



Women

Communities of
Penrith City LGA



Measuring the social and economic differences between women and men can provide valuable insights into their experiences which assist in focusing support and resources.

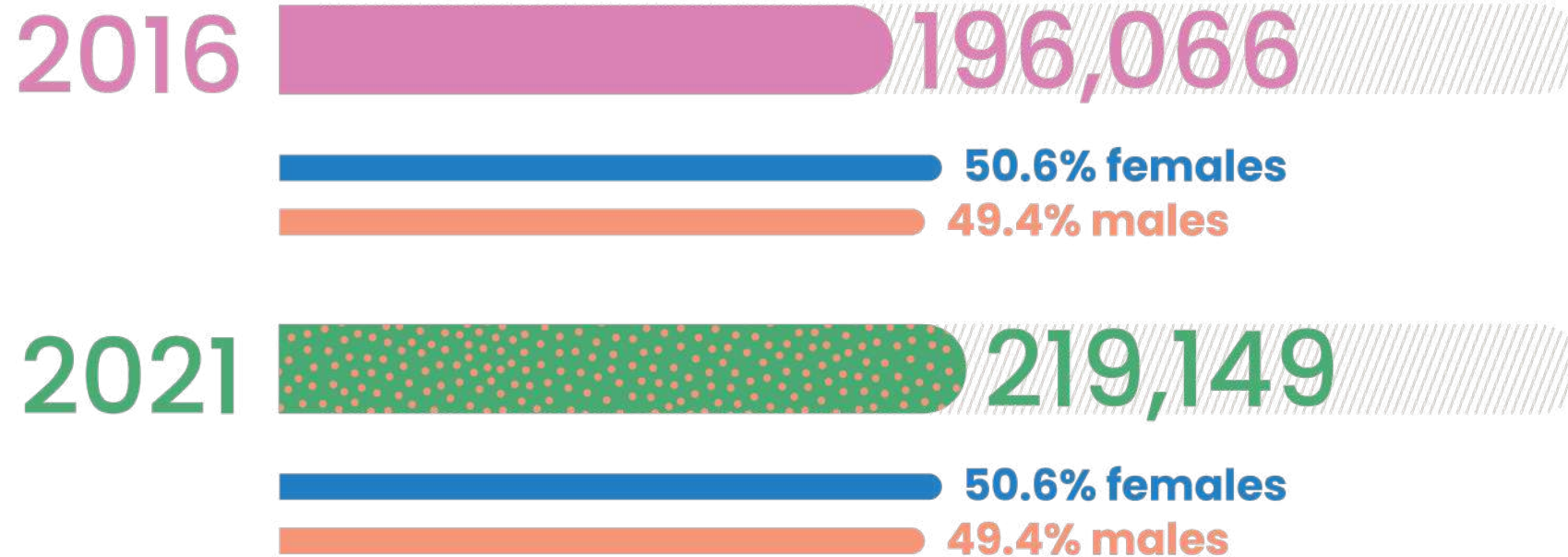
Considering a population through a sex-disaggregated lens can highlight differences between females and males and identify if either of these two sexes in the area experience disadvantage or exhibit differences in characteristics, which would help local government authorities to focus resources and investment.



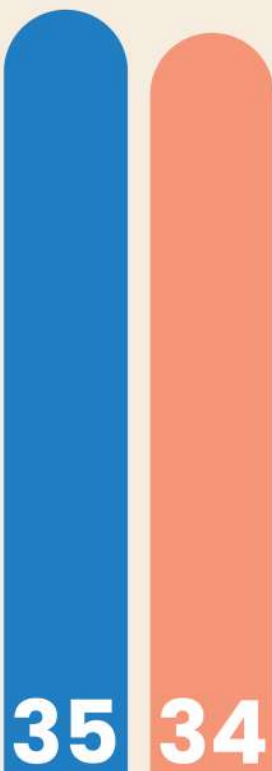
**Who are
our women?**

Population

The total population of Penrith City LGA in 2021 was 219,149.



Age



Penrith City LGA's female residents have a median age of 35, compared with 34 for males.

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- Males in Penrith City LGA

Our female residents also have a longer life expectancy, resulting in more females than males who are 80+. The proportion of females aged 65+ years increased by 2% since 2016.

