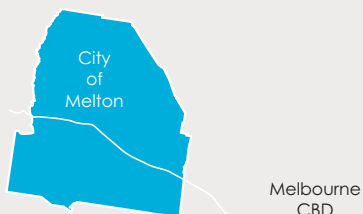


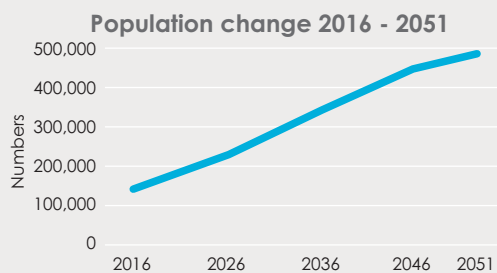
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## Location & Growth



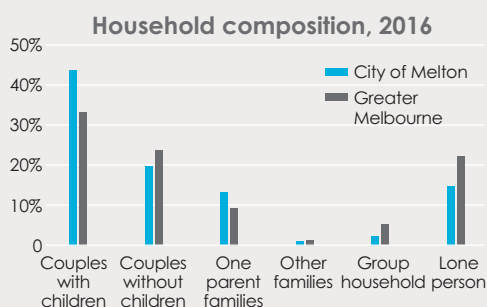
- > Situated in one of the fastest growing regions in Australia with a population of 181,571 in 2021
- > Growing rapidly at 5.2% per year (or 8,095 people), almost four times the rate of Victoria's growth of 1.5%
- > Population has increased by over 70,000 in the last 10 years
- > By 2026, the population will grow to 235,048 an increase of more than 60,000 people
- > By 2051, the population will grow to around 500,000, an increase of 300,000 people
- > The annual growth rate to 2051 is forecast at 3.0%

## Population



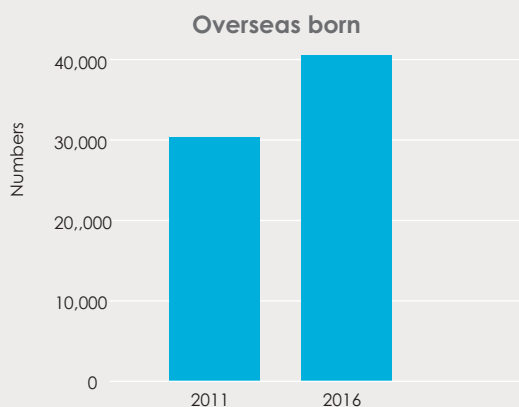
- > Approximately 50 families move into the City of Melton every week (2,680 per year)
- > 49 babies are born per week (2,536 per year)
- > Young population, median age is 33 years (Victoria, 37 years)
- > 76% of the population is aged less than 49 years
- > The largest population age groups are:
  - 5-9 years old (12,330)
  - 0-4 years old (12,316)
  - 35-39 years old (12,075)

## Households



- > There are more than 57,000 households
- > Average household size is 3.1 people
- > Household composition is:
  - 43% couples with children (Greater Melbourne, 33%)
  - 20% couples without children (Greater Melbourne, 23.5%)
  - 13% one parent families (Greater Melbourne, 10%)
  - 15% lone persons (Victoria, 22%)
  - 2% group households (Victoria, 5%)
- > Average number of children per family is 2

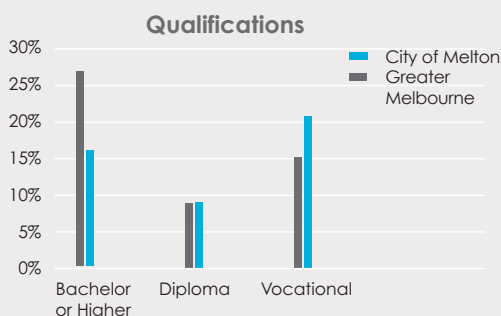
## Diversity



- > Between 2011 and 2016, the number of overseas born residents increased from 30,322 to 40,527 (+10,205) which represents 29.9% of the total population
- > In 2016, the top five largest countries of birth were: India, the Philippines, United Kingdom, New Zealand and Malta
- > Top five religions: Catholic, Anglican, Islam, Christian, nfd and Hinduism
- > In 2016, no religious affiliation increased by 5,697 to 18,689 (17%)
- > 1,290 Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander\* people live in the City of Melton, an increase of 62% since 2011

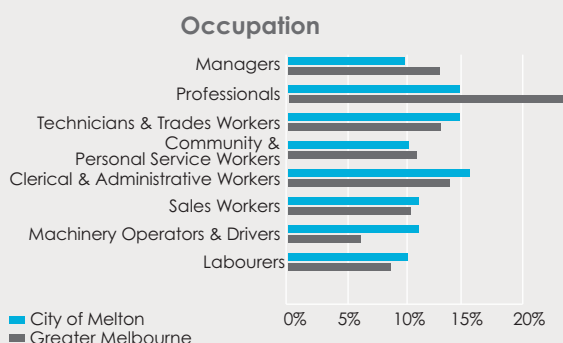
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## Education



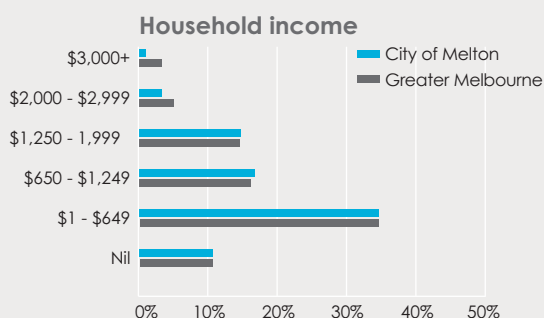
- > 26% of the population attend an educational institution
- > There are 14,084 babies and pre-schoolers, 16,724 primary schoolers and 11,576 secondary schoolers
- > 51% have completed Year 12 (Greater Melbourne, 59%)
- > University attendance is 3.5% (Greater Melbourne, 6.4%)
- > Bachelor or Higher Degree qualification 16% (Greater Melbourne, 27.5%)
- > Diploma 9% (Greater Melbourne, 9.5%)
- > Vocational qualification 21% (Greater Melbourne, 15%)
- > No qualification 44% (Greater Melbourne, 39%)

## Employment



- > 60,027 people are employed, of which 64% are working full time (44% females, 72% males) and 34% part time (46% females, 18% males)
- > Most work in clerical and administrative occupations
- > 15% work in professional occupations (Greater Melbourne, 25%)
- > 73% travel outside the area to work (66% in 2011)
- > 75% travel to work by car (Greater Melbourne, 64%)
- > 9% traveled by train to work (Greater Melbourne, 11.5%)
- > One in eight persons aged 15+ are involved in some form of voluntary work (12,729, and increase of 4,076 since 2011)

## Income



- > Fewer households (14%) earn a low income (Greater Melbourne, 17%)
- > Fewer households (19%) earn a high income (Greater Melbourne, 23%)
- > Median weekly household income is \$1,538 (Greater Melbourne \$1,539)
- > Median weekly mortgage repayment is \$394 (Greater Melbourne, \$421)
- > 13% of households are experiencing mortgage stress (Greater Melbourne, 11%)
- > 31% of households are experiencing rental stress (Greater Melbourne, 27%)
- > Average motor vehicles per dwelling is 2
- > SEIFA index 994

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\* Due to issues with non-identification and undercounting in the 2016 Census, the number could double.

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For further information on City of Melton demographics,  
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