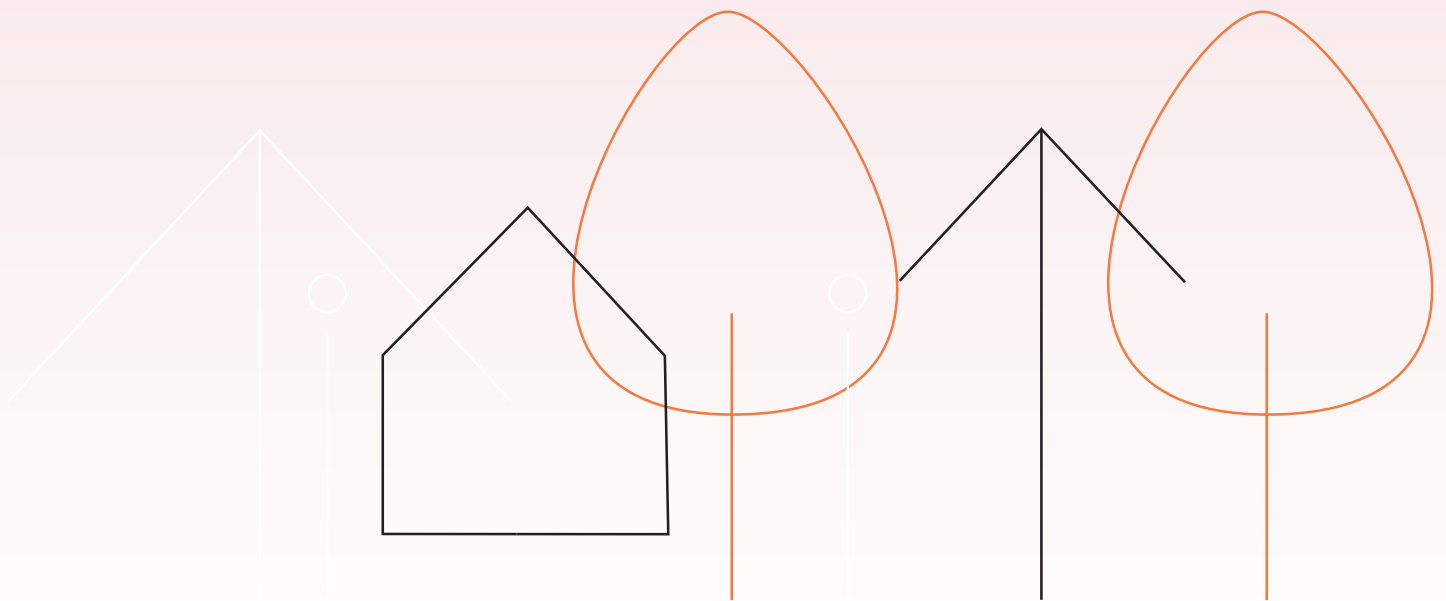# Northern Beaches Council

2016 Census results
Forestville

Comparison year: 2011
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Population

8,771

ERP, 2018

▲ Grown by 69 from the previous year.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Regional Population Growth, Australia (3218.0). Compiled and presented by .id the population experts

Forestville 2016

◄► No significant change since previous Census (less than +/-0.5%) ▲ Increased since previous Census
▼ Decreased since previous Census

Median age

41 ◄► (0)

Northern Beaches Council area	40	▲
Greater Sydney	36	◄►
New South Wales	38	◄►

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Population

0.3% ◄► (0%)

Northern Beaches Council area	0.6%	◄►
Greater Sydney	1.5%	◄►
New South Wales	2.9%	◄►

Couples with children

46% ▲ (3.3%)

Northern Beaches Council area	37%	▲
Greater Sydney	35%	▲
New South Wales	32%	◄►

Older couples without children

14% ◄► (-0.4%)

Northern Beaches Council area	10%	▲
Greater Sydney	8%	▲
New South Wales	10%	▲

Lone person households

20% ▼ (-1.8%)

Northern Beaches Council area	21%	▼
Greater Sydney	20%	▼
New South Wales	22%	▼

Medium and high density Housing

19% ◄► (0.3%)