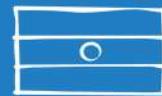


Birthplace

71%

of Penrith City LGA's female residents were born in Australia.

The most common birthplaces for females born overseas were:



3%
India



2.7%
Philippines



2.5%
England

Languages

74%

of our female residents
speak English.

The top non-English
languages spoken
by Penrith City LGA's
female populations are:

1.4%
Punjabi

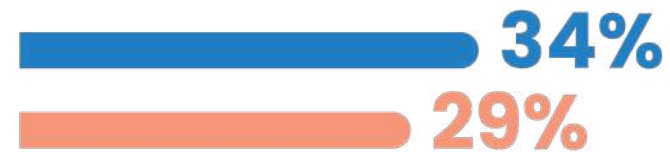
1.9%
Arabic

1.4%
Filipino/
Tagalog



Long term health conditions

Residents with at least one long-term health condition



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The most common types of long-term health conditions for Penrith City LGA's female residents are:

10.8% Mental health conditions

10% Asthma

9.9% Arthritis

Need for assistance due to disability

5.5%

of females have a need for assistance due to disability. This rate is the same for females and males in Penrith City LGA.



Households

Living as a couple with children is the most common household makeup for females in Penrith City LGA. However females were more likely to be in a one-parent family and less likely to live in a group household when compared with their male counterparts.

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Couples with children
51%
55%
35%

Couples without children
16%
17%
21%

One parent families
18%
13%
14%

Lone Person
8%
8%
21%

Group Households
2%
4%
3%



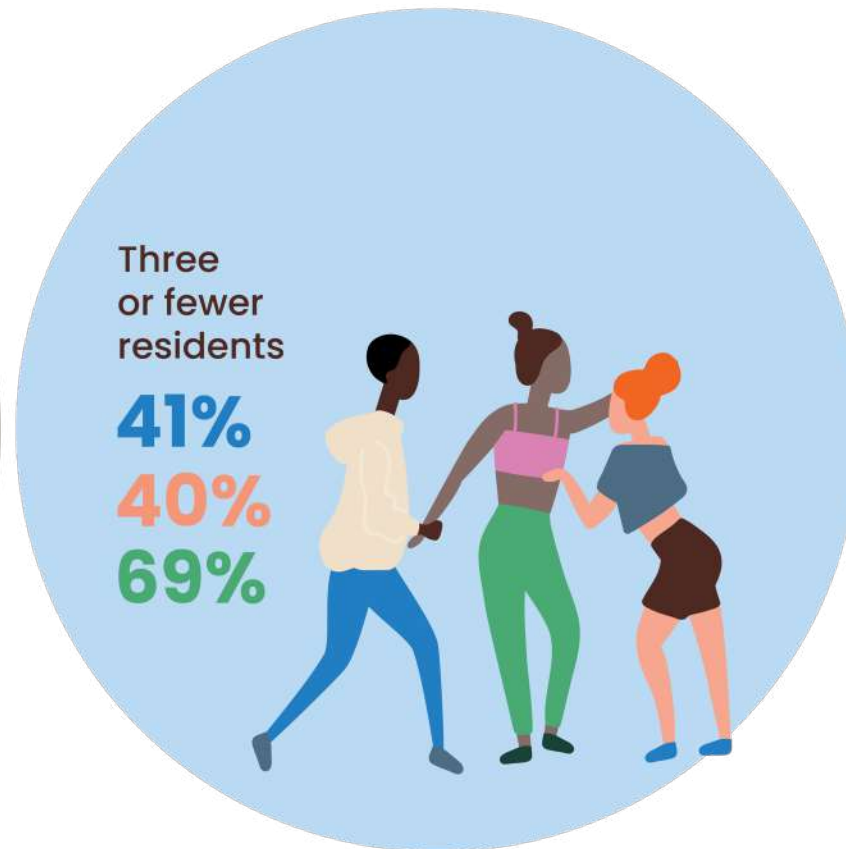
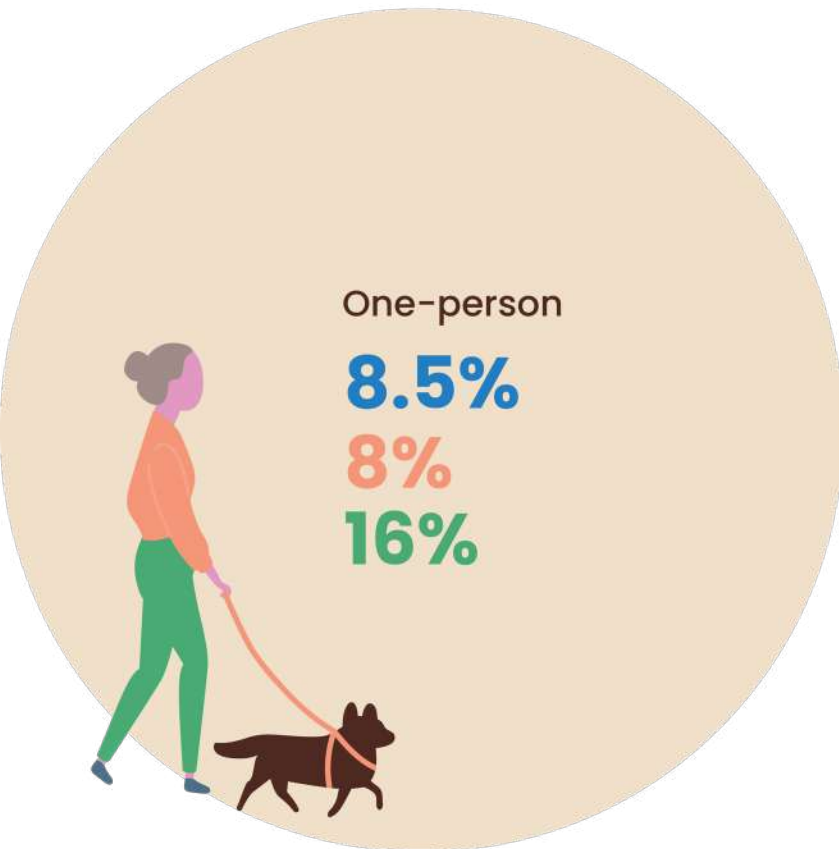


**How do our
women live?**

Household size

Since 2016, the proportion of females living in one-person households increased by 1.1%.

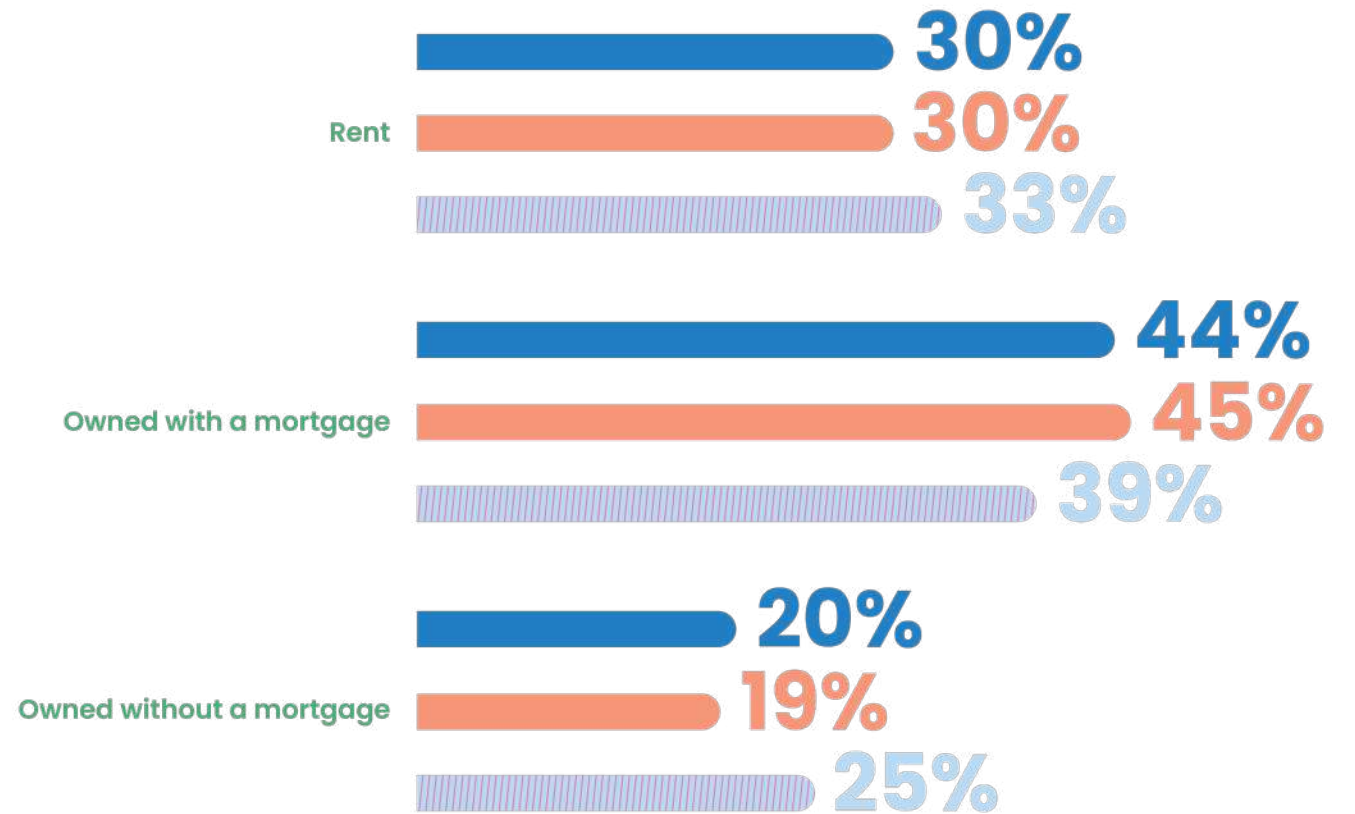
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Housing tenure

