783	8.6	8.9	-625
Total Population	34,203	100.0	100.0	32,396	100.0	100.0	+1,806

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Need for assistance with core activities, 2011

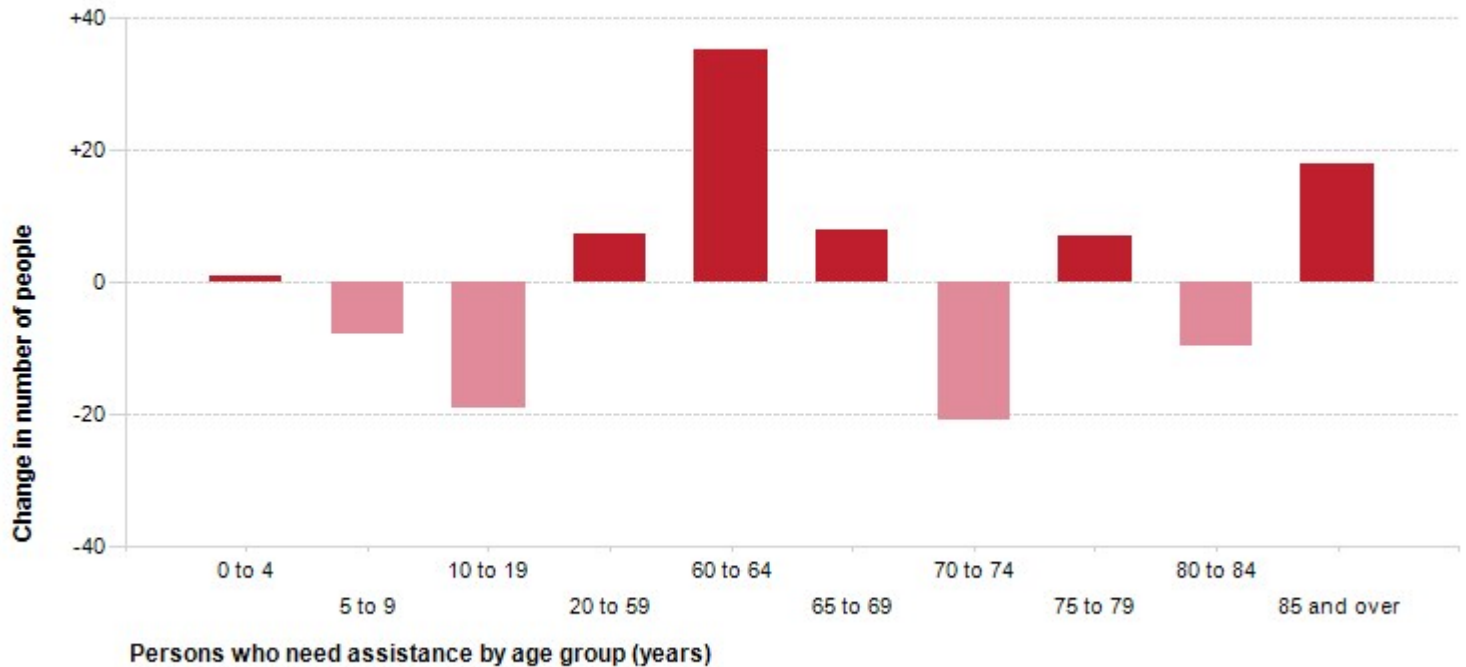


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Change in need for assistance with core activities, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the need for assistance of people in the Inner West Council area compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a lower proportion of people who reported needing assistance with core activities.

Overall, 2.8% of the population reported needing assistance with core activities, compared with 4.3% for Inner West Council area.

The major differences in the age groups reporting a need for assistance in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 75 to 79 (17.6% compared to 28.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 85 and over (51.7% compared to 61.5%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 80 to 84 (28.9% compared to 37.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons aged 70 to 74 (8.6% compared to 15.7%)

Emerging groups

There were no major differences in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011.

Balmain Ward

Employment status

Balmain Ward'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](#)).

Employment status

Balmain Ward - Persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Employment status	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Employed	19,567	96.7	94.9	18,894	97.0	95.4	+673
▪ Employed full-time	13,832	68.3	64.9	13,671	70.2	66.9	+161
▪ Employed part-time	5,530	27.3	28.6	4,937	25.3	26.5	+593
▪ Hours worked not stated	205	1.0	1.4	288	1.5	2.1	-83
a Unemployed (Unemployment rate)	677	3.3	5.1	591	3.0	4.6	+86
▪ Looking for full-time work	428	2.1	3.1	371	1.9	2.8	+57
▪ Looking for part-time work	249	1.2	2.0	218	1.1	1.8	+31
Total Labour Force	20,244	100.0	100.0	19,485	100.0	100.0	+759

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

Labour force status

Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Labour force status	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
a Total labour force (Participation rate)	20,244	71.6	67.6	19,485	70.5	65.2	+759
Not in the labour force	6,255	22.1	25.1	5,823	21.1	25.6	+432
Labour force status not stated	1,772	6.3	7.2	2,341	8.5	9.2	-569
Total persons aged 15+	28,271	100.0	100.0	27,649	100.0	100.0	+622

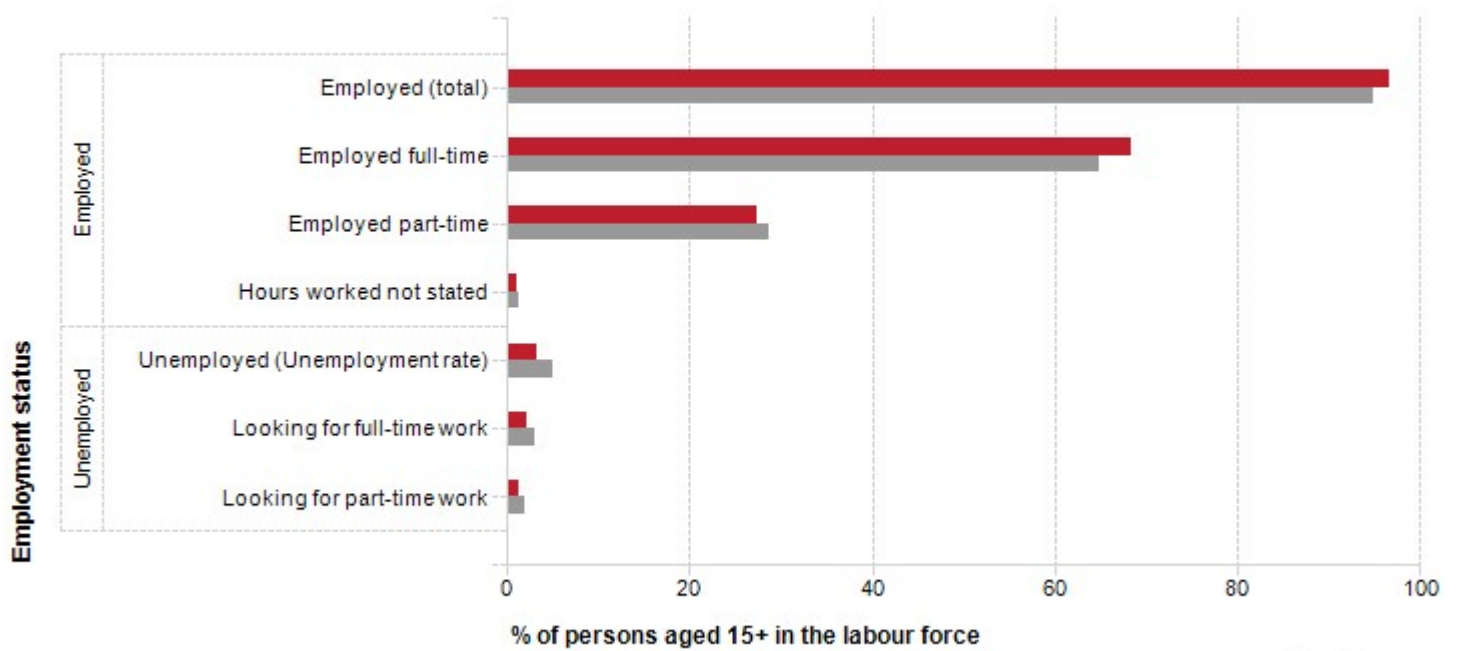
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- a** [Youth unemployment rate \(persons aged 15-24\)](#)
- a** [Seniors unemployment rate \(persons aged 55 or more\)](#)
- a** [Disengaged youth \(aged 15-24 not employed or in education\)](#)
- a** [People employed part-time](#)
- e** [Annual employed resident totals \(2001-2013\)](#)
- e** [Quarterly unemployment totals \(2004-2013\)](#)
- e** [Map of employment locations by industry](#)

Employment status, 2011

Total persons in the labour force

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

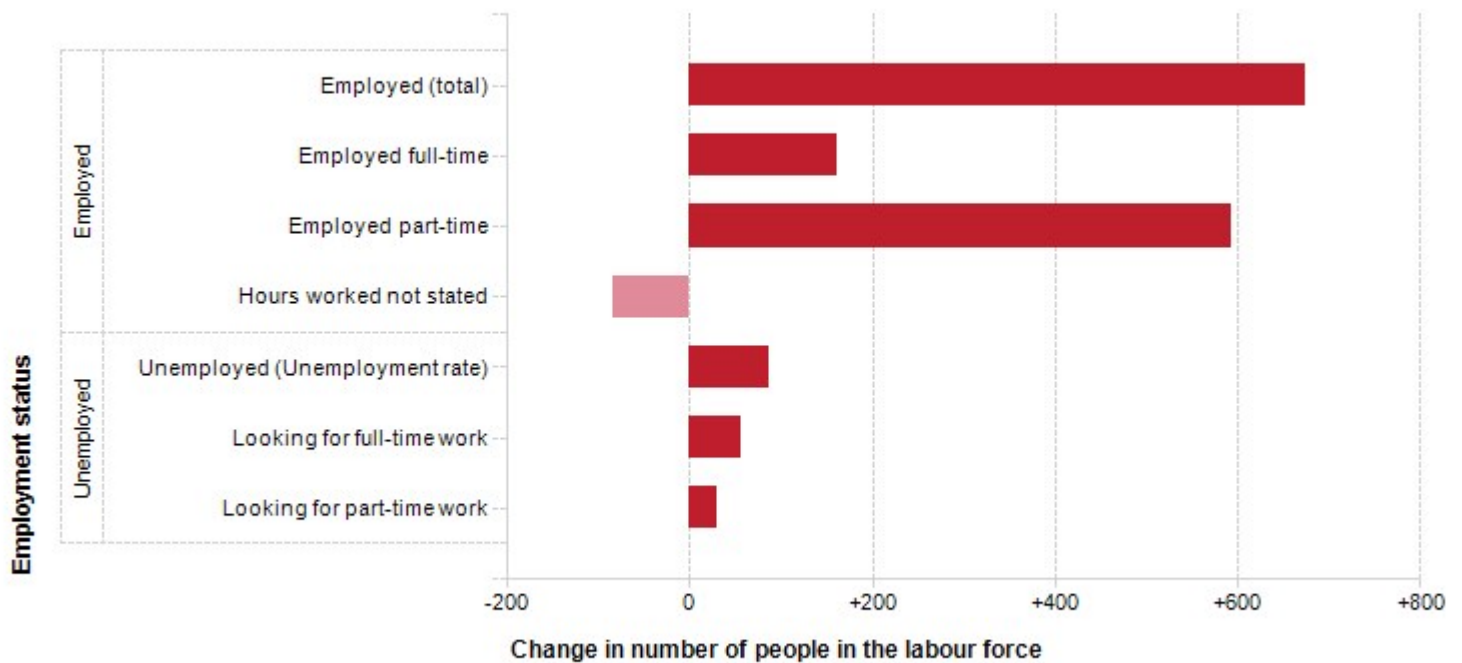


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Change in employment status, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons in the labour force



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Dominant groups

The size of Balmain Ward's labour force in 2011 was 20,244, of which 5,530 were employed part-time and 13,832 were full time workers.

Analysis of the employment status (as a percentage of the labour force) in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion in employment, and a lower proportion unemployed. Overall, 96.7% of the labour force was employed (69.2% of the population aged 15+), and 3.3% unemployed (2.4% of the population aged 15+), compared with 94.9% and 5.1% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The labour force participation rate refers to the proportion of the population aged 15 years and over that was employed or actively looking for work. *"The labour force is a fundamental input to domestic production. Its size and composition are therefore crucial factors in economic growth. From the viewpoint of social development, earnings from paid work are a major influence on levels of economic well-being."* ([Australian Social Trends 1995](#)).

Analysis of the labour force participation rate of the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 shows that there was a higher proportion in the labour force (71.6%) compared with Inner West Council area (67.6%).

Emerging groups

Between 2006 and 2011, the number of people employed in Balmain Ward showed an increase of 673, and the number unemployed showed an increase of 86. In the same period, the number of people in the labour force showed an increase of 759 or 3.9%.

Balmain Ward

Industry sector of employment

Balmain Ward'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

Balmain Ward - Employed persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	11	0.1	0.0	45	0.2	0.2	-34
Mining	18	0.1	0.0	32	0.2	0.1	-14
Manufacturing	915	4.7	5.0	1,036	5.5	6.1	-121
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	74	0.4	0.4	91	0.5	0.6	-17
Construction	878	4.5	4.2	824	4.4	4.7	+54
Wholesale trade	912	4.7	4.1	927	4.9	4.5	-15
Retail Trade	1,107	5.7	7.4	1,154	6.1	8.1	-47
Accommodation and Food Services	820	4.2	6.2	945	5.0	6.5	-125
Transport, Postal and Warehousing	574	2.9	3.7	596	3.2	4.1	-22
Information Media and Telecommunications	1,363	7.0	6.2	1,286	6.8	5.7	+77
Financial and Insurance Services	2,146	11.0	7.8	1,908	10.1	7.5	+238
Rental, Hiring and Real Estate Services	437	2.2	1.8	396	2.1	1.7	+41
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	3,477	17.8	13.5	3,080	16.3	12.3	+397
Administrative and Support Services	738	3.8	3.9	761	4.0	3.8	-23
Public Administration and Safety	961	4.9	6.3	1,021	5.4	6.3	-60
Education and Training	1,782	9.1	10.1	1,635	8.7	9.7	+147
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,855	9.5	10.8	1,811	9.6	10.3	+44
Arts and Recreation Services	616	3.2	3.2	480	2.5	2.4	+136
Other Services	488	2.5	3.2	448	2.4	3.3	+40
Inadequately described or not stated	381	1.9	2.2	389	2.1	2.3	-8
Total employed persons aged 15+	19,553	100.0	100.0	18,863	100.0	100.0	+690

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [id](#), the population experts.

[e Full-time equivalent \(FTE\) local jobs by industry \(NIEIR modelled\)](#)

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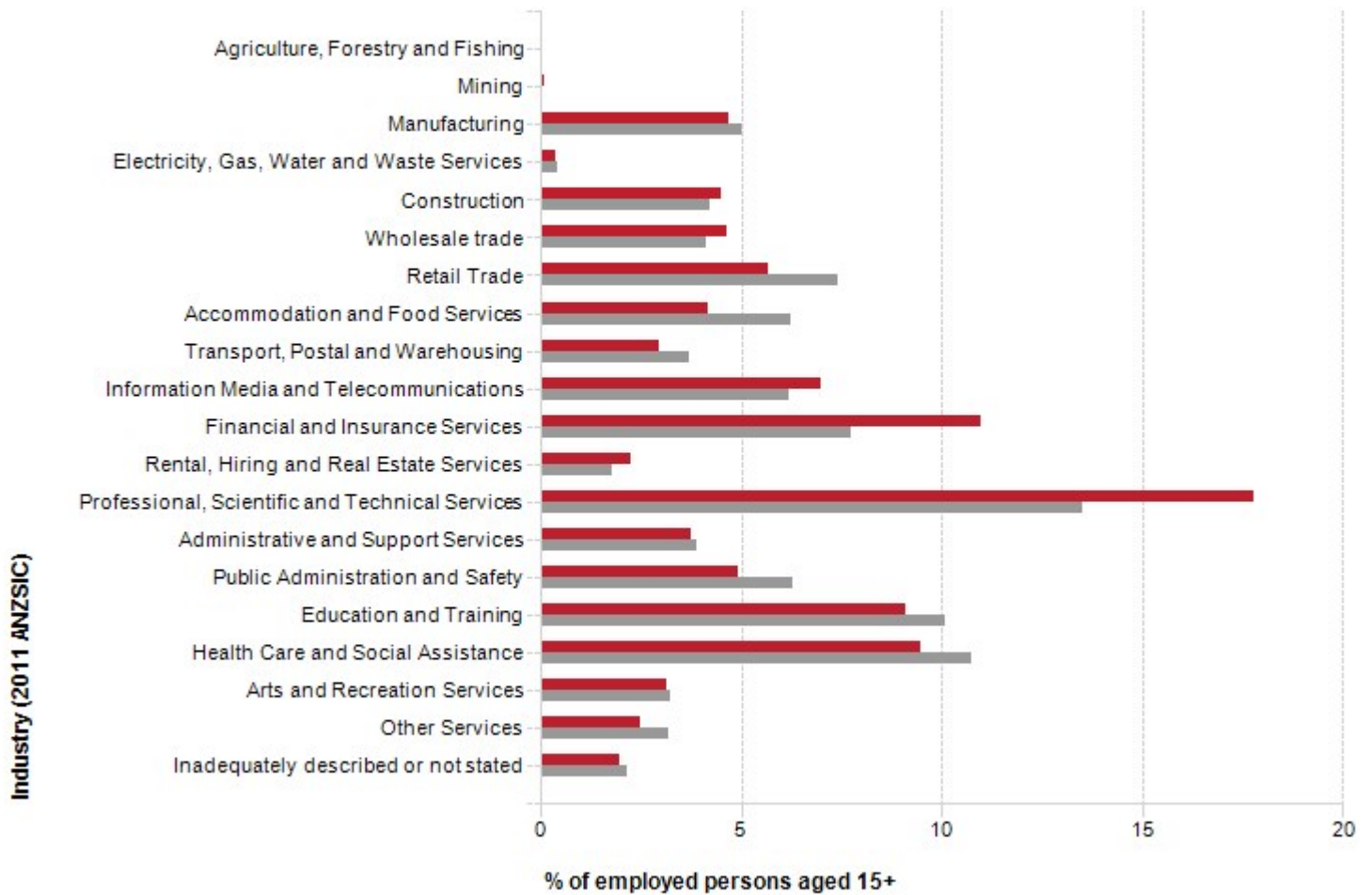
[e Residents who work in the LGA by industry](#)

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Industry sector of employment, 2011

Total employed persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

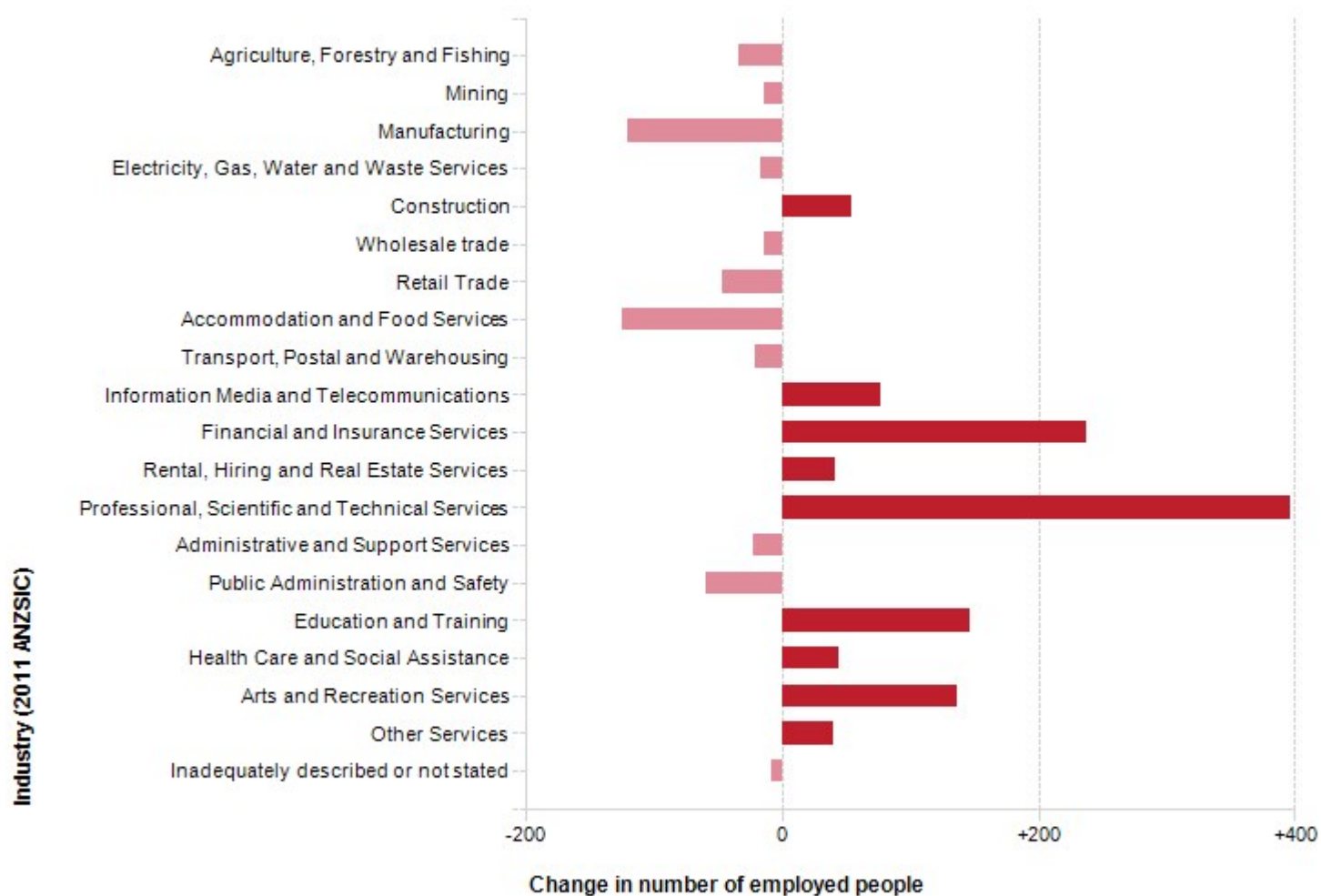


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Change in industry sector of employment, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total employed persons



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Balmain Ward

Occupation of employment

Balmain Ward'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 Balmain Ward's socio-economic status and skill base.

Occupation of employment

Balmain Ward - Employed persons (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Managers	4,381	22.5	15.8	4,019	21.3	14.9	+362
Professionals	8,232	42.2	36.8	7,770	41.1	34.7	+462
a Technicians and Trades Workers	1,170	6.0	8.8	1,246	6.6	9.3	-76
Community and Personal Service Workers	1,219	6.3	7.9	1,122	5.9	7.4	+97
Clerical and Administrative Workers	2,325	11.9	14.3	2,486	13.2	15.2	-161
Sales Workers	1,242	6.4	7.3	1,189	6.3	7.8	+53
Machinery Operators And Drivers	243	1.2	2.7	259	1.4	3.3	-16
a Labourers	404	2.1	4.8	493	2.6	5.6	-89
Inadequately described	271	1.4	1.5	302	1.6	1.8	-31
Total employed persons aged 15+	19,487	100.0	100.0	18,887	100.0	100.0	+600

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a [People employed as Managers or Professionals](#)

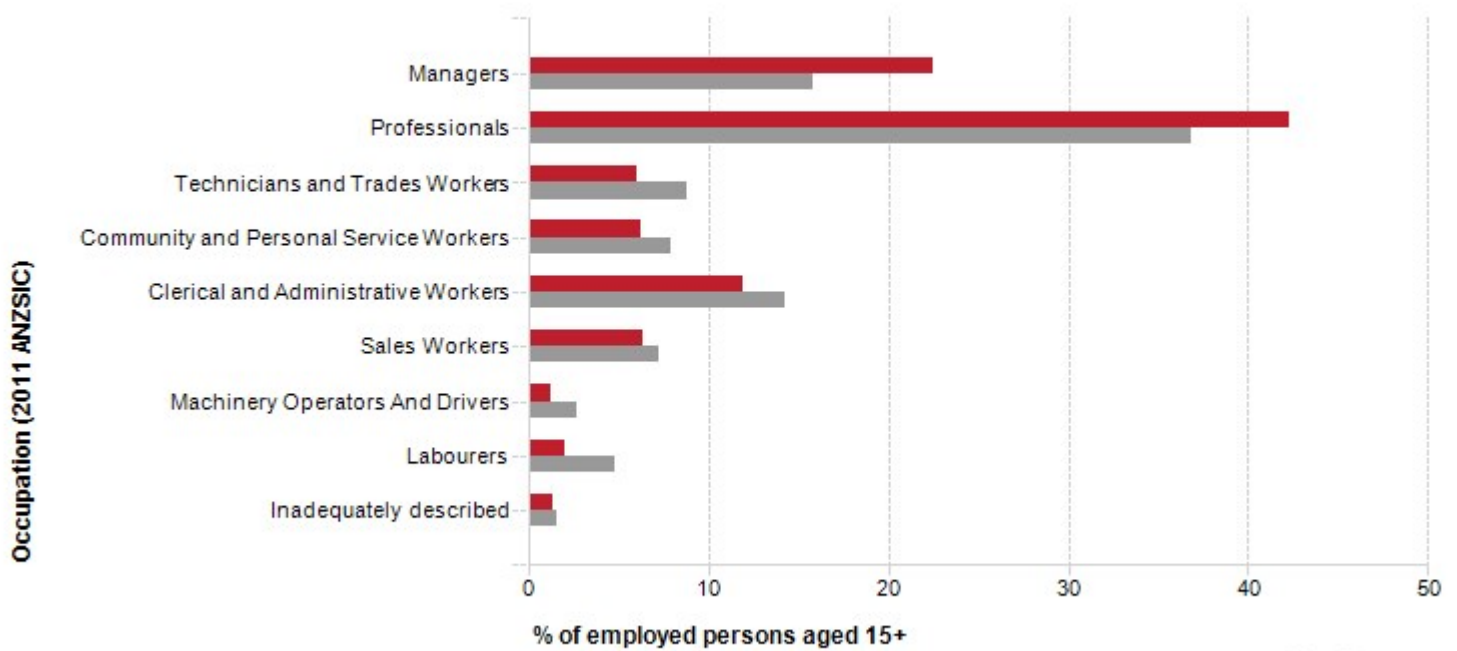
e [Workforce occupations by industry](#)

e [Local labour force occupations by industry](#)

Occupation of employment, 2011

Total employed persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

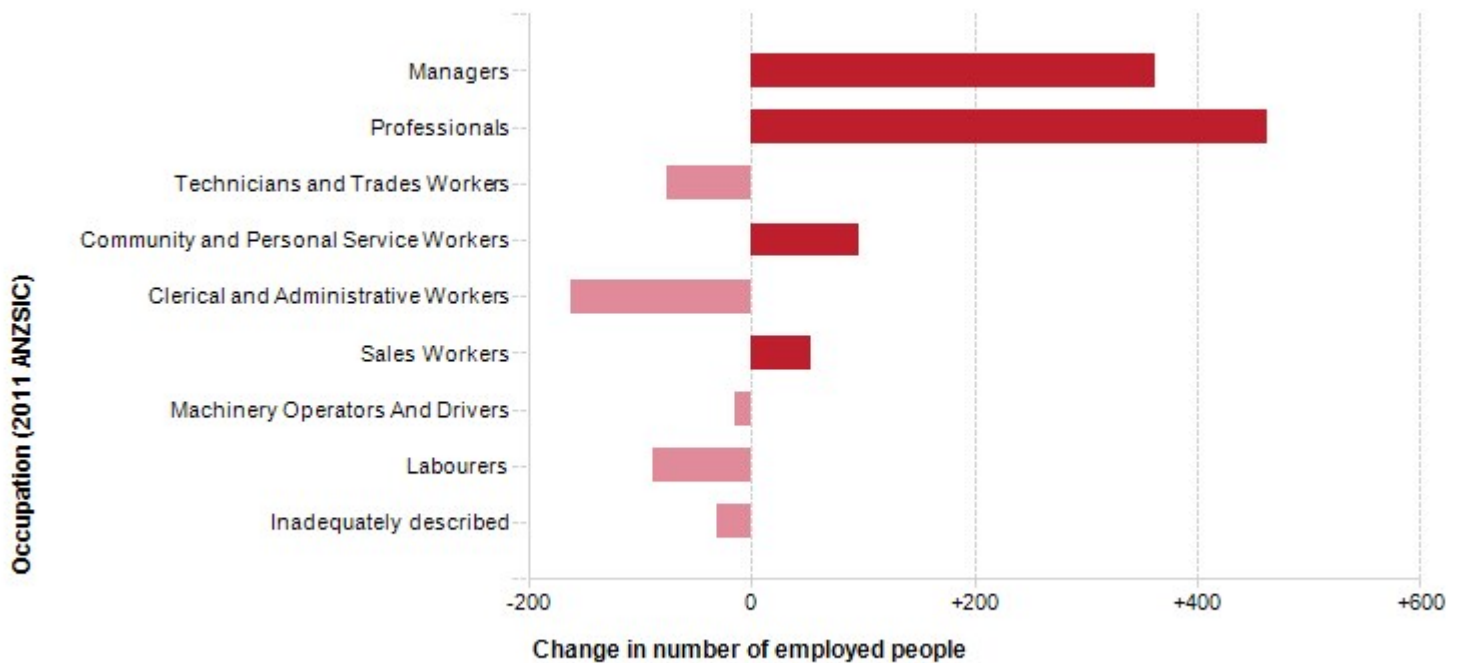


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Change in occupation of employment, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total employed persons



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Dominant groups

An analysis of the jobs held by the resident population in Balmain Ward in 2011 shows the three most popular occupations were:

- Professionals (8,232 people or 42.2%)
- Managers (4,381 people or 22.5%)
- Clerical and Administrative Workers (2,325 people or 11.9%)

In combination these three occupations accounted for 14,938 people in total or 76.7% of the employed resident population.

