

Children and young people as a proportion of the total population

South Australia

Census 2021 reports that there are currently 363,100 children and young people under 18 years estimated to be living in South Australia, including 16,400 Aboriginal children and young people.

In 2021, children and young people made up 20.4% of the South Australian population, a decrease from 21.0% in 2016. Since 2011, the proportions of the population aged birth to 5 years and 12-17 years have decreased and the proportion of the population aged 6-11 years has remained stable.

Numbers of children and young people estimated to be living in South Australia*

Age Range	Census 2011	Census 2016	Census 2021
Birth to 17 years (inc)	348,700	352,800	363,100
Birth to 5 years	115,200	116,800	114,700
6-11 years	112,300	119,300	125,200
12-17 years	121,200	116,700	123,300
South Australia population	1,596,600	1,676,700	1,781,500

*Due to rounding, numbers presented may not add up precisely to the totals.

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