Housing tenure for females and males across Penrith City LGA remain relatively similar.

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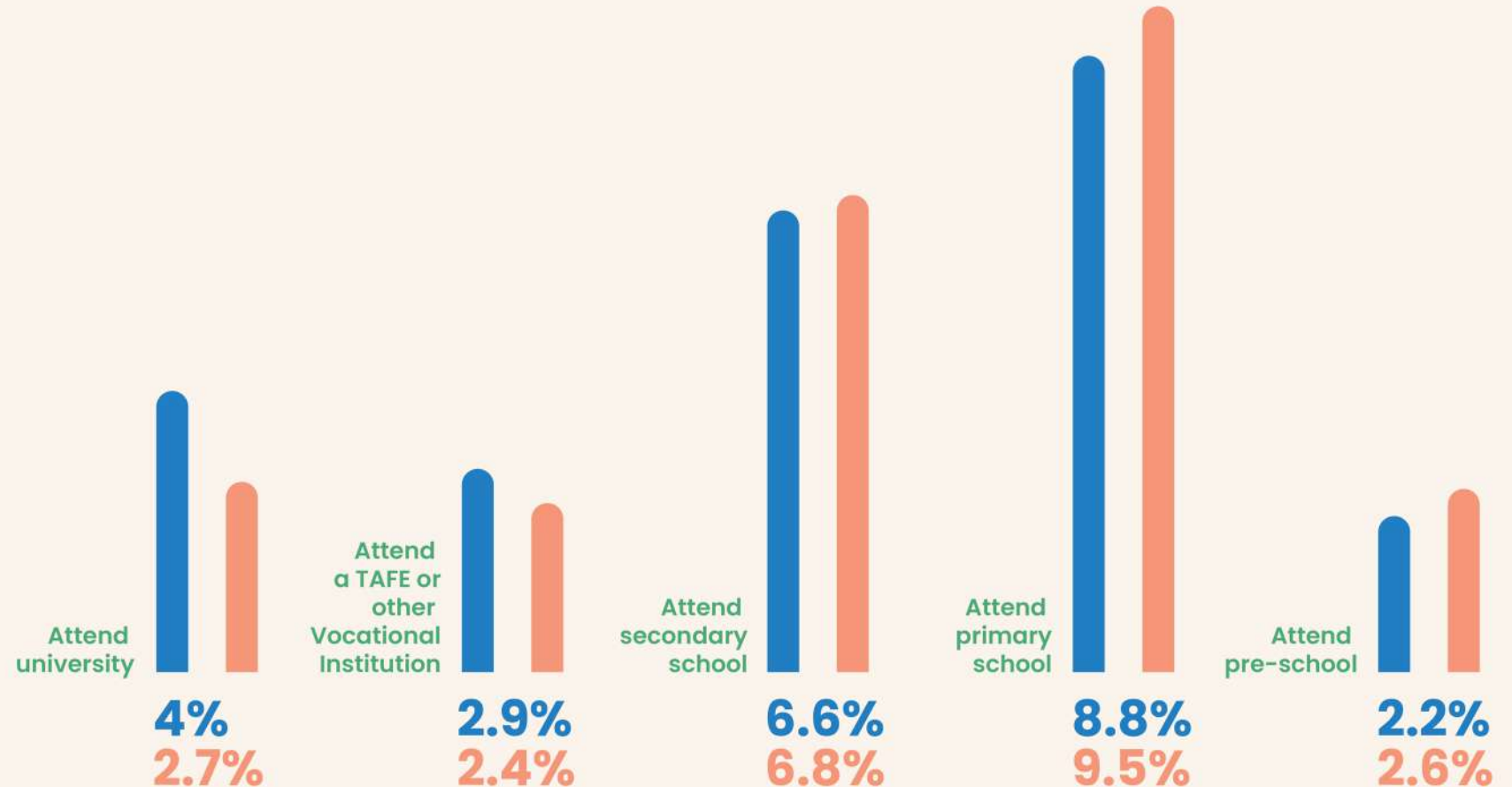
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**What do our
women do?**

Education

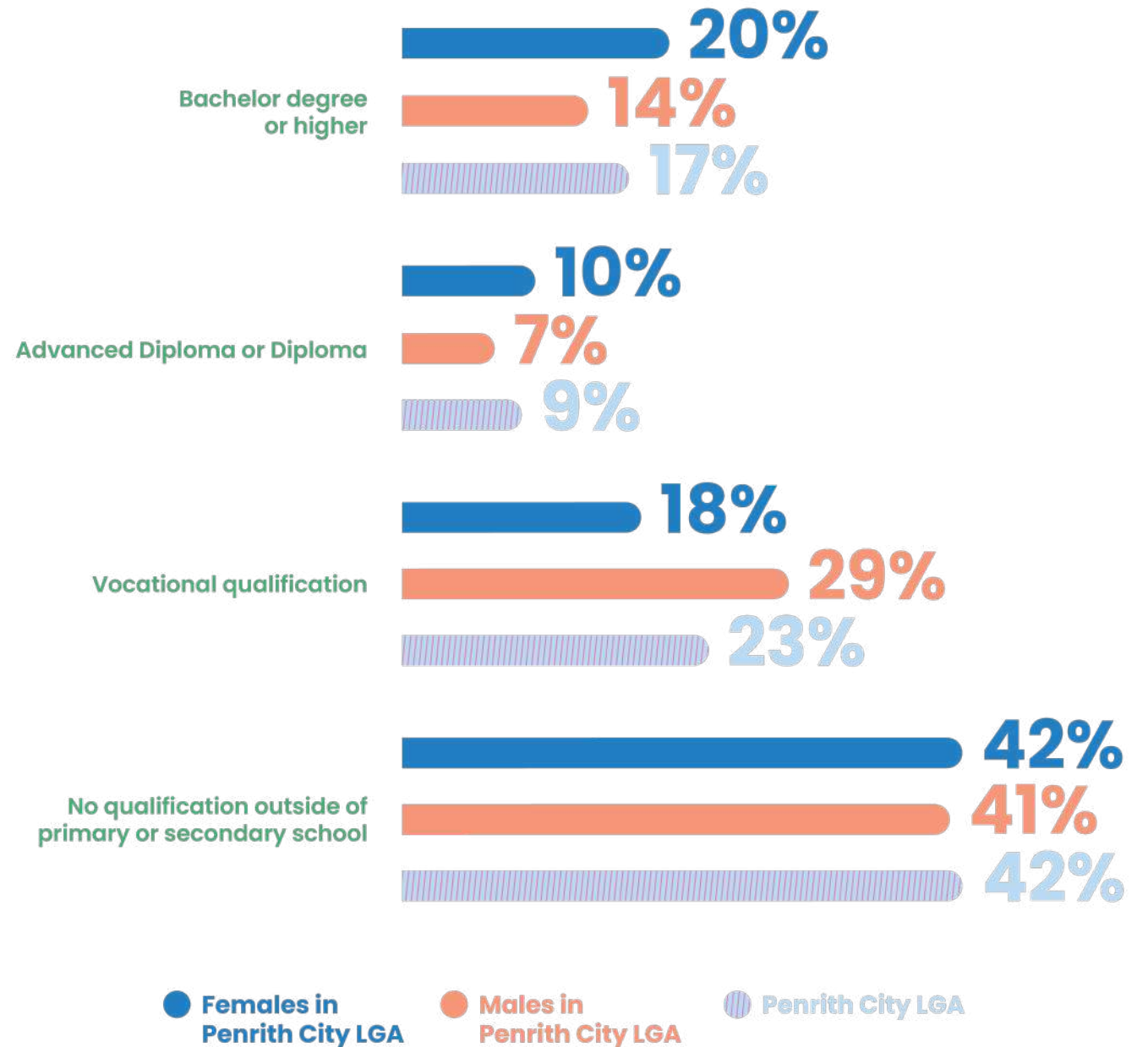
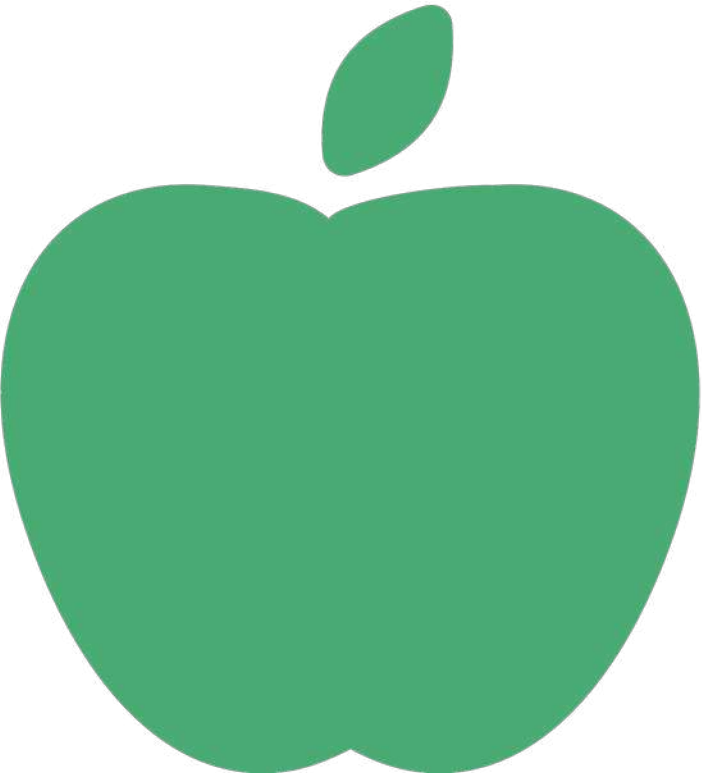
In 2021, 26% of Penrith City LGA's female residents and 25% of male residents attended an educational institution.