Northern Beaches Council area	43%	▲
Greater Sydney	44%	▲
New South Wales	33%	▲

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Median weekly household income

$2,225 ▲ ($470)

Northern Beaches Council area	$2,173	▲
Greater Sydney	$1,745	▲
New South Wales	$1,481	▲

Median weekly mortgage repayment

$705

Northern Beaches Council area	$655	▲
Greater Sydney	$495	▲
New South Wales	$456	▲

Median weekly rent

$646

Northern Beaches Council area	$576	▲
Greater Sydney	$447	▲
New South Wales	$384	▲

Households renting

19% ◄► (0%)

Northern Beaches Council area	25%	▼
Greater Sydney	33%	▲
New South Wales	30%	▲

Households with a mortgage

36% ▲ (1.5%)

Northern Beaches Council area	34%	▼
Greater Sydney	32%	▼
New South Wales	30%	▼

Overseas born

30% ▲ (1.4%)

Northern Beaches Council area	29%	▲
Greater Sydney	37%	▲
New South Wales	28%	▲

Language at home other than English

22% ▲ (1.3%)

Northern Beaches Council area	15%	▲
Greater Sydney	36%	▲
New South Wales	25%	▲

University attendance

4% ◄► (0.3%)

Northern Beaches Council area	4%	◄►
Greater Sydney	6%	▲
New South Wales	5%	▲

University qualification

34% ▲ (2.4%)

Northern Beaches Council area	32%	▲
Greater Sydney	28%	▲
New South Wales	23%	▲

Trade qualification (certificate)

14% ◄► (0%)

Northern Beaches Council area	16%	◄►
Greater Sydney	15%	◄►
New South Wales	18%	◄►

Unemployment rate

3.7% ▲ (1.7%)

Northern Beaches Council area	3.5%	▲
Greater Sydney	6.0%	◄►
New South Wales	6.3%	◄►

Participation rate (population in labour force)

61% ▲ (1.8%)

Northern Beaches Council area	66%	◄►
Greater Sydney	62%	◄►
New South Wales	59%	▼

Public transport (to work)

19% ▲ (2.1%)

Northern Beaches Council area	18% ▲
Greater Sydney	23% ▲
New South Wales	16% ▲

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Northern Beaches Council area	1092 ▲
Greater Sydney	1018 ▲
New South Wales	1001 ▲

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Location and boundaries

Forestville is bounded by Carroll Creek in the north, the reserve, Fitzpatrick Avenue West, Warringah Road, Maxwell Parade, Currie Road and Forestville Park in the east, the suburb of Killarney Heights, Lanford Avenue and Warringah Road in the south, and Middle Harbour in the west.