In comparison, Inner West Council area employed 36.8% in Professionals; 15.8% in Managers; and 14.3% in Clerical and Administrative Workers.

The major differences between the jobs held by the population of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons employed as Managers (22.5% compared to 15.8%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons employed as Professionals (42.2% compared to 36.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed as Technicians and Trades Workers (6.0% compared to 8.8%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons employed as Labourers (2.1% compared to 4.8%)

Emerging groups

The number of employed people in Balmain Ward increased by 600 between 2006 and 2011.

The largest changes in the occupations of residents between 2006 and 2011 in Balmain Ward were for those employed as:

- Professionals (+462 persons)
- Managers (+362 persons)
- Clerical and Administrative Workers (-161 persons)
- Community and Personal Service Workers (+97 persons)

Balmain Ward

Method of travel to work

Balmain Ward'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.

Method of travel to work

Balmain Ward - Employed persons (Enumerated)	2011		2006		Change 2006 to 2011		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number		%	Inner West Council area %
Train	693	3.6	20.4	636	3.4	17.9	+57
Bus	4,082	21.0	12.8	3,587	19.3	12.6	+495
Tram or Ferry	1,072	5.5	1.3	866	4.7	1.2	+206
Taxi	200	1.0	0.6	154	0.8	0.6	+46
Car - as driver	7,759	39.8	37.7	8,012	43.2	40.2	-253
Car - as passenger	535	2.7	2.9	736	4.0	4.0	-201
Truck	33	0.2	0.3	93	0.5	0.6	-60
Motorbike	423	2.2	1.6	156	0.8	0.8	+267
a Bicycle	551	2.8	3.1	308	1.7	1.7	+244
a Walked only	1,032	5.3	5.1	996	5.4	5.5	+36
Other	259	1.3	0.8	199	1.1	0.7	+60
a Worked at home	1,175	6.0	4.3	1,110	6.0	4.1	+65
Did not go to work	1,549	8.0	8.2	1,484	8.0	8.8	+65
Not stated	113	0.6	0.9	223	1.2	1.5	-110
Total employed persons aged 15+	19,476	100.0	100.0	18,560	100.0	100.0	+916

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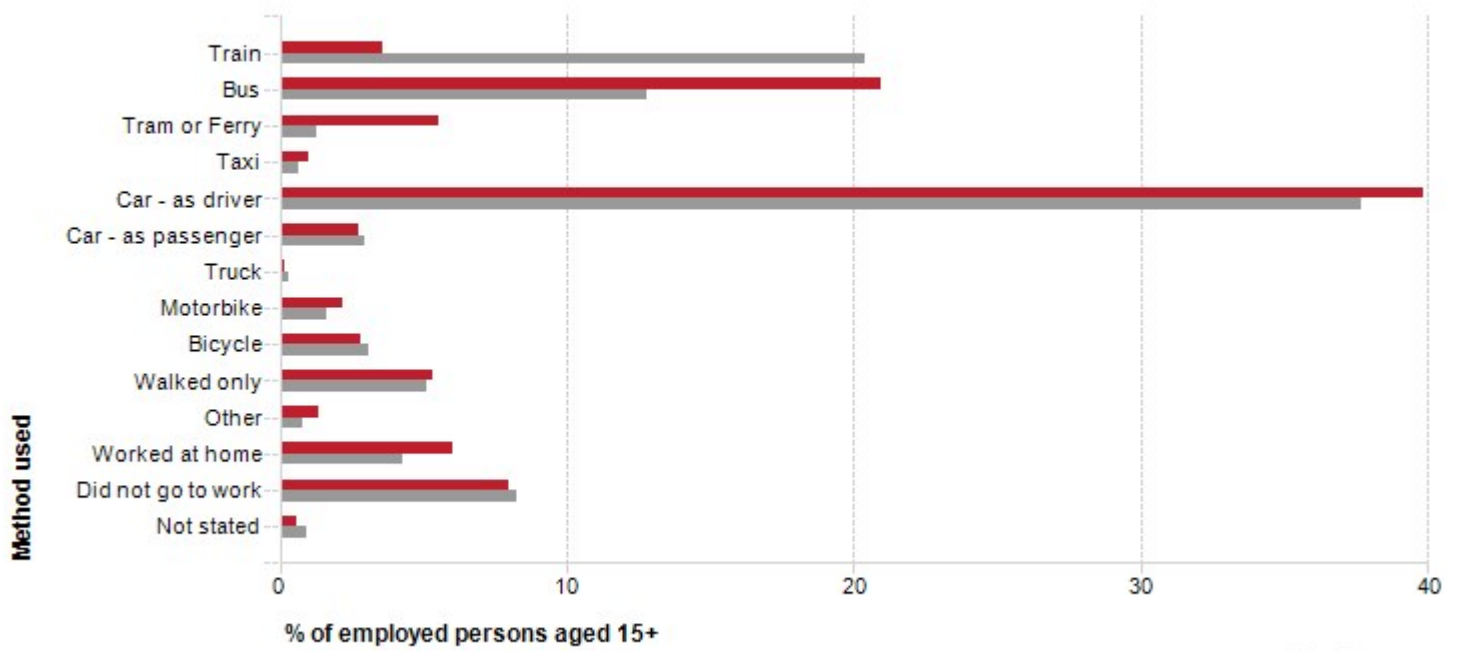
a People who travelled to work by car

a People who travelled to work on public transport

Method of travel to work, 2011

Total employed persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

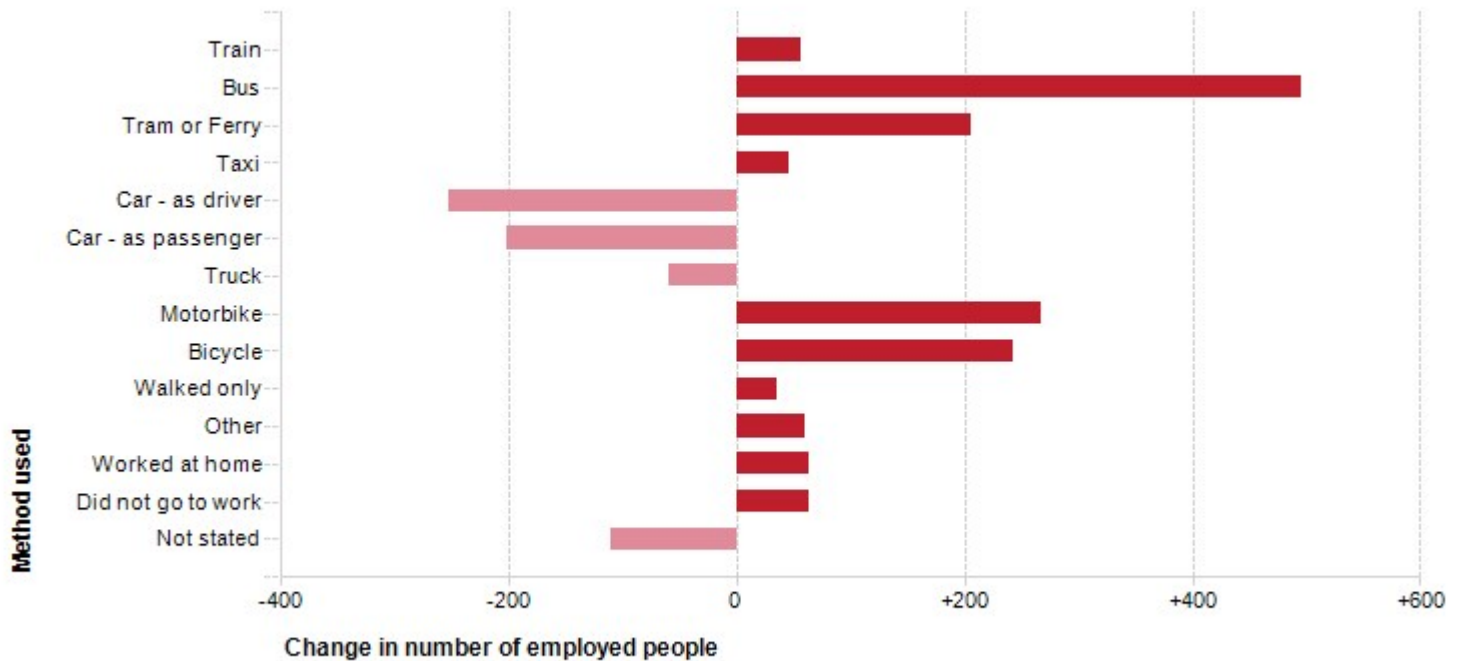


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Change in method of travel to work, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total employed persons



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Dominant groups

In 2011, there were 5,847 people who caught public transport to work (train, bus, tram or ferry) in Balmain Ward, compared with 8,750 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 Balmain Ward in 2011, compared to Inner West Council area, shows that 30.0% used public transport, while 44.9% used a private vehicle, compared with 34.4% and 42.5% respectively in Inner West Council area.

The major differences in persons between the method of travel to work of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who travelled by bus (21.0% compared to 12.8%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons who travelled by tram or ferry (5.5% compared to 1.3%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons who travelled by car (as driver) (39.8% compared to 37.7%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who travelled by train (3.6% compared to 20.4%)

Emerging groups

The number of employed people in Balmain Ward increased by 916 between 2006 and 2011.

The largest changes in the method of travel to work by resident population in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were for those nominated:

- Bus (+495 persons)
- Motorbike (+267 persons)
- Car - as driver (-253 persons)
- Bicycle (+244 persons)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward include the Age Structure of the population, the level of Proficiency in English, Income and Education levels.

Volunteer work

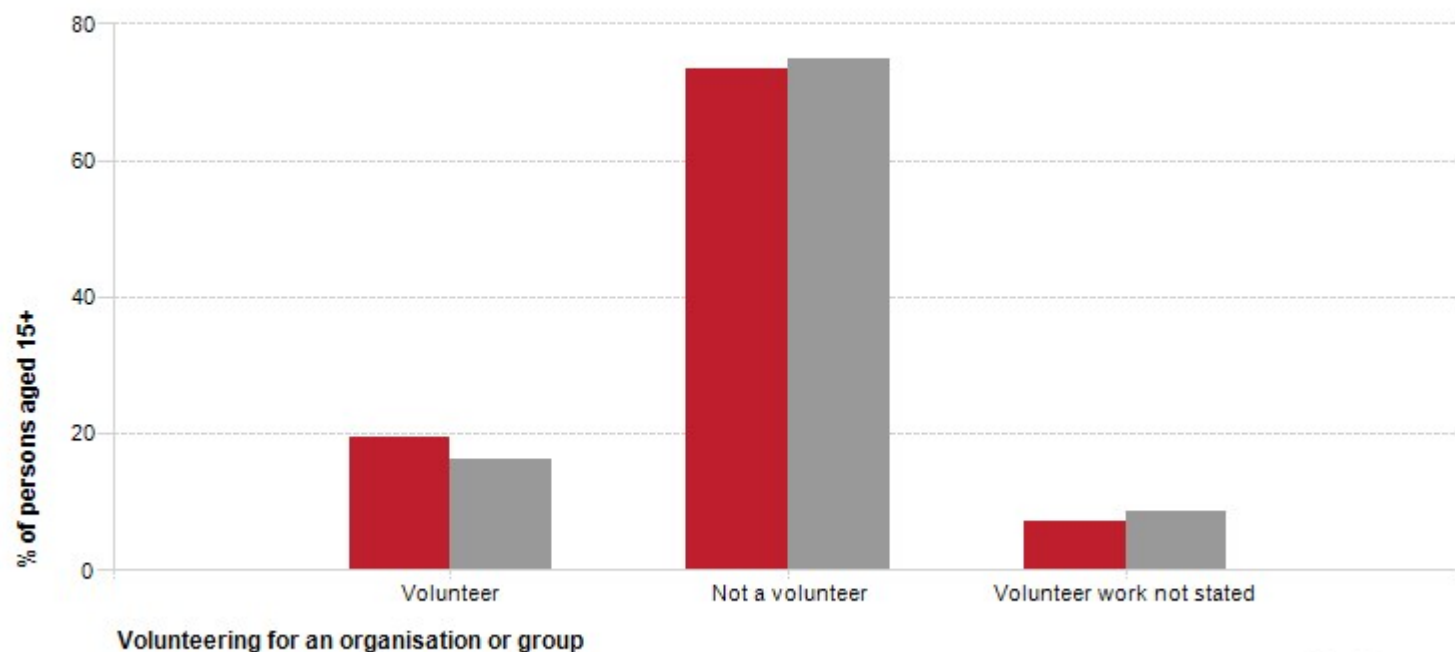
Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011		2006		Change		
Volunteer status	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
a Volunteer	5,503	19.5	16.4	4,898	17.7	15.0	+605
Not a volunteer	20,717	73.3	74.9	19,930	72.1	73.6	+787
Volunteer work not stated	2,053	7.3	8.7	2,813	10.2	11.4	-760
Total persons aged 15+	28,273	100.0	100.0	27,641	100.0	100.0	+632

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Volunteer work, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

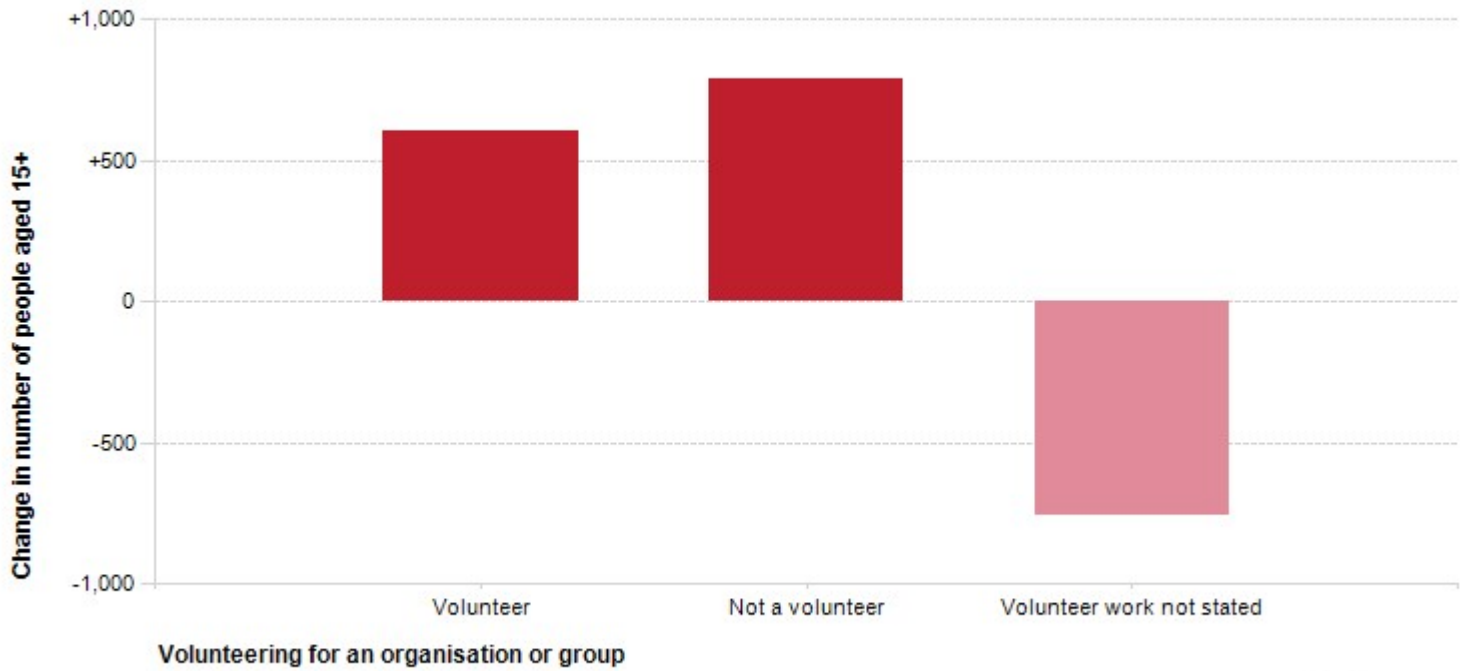


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Change in volunteer work, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the voluntary work performed by the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of people who volunteered for an organisation or group. Overall, 19.5% of the population reported performing voluntary work, compared with 16.4% for Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

The number of volunteers in Balmain Ward increased by 605 people between 2006 and 2011.

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward may also be related to Household Income, as higher income households are able to outsource some of these tasks.

Unpaid domestic work

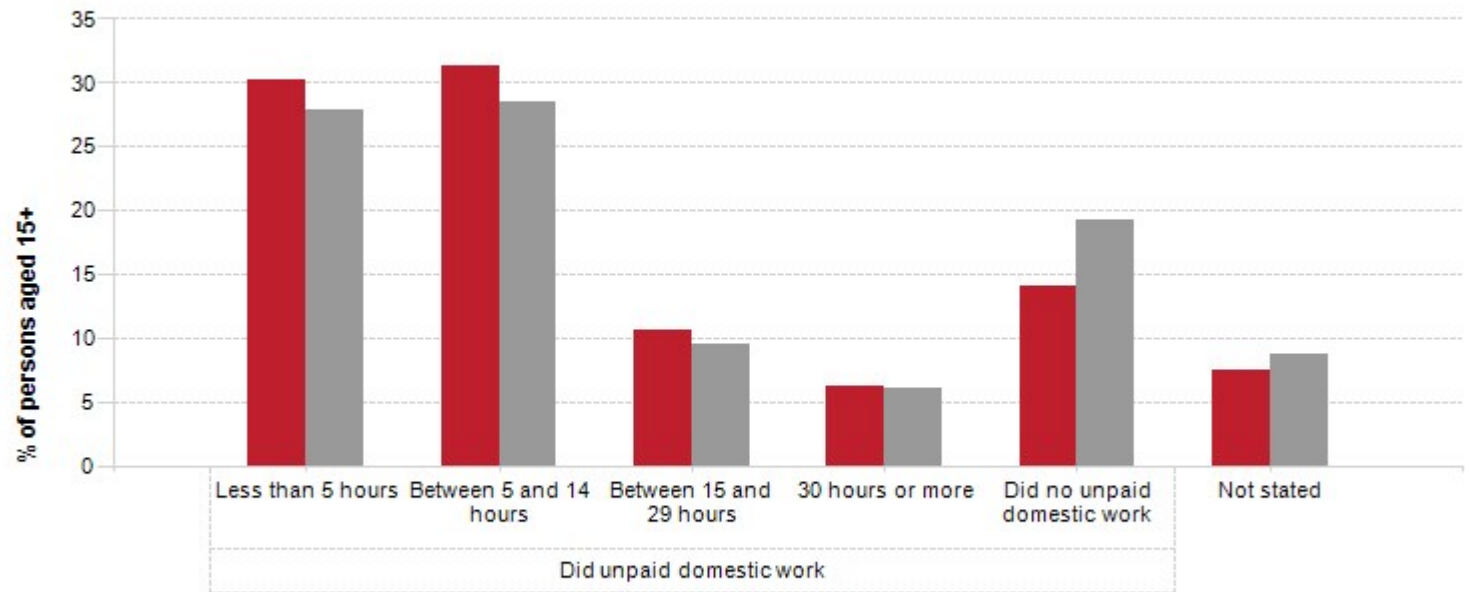
Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
Hours spent on unpaid domestic work	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Did unpaid domestic work	22,206	78.5	72.0	20,808	75.2	69.2	+1,397
▪ Less than 5 hours	8,560	30.3	27.9	8,297	30.0	26.5	+262
▪ Between 5 and 14 hours	8,869	31.4	28.5	7,983	28.9	26.9	+885
▪ Between 15 and 29 hours	2,993	10.6	9.5	2,707	9.8	9.3	+286
▪ 30 hours or more	1,784	6.3	6.1	1,820	6.6	6.5	-36
Did no unpaid domestic work	3,970	14.0	19.2	3,973	14.4	19.1	-4
Not stated	2,105	7.4	8.8	2,875	10.4	11.7	-771
Total persons aged 15+	28,281	100.0	100.0	27,657	100.0	100.0	+623

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by .id, the population experts.

Unpaid domestic work, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area



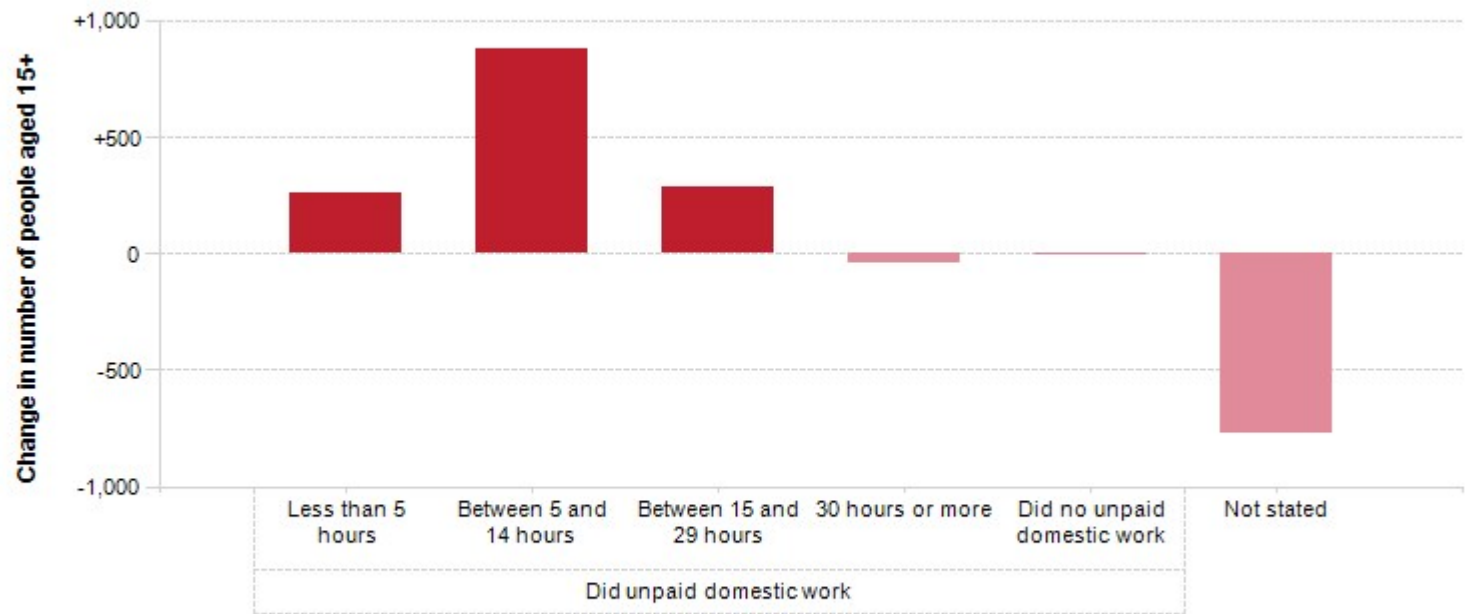
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Change in unpaid domestic work, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



Unpaid domestic work

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the unpaid domestic work performed by the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of persons who performed 15 hours or more of unpaid domestic work per week.

Overall, 16.9% of the population reported performing 15 hours or more of unpaid domestic work, compared with 15.6% for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the share of the population performing unpaid domestic work in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who did domestic work (78.5% compared to 72.0%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons who did between 15 and 29 hours of domestic work (31.4% compared to 28.5%)
- A *larger* percentage of persons who did between 5 and 14 hours of domestic work (30.3% compared to 27.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who did no unpaid domestic work (14.0% compared to 19.2%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the number of people performing unpaid domestic work in Balmain Ward, between 2006 and 2011 were those who:

- Did unpaid domestic work (+1,397 persons)
- Did between 5 and 14 hours of domestic work (+885 persons)
- Did between 15 and 29 hours of domestic work (+286 persons)
- Did less than 5 hours of domestic work (+262 persons)

Balmain Ward

Unpaid care

The proportion of people providing unpaid care for the aged and disabled in Balmain Ward 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

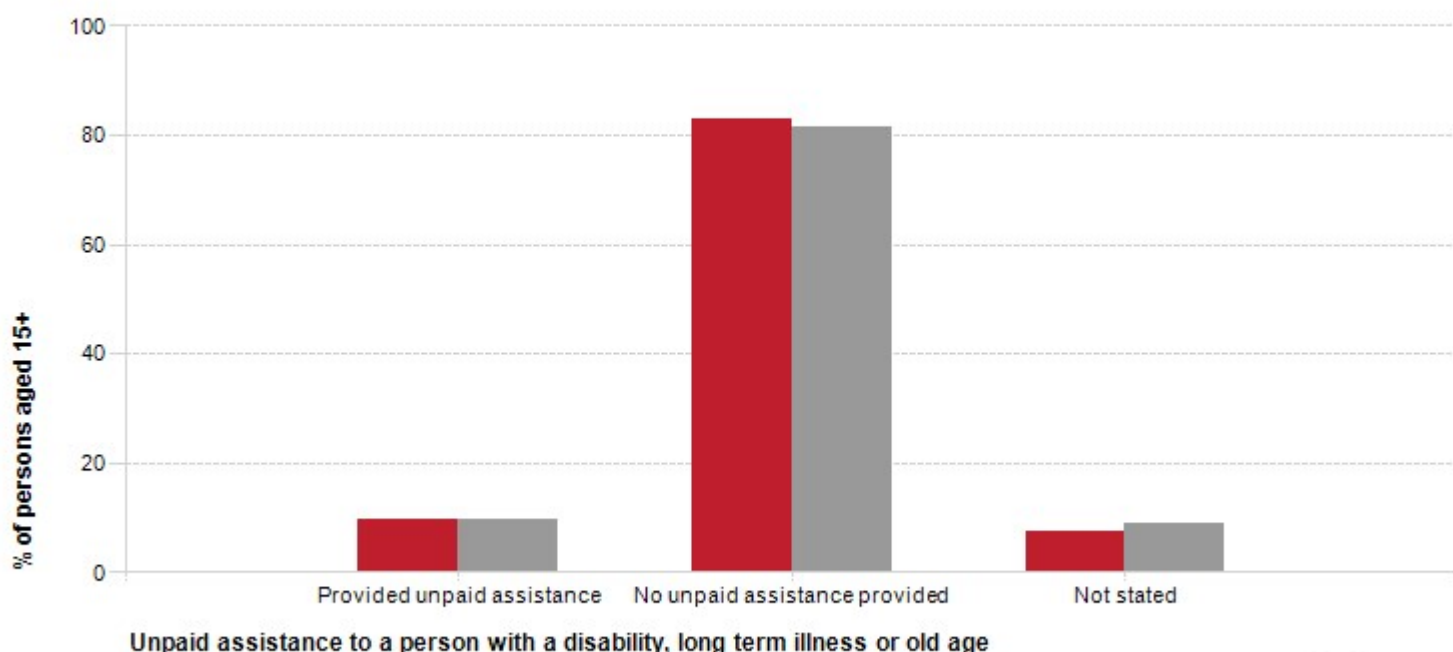
Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011		2006		Change		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Assistance to a person with a disability, long term illness or old age							
a Provided unpaid assistance	2,724	9.6	9.6	2,465	8.9	8.7	+259
No unpaid assistance provided	23,436	82.8	81.4	22,296	80.7	79.5	+1,139
Not stated	2,128	7.5	9.0	2,865	10.4	11.8	-737
Total persons aged 15+	28,288	100.0	100.0	27,627	100.0	100.0	+661

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Unpaid care, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

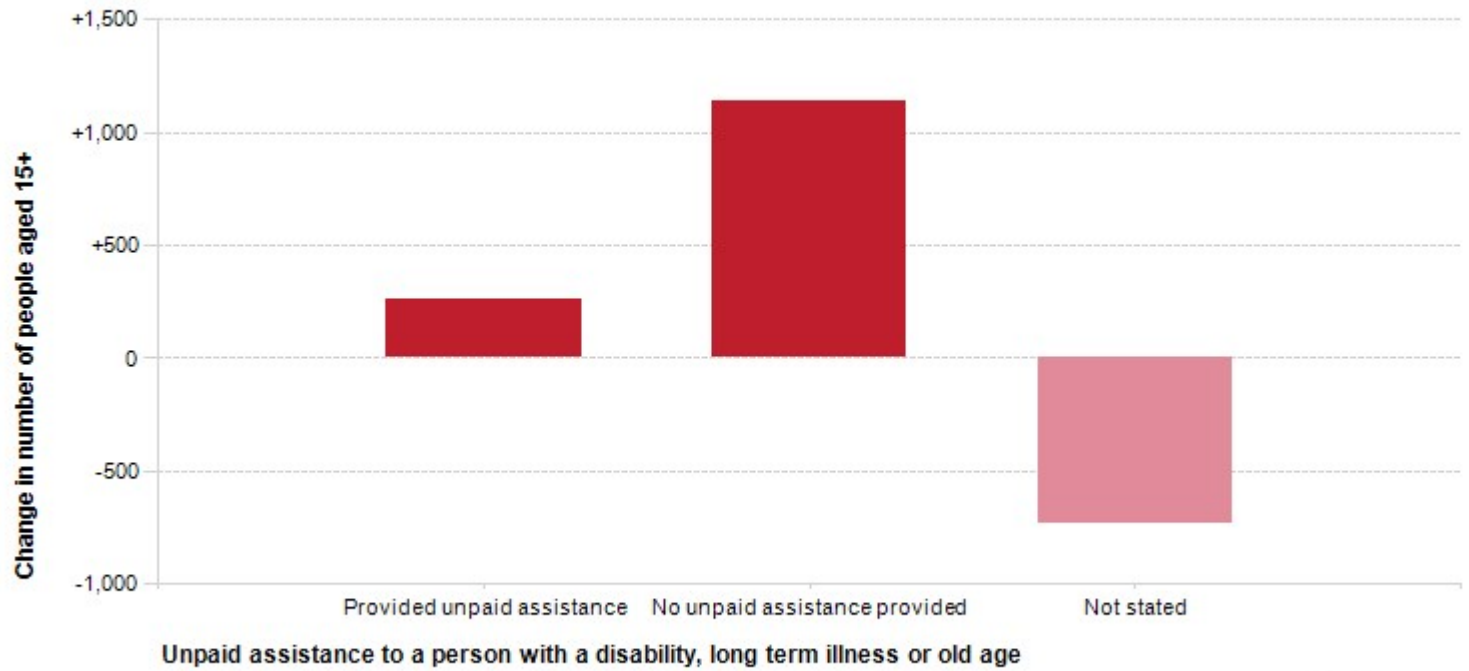


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Change in unpaid care, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the unpaid care provided by the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a similar proportion of people who provided unpaid care either to family members or others. Overall, 9.6% of the population provided unpaid care, compared with 9.6% for Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

The number of people who provided unpaid assistance to a person with a disability, long term illness or old age in Balmain Ward increased by 259 between 2006 and 2011.

Balmain Ward

Unpaid childcare

The role of unpaid childcare in Balmain Ward 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

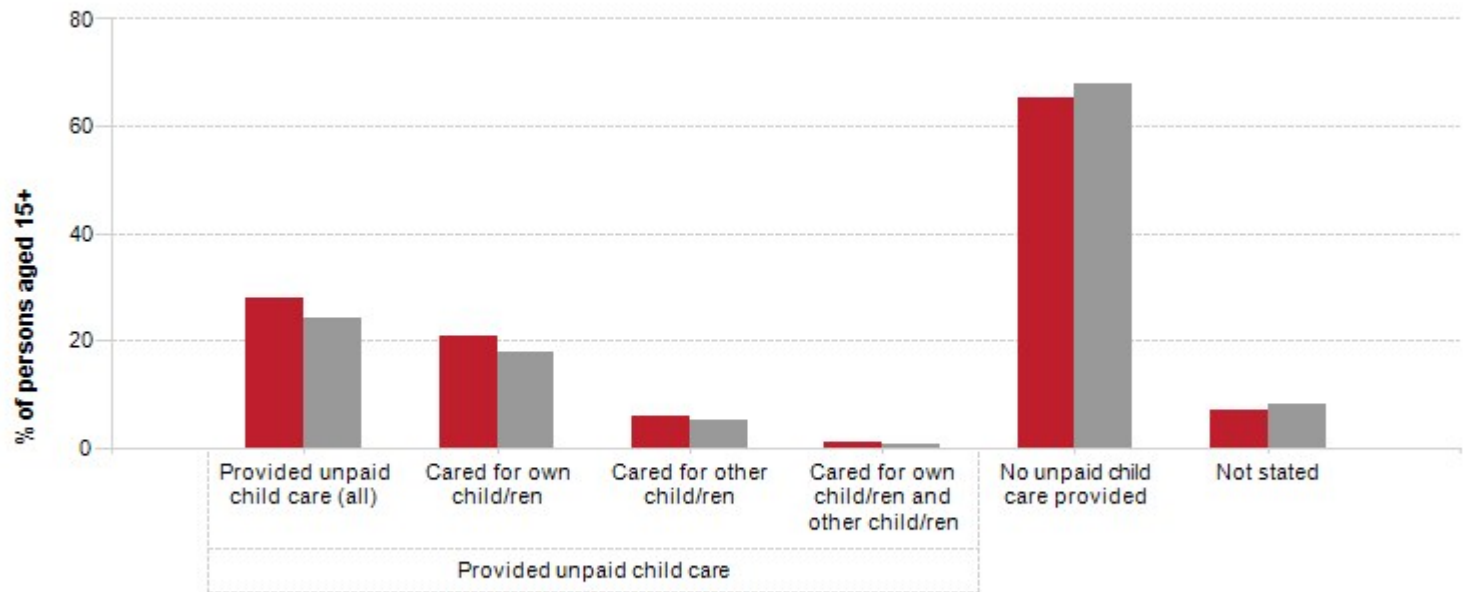
Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011		2006		Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	%	Number	%	
Unpaid child care					
Provided unpaid child care (all)	7,854	27.8	6,556	23.7	+1,297
▪ Cared for own child/ren	5,875	20.8	4,742	17.2	+1,132
▪ Cared for other child/ren	1,707	6.0	1,552	5.6	+155
▪ Cared for own child/ren and other child/ren	272	1.0	261	0.9	+10
No unpaid child care provided	18,464	65.3	18,365	66.4	+99
Not stated	1,969	7.0	2,718	9.8	-749
Total persons aged 15+	28,287	100.0	27,640	100.0	+647

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

Unpaid childcare, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area



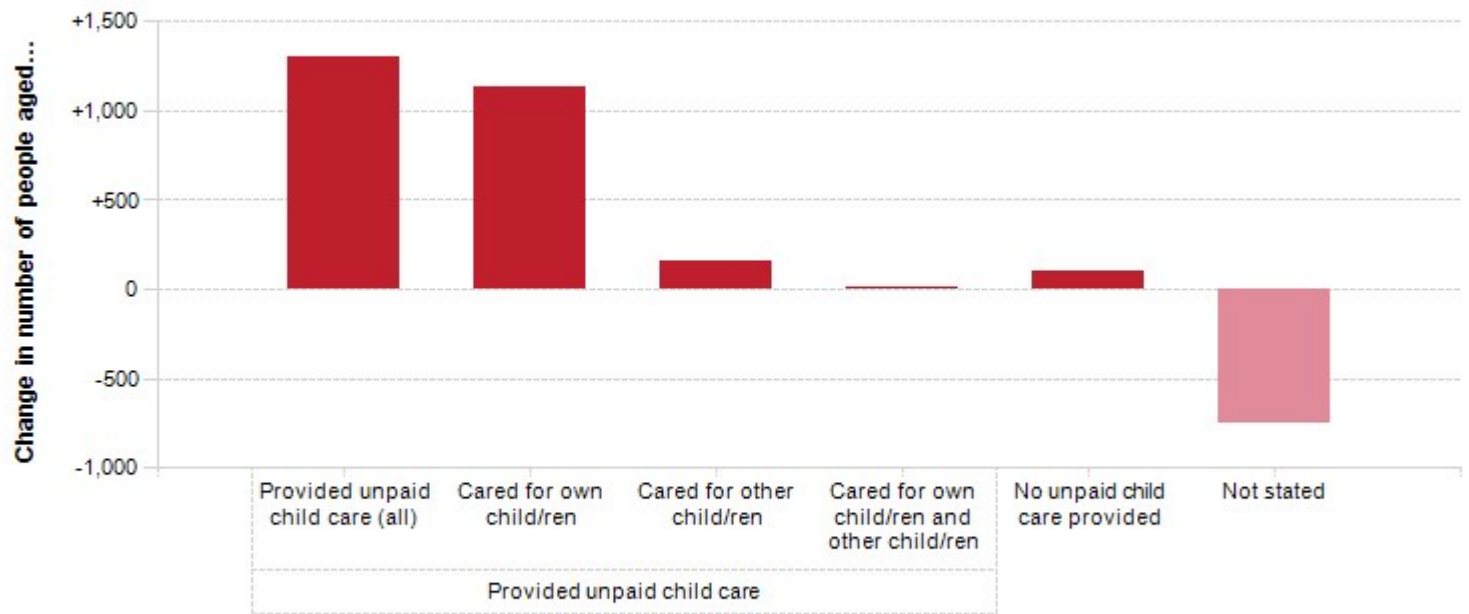
Unpaid childcare

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Change in unpaid childcare, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward - Total persons



Unpaid childcare

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the unpaid child care provided by the population in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of people who provided unpaid child care either to their own or to other children. Overall, 27.8% of the population provided unpaid child care, compared with 24.0% for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the share of the population providing unpaid child care in Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage who provided unpaid childcare for own child/ren (20.8% compared to 18.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage who did not provide care for children (65.3% compared to 67.7%)

Emerging groups

The number of people who provided unpaid child care for their own and/or other people's children in Balmain Ward increased by 1,298 between 2006 and 2011.

The largest changes in the number of people performing unpaid child care in Balmain Ward, between 2006 and 2011 were those who:

- Cared for their own child/ren (+1,132 persons)
- Cared for other child/ren (+155 persons)
- Provided no unpaid child care (+99 persons)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward. 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

Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %
Weekly gross income			
Negative Income/ Nil income	1,756	6.2	7.1
\$1-\$199	1,228	4.3	5.0
\$200-\$299	1,548	5.5	8.0
\$300-\$399	1,723	6.1	8.1
\$400-\$599	1,858	6.6	8.6
\$600-\$799	1,825	6.5	8.5
\$800-\$999	1,879	6.6	7.8
\$1000-\$1249	2,154	7.6	8.6
\$1250-\$1499	2,053	7.3	6.9
\$1500-\$1999	3,277	11.6	9.9
\$2000 or more	6,970	24.6	13.0
Not stated	2,011	7.1	8.5
Total persons aged 15+	28,282	100.0	100.0

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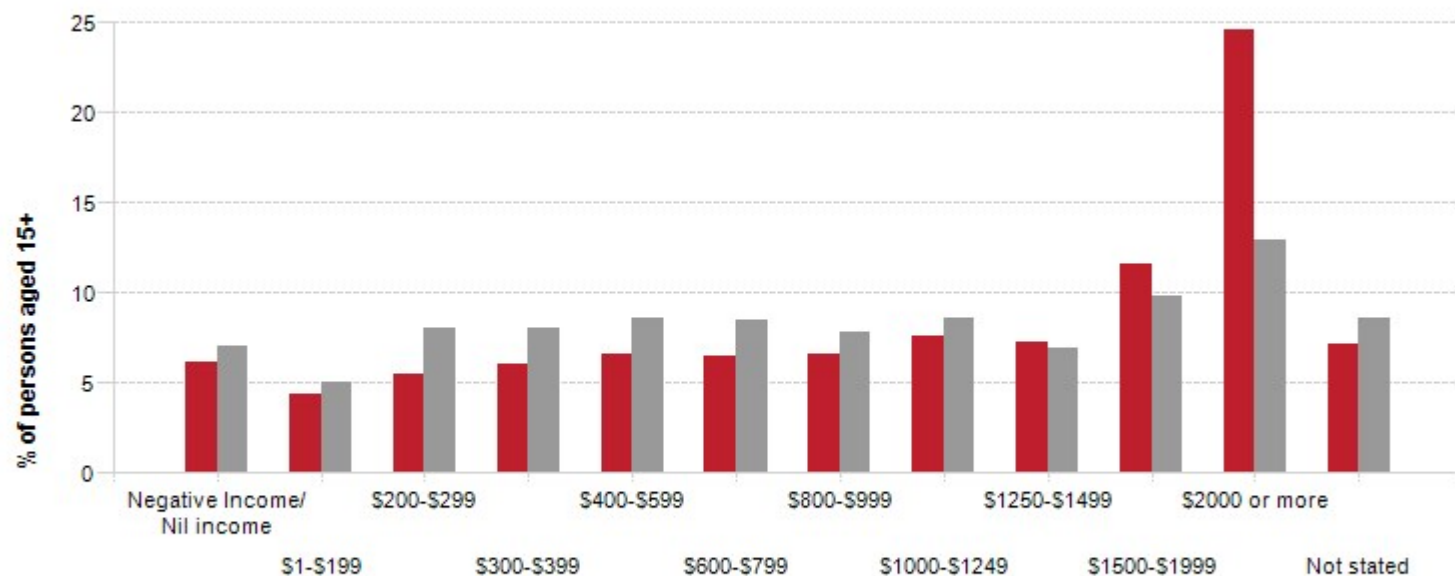
[e Local labour force individual income by industry](#)

[e Workforce individual income by industry](#)

Weekly individual income, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area



Weekly gross income

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2011 (Usual residence data)
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Dominant groups

Analysis of individual income levels in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of people earning a high income (those earning \$1,500 per week or more) and a lower proportion of low income people (those earning less than \$400 per week).

Overall, 36.2% of the population earned a high income, and 22.1% earned a low income, compared with 22.8% and 28.2% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between Balmain Ward's individual incomes and Inner West Council area's individual incomes were:

- A *larger* percentage of persons who earned \$2000 or more (24.6% compared to 13.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who earned \$200-\$299 (5.5% compared to 8.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who earned \$400-\$599 (6.6% compared to 8.6%)
- A *smaller* percentage of persons who earned \$600-\$799 (6.5% compared to 8.5%)

Balmain Ward

Individual income quartiles

Balmain Ward'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

Balmain Ward - Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	Inner West Council area %		Number	Inner West Council area %		
Quartile group							2006 to 2011
Lowest group	4,019	15.3	19.1	3,697	14.8	19.9	+322
Medium lowest	3,738	14.2	19.4	3,467	13.9	19.5	+271
Medium highest	4,867	18.5	23.1	4,598	18.5	23.0	+269
Highest group	13,647	51.9	38.4	13,135	52.8	37.6	+513
Total persons aged 15+	26,271	100.0	100.0	24,897	100.0	100.0	+1,374

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

Individual income - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from income data for New South Wales - Total persons aged 15+

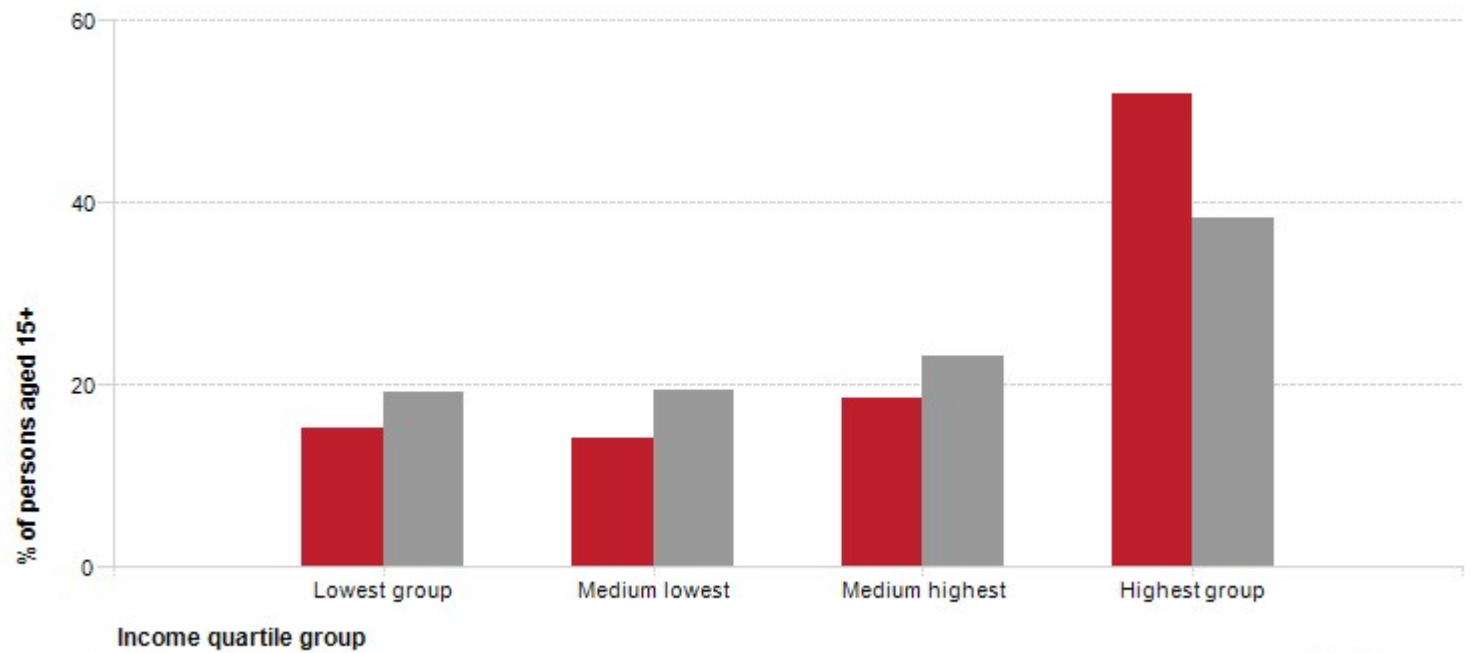
Weekly income by Census year

Individual quartile ranges	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$266	\$0 to \$207	\$0 to \$183
Medium lowest	\$267 to \$560	\$208 to \$460	\$184 to \$386
Medium highest	\$561 to \$1,093	\$461 to \$895	\$387 to \$719
Highest group	\$1,094 and over	\$896 and over	\$720 and over

Individual income quartiles, 2011

Total persons

■ Balmain Ward ■ Inner West Council area

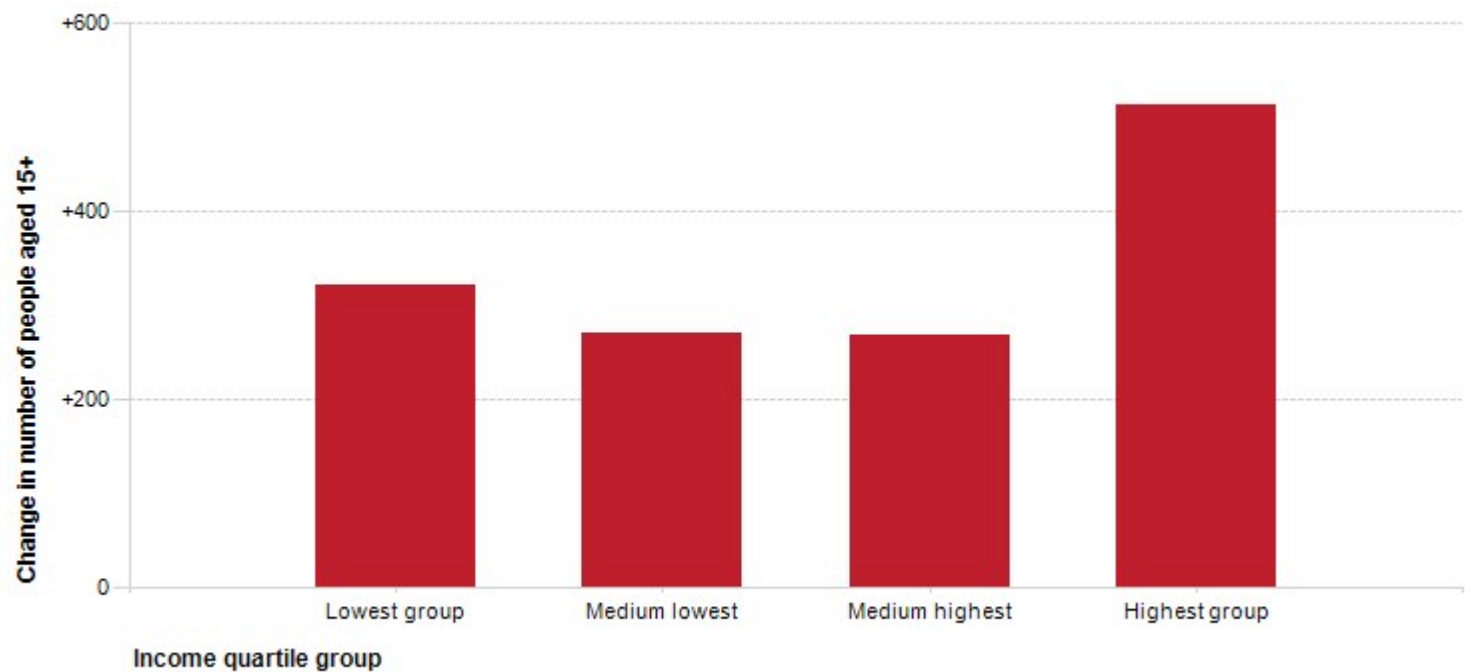


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Change in individual income quartiles, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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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 Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area 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 Balmain Ward in persons between 2006 and 2011 was in the highest quartile which showed an increase of 513 persons.

Balmain Ward

Household income

Households form the common 'economic unit' in our society. Balmain Ward'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 Balmain Ward. 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](#).

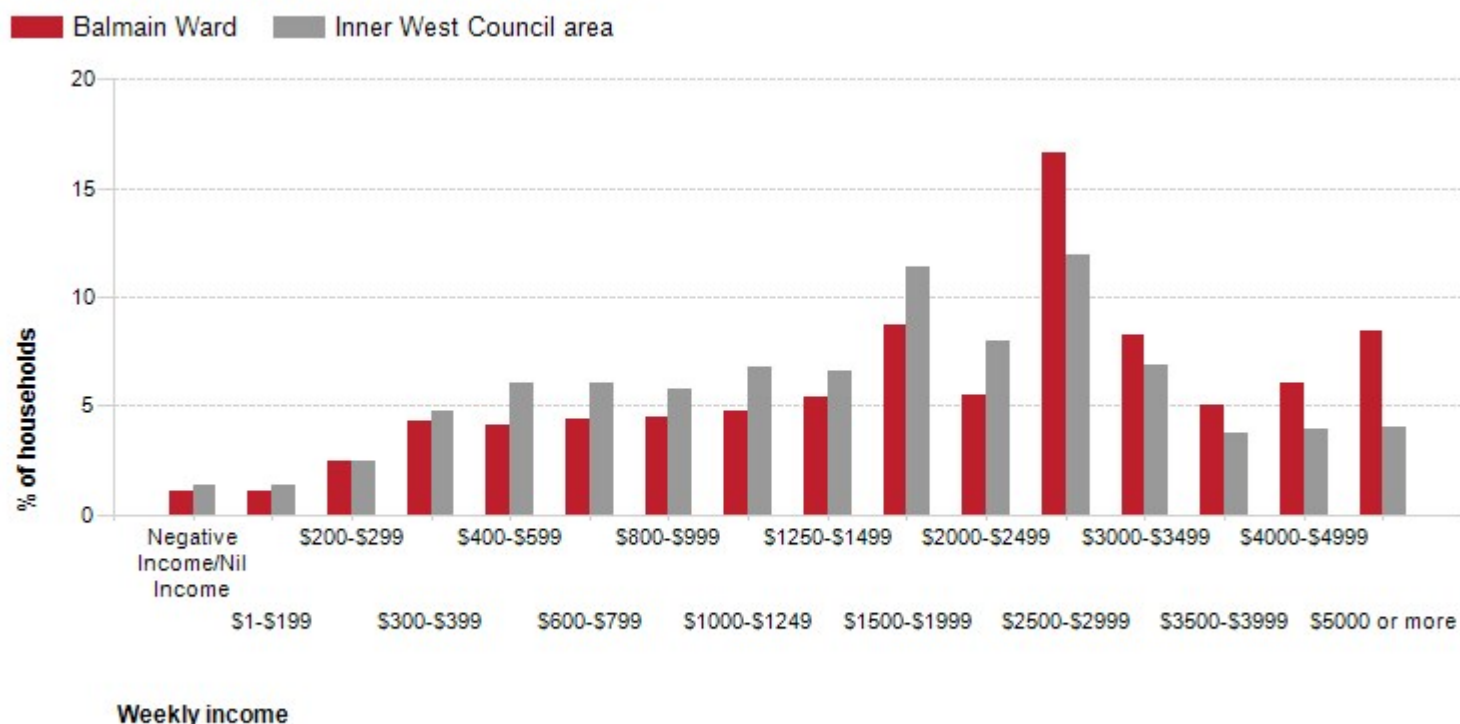
Weekly household income

Weekly income	2011		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %
Negative Income/Nil Income	153	1.1	1.3
\$1-\$199	147	1.0	1.3
\$200-\$299	348	2.4	2.5
\$300-\$399	610	4.3	4.7
\$400-\$599	587	4.1	6.1
\$600-\$799	623	4.4	6.0
\$800-\$999	637	4.5	5.8
\$1000-\$1249	673	4.7	6.7
\$1250-\$1499	760	5.3	6.6
\$1500-\$1999	1,242	8.7	11.4
\$2000-\$2499	776	5.5	8.0
\$2500-\$2999	2,367	16.7	11.9
\$3000-\$3499	1,174	8.3	6.8
\$3500-\$3999	709	5.0	3.7
\$4000-\$4999	855	6.0	4.0
\$5000 or more	1,198	8.4	4.0
Not stated	1,348	9.5	9.3
Total households	14,207	100.0	100.0

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing 2011](#). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#), the population experts.

- [a Low income households \(less than \\$600 per week\)](#)
- [a High income households \(more than \\$2,500 per week\)](#)
- [a Median household income](#)

Weekly household income, 2011



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2011 (Enumerated data)
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Dominant groups

Analysis of household income levels in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of high income households (those earning \$2,500 per week or more) and a lower proportion of low income households (those earning less than \$600 per week).

Overall, 44.4% of the households earned a high income and 13.0% were low income households, compared with 30.4% and 15.9% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the household incomes of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of households who earned \$2500-\$2999 (16.7% compared to 11.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of households who earned \$1500-\$1999 (8.7% compared to 11.4%)
- A *smaller* percentage of households who earned \$2000-\$2499 (5.5% compared to 8.0%)
- A *smaller* percentage of households who earned \$1000-\$1249 (4.7% compared to 6.7%)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward'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](#).