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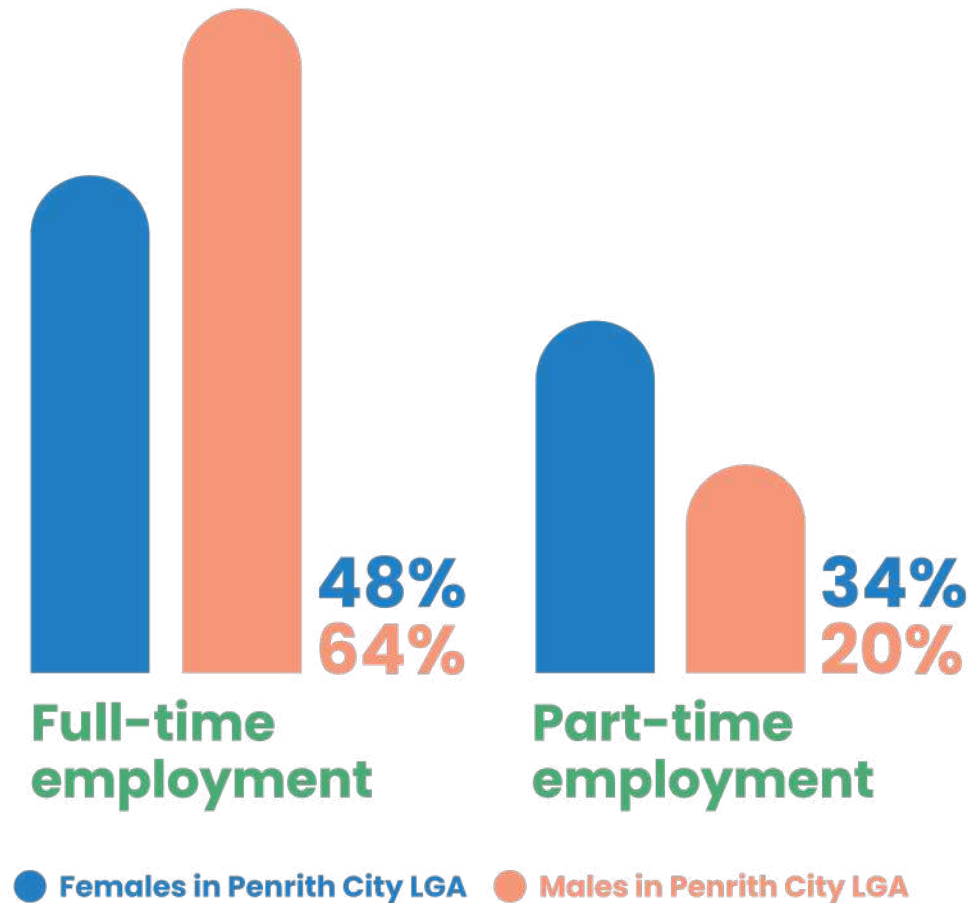


Education

Female residents of Penrith City LGA are generally more engaged with higher education when compared with their male counterparts, although similar rates of males and females have no qualifications outside of primary or secondary school.



Employment



58% of our female residents aged 15+ participate in the labour force.



Top three industries of employment

A significantly larger proportion of females (22%) worked in Health Care and Social Assistance, compared to males (5%). In Education and Training, this trend continued, with 13% of females and 4% of males employed in this industry.

The top three industries of employment for female residents of Penrith City LGA are:

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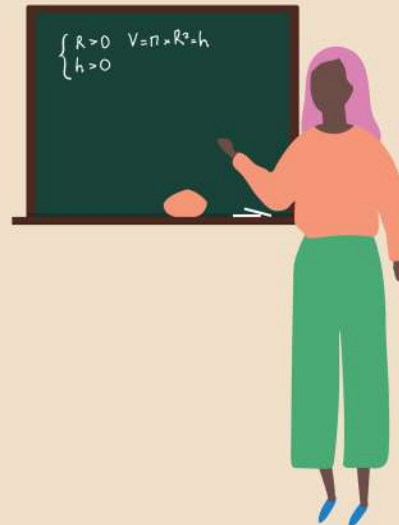
Health Care
and Social
Assistance



2

13%

Education
and
training



3

12%

Retail
Trade



Income



Median
individual
weekly
income

\$709

Females in
Penrith City LGA
aged 15+

↑ 52%
higher

\$1,076

Males in
Penrith City LGA
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This is partially due to more females working part time, and 13% of females providing unpaid care for people with disabilities, long-term illnesses and old age, compared to 9% of males are providing similar unpaid care.

Income

Individual income statistics show a larger proportion of females in the lower income bands.



Summary

More females had a Bachelor or Higher Degree than males.

Females have a lower labour force participation than males.



The median weekly income for males was 52% higher than that of females.



13% of females provided unpaid care for people with disabilities, long-term illnesses, old age.

More females have one or more long-term health condition compared to males.



While household composition characteristics were similar, there were more females in one-parent households and more males in group households.



More information

This community profile is part of a suite of resources. See Penrith City Council's [Community Profile](#) for more resources like this.

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Note: Unless otherwise stated, data from 2021.