



Summary sheet | 2017 National Cycling Participation Survey

# Western Australian Cycling Participation

483,100 people ride a bike in Western Australia each week



The cycling participation rate by residents of Western Australia (WA) is significantly higher than the national average, particularly when measured over the last year.

The survey suggests that 18.5% (95% CI: 15.9% - 21.1%) of WA residents ride a bicycle in a typical week. More than one third (41.9%, 95% CI: 38.8% - 45%) had done so in the past year. The participation rate does not appear to have changed markedly since 2013, with 2015 appearing to represent an outlier.

These participation rates translate to approximately 483,100 residents riding in a typical week and 1,096,100 residents riding at least once in a typical year.

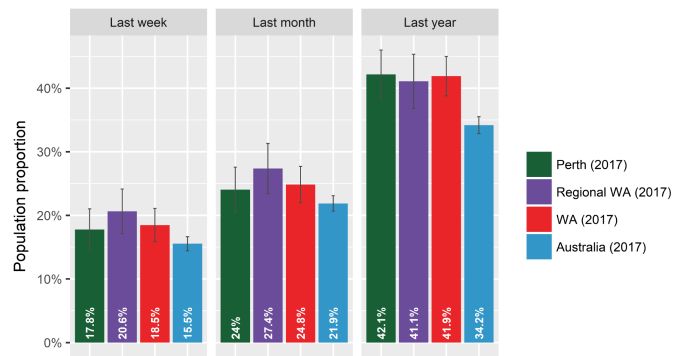
Males are significantly more likely to have ridden in the past week than females, although the underrepresentation of females is much lower in regional WA than in Perth.

The highest cycling participation rate (measured as those who had ridden in the past week) was among children aged under 10. The higher participation rate in WA, and particularly regional WA, compared to the national average is largely due to higher participation among children and young adults.

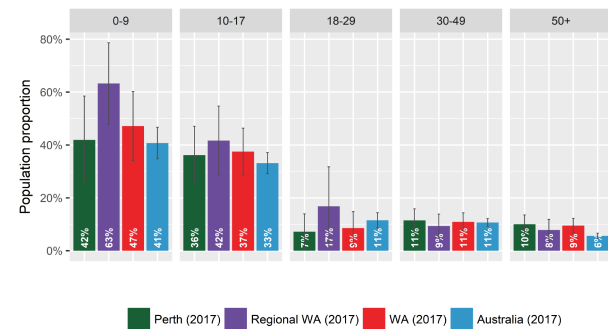
Of the people who cycled in the last month, 85% cycled for recreation and 35% used a bicycle for transport. The proportion riding for transport was much higher in Perth than in regional areas.

Around 56% of households in WA have at least one working bicycle in their household, with 24% having three or more.

2017 cycling participation as a proportion of resident population



2017 cycling participation in past week by age group and region



2017 cycling participation in past month by purpose and region