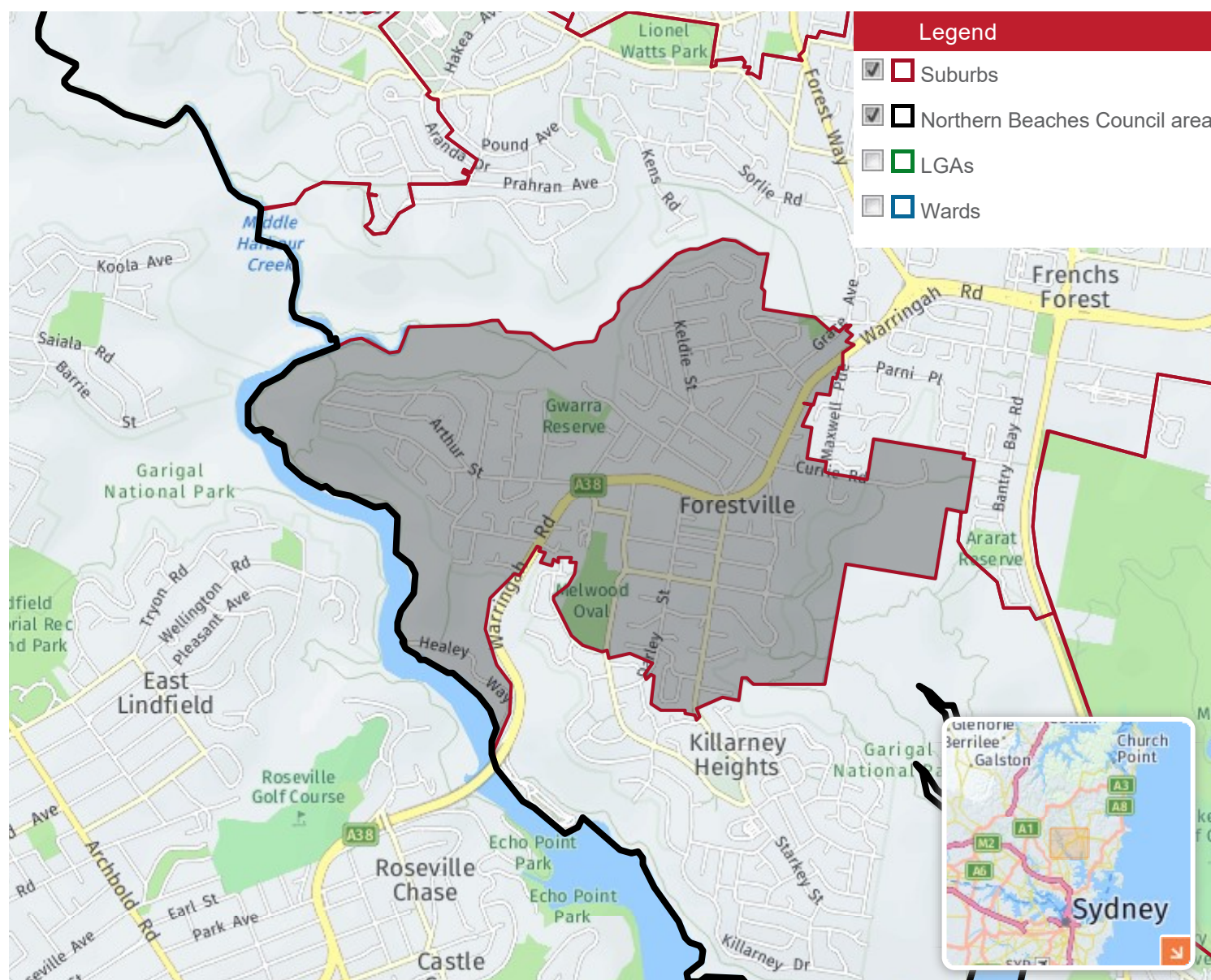|			
Important **Statistics**	**Population** 8,771 2018 ABS ERP	**Land area** 444 ha (4 Km^2)	**Population density** 19.77 persons per hectare

Profile areas

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Population and dwellings

There are a number of different ways of measuring the population of an area, all of which give an insight into the size of the place and its rate of growth over different time periods. The Census counts people where they are on the night of the Census (enumerated population) and also by where they usually live (usual residence). Both these populations are useful and form the basis for a range of characteristics collected in the Census.

However, the most accurate count of the total population is Estimated Resident Population, which factors in an estimate of those missed in the Census and those who were overseas on Census night. It is usually higher than either Census count, and is also updated annually after the Census, providing preliminary estimates for up to 5 years.

This page provides the three population counts for Forestville at the last Census, with comparisons to previous Census years for the Census counts only. The current estimate for Forestville at the most recent year available is shown at the top of the page. This figure is a preliminary estimate only and is subject to review after the next Census data are released. Please use with caution.

Also included are a range of sub-population groups and key statistics from the Census (usual resident) population, such as citizens, employed persons and Indigenous population.

These figures all provide the context for the size of the population and growth rate within Forestville and should be looked at in conjunction with other basic demographic information, such as Age Structure, Dwelling Type and Household Size.

The data on this page are sourced from a variety of different tables and designed to give a range of population and dwelling numbers for the area.

Population

Forestville - Total persons	2016			2011			Change
Population	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	2011 to 2016
Estimated Resident Population	8,656	--	--	--	--	--	--
Enumerated Population	8,207	--	--	7,883	--	--	+324
Usual Resident Population	8,345	--	--	8,028	--	--	+316

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016. Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id , the population experts.