Household income quartiles

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		
Quartile group		%	%		%	%	2006 to 2011
Lowest group	1,892	14.7	18.0	1,778	14.5	18.6	+113
Medium lowest	1,843	14.3	19.4	1,837	15.0	21.3	+6
Medium highest	2,469	19.2	25.1	2,347	19.2	23.8	+123
Highest group	6,655	51.8	37.5	6,286	51.3	36.3	+369
Total Households	12,859	100.0	100.0	12,248	100.0	100.0	+611

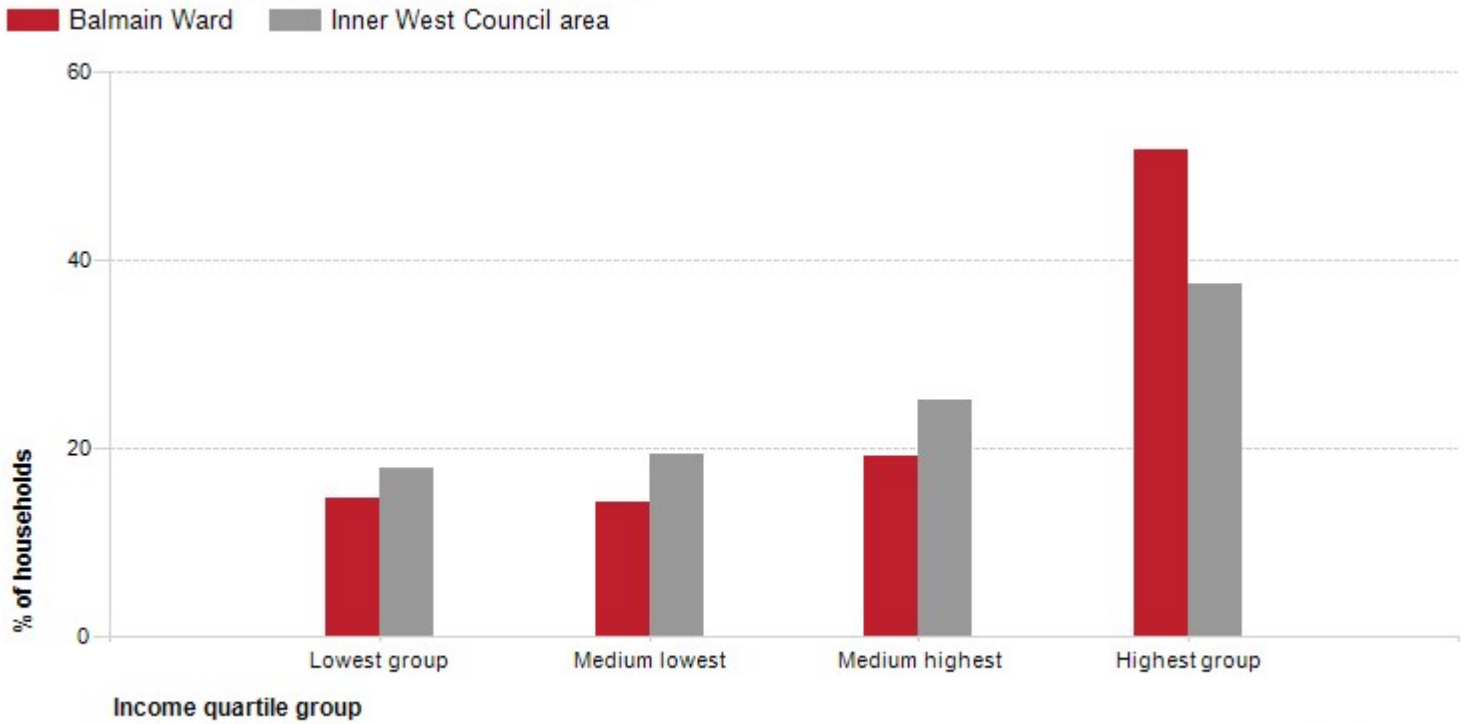
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Household income - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from income data for New South Wales Weekly income by Census year

Household income ranges	2011	2006	2001	1996	1991
Lowest group	\$0 to \$614	\$0 to \$530	\$0 to \$418	\$0 to \$337	\$0 to \$302
Medium lowest	\$615 to \$1,233	\$531 to \$1,034	\$419 to \$828	\$338 to \$652	\$303 to \$582
Medium highest	\$1,234 to \$2,272	\$1,035 to \$1,788	\$829 to \$1,462	\$653 to \$1,146	\$583 to \$975
Highest group	\$2,273 and over	\$1,789 and over	\$1,463 and over	\$1,147 and over	\$976 and over

Household income quartiles, 2011

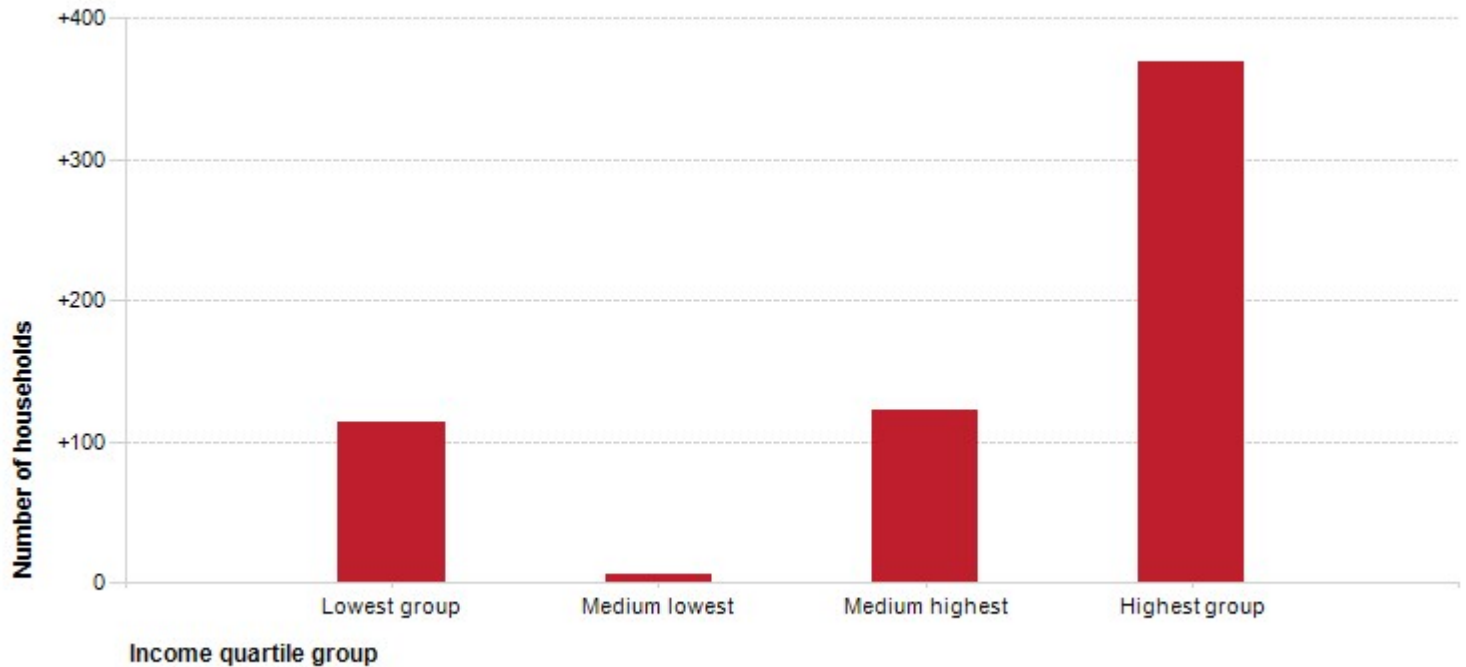


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Change in household income quartile, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Income quartiles allow us to compare relative income-earning capabilities across time. Analysis of the distribution of households by income quartile in Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area 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 Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 was in the highest quartile which showed an increase of 369 households.

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward.

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

Equivalised household income quartiles

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
Quartile group	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
Lowest group	1,612	12.7	16.8	1,567	13.0	17.6	+44
Medium lowest	1,404	11.1	16.6	1,364	11.3	17.1	+40
Medium highest	2,412	19.0	23.2	2,090	17.3	22.7	+322
Highest group	7,251	57.2	43.4	7,053	58.4	42.6	+198
Total Households	12,679	100.0	100.0	12,074	100.0	100.0	+605

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

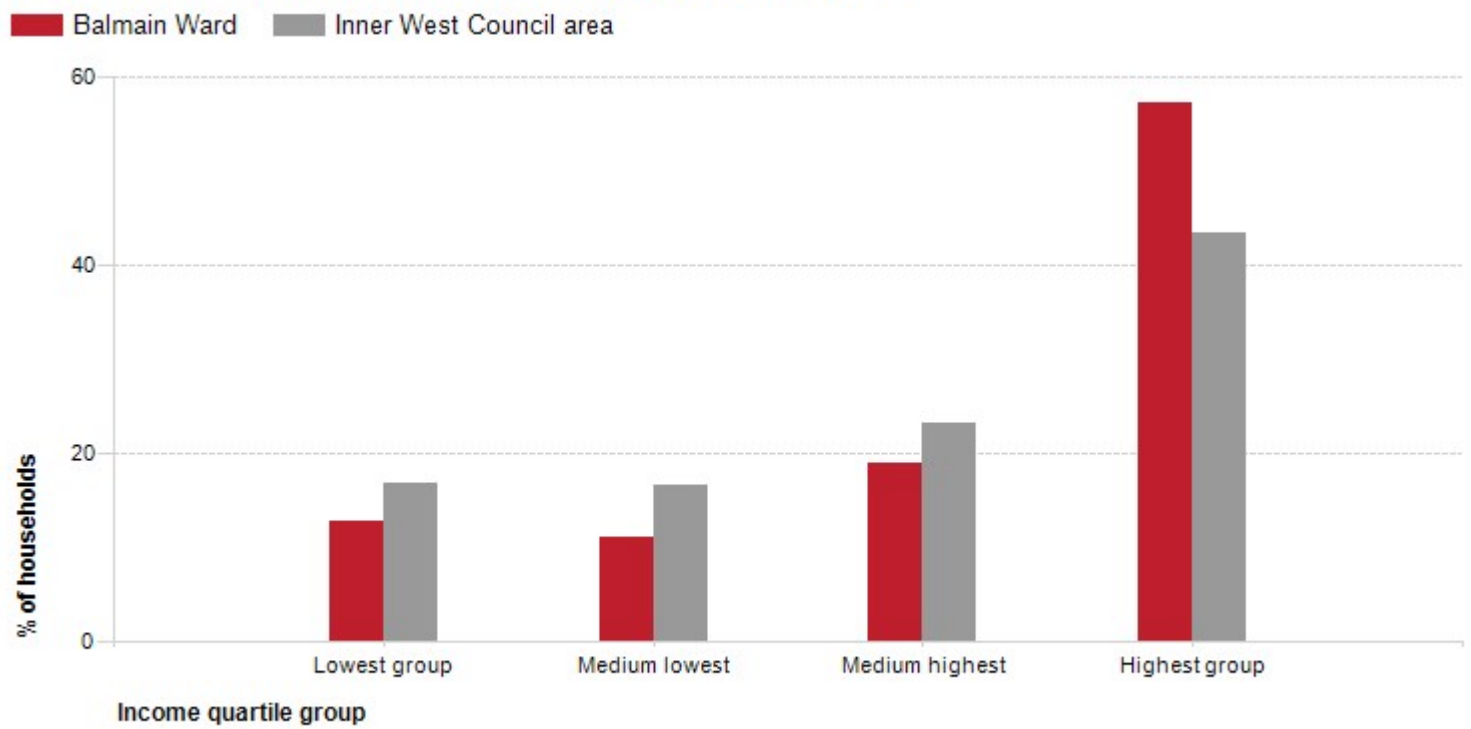
Equivalised household income - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from income data for New South Wales

Weekly income by Census year

Equivalised household income ranges	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$421	\$0 to \$347	\$0 to \$284
Medium lowest	\$422 to \$756	\$348 to \$608	\$285 to \$500
Medium highest	\$757 to \$1,243	\$609 to \$1,022	\$501 to \$823
Highest group	\$1,244 and over	\$1,023 and over	\$824 and over

Equivalised household income quartiles, 2011

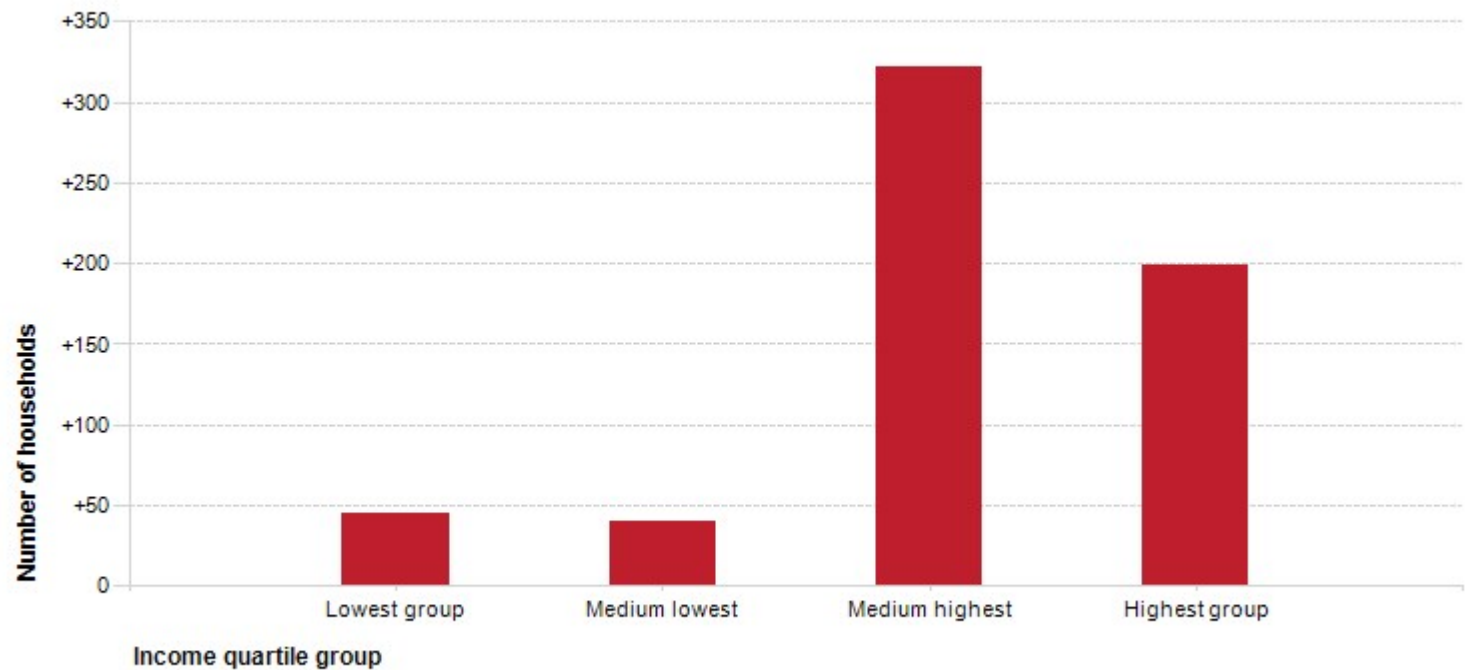


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Change in equivalised household income quartiles, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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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 Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area 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 Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 was in the medium highest quartile which showed an increase of 322 households.

Balmain Ward

Household type

Balmain Ward'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, Balmain Ward's Household Summary should be viewed in conjunction with [Households with Children](#), [Households without Children](#), [Household Size](#), [Age Structure](#) and [Dwelling Type](#).

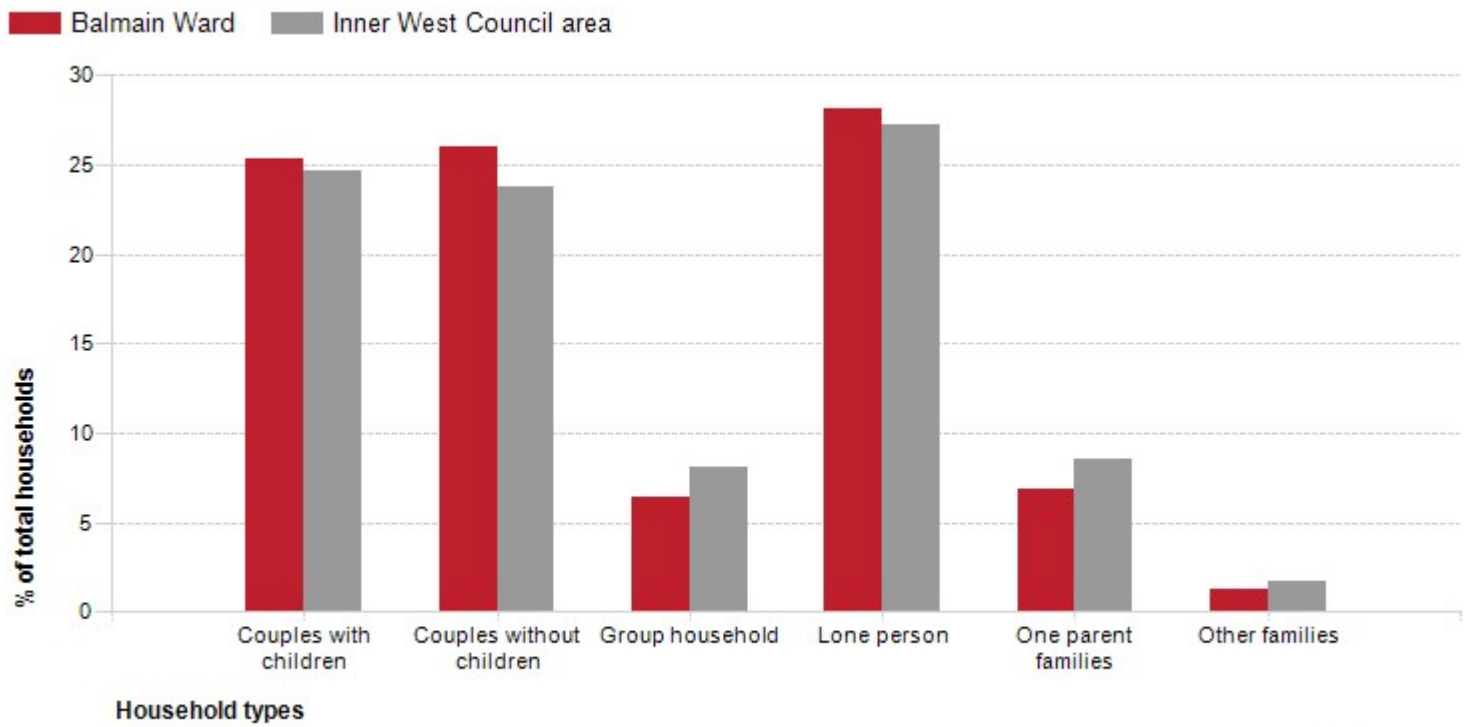
Household type

Balmain Ward - Total households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Households by type							2006 to 2011
a Couples with children	3,779	25.3	24.7	3,174	21.6	22.6	+605
a Couples without children	3,874	26.0	23.8	3,840	26.1	23.2	+34
Other not classifiable household	706	4.7	5.1	1,064	7.2	7.1	-359
Visitor only households	191	1.3	0.9	184	1.3	1.0	+6
a Group household	960	6.4	8.1	1,013	6.9	7.8	-54
a Lone person	4,192	28.1	27.3	4,216	28.7	28.1	-24
a One parent families	1,019	6.8	8.5	1,000	6.8	8.5	+19
Other families	189	1.3	1.7	216	1.5	1.8	-28
Total households	14,910	100.0	100.0	14,710	100.0	100.0	+200

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011. Compiled and presented by [.id](#), the population experts.

- 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, 2011

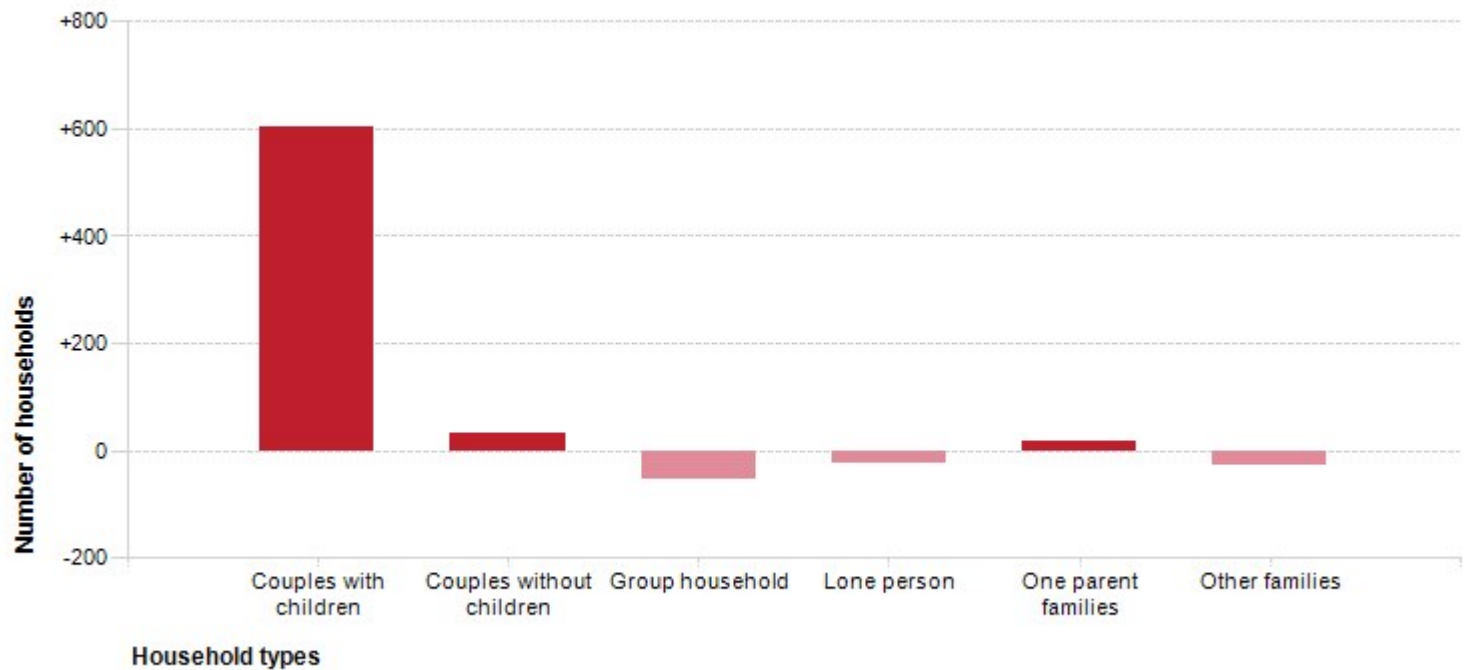


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Change in household type, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the household/family types in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a higher proportion of couple families with child(ren) as well as a lower proportion of one-parent families. Overall, 25.3% of total families were couple families with child(ren), and 6.8% were one-parent families, compared with 24.7% and 8.5% respectively for Inner West Council area.

There were a higher proportion of lone person households and a higher proportion of couples without children. Overall, the proportion of lone person households was 28.1% compared to 27.3% in Inner West Council area while the proportion of couples without children was 26.0% compared to 23.8% in Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

The number of households in Balmain Ward increased by 200 between 2006 and 2011.

The largest changes in family/household types in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were:

- Couples with children (+605 households)
- Group household (-54 households)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward, 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

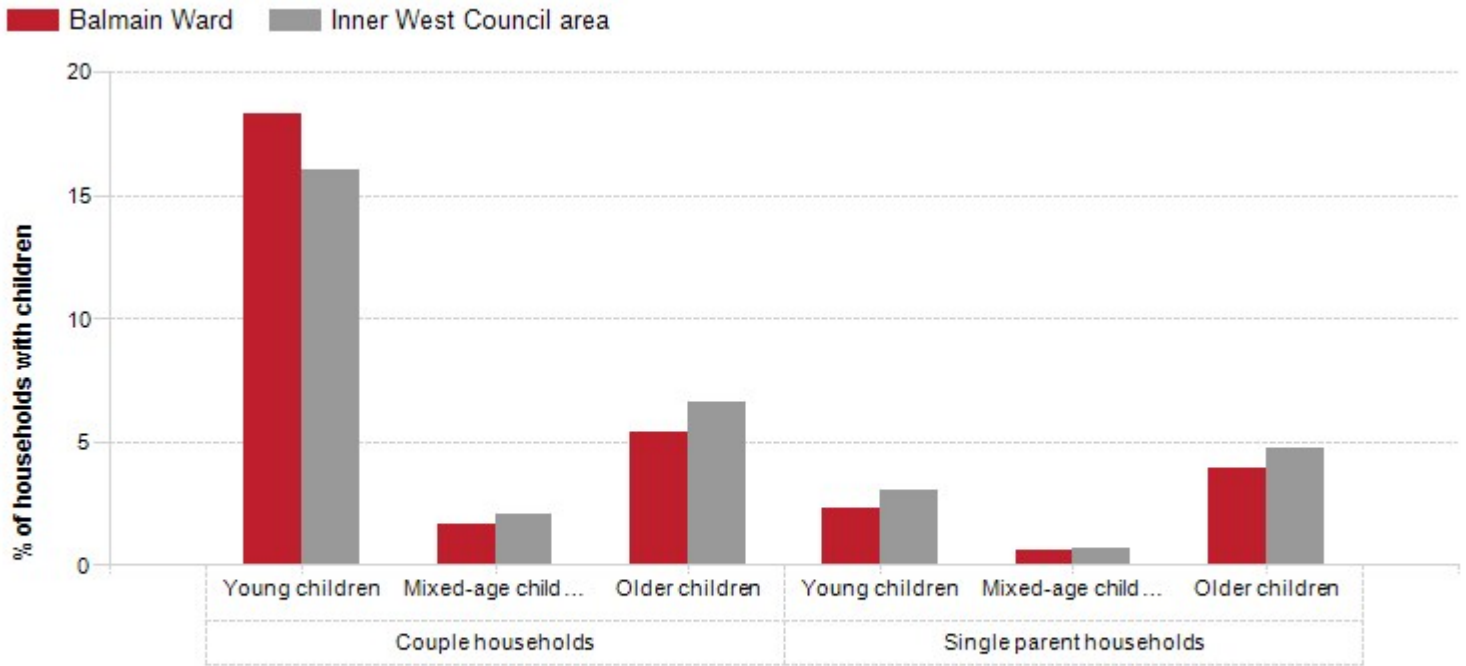
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Households with children by life stage

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011		2006		Change		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Households with children							
a Couples with children	3,779	25.3	24.7	3,174	21.6	22.6	+605
▪ a Couples with young children	2,726	18.3	16.0	2,092	14.2	13.5	+634
▪ Couples with mixed-age children	245	1.6	2.0	265	1.8	2.3	-20
▪ Couples with older children	808	5.4	6.6	816	5.6	6.8	-9
a Single parents with children	1,019	6.8	8.5	1,000	6.8	8.5	+19
▪ a Single parents with young children	349	2.3	3.0	358	2.4	3.3	-10
▪ Single parents with mixed-age children	88	0.6	0.7	69	0.5	0.7	+19
▪ Single parents with older children	582	3.9	4.8	571	3.9	4.5	+10
Total households with children	4,798	32.2	33.1	4,174	28.4	31.1	+624
Total households	14,910	100.0	100.0	14,710	100.0	100.0	+200

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Households with children, 2011



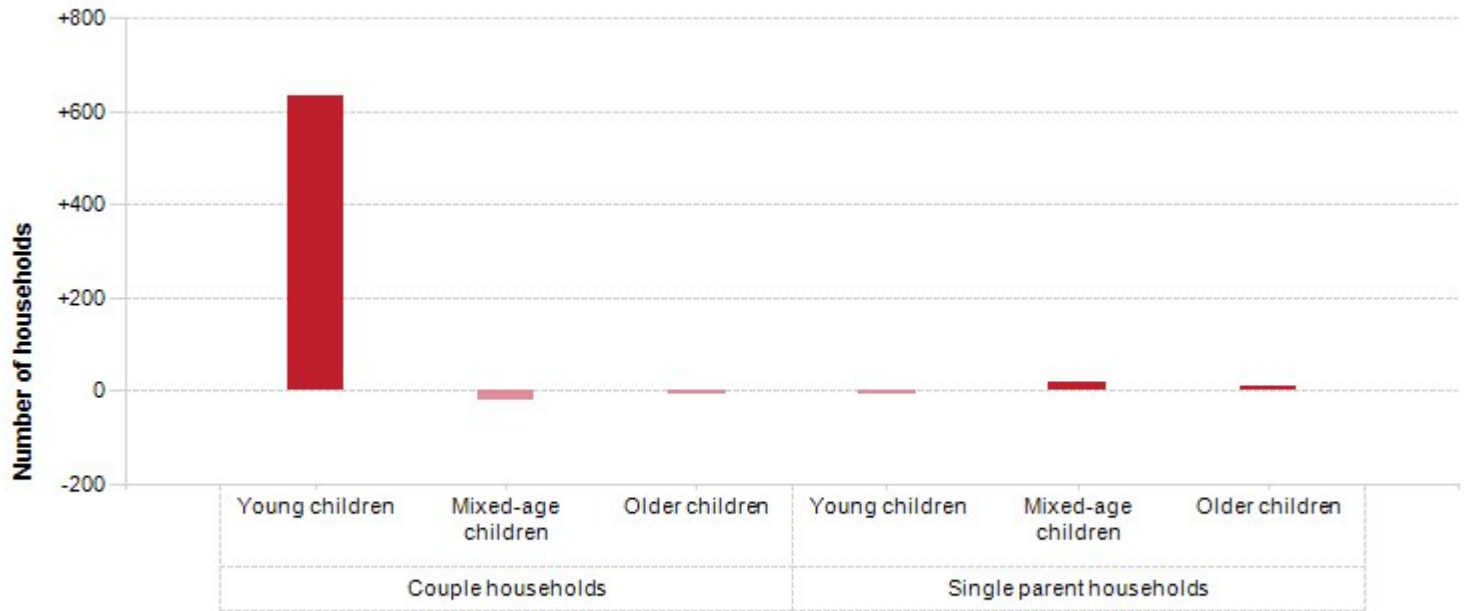
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Change in households with children, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



Household type and life stage of children

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the families with children in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of couples with young children, and a smaller proportion of couples with older children. Overall, 18.3% of total households with children were couple with young children, and 5.4% were couples with older children, compared with 16.0% and 6.6% respectively for Inner West Council area.

There were a smaller 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 2.3% compared to 3.0% in Inner West Council area while the proportion of single parent households with older children was 3.9% compared to 4.8% in Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

Between 2006 and 2011, the number of households with children increased by 624 households or 14.9%.

The largest change in households with children in this area between 2006 and 2011 was:

- Couples with young children (+634 households)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward, 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

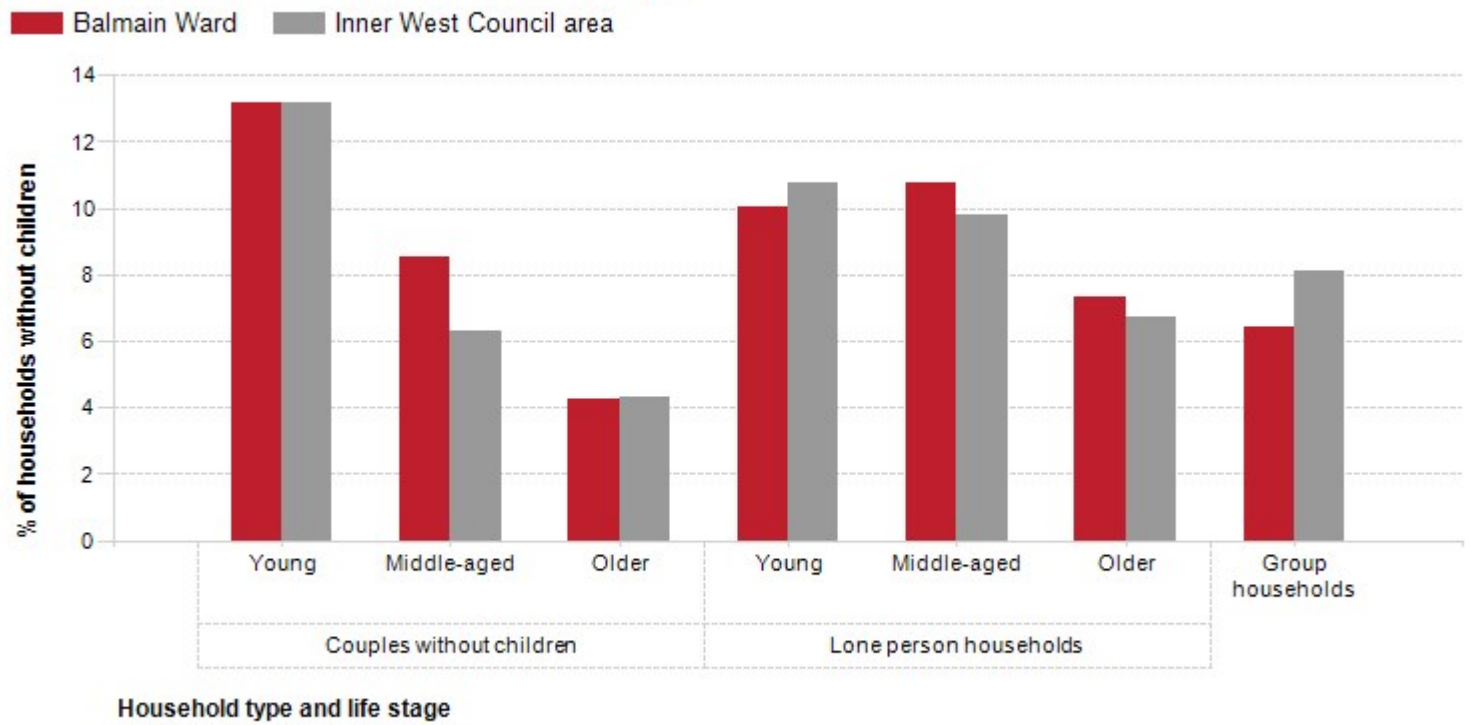
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Households without children by life stage

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011		2006		Change		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
a Households without children	3,874	26.0	23.8	3,840	26.1	23.2	+34
▪ a Young couples without children	1,966	13.2	13.2	2,197	14.9	13.4	-231
▪ Middle-aged couples without children	1,273	8.5	6.3	1,154	7.8	5.7	+118
▪ a Older couples without children	635	4.3	4.3	488	3.3	4.0	+147
a Lone person households	4,192	28.1	27.3	4,216	28.7	28.1	-24
▪ a Young lone persons	1,497	10.0	10.8	1,792	12.2	12.3	-295
▪ Middle-aged lone persons	1,606	10.8	9.8	1,477	10.0	9.5	+129
▪ a Older lone persons	1,089	7.3	6.7	946	6.4	6.3	+142
a Group households	960	6.4	8.1	1,013	6.9	7.8	-54
Total households without children	9,026	60.5	59.1	9,070	61.7	59.1	-44
Total households	14,910	100.0	100.0	14,710	100.0	100.0	+200

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Households without children, 2011

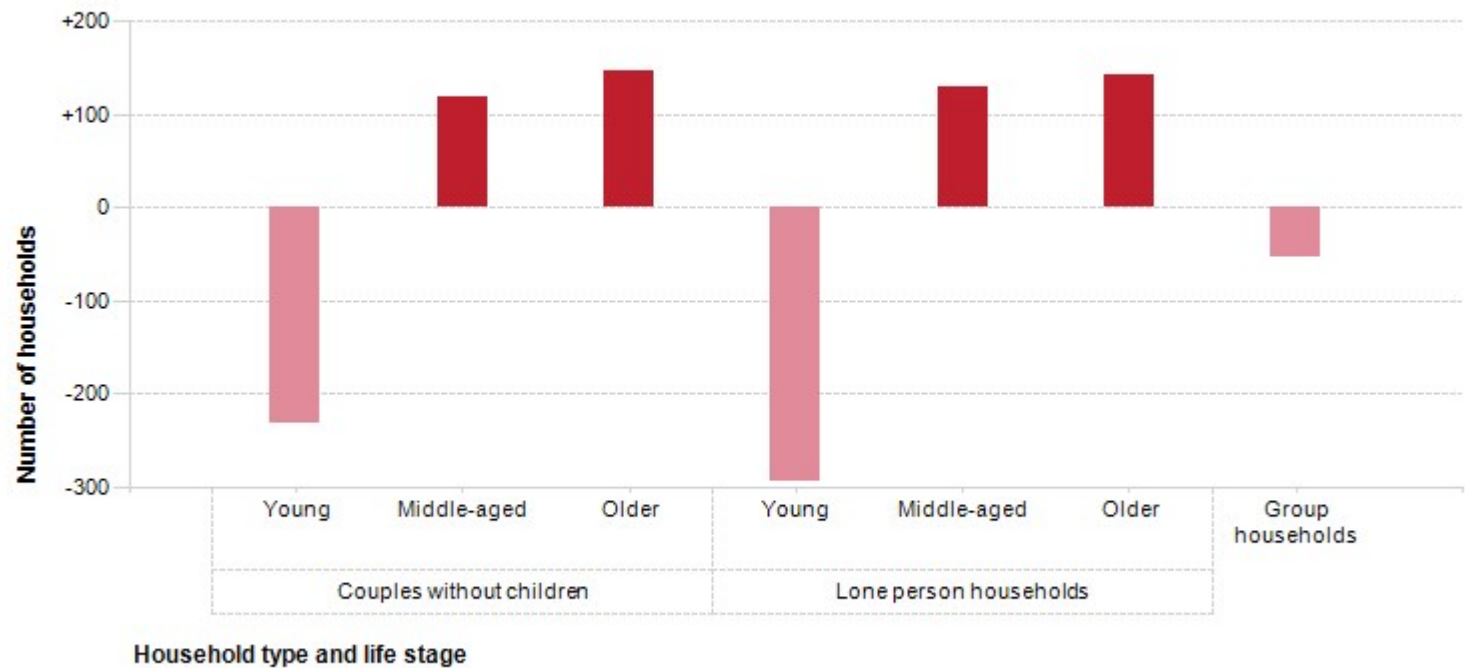


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Change in households without children, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the households without children in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a similar proportion of young couples without children, a larger proportion of middle-aged couples without children, and a similar proportion of older couples without children.

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

Emerging groups

Between 2006 and 2011, the number of households without children decreased by 44.

The largest changes in households without children in Balmain Ward, between 2006 and 2011 were:

- Young lone persons (-295 persons)
- Young couples without children (-231 persons)
- Older couples without children (+147 persons)
- Older lone persons (+142 persons)

Balmain Ward

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 declined since the 1970s but between 2006 and 2011, the average household size remained stable for the nation as a whole.

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, Balmain Ward'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

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011		Inner West Council area		2006		Inner West Council area		Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
Number of persons usually resident									
1 person	4,159	29.7	28.7	4,223	31.4	30.5	-64		
2 persons	5,166	36.9	35.3	5,158	38.3	35.8	+8		
3 persons	2,264	16.2	17.0	2,041	15.2	16.3	+223		
4 persons	1,788	12.8	13.2	1,523	11.3	11.8	+265		
5 persons	488	3.5	4.1	392	2.9	3.9	+96		
6 or more persons	136	1.0	1.7	122	0.9	1.7	+14		
Total classifiable households	14,001	100.0	100.0	13,460	100.0	100.0	+541		

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Household size - Summary

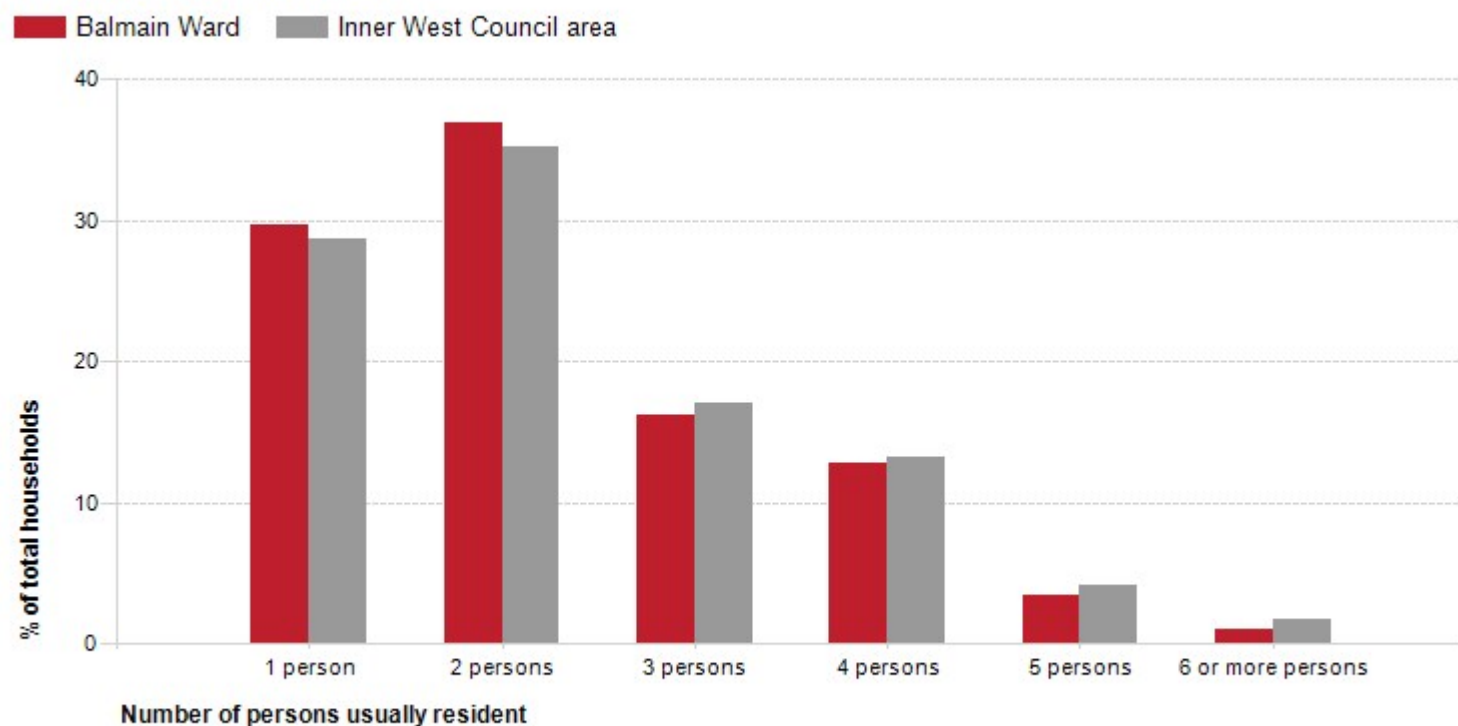
Balmain Ward - Enumerated	2011		Inner West Council area		2006		Inner West Council area		Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
Dwellings									
Occupied private dwellings	14,903	--	--	14,710	--	--	+193		
Persons in occupied private dwellings	33,326	--	--	31,743	--	--	+1,583		
<i>Average household size (persons per dwelling)</i>	2.24	--	2.32	2.16	--	2.27	+0.08		

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Household size, 2011

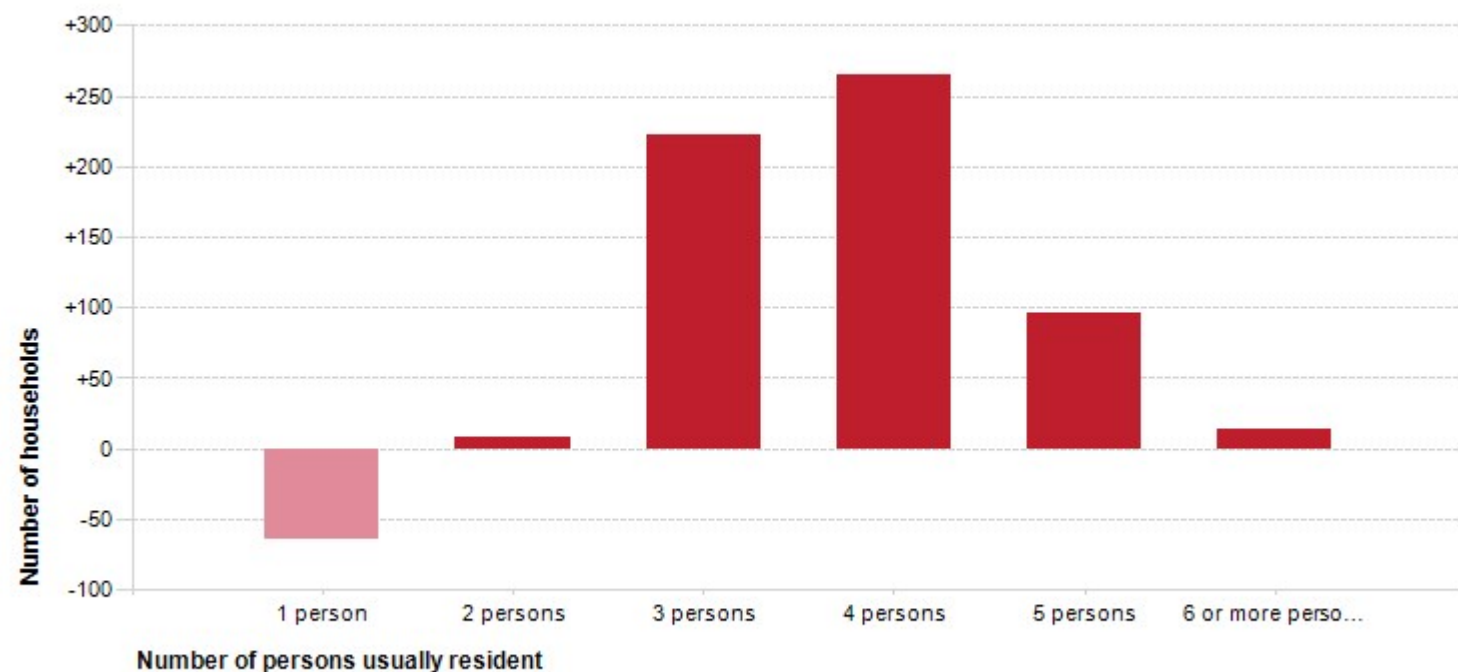


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Change in household size, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the number of persons usually resident in a household in Balmain Ward compared with Inner West Council area 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 29.7% of lone person households, and 17.2% of larger households, compared with 28.7% and 19.0% respectively for Inner West Council area.

The major difference in the household size for Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area was:

- A *larger* percentage of households with 2 persons usually resident (36.9% compared to 35.3%)

Emerging groups

The number of households in Balmain Ward increased by 541 between 2006 and 2011.

The largest changes in the number of persons usually resident in a household in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were:

- 4 persons (+265 households)
- 3 persons (+223 households)
- 5 persons (+96 households)
- 1 person (-64 households)

Balmain Ward

Dwelling type

Dwelling Type is an important determinant of Balmain Ward'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 Balmain Ward.

Dwelling structure

Balmain Ward - Dwellings (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
Dwelling type	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Separate house	5,611	34.5	34.0	5,518	34.4	35.7	+93
a Medium density	6,838	42.1	41.4	6,816	42.5	40.6	+21
a High density	3,561	21.9	23.2	3,432	21.4	22.2	+128
Caravans, cabin, houseboat	3	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	+3
Other	230	1.4	1.3	260	1.6	1.4	-31
Not stated	11	0.1	0.2	0	0.0	0.1	+11
Total Private Dwellings	16,254	100.0	100.0	16,028	100.0	100.0	+225

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Dwelling type

Balmain Ward	2011			2006			Change
Dwelling type	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	2006 to 2011
Occupied private dwellings	14,903	91.6	92.6	14,710	91.7	92.3	+193
Unoccupied private dwellings	1,340	8.2	7.1	1,316	8.2	7.4	+23
Non private dwellings	26	0.2	0.3	15	0.1	0.4	+11
Total dwellings	16,269	100.0	100.0	16,042	100.0	100.0	+227

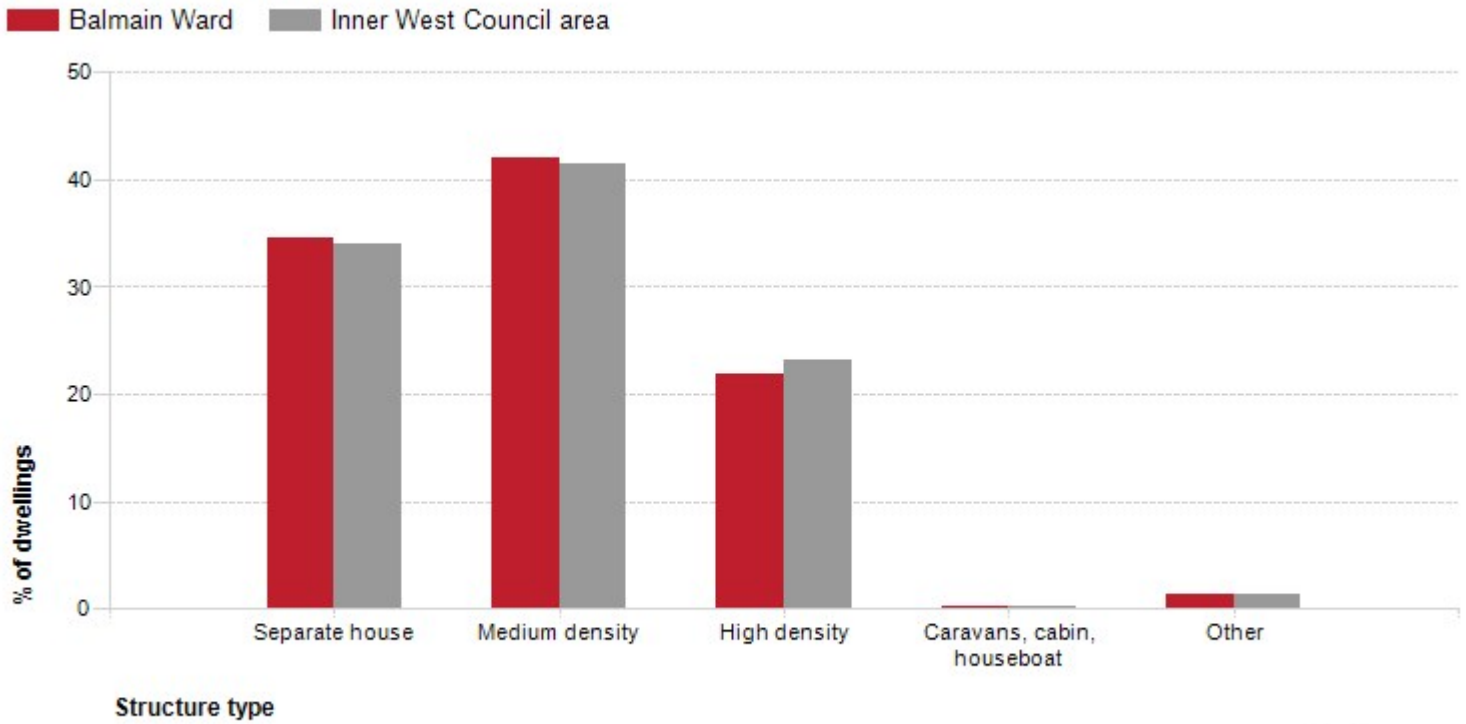
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Dwelling structure, 2011

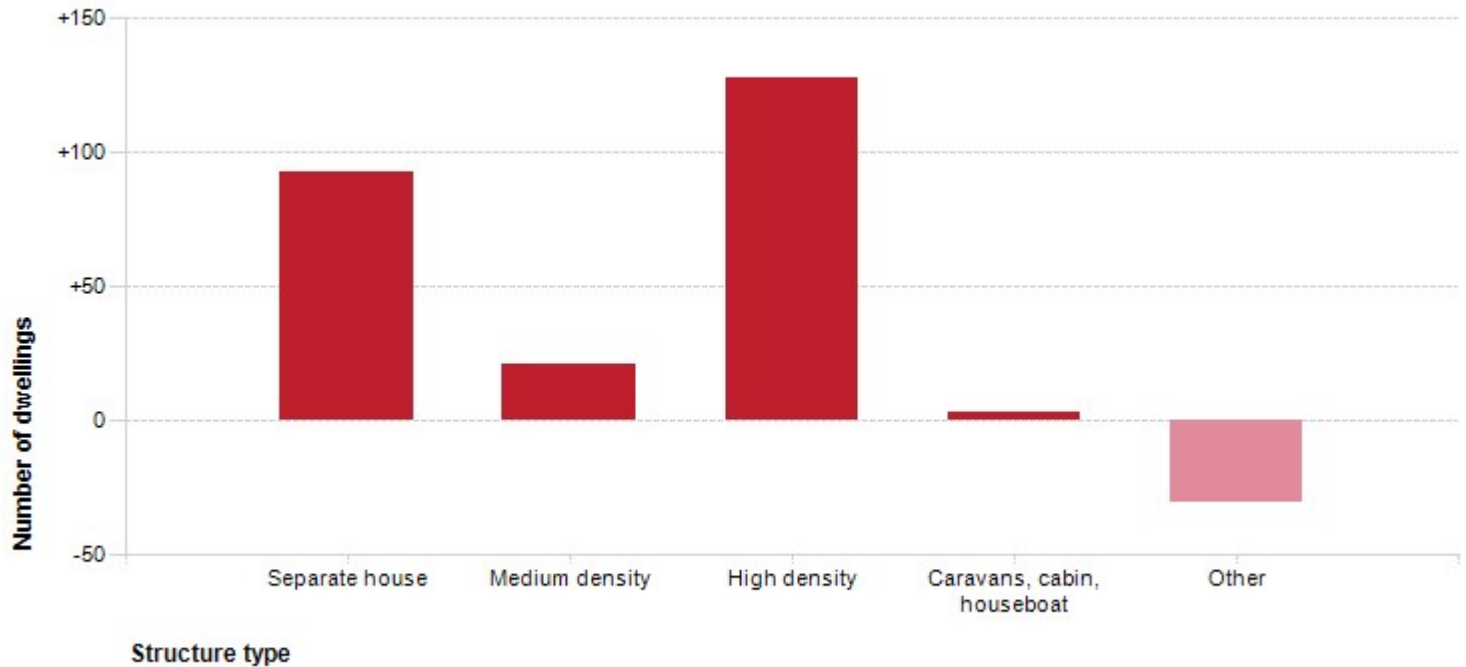


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Change in dwelling structure, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

In 2011, there were 5,611 separate houses in the area, 6,838 medium density dwellings, and 3,561 high density dwellings.

Analysis of the types of dwellings in Balmain Ward in 2011 shows that 34.5% of all dwellings were separate houses; 42.1% were medium density dwellings, and 21.9% were in high density dwellings, compared with 34.0%, 41.4%, and 23.2% in the Inner West Council area respectively.

In 2011, a total of 91.6% of the dwellings in Balmain Ward were occupied on Census night, compared to 92.6% in Inner West Council area. The proportion of unoccupied dwellings was 8.2%, which is larger compared to that found in Inner West Council area (7.1%).

Emerging groups

The total number of dwellings in Balmain Ward increased by 227 between 2006 and 2011.

The largest changes in the type of dwellings found in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were:

- High density (+128 dwellings)
- Separate house (+93 dwellings)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward 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.

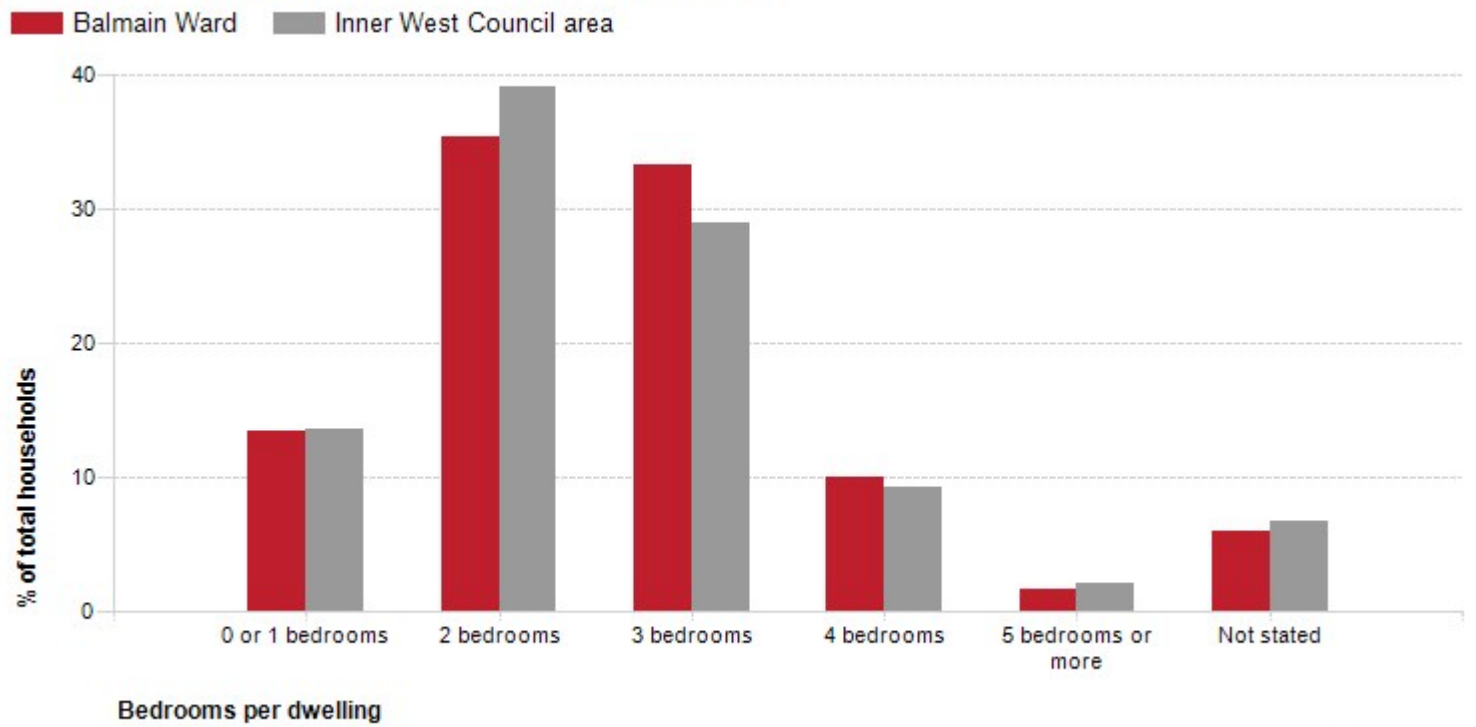
In combination with Household Type and Household Size, the Number of Bedrooms can also indicate issues around housing affordability, overcrowding and other socio-economic factors.

Number of bedrooms per dwelling

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
	Inner West Council area		Inner West Council area				
Number of bedrooms	Number	%	%	Number	%	%	2006 to 2011
0 or 1 bedrooms	2,012	13.5	13.7	1,894	12.9	12.8	+118
a 2 bedrooms	5,280	35.4	39.2	5,263	35.8	39.1	+17
3 bedrooms	4,971	33.4	28.9	4,738	32.2	28.6	+233
a 4 bedrooms	1,487	10.0	9.3	1,237	8.4	8.2	+250
5 bedrooms or more	258	1.7	2.1	249	1.7	2.0	+9
Not stated	892	6.0	6.8	1,329	9.0	9.2	-437
Total households	14,900	100.0	100.0	14,710	100.0	100.0	+190

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Number of bedrooms per dwelling, 2011

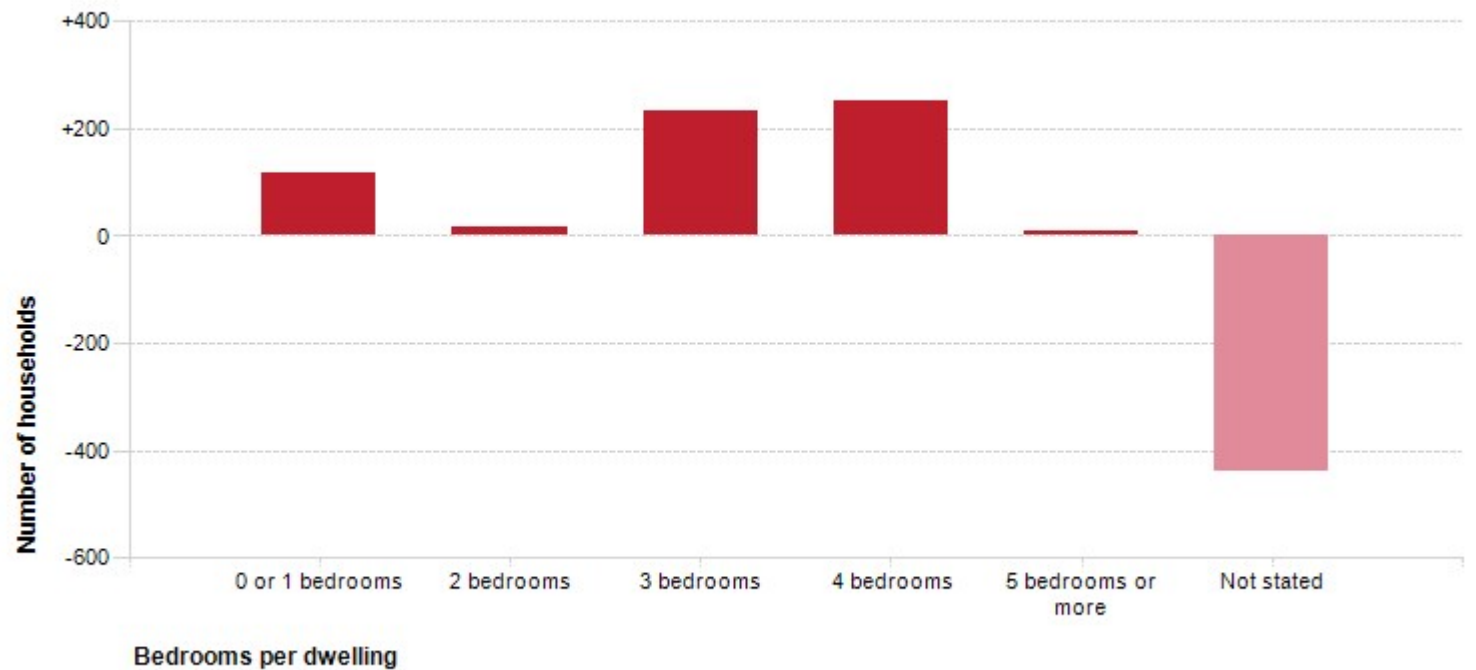


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Change in number of bedrooms per dwelling, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the number of bedrooms in dwellings in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a lower proportion of dwellings with 2 bedrooms or less, and a similar proportion of dwellings with 4 or more bedrooms.

