

Mount Druitt — Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander community

6,449 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people · 5.6% of the Mount Druitt area population

1 in 18
people in Mount Druitt are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander (5.6%) compared with 3.4% across NSW

20
median age

A young community
Half are younger than 20 (the wider Mount Druitt median is 33). Follow the journey below, across the life course.

IDENTITY & CULTURE — WOVEN THROUGH EVERY STAGE

96.4%
identify as Aboriginal (1.8% as both Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander)

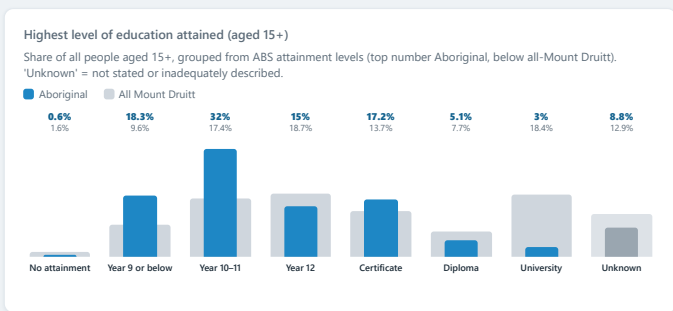
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec
most-spoken Aboriginal language — 24 speakers at home
As reported on the ABS 2021 Census

1.1%
speak an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander language at home

Early years · ages 0-4

About 1 in 8
Mount Druitt preschoolers are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
275 children in preschool (as at the 2021 Census) — about 12% of all Mount Druitt preschoolers, around 2.1x their 5.6% population share. The early years are a key point for investment.

School & study · ages 5-24



20 **Median age 20** — about half of Mount Druitt's Aboriginal community is younger than this (the wider Mount Druitt median age is 33).

Working life · ages 25-54

13.9%
Unemployment

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| Aboriginal | 13.9% |
| All Mount Druitt | 7.4% |
| All NSW | 4.9% |

1.9x the LGA rate

\$522
Median weekly personal income

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| Aboriginal | \$522 |
| All Mount Druitt | \$680 |

Household income \$1,264/wk shared across 3.3 people

46.1%
Labour force participation (15+)

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| Aboriginal | 46.1% |
| All Mount Druitt | 53% |

Top 5 occupations - Aboriginal community

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| Labourers | 17% |
| Machinery operators & drivers | 16.9% |
| Community & personal service | 16% |
| Clerical & administrative | 12.6% |
| Technicians & trades | 10.6% |

Family & home

2,290
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander families

40.1%
One-parent families

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| Aboriginal | 40.1% |
| All Mount Druitt | 23.2% |

70.9%
Households renting
16.5% mortgage · 9.6% owned outright

\$315
Median weekly rent
All Mount Druitt: \$350
3.3 people per household (All Mount Druitt 3.1)

Caring & community

27.4%
Provide unpaid child care
All Mount Druitt: 25.6%

12.3%
Provide unpaid assistance to a person with a disability, health condition or due to old age
All Mount Druitt: 10.4%

47.2%
Do unpaid domestic work
All Mount Druitt: 52.5%

5.8%
Volunteer through an organisation
All Mount Druitt: 7%

Health & wellbeing · all ages

52.4%
report no long-term health condition

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| Aboriginal | 52.4% |
| All Mount Druitt | 60.3% |

Despite being a far **younger** population (median age 20 vs 33), about the same share report no long-term condition as the wider LGA (52.4% vs 60.3%) — a sign conditions are emerging **earlier in life**. Figures cover all ages.

Most common conditions — prevalence
Share reporting each condition. Categories **overlap** — a person may report more than one.

| Condition | Aboriginal (%) | All Mount Druitt (%) |
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| Asthma | 19.8% | 8.8% |
| Mental health | 15.3% | 6.8% |
| Arthritis | 6.9% | 7.2% |
| Diabetes | 6.3% | 7.4% |
| Heart disease | 3.7% | 3.5% |

Read with care: These figures count only people who identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander in the Census. Undercounting is common — the true population is likely larger. Small-area counts are also randomly adjusted by the ABS to protect privacy, so components may not sum exactly.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander — Mount Druitt | All Mount Druitt area (whole population) | All NSW

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