

City of Whitehorse

COMMUNITY DEMOGRAPHICS

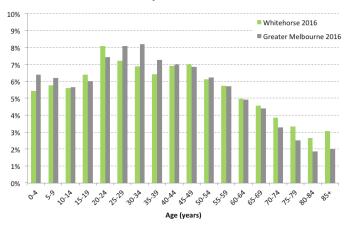
FACTSHEET 1: SNAPSHOT 2016¹

THIS FACTSHEET PROVIDES INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF WHITEHORSE.

AGE

On 30 June 2016, the Estimated Residential Population in Whitehorse was 170,093².

FIGURE 1: AGE STRUCTURE, CITY OF WHITEHORSE, GREATER MELBOURNE, 2016



In 2016:

- The median age was 38 years. In Greater Melbourne, this figure was 36.
- Twenty-two per cent of residents were aged 60 plus;
 this compares with 19 per cent for Greater Melbourne.
- The proportion of residents in Whitehorse aged 60 plus was largely stable between 2011 and 2016.
- Nine per cent of residents are aged 75 years and over.
 This compares with 6 per cent for Greater Melbourne and 7 per cent for Victoria.
- Whitehorse has more residents aged 20-24 than Greater Melbourne.
- The biggest growth between 2011 and 2016 in Whitehorse was in the 30-34 age group, which experienced an 18.6 per cent increase. This was followed by growth in the 25-29 year age group (13.5%).
- Box Hill and Burwood (suburbs) have larger concentrations of residents aged 20-29 (28.5 per cent and 30.7 per cent respectively compared with 15.3 per cent for the municipality).
- Twenty per cent of the population are aged under 18 years.

DID YOU KNOW?

Populations are counted and estimated in a number of ways. The most comprehensive population count available in Australia is derived from the census conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) every five years. The census, however, is not the official population count of an area. To provide a more up-to-date population figure, each year on 30 June the ABS produces the 'Estimated Residential Population' (ERP). This adjusts the census figure to include those missed in the census and those who were overseas on census night. It also takes account of births and deaths occurring between 30 June and census night (usually early August).

Other population counts used are:

- Place of usual residence: the count based on where people usually reside.
- Place of enumeration: the place of enumeration is the place at which the person is counted i.e. where he/she spent census night, which may not be where he/she usually lives.
- Unless otherwise stated, these factsheets are based on 'Place of usual residence' data.

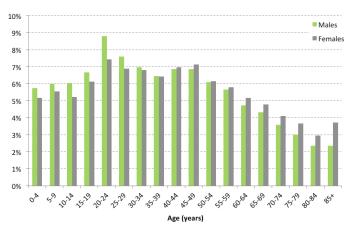


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² Australian Bureau of Statistics (2017), Regional Population Growth, Australia 2015-16, Cat. No. 3218.0

GENDER

FIGURE 2: AGE STRUCTURE BY GENDER, CITY OF WHITEHORSE, 2016



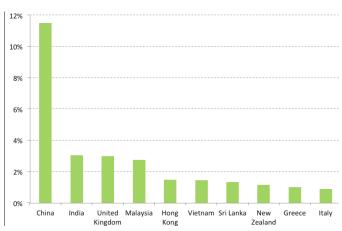
In 2016:

- Fifty-two per cent of the population were female.
- There were more males than females in all of the five year age increments under 35 years. There are more than 600 more males aged 20-24 than females in the municipality.
- For every five year age increment from 40 there are more females than males. This is particularly so for the older age groups; there are 71 per cent more women than there are men aged 85 plus.



DIVERSITY

FIGURE 3: TOP TEN OVERSEAS COUNTRIES OF BIRTH, CITY OF WHITEHORSE, 2016



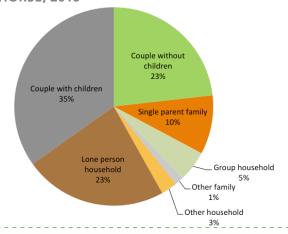
In 2016:

- A total of 11.5 per cent of all residents were born in China. This represents an increase of 68.6 per cent on 2011 (at 7.3 per cent). In 2006 the Chinese population was 4.0 per cent.
- The United Kingdom deceased in proportion from 3.5 per cent in 2011 to 3.0 per cent in 2016, along with India for equal second most common country of birth at 3 per cent.
- Across Australia, the United Kingdom was the leading overseas country of birth, followed by New Zealand, China, India and the Philippines.
- In Box Hill more than a quarter of residents were born in China (28.2 per cent).

HOUSEHOLDS

In 2016, there were 60,431 households in Whitehorse. Figure 4 depicts these by type.

FIGURE 4: HOUSEHOLD TYPE, CITY OF WHITEHORSE, 2016

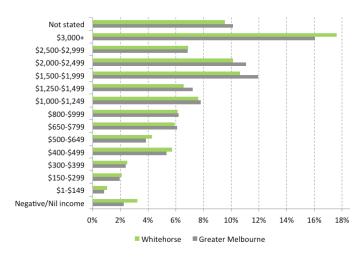


In 2016:

- The most commonly occurring household type comprises couples with dependents (34.5 per cent).
- Nearly one quarter of households comprised of couples with no children (23.0 per cent) and lone person households (23.1 per cent).
- The average household has 2.6 people, slightly smaller than for Greater Melbourne at 2.7.

INCOME

FIGURE 5: WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME, CITY OF WHITEHORSE, GREATER MELBOURNE, 2016



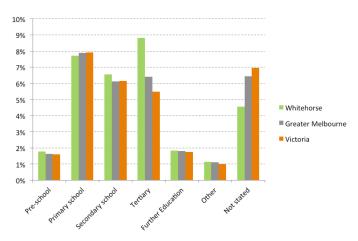
Source: ABS (2017), Census of Population and Housing, based on Place of Enumeration

In 2016:

- Whitehorse had a slightly higher proportion of low income households relative to Greater Melbourne, with 8.9 per cent of households earning less than \$400 per week, compared with 7.5 per cent.
- Whitehorse had a higher proportion of high income households relative to Greater Melbourne, with 17.6 per cent of households earning more than \$3,000 per week, compared with 16.0 per cent.
- The median weekly household income is \$1,507. For Greater Melbourne this is \$1,542.

EDUCATION

FIGURE 6: PEOPLE ATTENDING EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS BY TYPE, WHITEHORSE 2016



In 2016, 27.8 per cent of people in Whitehorse were attending an education institution. A total of 7.7 per cent were in primary school and 6.6 per cent were in secondary school. Significantly 10.7 per cent attended a tertiary or technical institution, which is higher than Greater Melbourne (at 8.2 per cent) and Victoria (7.2 per cent).

INDIGENOUS POPULATION

According to the 2016 Census, 358 persons or approximately 0.2 per cent of the population in the City of Whitehorse identify as Indigenous. This compares with 0.5 per cent for Melbourne, 0.8 per cent for Victoria and 2.8 per cent for Australia.

It is important to note that Indigenous status is often underreported.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about community demographics in the City of Whitehorse, refer to:

City of Whitehorse Community Profile: profile.id.com.au/whitehorse City of Whitehorse Community Atlas: atlas.id.com.au/whitehorse

Australian Bureau of Statistics: www.abs.gov.au Social Statistics: www.socialstatistics.com.au

Victorian Local Governance Association Library (Statistics): www.vlga.org.au/news/resources You can also contact the **Social Policy Officer**, Whitehorse City Council on **9262 6333**. Updated April 2018.

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