Overall, 48.9% of households were in dwellings with 2 bedrooms or less, and 11.7% of 4 or more bedroom dwellings, compared with 52.8% and 11.5% for Inner West Council area respectively.

The major differences between the number of bedrooms per dwelling of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of 3 bedroom dwellings (33.4% compared to 28.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of 2 bedroom dwellings (35.4% compared to 39.2%)

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the number of bedrooms per dwelling in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were:

- 4 bedrooms (+250 dwellings)
- 3 bedrooms (+233 dwellings)
- 0 or 1 bedrooms (+118 dwellings)

Balmain Ward

Internet connection

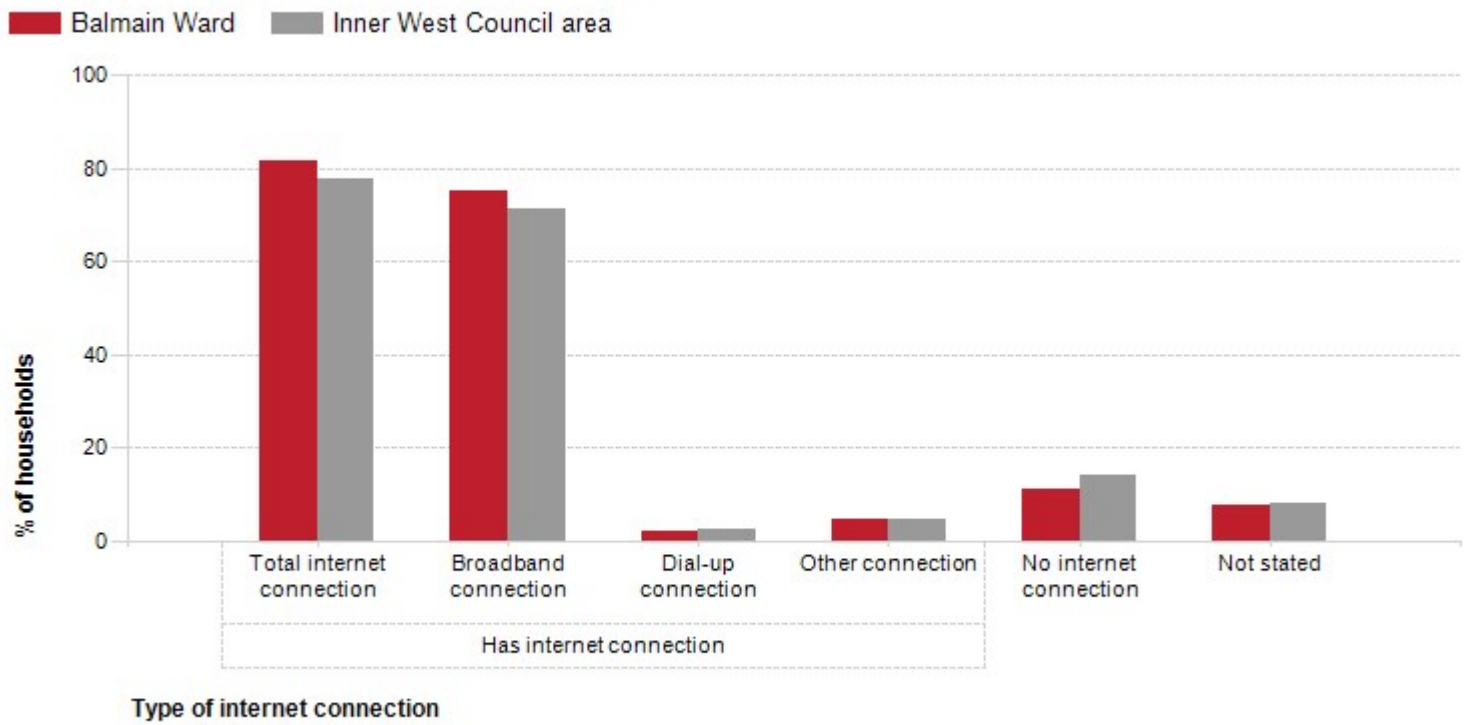
A fast Internet Connection is increasingly required for accessing essential information and undertaking domestic and non-domestic business. Households with dial-up or no internet service are being left behind in the digital divide as both government and the private sector are increasingly conducting their business, or aspects of it, on-line. Internet connectivity in Balmain Ward can be affected by availability of connection, Education, Household Income and Age Structure.

Type of internet connection

Balmain Ward - Households	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Connection type							2006 to 2011
Total internet connection	12,168	81.8	77.7	10,191	69.2	62.8	+1,977
▪ a Broadband connection	11,180	75.1	71.1	7,714	52.4	45.1	+3,466
▪ Dial-up connection	315	2.1	2.2	2,360	16.0	16.9	-2,045
▪ Other connection	673	4.5	4.4	117	0.8	0.8	+556
No internet connection	1,614	10.8	14.2	3,138	21.3	27.1	-1,524
Not stated	1,099	7.4	8.1	1,396	9.5	10.2	-297
Total households	14,881	100.0	100.0	14,726	100.0	100.0	+155

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Type of internet connection, 2011

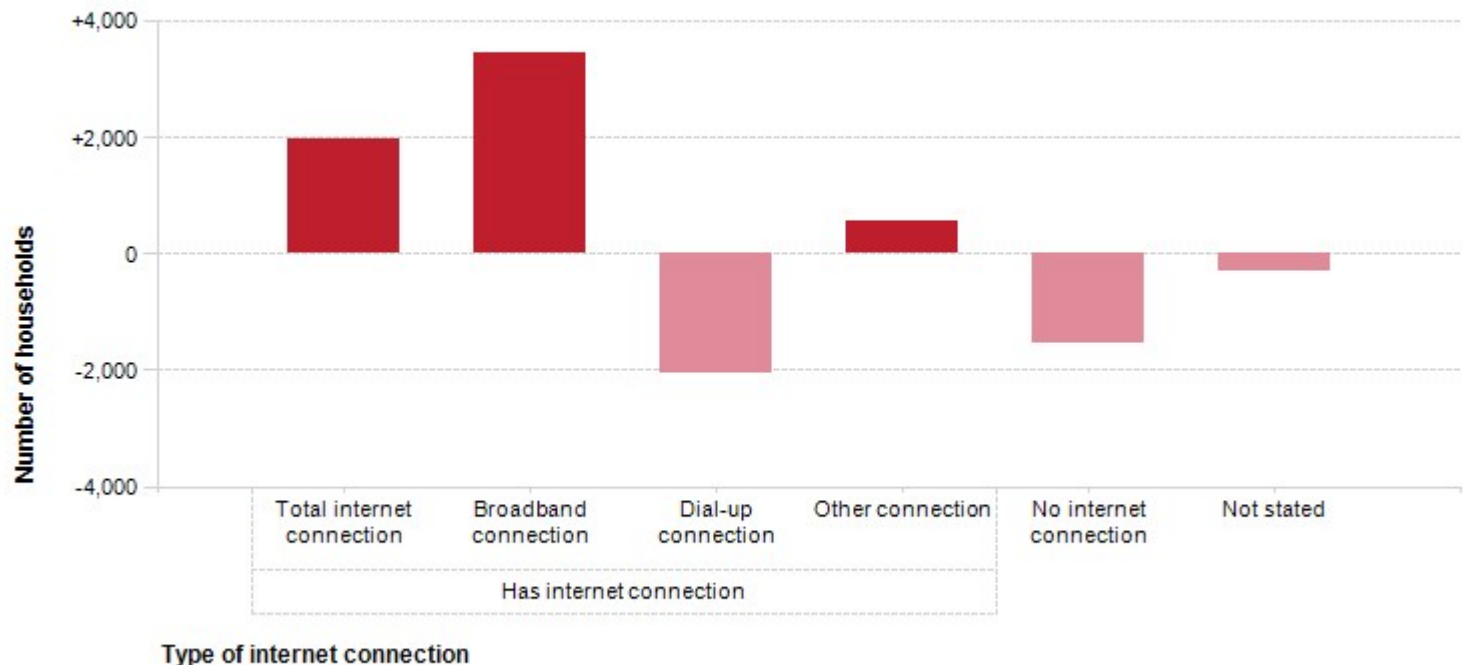


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Change in type of internet connection, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the type of internet connection of households in Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a lower proportion of households with either no internet connection or a dial up connection, and a higher proportion of households with broadband connectivity.

Overall 13.0% of households had no internet connection or a dial up connection, and 75.1% had broadband connectivity, compared with 16.4% and 71.1% respectively in Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

Between 2006 and 2011 the number of households with an internet connection increased by 1,977.

The largest changes in the internet connectivity in Balmain Ward, between 2006 and 2011 were:

- Broadband connection (+3,466 households)
- Dial-up connection (-2,045 households)
- Total internet connection (+1,977 households)

Balmain Ward

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 Balmain Ward 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.

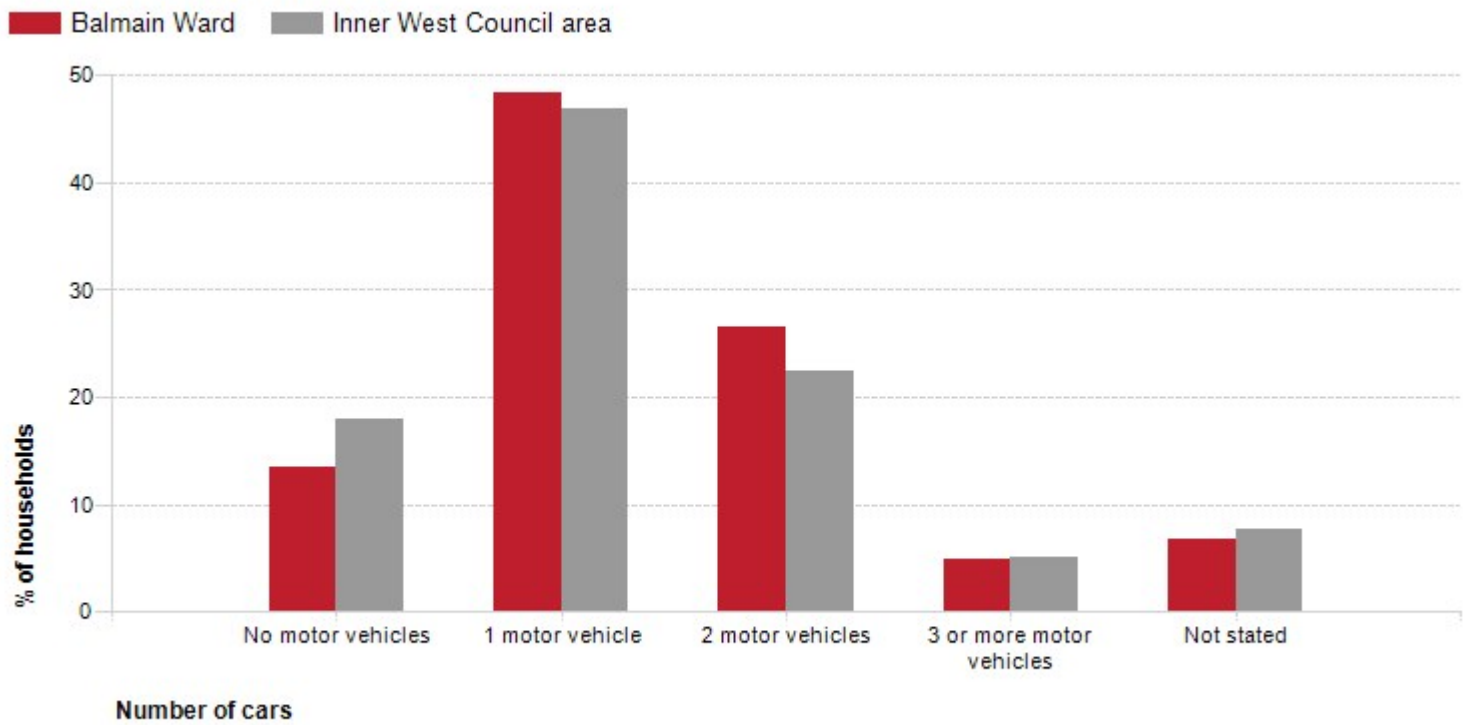
Car ownership

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change 2006 to 2011
	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		
Number of cars		%	%		%	%	
a No motor vehicles	2,005	13.4	18.0	2,158	14.7	19.5	-153
1 motor vehicle	7,213	48.3	46.9	6,728	45.8	44.5	+485
a 2 motor vehicles	3,965	26.6	22.4	3,689	25.1	20.7	+276
3 or more motor vehicles	730	4.9	5.0	638	4.3	4.5	+92
Not stated	1,007	6.7	7.7	1,493	10.2	10.7	-486
Total households	14,920	100.0	100.0	14,705	100.0	100.0	+215

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a People who travelled to work by car

Car ownership, 2011

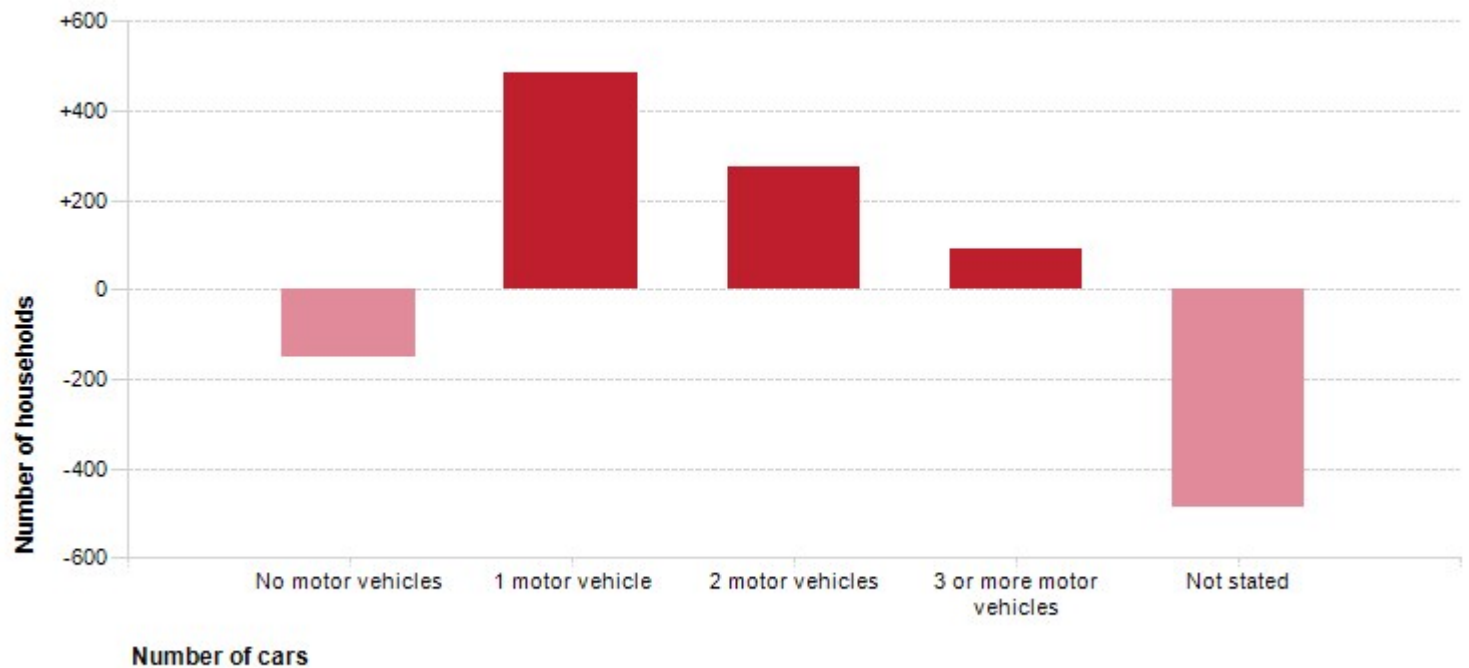


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Change in car ownership, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the car ownership of the households in Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that 79.8% of the households owned at least one car, while 13.4% did not, compared with 74.3% and 18.0% respectively in Inner West Council area.

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

Overall, 48.3% of the households owned one car; 26.6% owned two cars; and 4.9% owned three cars or more, compared with 46.9%; 22.4% and 5.0% respectively for Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

The largest changes in the household car ownership in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were:

- 1 motor vehicle (+485 households)
- 2 motor vehicles (+276 households)
- No motor vehicles (-153 households)
- 3 or more motor vehicles (+92 households)

Balmain Ward

Housing tenure

Balmain Ward'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 Balmain Ward, Tenure data is useful for analysing housing markets, housing affordability and identifying public housing areas.

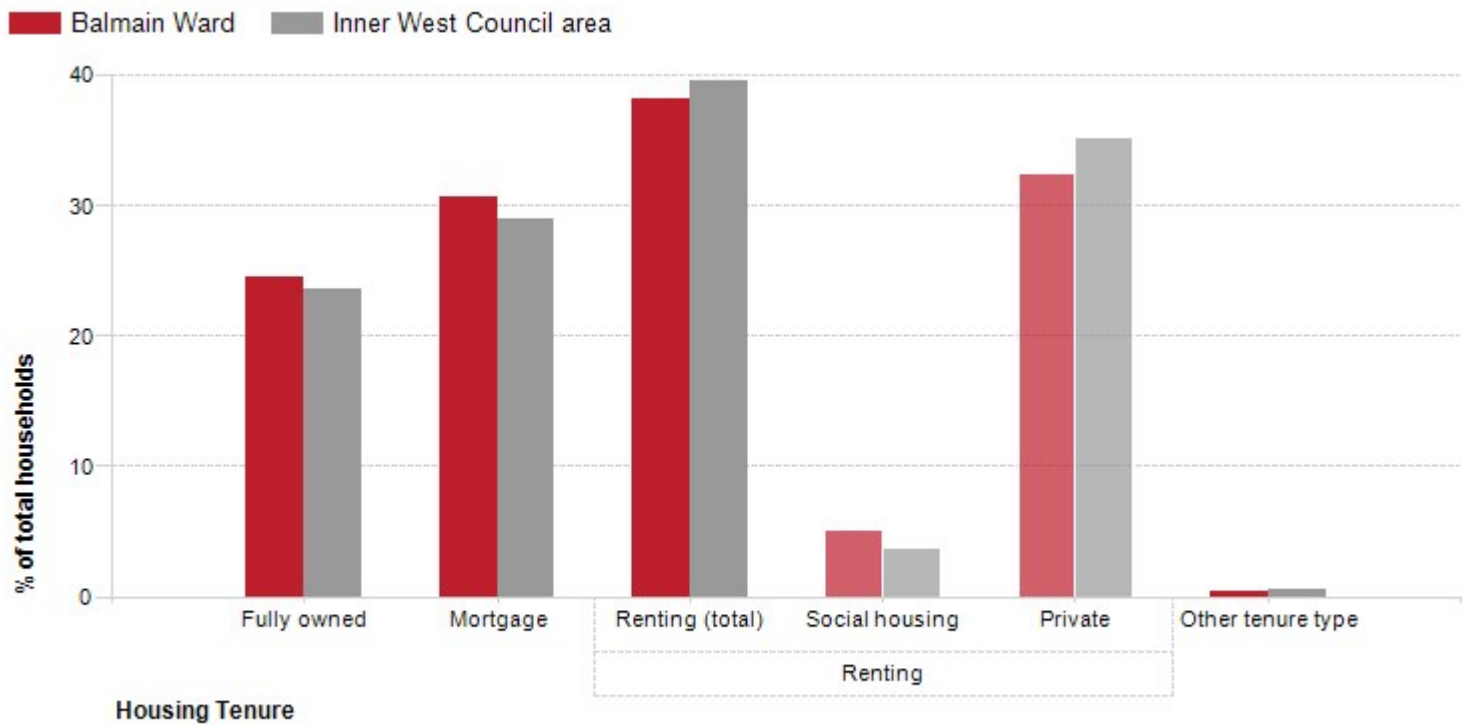
Housing tenure

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	Number	%	Inner West Council area %	
Tenure type							2006 to 2011
a Fully owned	3,647	24.5	23.6	3,462	23.5	23.9	+185
a Mortgage	4,562	30.6	29.0	4,281	29.1	26.4	+281
Renting	5,685	38.1	39.6	5,561	37.8	39.5	+124
▪ a Renting - Social housing	775	5.2	3.8	761	5.2	3.6	+14
▪ a Renting - Private	4,840	32.5	35.3	4,696	31.9	35.2	+144
▪ Renting - Not stated	70	0.5	0.4	104	0.7	0.6	-34
Other tenure type	60	0.4	0.5	51	0.3	0.5	+9
Not stated	948	6.4	7.3	1,356	9.2	9.7	-408
Total households	14,902	100.0	100.0	14,712	100.0	100.0	+190

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a Dominant tenure type

Housing tenure, 2011

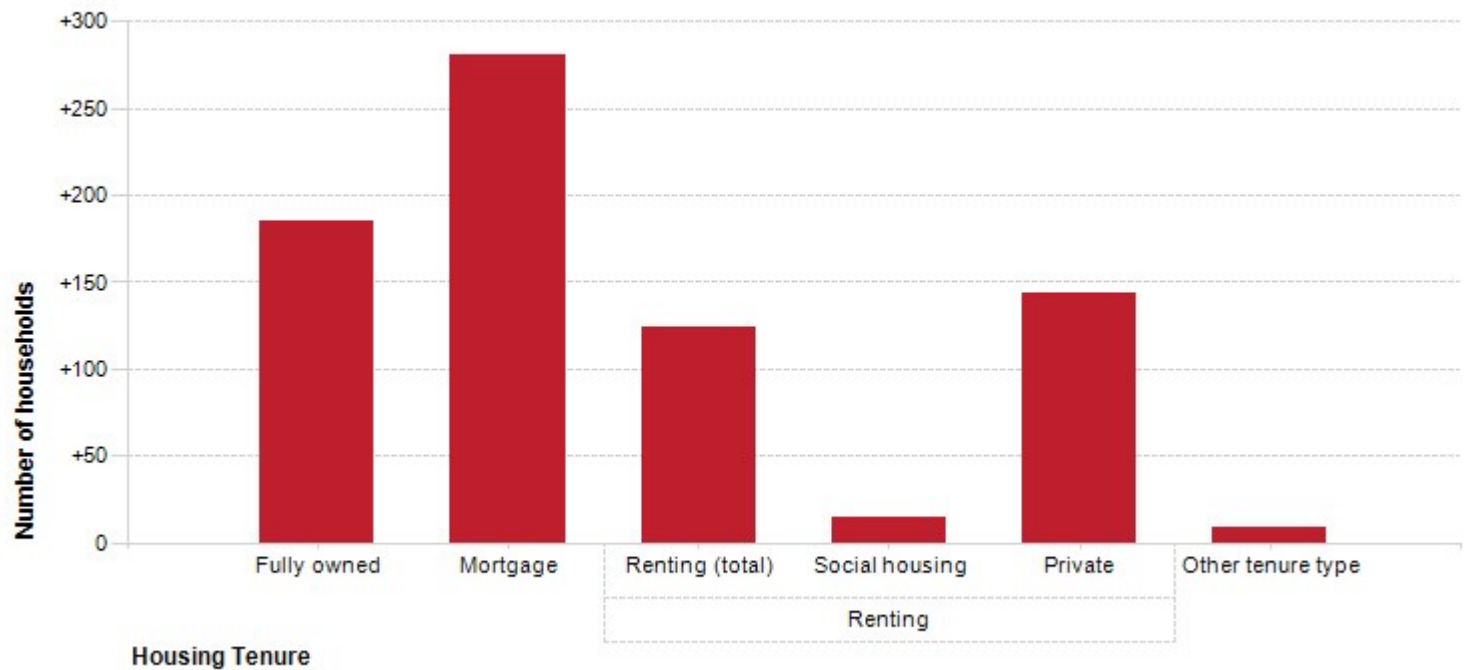


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Change in housing tenure, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the housing tenure of the population of Balmain Ward in 2011 compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of households who owned their dwelling; a larger proportion purchasing their dwelling; and a smaller proportion who were renters.

Overall, 24.5% of the population owned their dwelling; 30.6% were purchasing, and 38.1% were renting, compared with 23.6%, 29.0% and 39.6% respectively for Inner West Council area.

Emerging groups

The largest changes in housing tenure categories for the households in Balmain Ward between 2006 and 2011 were:

- Mortgage (+281 persons)
- Fully owned (+185 persons)
- Renting - Private (+144 persons)

The total number of households in Balmain Ward increased by 190 between 2006 and 2011.

Balmain Ward

Housing loan repayments

Mortgage repayments are directly related to house prices in Balmain Ward, 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](#).

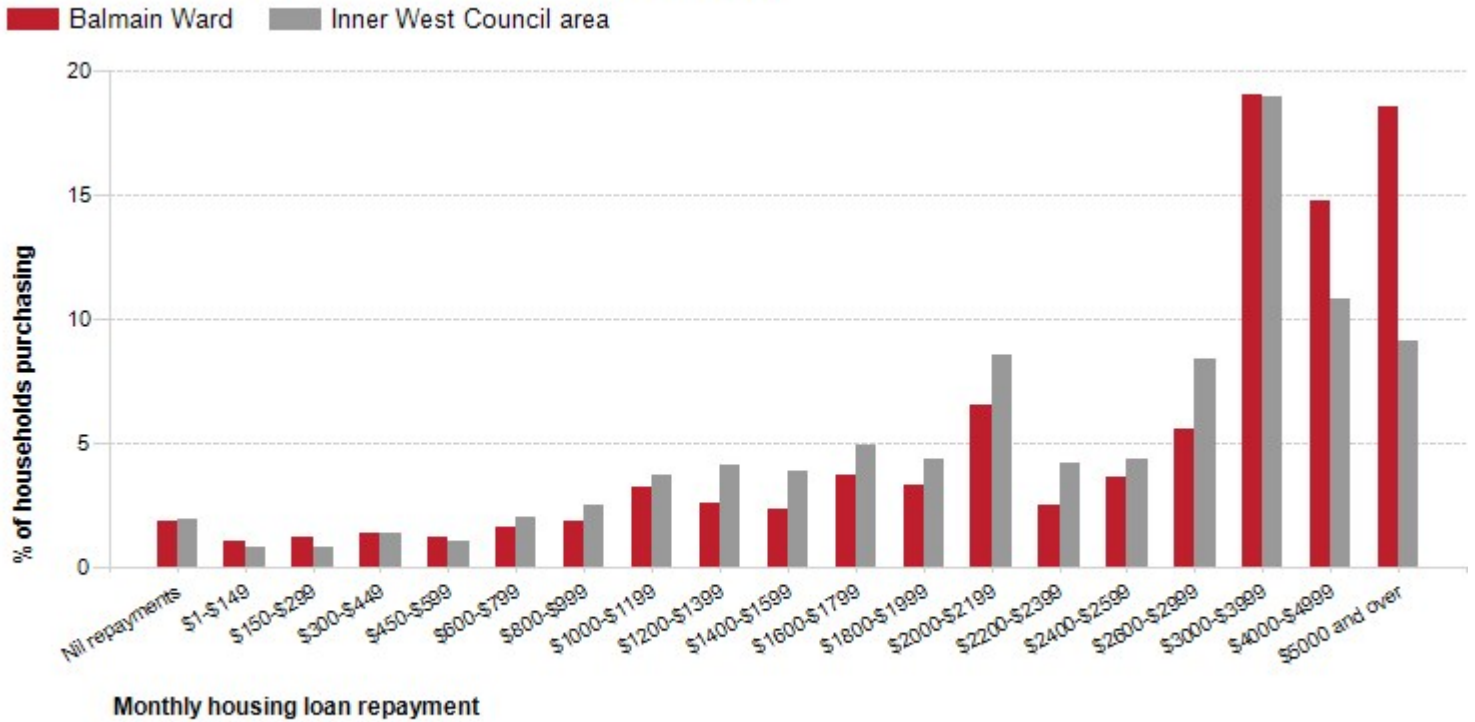
Monthly housing loan repayments

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %
Monthly repayment amount			
Nil repayments	82	1.8	1.9
\$1-\$149	47	1.0	0.8
\$150-\$299	55	1.2	0.8
\$300-\$449	61	1.3	1.4
\$450-\$599	54	1.2	1.0
\$600-\$799	72	1.6	2.0
\$800-\$999	83	1.8	2.5
\$1000-\$1199	147	3.2	3.7
\$1200-\$1399	118	2.6	4.1
\$1400-\$1599	105	2.3	3.9
\$1600-\$1799	166	3.7	4.9
\$1800-\$1999	148	3.3	4.4
\$2000-\$2199	297	6.6	8.6
\$2200-\$2399	112	2.5	4.2
\$2400-\$2599	163	3.6	4.3
\$2600-\$2999	253	5.6	8.4
\$3000-\$3999	863	19.1	19.0
\$4000-\$4999	670	14.8	10.8
\$5000 and over	840	18.5	9.1
Not stated	193	4.3	4.2
Total households with a mortgage	4,529	100.0	100.0

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing 2011](#). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#), the population experts.

- [a Home owners \(households who fully own their dwelling\)](#)
- [a Households with a mortgage](#)
- [a Dominant tenure type](#)
- [a Median monthly mortgage repayments](#)
- [a Households paying high mortgage repayments \(\\$2600 or more\)](#)

Monthly housing loan repayments, 2011



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the monthly housing loan repayments of households in Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of households paying high mortgage repayments (\$2,600 per month or more), and a similar proportion of households with low mortgage repayments (less than \$1000 per month).

Overall, 58.0% of households were paying high mortgage repayments, and 10.0% were paying low repayments, compared with 47.3% and 10.4% respectively in Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the household loan repayments of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A larger percentage of \$5000 and over (18.5% compared to 9.1%)
- A larger percentage of \$4000-\$4999 (14.8% compared to 10.8%)
- A smaller percentage of \$2600-\$2999 (5.6% compared to 8.4%)
- A smaller percentage of \$2000-\$2199 (6.6% compared to 8.6%)

Balmain Ward

Housing loan quartiles

Mortgage repayments in Balmain Ward 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

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
Loan repayment quartile group	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
Lowest group	640	14.8	16.1	491	12.4	15.2	+149
Medium lowest	495	11.4	16.5	509	12.8	17.7	-14
Medium highest	735	17.0	23.5	844	21.3	25.9	-109
Highest group	2,465	56.9	43.8	2,127	53.6	41.2	+338
Total households with a mortgage	4,336	100.0	100.0	3,972	100.0	100.0	+364

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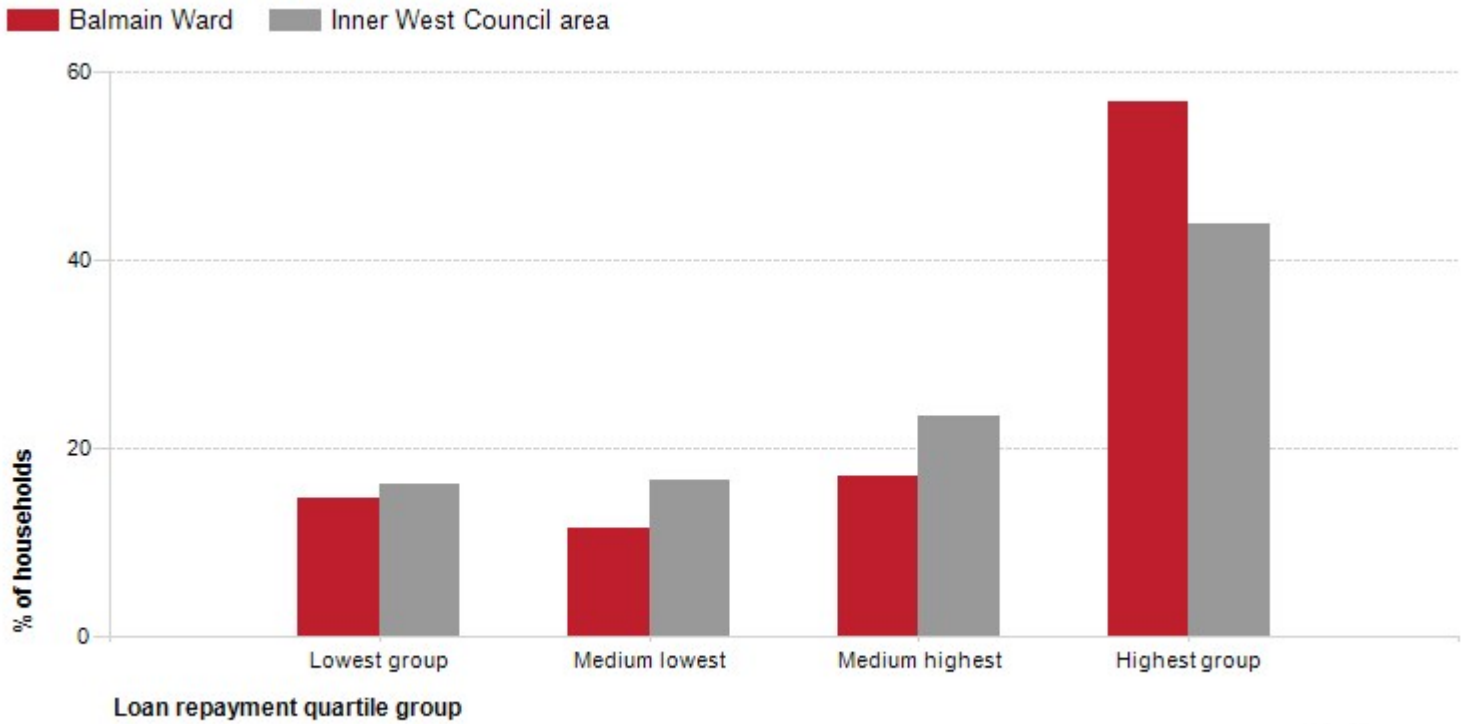
Housing loan - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from loan repayment data for New South Wales

Monthly housing loan repayments by Census year

Housing loan repayment ranges	2011	2006	2001	1996
Lowest group	\$0 to \$1,266	\$0 to \$993	\$0 to \$723	\$0 to \$605
Medium lowest	\$1,267 to \$1,995	\$994 to \$1,557	\$724 to \$1,069	\$606 to \$905
Medium highest	\$1,996 to \$2,853	\$1,558 to \$2,416	\$1,070 to \$1,550	\$906 to \$1,268
Highest group	\$2,854 and over	\$2,417 and over	\$1,551 and over	\$1,269 and over

Housing loan quartiles, 2011

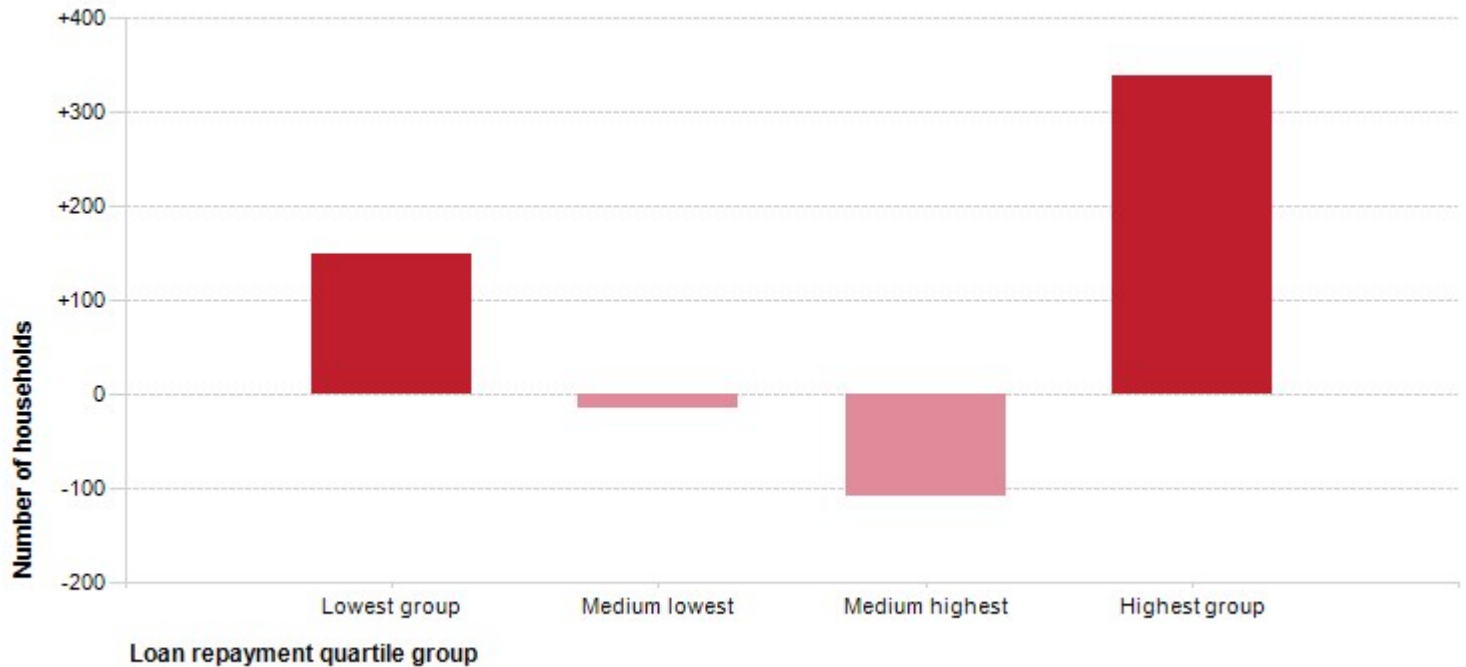


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Change in housing loan quartiles, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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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 Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of households in the highest repayment quartile, and a smaller proportion in the lowest repayment quartile.

Emerging groups

The total number of households with a mortgage in Balmain Ward increased by 364 between 2006 and 2011. The most significant change in Balmain Ward during this period was in the highest quartile which showed an increase of 338 households.

Balmain Ward

Housing rental payments

Rental payments can be a better measure of the cost of housing in Balmain Ward 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.

Weekly housing rental payments

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011		
	Number	%	Inner West Council area %
Weekly rental amount			
Nil	105	1.9	1.7
\$1 - \$74	115	2.0	1.4
\$75 - \$99	315	5.6	2.9
\$100 - \$124	68	1.2	1.1
\$125 - \$149	84	1.5	1.7
\$150 - \$174	81	1.4	1.9
\$175 - \$199	83	1.5	1.5
\$200 - \$224	97	1.7	3.1
\$225 - \$249	68	1.2	2.2
\$250 - \$274	155	2.7	4.3
\$275 - \$299	109	1.9	3.4
\$300 - \$324	215	3.8	7.1
\$325 - \$349	99	1.7	4.4
\$350 - \$374	171	3.0	7.9
\$375 - \$399	127	2.2	5.3
\$400 - \$424	268	4.7	7.4
\$425 - \$449	142	2.5	3.3
\$450 - \$549	895	15.8	14.7
\$550 - \$649	893	15.7	10.5
\$650 - \$749	585	10.3	5.6
\$750 - \$849	348	6.1	2.9
\$850 - \$949	205	3.6	1.4
\$950+	282	5.0	1.8
Rent not stated	160	2.8	2.8
Total households renting	5,670	100.0	100.0

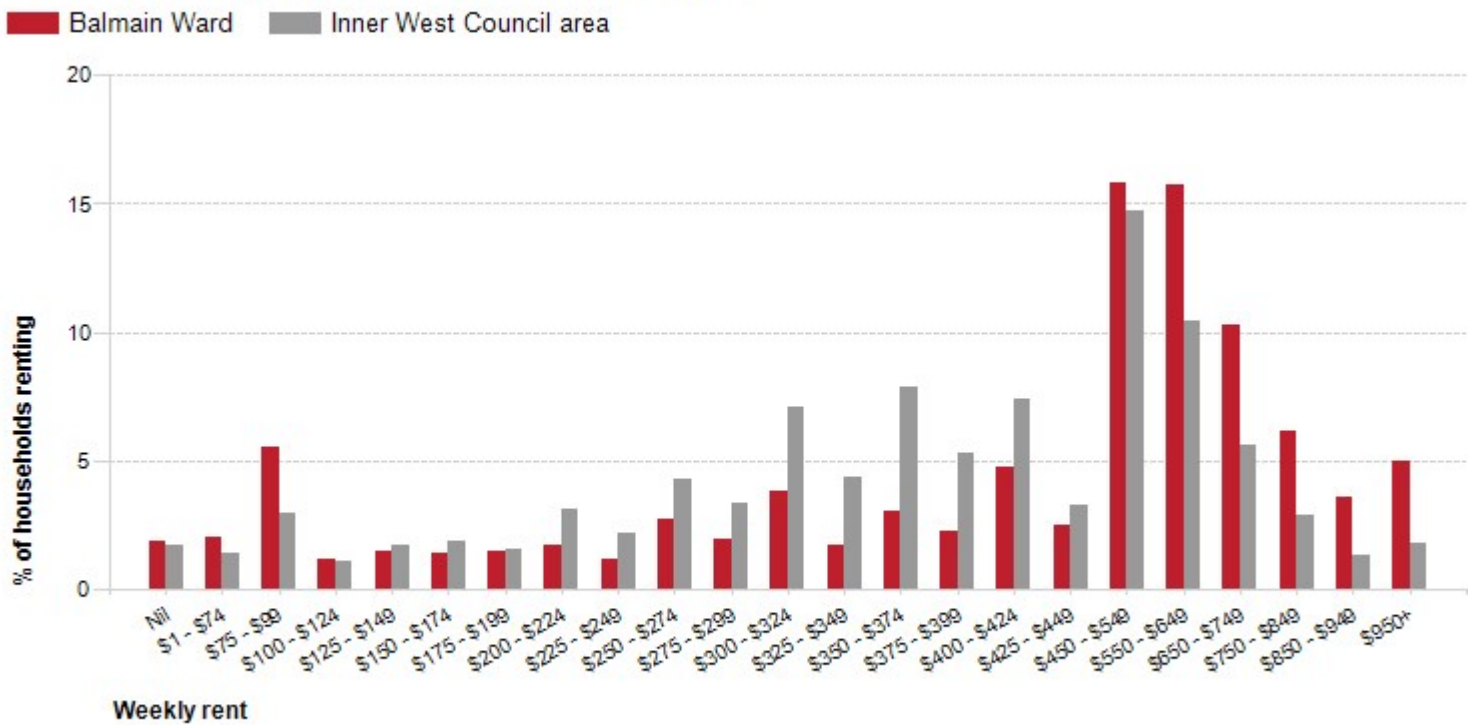
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a Households renting social housing

a Households renting privately

- a** Median weekly rental payments
- a** High rental payments (more than \$400 per week)
- a** Rental stress

Weekly housing rental payments, 2011



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Dominant groups

Analysis of the weekly housing rental payments of households in Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of households paying high rental payments (\$400 per week or more), as well as a larger proportion of households with low rental payments (less than \$150 per week).

Overall, 63.8% of households were paying high rental payments, and 12.1% were paying low payments, compared with 47.4% and 8.8% respectively in Inner West Council area.

The major differences between the housing rental payments of Balmain Ward and Inner West Council area were:

- A *larger* percentage of \$550 - \$649 (15.7% compared to 10.5%)
- A *larger* percentage of \$650 - \$749 (10.3% compared to 5.6%)
- A *larger* percentage of \$750 - \$849 (6.1% compared to 2.9%)
- A *smaller* percentage of \$350 - \$374 (3.0% compared to 7.9%)

Balmain Ward

Housing rental quartiles

Rental payments in Balmain Ward 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

Balmain Ward - Households (Enumerated)	2011			2006			Change
Quartile group	Number	Inner West Council area		Number	Inner West Council area		2006 to 2011
		%	%		%	%	
Lowest group	808	14.7	11.8	837	15.4	11.6	-29
Medium lowest	531	9.6	16.1	483	8.9	19.3	+47
Medium highest	755	13.7	29.0	737	13.6	27.7	+18
Highest group	3,417	62.0	43.1	3,370	62.1	41.5	+47
Total households renting	5,510	100.0	100.0	5,427	100.0	100.0	+83

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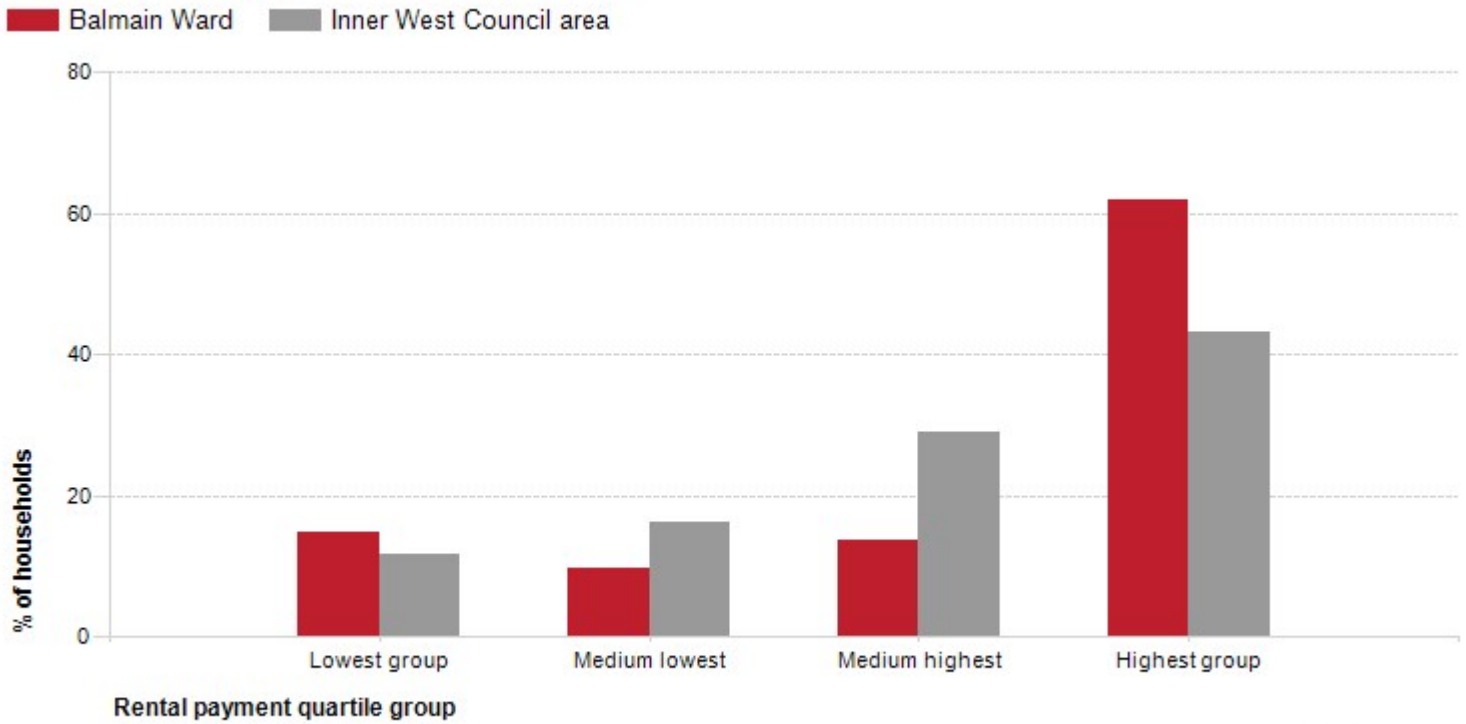
Housing rental - Quartile group dollar ranges

Calculated from rental payment data for New South Wales

Weekly housing rental payments by Census year

Rental payment ranges	2011	2006	2001
Lowest group	\$0 to \$186	\$0 to \$140	\$0 to \$114
Medium lowest	\$187 to \$306	\$141 to \$214	\$115 to \$179
Medium highest	\$307 to \$418	\$215 to \$301	\$180 to \$259
Highest group	\$419 and over	\$302 and over	\$260 and over

Housing rental quartiles for 2011

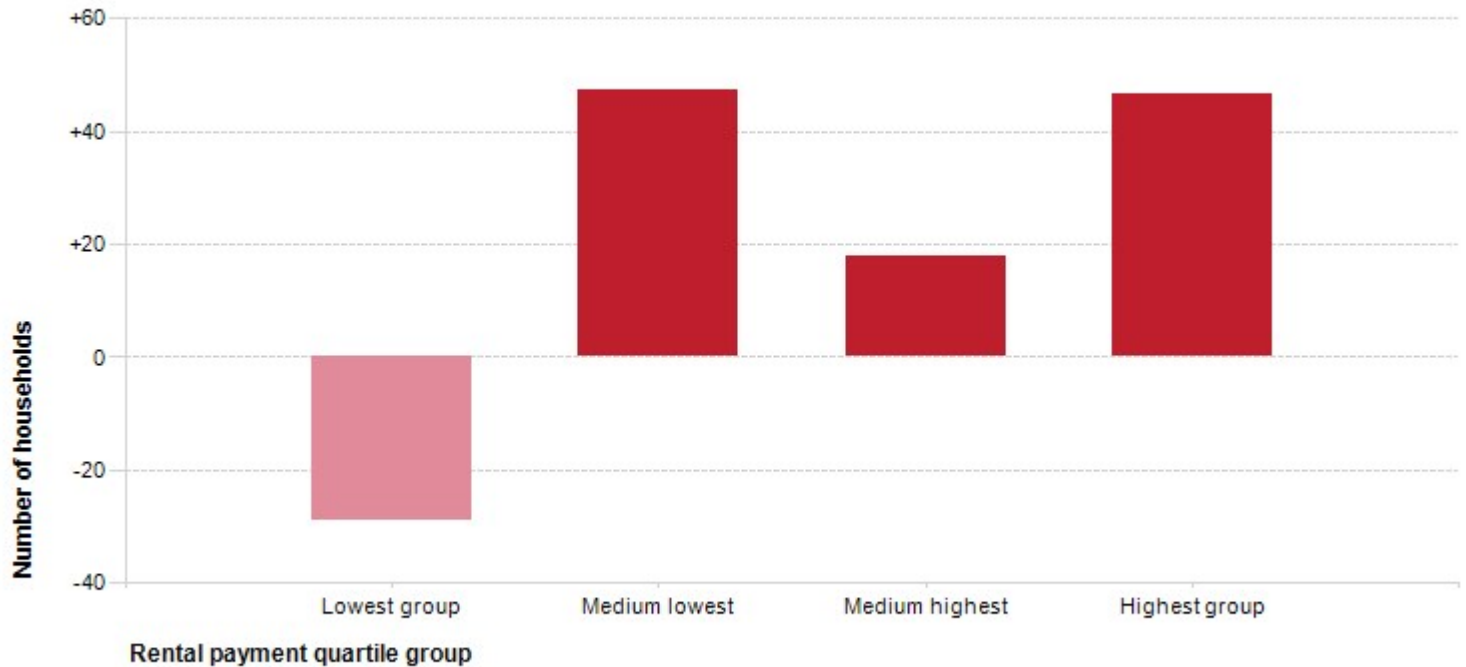


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Change in housing rental quartiles, 2006 to 2011

Balmain Ward



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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 Balmain Ward compared to Inner West Council area shows that there was a larger proportion of households in the highest payment quartile, as well as a larger proportion in the lowest payment quartile.

Emerging groups

The total number of households renting their dwelling in Balmain Ward increased by 83 between 2006 and 2011. The most significant change during this period was in the medium lowest quartile which showed an increase of 47 households.

Inner West Council area

Migration summary

Migration, or residential mobility, together with births and deaths are significant components of population change in Australia. The movement of people into, and out of an area directly influences the characteristics of the population and the demand for services and facilities. Migration is the most volatile component of population change and can be affected by changing housing and economic opportunities such as housing affordability issues or the mining boom. There are three main types of migration in Australia, overseas migration, between-state migration, and within-state migration. By far the most common form of migration is within-state, and largely involves moves between neighbouring and existing urban areas where moves are often short.

Looking at the level and type of migration in the Inner West Council area can indicate whether the population is sedentary and likely to be in the area for a long time (and perhaps have significant ties to the community), or transient, and likely to move on. Related topics which can be viewed to get a clearer picture of population mobility include [Age Structure](#) and [Housing Tenure](#).

Previous residential location of current residents in 2011

Inner West Council area

Migration summary	Number	Percentage
Residents who did NOT move between 2006 and 2011	76,670	45.1
Total residents who moved between 2006 and 2011	69,985	41.2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents who had moved within the Inner West Council area between 2006 and 2011 	19,048	11.2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents who moved from another part of New South Wales 	31,058	18.3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents who moved from another part of Australia 	4,391	2.6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents who moved from another country 	14,773	8.7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents who moved from an unknown area 	855	0.5
Not stated - Didn't state whether or not moved	11,560	6.8
Not applicable - Births between 2006 and 2011	11,696	6.9
Total 2011 usual resident population	169,911	100.0

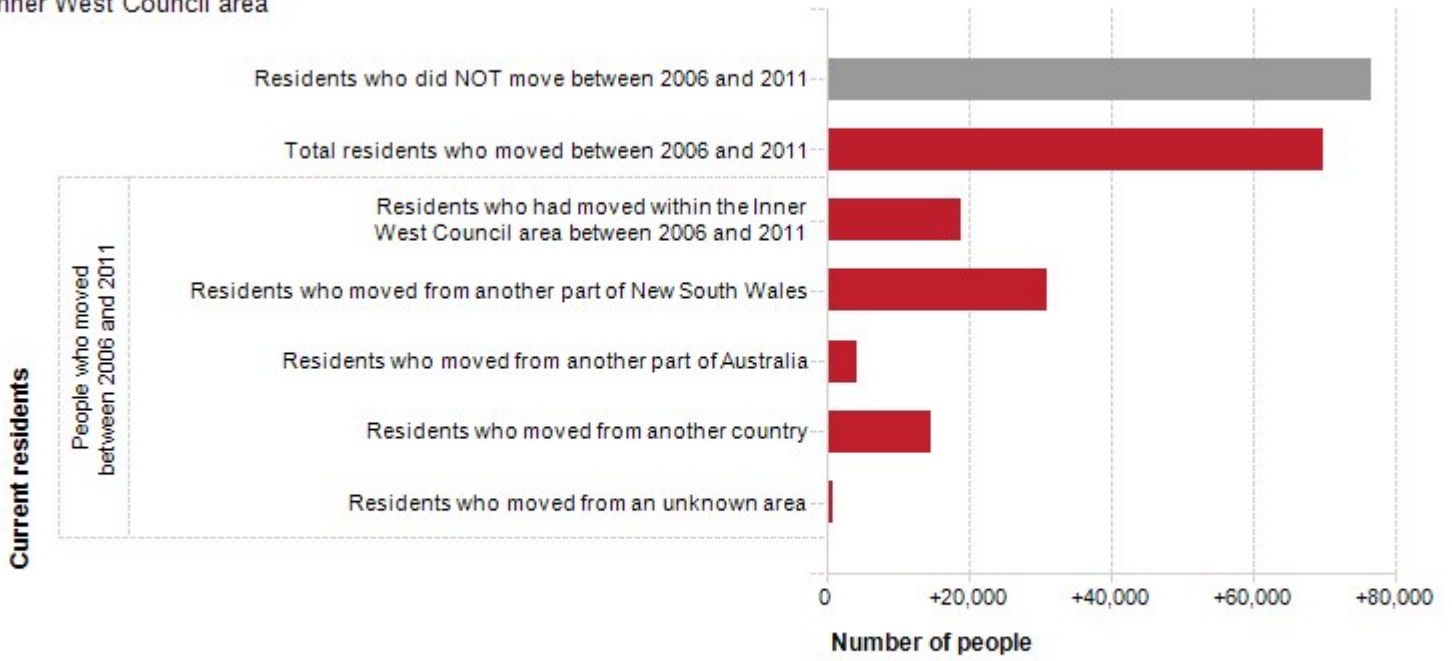
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Previous residential location of current residents in 2011

Inner West Council area



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Inner West Council area

Migration by location

Understanding where the Inner West Council area's current residents have moved from helps in predicting future mobility patterns and demographic change. Understanding where the Inner West Council area's residents are moving to indicates areas of population growth and informs possible strategies to retain and attract residents.

Generally, areas of new housing growth attract residents from established areas, especially young couples and families. Coastal communities attract retirees and people seeking a lifestyle change, while inner city areas and areas near universities attract young adults. These are broad demographic trends, while local demographic factors also have a major impact on population movement.

The Inner West Council area's migration data below provides a summary of where current residents lived five years prior to the last Census. The top ten local government areas of population movement are ranked, based on net change - that is, the difference between those who moved in and those who moved out. The areas with the greatest net change (gain or loss) to a particular area may not necessarily be those with the greatest population exchange.

Migration into and out of the area, 2006 to 2011

Inner West Council area

Migration summary	Number
Current residents who moved at least once between 2006 and 2011	69,985
Residents who had moved within the Inner West Council area	19,048
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migration from other parts of New South Wales 	31,058
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migration to other parts of New South Wales 	33,593
Net Migration from other parts of New South Wales	-2,535
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migration from other parts of Australia 	4,391
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migration to other parts of Australia 	6,300
Net Migration from other parts of Australia	-1,909
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Migration between the area and other States/Territories

Inner West Council area

State / Territory	In migration	Out migration	Net migration
New South Wales	31,058	33,593	-2,535
Victoria	1,319	2,094	-775
Queensland	1,333	1,967	-634
South Australia	432	546	-114
Western Australia	425	602	-177
Tasmania	161	217	-56
Northern Territory	115	115	0
Australian Capital Territory	606	759	-153

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#), 2011 (Usual Residence Data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#), the population experts.

