

City of Melbourne Population and Jobs Forecasts 2021-2041

Summary infographic 2022

# City of Melbourne Forecasts 2021-2041

Forecasts provide an informed guide to what may occur in the future. They help us answer questions around our population and employment such as how many people may live within the city or how many jobs may be within the city, and where these may be located. Having a reasonably confident understanding of the expected level of growth is essential to allocating sufficient resources and services to support our fast-growing city.

## Population

By 2041 the population in the City of Melbourne is expected to double, reaching over 308,000 residents.

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2026** | **2031** | **2036** | **2041** |
| Residents | 153,674 | 190,979 | 241,391 | 278,957 | 308,190 |

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2041** | **Growth** |
| Residents | 153,674 | 308,190 | +101% |
| Median age | 28 yrs | 34 yrs | +6 yrs |
| Under 35 years | 105,641 | 164,084 | +55% |
| 35 years and over | 48,033 | 144,106 | +200% |

## Households

By 2041 the number of households in the City of Melbourne is expected to increase by 58%, reaching almost 136,000 households.

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2026** | **2031** | **2036** | **2041** |
| Households | 85,824 | 102,589 | 112,135 | 122,951 | 135,618 |

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2041** | **Growth** |
| Households | 85,824 | 135,618 | 58% |
| Avg. size | 1.8 persons | 2.3 persons | +0.5 persons |
| Total dwellings | 99,232 | 141,290 | 42% |
| Unoccupied dwellings | 13,408 | 5,672 | -58% |

## Jobs

By 2041 the number of jobs in the City of Melbourne is expected to increase by 41%, reaching over 659,000 jobs.

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2026** | **2031** | **2036** | **2041** |
| Jobs | 466,004 | 519,577 | 574,576 | 619,402 | 659,244 |

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2041** | **Growth** |
| Jobs | 466,004 | 659,244 | +41% |
| Business services | 80,614 | 128,834 | +60% |
| Health care and social | 44,324 | 76,440 | +72% |
| Education and training | 25,314 | 45,905 | +81% |

## Floor space (sqm)

By 2041 floor space in the City of Melbourne is expected to increase by 23%, reaching over 33,000,000 sqm.

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2026** | **2031** | **2036** | **2041** |
| Floor space (sqm) | 26,935,176 | 28,115,024 | 30,026,435 | 31,620,093 | 33,246,343 |

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| **City of Melbourne** | **2021** | **2041** | **Growth** |
| Floor space (sqm) | 26,935,176 | 33,246,343 | +23% |
| Residential space | 8,569,457 | 11,286,686 | +32% |
| Office space | 5,596,594 | 5,996,658 | +7% |
| Industrial space | 4,419,577 | 3,743,943 | -15% |

Forecasts current at 31 July 2022. For more information visit melbourne.vic.gov.au/cityforecasts.

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## Forecasts by location

### Population

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| **Location** | **2021** | **2031** | **2041** | **Growth 2021-2041** |
| **Carlton** | 17,185 | 26,375 | 35,877 | 109% |
| **Docklands** | 15,926 | 25,292 | 32,431 | 104% |
| **East Melbourne** | 4,968 | 7,444 | 8,032 | 62% |
| **Kensington** | 10,933 | 15,847 | 17,654 | 61% |
| **Melbourne (CBD)** | 43,825 | 70,552 | 89,239 | 104% |
| **Melbourne (Remainder)** | 3,121 | 4,429 | 4,765 | 53% |
| **North Melbourne** | 15,653 | 25,304 | 38,469 | 146% |
| **Parkville** | 7,813 | 11,223 | 12,905 | 65% |
| **Port Melbourne** | 10 | 1,190 | 3,619 | >200% |
| **South Yarra** | 3,716 | 5,467 | 5,780 | 56% |
| **Southbank** | 22,589 | 35,553 | 44,605 | 97% |
| **West Melbourne (Industrial)** | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| **West Melbourne (Residential)** | 7,935 | 12,716 | 14,814 | 87% |

### Households

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| **Location** | **2021** | **2031** | **2041** | **Growth 2021-2041** |
| **Carlton** | 11,358 | 14,974 | 20,805 | 83% |
| **Docklands** | 8,581 | 11,107 | 13,175 | 54% |
| **East Melbourne** | 2,894 | 3,665 | 3,638 | 26% |
| **Kensington** | 5,067 | 6,137 | 6,935 | 37% |
| **Melbourne (CBD)** | 26,766 | 35,785 | 42,219 | 58% |
| **Melbourne (Remainder)** | 1,317 | 1,541 | 1,528 | 16% |
| **North Melbourne** | 8,121 | 11,004 | 15,446 | 90% |
| **Parkville** | 2,604 | 2,922 | 2,914 | 12% |
| **Port Melbourne** | 2 | 410 | 1,339 | >200% |
| **South Yarra** | 2,339 | 2,831 | 2,812 | 20% |
| **Southbank** | 12,050 | 15,702 | 18,193 | 51% |
| **West Melbourne (Industrial)** | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| **West Melbourne (Residential)** | 4,727 | 6,060 | 6,612 | 40% |

### Jobs

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|  | **2021** | **2031** | **2041** | **Growth 2021-2041** |
| **Carlton** | 15,139 | 22,878 | 27,584 | 82% |
| **Docklands** | 73,021 | 85,041 | 93,783 | 28% |
| **East Melbourne** | 20,682 | 25,596 | 28,053 | 36% |
| **Kensington** | 7,814 | 10,023 | 13,732 | 76% |
| **Melbourne (CBD)** | 217,913 | 264,676 | 294,155 | 35% |
| **Melbourne (Remainder)** | 23,088 | 28,498 | 29,406 | 27% |
| **North Melbourne** | 9,983 | 18,648 | 26,160 | 162% |
| **Parkville** | 30,445 | 35,492 | 38,758 | 27% |
| **Port Melbourne** | 13,274 | 17,191 | 32,176 | 142% |
| **South Yarra** | 1,031 | 1,713 | 1,772 | 72% |
| **Southbank** | 44,776 | 53,199 | 59,954 | 34% |
| **West Melbourne (Industrial)** | 3,875 | 5,120 | 6,384 | 65% |
| **West Melbourne (Residential)** | 4,963 | 6,501 | 7,328 | 48% |

### Floor space (sqm)

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|  | **2021** | **2031** | **2041** | **Growth 2021-2041** |
| **Carlton** | 1,841,201 | 2,202,730 | 2,466,154 | 34% |
| **Docklands** | 2,567,707 | 2,909,631 | 3,314,997 | 29% |
| **East Melbourne** | 1,041,907 | 1,146,514 | 1,213,240 | 16% |
| **Kensington** | 1,458,329 | 1,566,979 | 1,720,981 | 18% |
| **Melbourne (CBD)** | 7,495,213 | 8,490,705 | 9,484,010 | 27% |
| **Melbourne (Remainder)** | 741,195 | 805,376 | 820,488 | 11% |
| **North Melbourne** | 1,370,857 | 1,775,805 | 2,376,795 | 73% |
| **Parkville** | 2,110,850 | 2,270,090 | 2,429,651 | 15% |
| **Port Melbourne** | 2,063,873 | 2,128,046 | 2,327,869 | 13% |
| **South Yarra** | 446,099 | 474,675 | 474,615 | 6% |
| **Southbank** | 2,604,951 | 3,038,075 | 3,443,822 | 32% |
| **West Melbourne (Industrial)** | 2,551,166 | 2,459,782 | 2,333,836 | -9% |
| **West Melbourne (Residential)** | 641,827 | 758,028 | 839,885 | 31% |

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