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Selected subpopulation categories

Forestville - Total people (Usual residence)	2016			2011			Change
Population group	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	2011 to 2016
Males	4,029	48.3	49.3	3,871	48.2	49.2	+158
Females	4,312	51.7	50.7	4,157	51.8	50.8	+154
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population	27	0.3	1.5	24	0.3	1.2	+3
Australian citizens	7,365	88.3	79.5	7,053	87.9	82.5	+312
Eligible voters (citizens aged 18+)	5,278	63.3	60.0	5,181	64.5	62.4	+96
Population over 15	6,448	77.3	81.3	6,149	76.6	80.8	+299
Employed Population	3,812	96.3	94.0	3,590	98.0	94.3	+222
Overseas visitors (enumerated)	54	--	--	41	--	--	+13

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016 (Usual residence). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id , the population experts.

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Dwellings

Forestville - Households (Enumerated)	2016			2011			Change
Dwellings	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	2011 to 2016
Total dwellings	3,019	100.0	100.0	2,993	100.0	100.0	+26
Occupied private dwellings	2,839	94.0	92.5	2,832	94.6	92.9	+7
Population in non-private dwellings	88	--	--	71	--	--	+17
Average household size (persons per dwelling)	2.86	--	2.72	2.78	--	2.69	+0.09

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016 (Enumerated). Compiled and presented in profile.id by .id , the population experts.

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*Note that this is an estimate based on ERP at the SA1 level. It is subject to review after the next Census data release and may not match .id's population forecasts.

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Household type

Forestville's household and family structure is one of the most important demographic indicators. It reveals the area's residential role and function, era of settlement and provides key insights into the level of demand for services and facilities as most are related to age and household types.

To continue building the story, Forestville's Household Summary should be viewed in conjunction with Households with Children, Households without Children, Household Size, Age Structure and Dwelling Type.

Household type

Forestville - Total households (Enumerated)	2016			2011			Change
Households by type	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	2011 to 2016
Couples with children	1,274	46.1	35.3	1,213	42.8	34.8	+61
Couples without children	612	22.2	22.4	624	22.1	22.6	-12
One parent families	211	7.7	10.4	232	8.2	10.8	-21
Other families	12	0.4	1.3	39	1.4	1.4	-28
Group household	40	1.5	4.5	42	1.5	4.1	-3
Lone person	546	19.8	20.4	609	21.5	21.5	-63
Other not classifiable household	63	2.3	4.7	56	2.0	4.1	+7
Visitor only households	2	0.1	0.9	13	0.5	0.9	-10
Total households	2,764	100.0	100.0	2,832	100.0	100.0	-68

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- a One parent families with dependent children
- a Couple families with dependent children
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Dominant groups

Analysis of the household/family types in Forestville in 2016 compared to Greater Sydney shows that there was a higher proportion of couple families with child(ren) as well as a lower proportion of one-parent families. Overall, 46.1% of total families were couple families with child(ren), and 7.7% were one-parent families, compared with 35.3% and 10.4% respectively for Greater Sydney.

There were a lower proportion of lone person households and a similar proportion of couples without children. Overall, the proportion of lone person households was 19.8% compared to 20.4% in Greater Sydney while the proportion of couples without children was 22.2% compared to 22.4% in Greater Sydney.

Emerging groups

The number of households in Forestville decreased by 68 between 2011 and 2016.

The largest changes in family/household types in Forestville between 2011 and 2016 were:

- Lone person (-63 households)
- Couples with children (+61 households)

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Dwelling type

Dwelling Type is an important determinant of Forestville's residential role and function. A greater concentration of higher density dwellings is likely to attract more young adults and smaller households, often renting. Larger, detached or separate dwellings are more likely to attract families and prospective families. The residential built form often reflects market opportunities or planning policy, such as building denser forms of housing around public transport nodes or employment centres.

Dwelling Type statistics should be viewed in conjunction with Household Size, Household Types, Housing Tenure and Age Structure for a more complete picture of the housing market in Forestville.

