

POPULATION, HOUSEHOLD & DWELLING PROJECTIONS

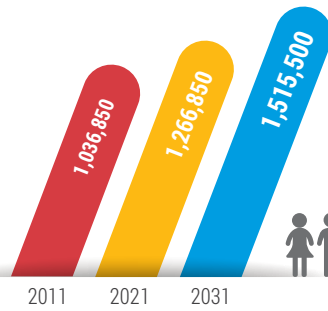
West Central Subregion

2011 - 2031



POPULATION CHANGE

478,650
MORE PEOPLE

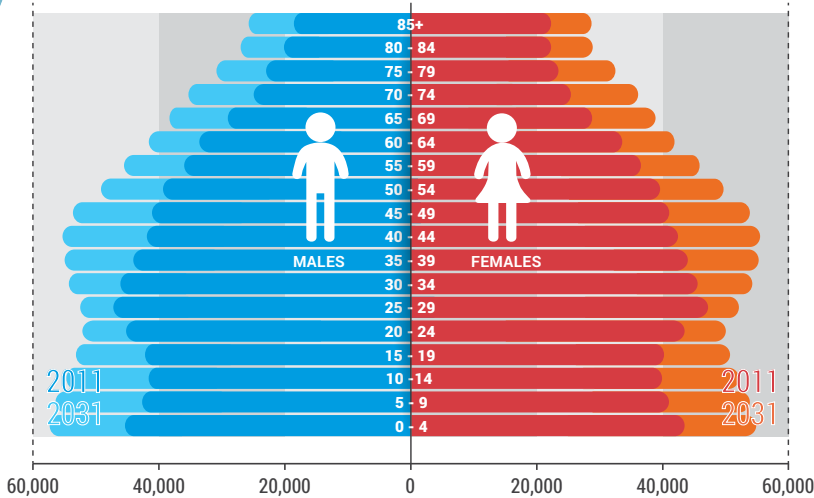


AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH



	2011	2021	2031	ANNUAL GROWTH
UNDER 15 POPULATION	218,250	274,300	320,200	1.9%
YOUTH DEPENDENCY	31	33	33	
65 AND OVER POPULATION	114,300	167,200	230,900	3.5%
AGED DEPENDENCY	16	20	24	

Dependency ratio = number of youth/aged population per 100 population aged 15-64 years



The population of the West Central subregion is projected to grow by more than 478,600 people over the next 20 years.

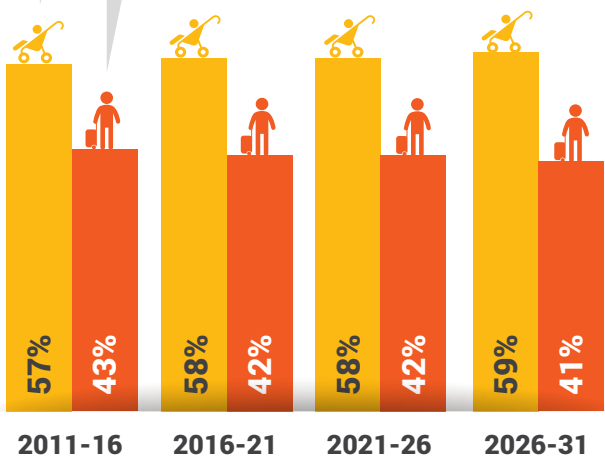
The subregion as a whole will grow at an average annual growth rate of 1.9%, faster than Sydney's rate of 1.6% over the same period. West Central is likely to be home to 26% of Sydney's population by 2031, making it the largest subregion in Sydney.

There will be an ageing of the population. By 2031, the number of residents aged 65 and older is projected to double and to rise from 11% of the population to 15%. Despite this, West Central will continue to have a relatively young age profile, with a large proportion under 15 years of age compared with Sydney as a whole.



NATURAL INCREASE

NET MIGRATION



DEMOGRAPHIC DRIVERS OF CHANGE

Just over half of West Central's growth is projected to come from natural increase (that is the difference between births and deaths) over the next 20 years. The younger age profile means a larger number of potential mothers will contribute to a higher number of births.

Migration will continue to be an important driver of growth, with a net gain from movement to and from the West Central subregion.

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HOUSEHOLD CHANGE
174,900
MORE HOUSEHOLDS



FUTURE HOUSEHOLD CHANGE

Continued population growth and population ageing will result in increased numbers of couple only and lone person households. The large number of people aged in their 30s and 40s will contribute to further growth in households with children. These households will represent a larger share of households in West Central compared with Sydney as a whole.



AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE

