

Data Sheet 84 (DS 084)

Dwelling Occupancy Rates

What are we monitoring?

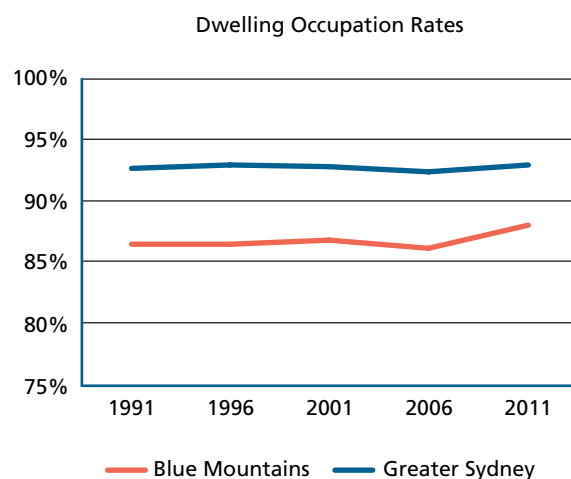
The occupancy rates of dwellings in the Blue Mountains compared to Greater Sydney.

What is the trend?

The occupancy rate in the Blue Mountains has remained relatively stable rising slightly over 2006–2011. However, the Blue Mountains occupancy rate is lower than Greater Sydney. This lower rate of occupancy is influenced by the number of holiday homes in the Blue Mountains. These homes may be available for short term rental but are not available for longer term rental.

Why is monitoring this trend important?

Monitoring the occupancy rates provides the Council with information about the relationship between the number of dwellings in the LGA and the number of residents. This in turn informs service provision planning.



Occupied Private Dwellings

Year	1991	1996	2001	2006	2011
Blue Mountains	86.4%	86.4%	86.8%	86.2%	88.1%
Greater Sydney	92.7%	93.0%	92.8%	92.4%	92.9%

Source: ID Profile <http://profile.id.com.au/blue-mountains>