Dwelling structure

Forestville - Dwellings (Enumerated)	2016			2011			Change
Dwelling type	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	2011 to 2016
Separate house	2,395	80.5	55.0	2,424	81.0	58.9	-29
Medium density	439	14.8	20.3	423	14.2	19.7	+15
High density	133	4.5	23.5	144	4.8	20.7	-11
Caravans, cabin, houseboat	0	--	0.2	0	--	0.2	0
Other	0	--	0.5	0	--	0.4	0
Not stated	5	0.2	0.4	0	--	0.1	+6
Total Private Dwellings	2,974	100.0	100.0	2,992	100.0	100.0	-18

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2016. Compiled and presented by .id , the population experts.

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Dwelling type

Forestville	2016			2011			Change
Dwelling type	**Number**	**%**	**Greater Sydney %**	**Number**	**%**	**Greater Sydney %**	**2011 to 2016**
Occupied private dwellings	2,838	93.9	92.5	2,831	94.6	92.9	+7
Unoccupied private dwellings	185	6.1	7.3	161	5.4	6.9	+24
Non private dwellings	0	--	0.2	0	--	0.2	0
Total dwellings	3,024	100.0	100.0	2,992	100.0	100.0	+31

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Dominant groups

In 2016, there were 2,395 separate houses in the area, 439 medium density dwellings, and 133 high density dwellings.

Analysis of the types of dwellings in Forestville in 2016 shows that 80.5% of all dwellings were separate houses; 14.8% were medium density dwellings, and 4.5% were in high density dwellings, compared with 55.0%, 20.3%, and 23.5% in the Greater Sydney respectively.

In 2016, a total of 93.9% of the dwellings in Forestville were occupied on Census night, compared to 92.5% in Greater Sydney. The proportion of unoccupied dwellings was 6.1%, which is smaller compared to that found in Greater Sydney (7.3%).

Emerging groups

The total number of dwellings in Forestville increased by 32 between 2011 and 2016.

There were no major differences in Forestville between 2011 and 2016.

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Housing tenure

Forestville's Housing Tenure data provides insights into its socio-economic status as well as the role it plays in the housing market. For example, a high concentration of private renters may indicate a transient area attractive to young singles and couples, while a concentration of home owners indicates a more settled area with mature families and empty-nesters (Household Summary). Tenure can also reflect built form (Dwelling Type), with a significantly higher share of renters in high density housing and a substantially larger proportion of home-owners in separate houses, although this is not always the case.

In conjunction with other socio-economic status indicators in Forestville, Tenure data is useful for analysing housing markets, housing affordability and identifying public housing areas.

Housing tenure

Forestville - Households (Enumerated)	2016			2011			Change
Tenure type	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	Number	%	Greater Sydney %	2011 to 2016
Fully owned	1,077	38.4	27.7	1,135	40.1	29.1	-58
Mortgage	1,014	36.2	31.5	982	34.7	33.2	+32
Renting - Total	527	18.8	32.6	533	18.8	30.4	-7
Renting - Social housing	107	3.8	4.6	130	4.6	5.0	-23
Renting - Private	417	14.9	27.6	390	13.8	25.0	+26
Renting - Not stated	3	0.1	0.4	13	0.5	0.5	-10
Other tenure type	59	2.1	0.8	72	2.5	0.8	-13
Not stated	127	4.6	7.4	109	3.9	6.5	+18
Total households	2,805	100.0	100.0	2,833	100.0	100.0	-28

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Dominant groups

Analysis of the housing tenure of households of Forestville in 2016 compared to Greater Sydney shows that there was a larger proportion of households who owned their dwelling; a larger proportion purchasing their dwelling; and a smaller proportion who were renters.

Overall, 38.4% of households owned their dwelling; 36.2% were purchasing, and 18.8% were renting, compared with 27.7%, 31.5% and 32.6% respectively for Greater Sydney.

Emerging groups

The largest change in housing tenure categories for the households in Forestville between 2011 and 2016 was:

- Fully owned (-58 households)

The total number of households in Forestville decreased by 28 between 2011 and 2016.

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