Top 10 LGAs ranked by net loss to the area

Inner West Council area

LGA	In migration	Out migration	Net migration
Canterbury (C)	1,609	4,186	-2,577
Canada Bay (A)	1,525	2,580	-1,055
Rockdale (C)	594	1,317	-723
Bankstown (C)	631	1,128	-497
Parramatta (C)	595	1,019	-424
Burwood (A)	729	1,090	-361
Ryde (C)	687	963	-276
Brisbane (C)	620	853	-233
Strathfield (A)	376	597	-221
Holroyd (C)	279	493	-214

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Top 10 LGAs ranked by net gain to the area

Inner West Council area

LGA	In migration	Out migration	Net migration
Sydney (C)	6,876	3,929	+2,947
Randwick (C)	1,360	897	+463
Woollahra (A)	793	378	+415
North Sydney (A)	931	588	+343
Waverley (A)	765	456	+309
Sutherland Shire (A)	804	635	+169
Fairfield (C)	370	269	+101
The Hills Shire (A)	640	549	+91
Penrith (C)	345	260	+85
Wollongong (C)	493	415	+78

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Inner West Council area

Migration by age

The age structure of people who move into and out of the Inner West Council area is strongly influenced by the residential role and function of the area and can influence demand for particular services. For instance, inner city areas near employment, education and entertainment tend to attract many young people in their late teens and early twenties, who move out in their late twenties and thirties to start families in suburban areas. Rural areas tend to lose young people and gain older families and retirees.

Understanding the Inner West Council area's attraction to different age groups helps to plan services for the community as well as advocating with other levels of government and private enterprise to provide infrastructure, employment opportunities and facilities which may help to retain age groups which are otherwise leaving the area.

Migration by age group 2011

Inner West Council area

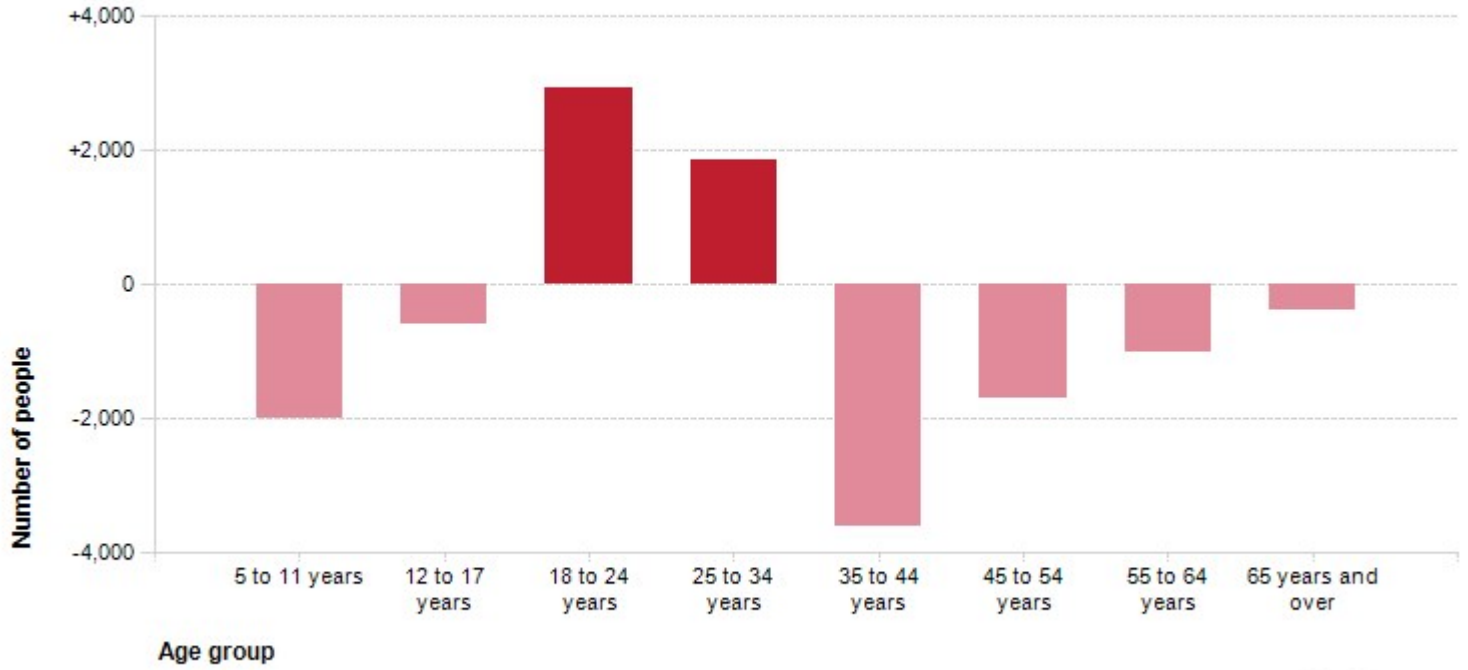
Age group	In migration	Out migration	Net migration
5 to 11 years	+1,513	-3,504	-1,991
12 to 17 years	+818	-1,395	-577
18 to 24 years	+5,028	-2,089	+2,939
25 to 34 years	+13,376	-11,514	+1,862
35 to 44 years	+8,274	-11,882	-3,608
45 to 54 years	+3,229	-4,909	-1,680
55 to 64 years	+1,755	-2,759	-1,004
65 years and over	+1,456	-1,841	-385
Total	+35,449	-39,893	-4,444

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Net migration by age group 2011

Inner West Council area



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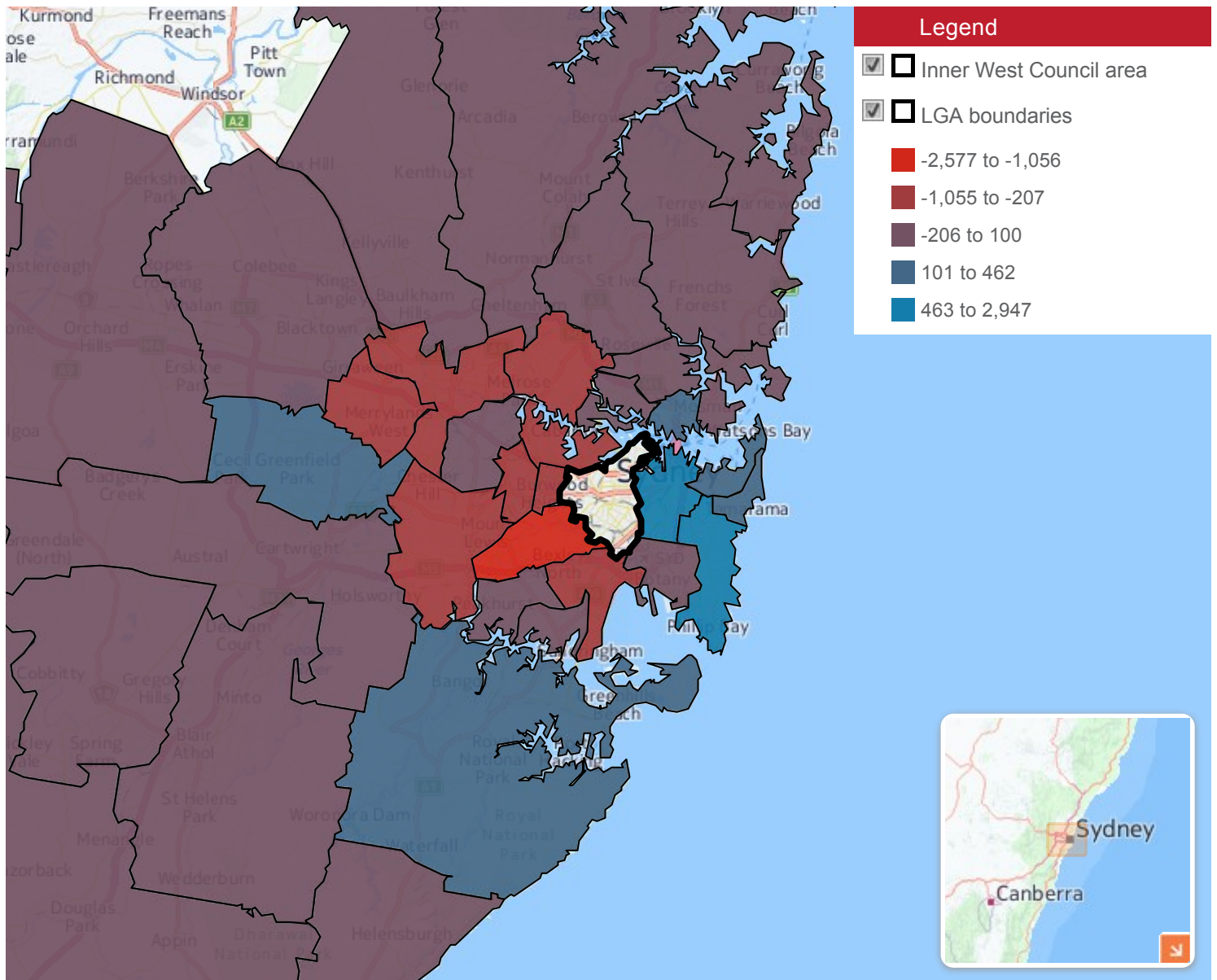
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Map of net gains and losses by LGA

Inner West Council area - between 2006 and 2011



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011.
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Net gains and losses by LGA

Inner West Council area - between 2006 and 2011

LGA	In migration	Out migration	Net migration
Sydney (C)	6,876	3,929	+2,947
Randwick (C)	1,360	897	+463
Woollahra (A)	793	378	+415
North Sydney (A)	931	588	+343
Waverley (A)	765	456	+309
Sutherland Shire (A)	804	635	+169
Fairfield (C)	370	269	+101
The Hills Shire (A)	640	549	+91
Penrith (C)	345	260	+85
Wollongong (C)	493	415	+78

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2011 (Usual Residence Data). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

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Residential building approvals

The Inner West Council area'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

Inner West Council area	Number			Annual change		
	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total
Year (ending June 30)						
2016-17 Feb FYTD	73	351	424	--	--	--
2015-16	95	1,353	1,448	+48	+431	+479
2014-15	47	922	969	-12	+327	+315
2013-14	59	595	654	+17	-6	+11
2012-13	42	601	643	+1	+108	+109
2011-12	41	493	534	+1	+294	+295
2010-11	40	199	239	-13	-3	-16
2009-10	53	202	255	-1	+2	+1
2008-09	54	200	254	-4	-65	-69
2007-08	58	265	323	+2	+158	+160
2006-07	56	107	163	+5	-106	-101
2005-06	51	213	264	-28	-115	-143
2004-05	79	328	407	-4	-145	-149
2003-04	83	473	556	+8	-248	-240
2002-03	75	721	796	+19	-9	+10

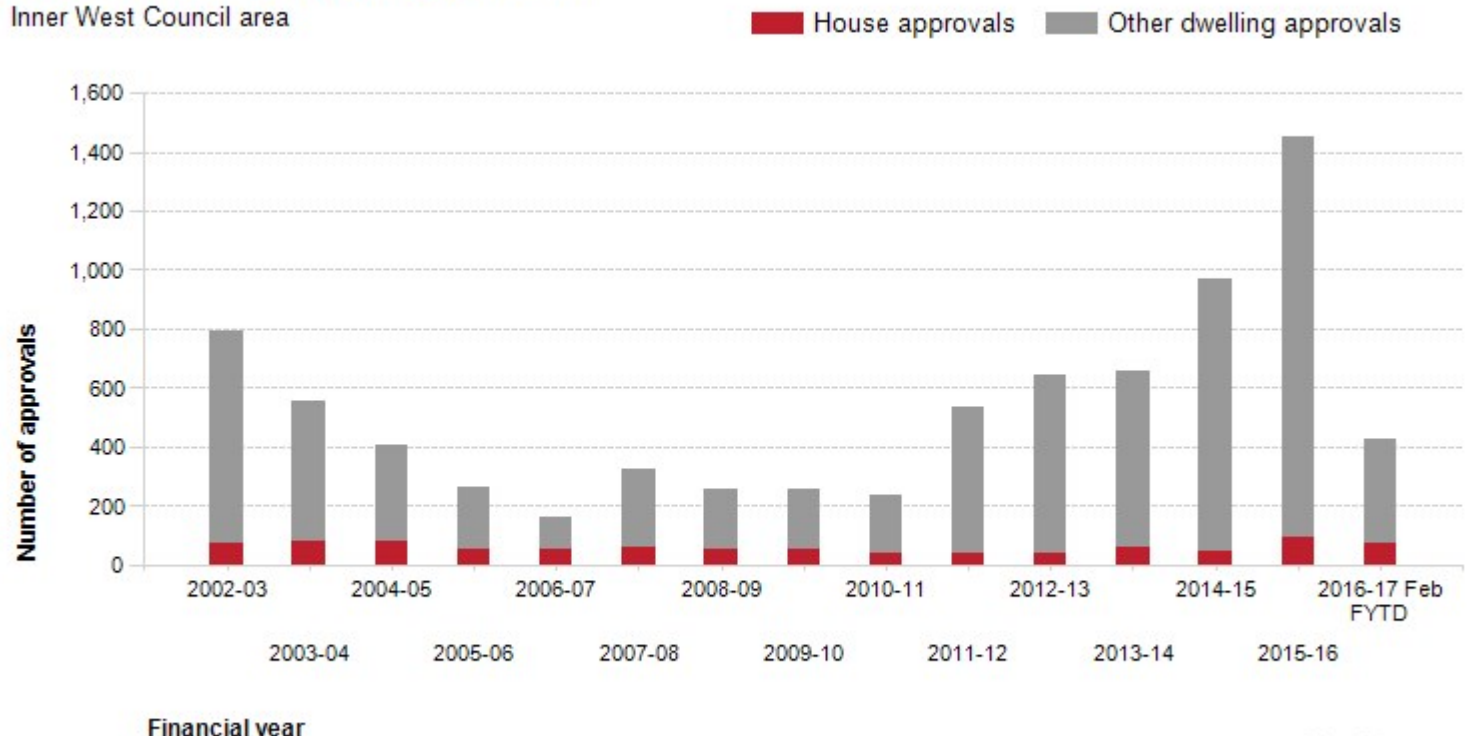
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Residential building approvals

Inner West Council area



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Workers' place of residence

Where does the Inner West Council area's workforce come from? Journey to Work data sheds light on how many workers live locally, how many commute from other areas and which areas they commute from. Some areas attract a large external workforce because they have major employment centres or because local residents have a different set of skills or aspirations than the local jobs require. Understanding where workers reside assists in planning and advocacy for roads and public transport provision. It also helps to clarify economic and employment drivers across areas and assists in understanding the degree to which the Inner West Council area provides local employment.

Overview

Residential location of local workers

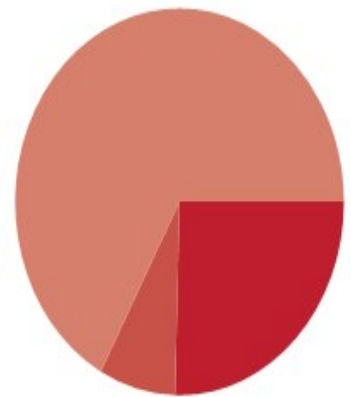
Inner West Council area		2011	
Status	Number	%	
Live and work in the area	17,197	33.0	
▪ Live and work in the same SLA	13,269	25.4	
▪ Live in the area and work in different SLA	3,928	7.5	
Work in the area, but live outside	34,968	67.0	
Total workers in the area	52,165	100.0	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2011. Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#), the population experts.

Residential location of local workers, 2011

Inner West Council area

- Live and work in the same SLA
- Live in the area and work in different SLA
- Work in the area, but live outside



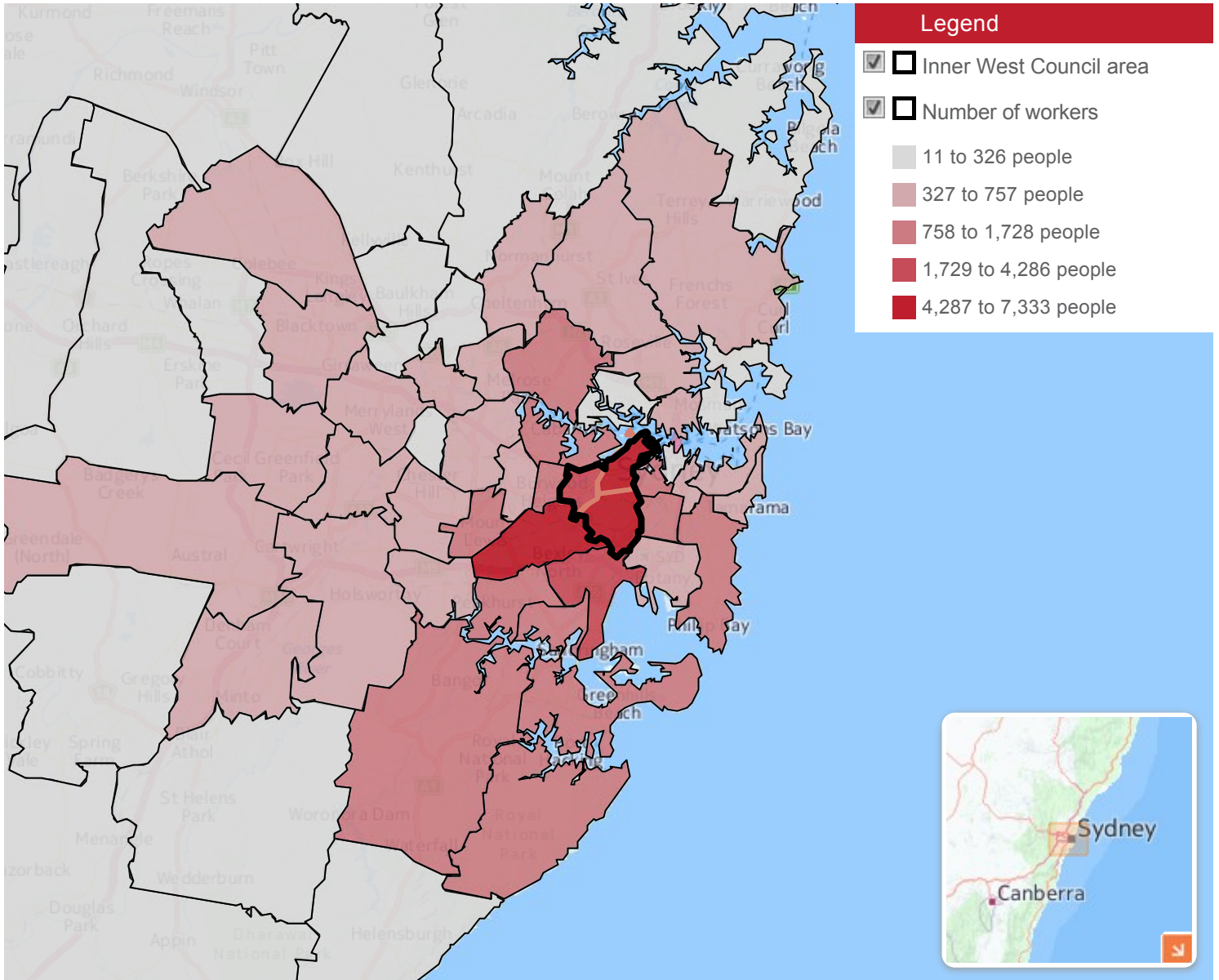
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Detailed breakdown by SLA

Residential locations of workers by SLA, 2011

Inner West Council area - Total area (All SLAs)



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011.
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Residential location of local workers by SLA

Inner West Council area - Total area	2011	
SLA	Number	%
Marrickville (A)	7,333	14.1
Leichhardt (A)	6,002	11.5
Canterbury (C)	4,287	8.2
Ashfield (A)	3,862	7.4
Rockdale (C)	1,729	3.3
Canada Bay (A) - Drummoyne	1,523	2.9
Randwick (C)	1,261	2.4
Sydney (C) - South	1,225	2.3
Hurstville (C)	1,093	2.1
Ryde (C)	1,082	2.1
Burwood (A)	991	1.9
Canada Bay (A) - Concord	989	1.9
Sutherland Shire (A) - East	895	1.7
Sutherland Shire (A) - West	889	1.7
Sydney (C) - West	868	1.7
Kogarah (C)	828	1.6
Bankstown (C) - North-East	758	1.5
Auburn (C)	756	1.4
Strathfield (A)	742	1.4
Waverley (A)	670	1.3

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011. Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

[e Workers' place of residence by industry](#)

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NOTE: Table totals may not equate with other similar tables due to randomisation of small numbers. Please refer to the specific data notes for more information.

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Residents' place of work

Where do the Inner West Council area's residents go to work? Journey to Work data shows how many residents work locally, and how many commute out of the area and where they commute to. Some areas consist mainly of dormitory' suburbs and the majority of the residents commute out to work. Other areas have large employment centres which attract a local workforce. Understanding where the Inner West Council area's residents go to work assists in planning and advocacy for roads and public transport provision. It also helps to clarify the economic and employment drivers across areas and assists in understanding the degree of employment self-containment within the Inner West Council area.

Overview

Employment location of resident workers

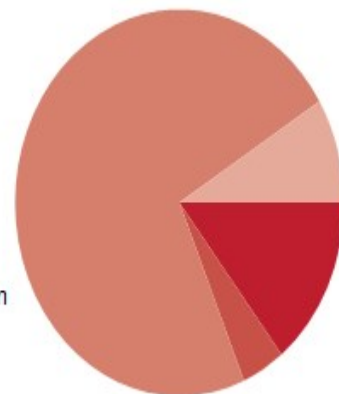
Inner West Council area		2011	
Status	Number	%	
Live and work in the area	17,197	18.6	
▪ Live and work in the same SLA	13,269	14.3	
▪ Live in the area and work in different SLA	3,928	4.2	
Live in the area, but work outside	67,172	72.6	
Work location unknown	8,129	8.8	
Total employed residents	92,498	100.0	

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011. Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

Employment location of resident workers, 2011

Inner West Council area

- Live and work in the same SLA
- Live in the area and work in different SLA
- Live in the area, but work outside
- Work location unknown



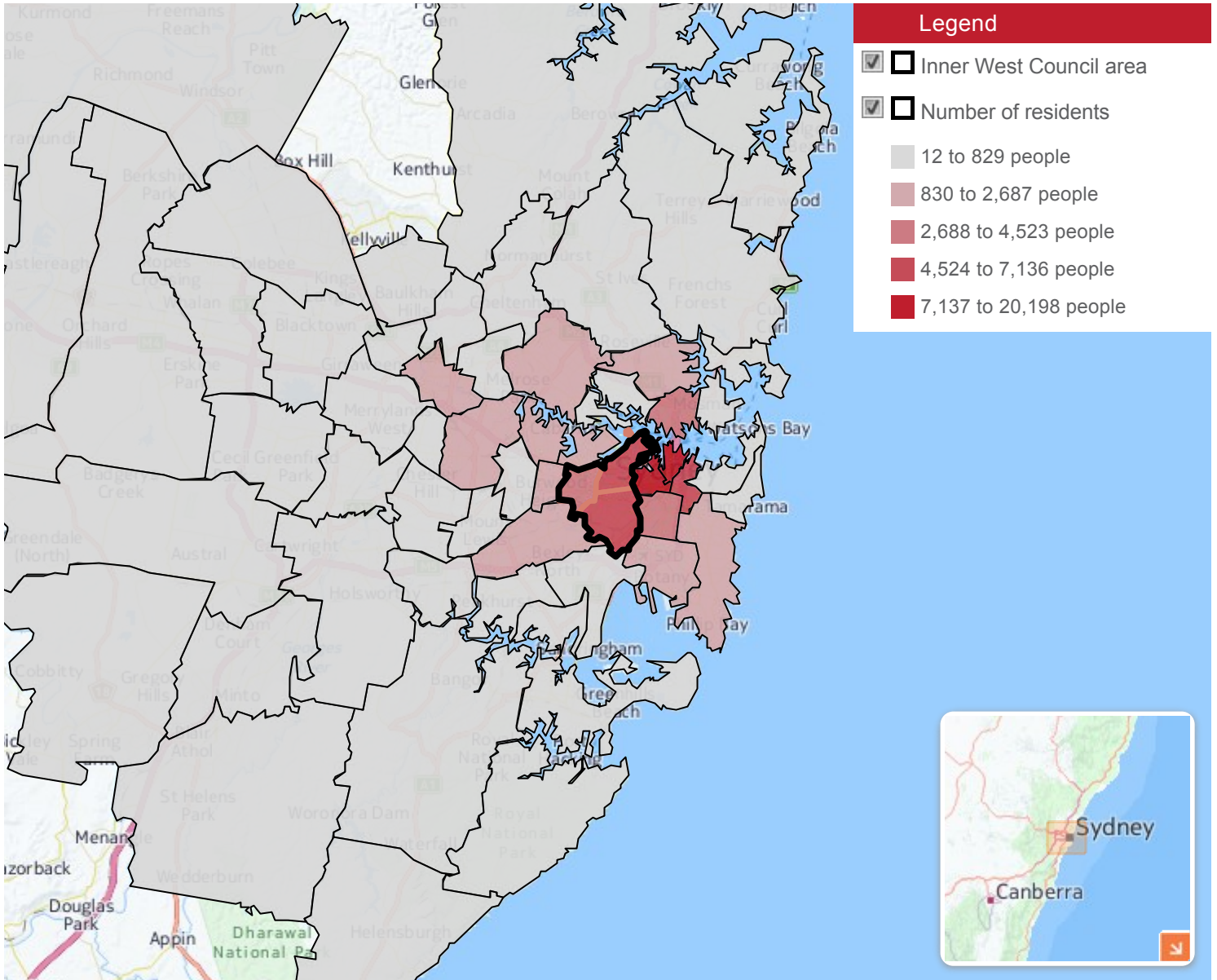
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2011 (Usual residence data) Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id, the population experts.

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Detailed breakdown by SLA

Employment locations of residents by SLA, 2011

Inner West Council area - Total area (All SLAs)



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011.
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Employment location of resident workers by SLA

Inner West Council area - Total area (All SLAs)		2011	
SLA		Number	%
Sydney (C) - Inner		20,198	21.8
Sydney (C) - West		7,137	7.7
Leichhardt (A)		7,087	7.7
Marrickville (A)		6,923	7.5
Sydney (C) - East		4,524	4.9
Sydney (C) - South		4,083	4.4
North Sydney (A)		3,618	3.9
Ashfield (A)		3,187	3.4
POW State/Territory undefined (NSW)		2,688	2.9
Ryde (C)		2,538	2.7
POW No Fixed Address (NSW)		2,300	2.5
Botany Bay (C)		1,966	2.1
Randwick (C)		1,873	2.0
POW not stated		1,839	2.0
Parramatta (C) - Inner		1,815	2.0
Willoughby (C)		1,814	2.0
Auburn (C)		1,501	1.6
Burwood (A)		1,238	1.3
POW Capital city undefined (Greater Sydney)		1,185	1.3
Canada Bay (A) - Concord		1,125	1.2

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing 2011](#). Compiled and presented in profile.id by [.id](#), the population experts.

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SEIFA - disadvantage by Local Government Area

The Inner West Council area SEIFA Index of Disadvantage measures the relative level of socio-economic disadvantage based on a range of Census characteristics. It is a good place to start to get a general view of the relative level of disadvantage in one area compared to others and is used to advocate for an area based on its level of disadvantage.

The index is derived from attributes that reflect disadvantage such as low income, low educational attainment, high unemployment, and jobs in relatively unskilled occupations. When targeting services to disadvantaged communities, it is important to also look at these underlying characteristics as they can differ markedly between areas with similar SEIFA scores and shed light on the type of disadvantage being experienced.

A higher score on the index means a *lower* level of disadvantage. A lower score on the index means a *higher* level of disadvantage.

Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage

Local Government Areas in New South Wales

Local Government Area	2011 index
Ku-ring-gai (A)	1,120.7
Mosman (A)	1,110.7
Woollahra (A)	1,107.0
Lane Cove (A)	1,106.9
The Hills Shire (A)	1,104.8
North Sydney (A)	1,104.8
Manly (A)	1,099.4
Pittwater (A)	1,094.4
Hunters Hill (A)	1,092.2
Hornsby (A)	1,085.2

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011. Compiled and presented in profile.id by id, the population experts.

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SEIFA - disadvantage by small area

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The percentile column indicates the approximate position of this small area in a ranked list of Australia's suburbs and localities. It's meant to give an indication of where the area sits within the whole nation. A higher number indicates a higher socio-economic status. For instance, a percentile of 72 indicates that approximately 72% of Australia's suburbs have a SEIFA index lower than this area (more disadvantaged), while 28% are higher.

Index of Relative Socio-economic Disadvantage

Inner West Council area's small areas and benchmark areas

Area	2011 index	Percentile
Birchgrove	1,124.3	99
Rozelle	1,107.4	97
Camperdown	1,099.4	95
Balmain East	1,096.4	94
Annandale	1,086.9	91
Balmain Ward	1,085.2	90
Balmain	1,079.7	88
Stanmore	1,073.9	86
Newtown	1,068.9	84
Leichhardt	1,062.5	81

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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](#), analyse and convert these raw figures into stories of place to inform council staff, community groups, investors, business, students and the general public.

The Inner West Council area Community Profile provides demographic analysis for the Council and its suburbs based on results from the 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 Inner West Council area 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 Inner West Council area.