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Glossary

Caring for Children	People who spent time caring for a child/children (under 15 years) without pay in the two weeks prior to Census night.
Children	Are people aged under 15 years of age.
Completed Year 12	Includes people aged 15 years and over who are no longer attending primary or secondary school.
Families	Includes couple families with and without children, single parents, and other families.
Houses	Includes private dwellings, occupied and unoccupied. A dwelling is a structure which is intended to have people live in it, and which was habitable on Census night, for example houses, flats, caravans and humpies.
Language	Top Australian Indigenous language spoken at home.
People	Total population figures are based on place of 'usual residence' or where that person usually lives.
Students	Includes everyone who said they were attending a school, university or technical institution.
Weekly Income	Includes people aged 15 years and over and is the middle value (median) of total weekly personal income.
Working	Includes everyone who said they were working full-time or part-time, or were away from work. This does not include people involved in the Community Development Program (CDP).

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Artwork

The artwork in this story book was commissioned by the Centre of Excellence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Statistics to embody what the centre represents. The work incorporates Larrakia Artist Shaun Lee's (AKA Gwarkabah's) diverse heritage, through contemporary and traditional hand-created designs. Using spray-paint medium on hardwood, the work features and combines various traditional stories and symbols from local areas and across Australia. Together, the artwork tells the story of the Centre of Excellence and its people. The designs were digitalised by Dreamtime Creative.



Traditional stories and symbol break down



Star shape: National courage – representing navigation, called the 'Guiding Star'.

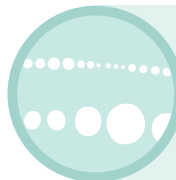
Core centre design: Black represents the earth and the soil; the pattern symbolises an 'ageless recognition' used through Northern Australia, and perhaps wider Australia. An 'ageless recognition' is the closest translation into English. It's derived from a number of terms that describe an instant identification of a particular established symbol of connection or linkage.



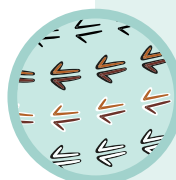
Message sticks: Representing unique messages; signifies that a story is being told and needs to be received.

Is a connection to and from Larrakia Country, and between other Indigenous cultures.

- **Top message stick:** Country and regions across Australia
- **Middle message stick:** Coming together and meeting
- **Bottom message stick:** Two half-moons facing inwards represents the people; and the two lines on either side identifies that the message is inclusive of both male and female.



Dots: Symbolises the link between people, organisations, States and Territories, representing the importance of strong linkage and communication. A dot in a dot in a dot: Traditional Larrakia design colours represent the artist's own diversity – his Northern Larrakia, Wardaman, Karrijarri heritage, and his acknowledgement of all of these people.



Kangaroo tracks: Acknowledge the journey and pathways that have been taken; and symbolises moving forward, as the kangaroo is known for not moving backwards.

Track colours: Represent diversity and the differences between people. The kangaroo is an iconic Australian animal, representing our uniqueness, and recognition Nationally.



Paperbark vessel: Carrying safely all the gathered information and knowledge

THE ABS SAYS THANKS



The Australian Bureau of Statistics would like to thank the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities who helped to make the 2016 Census a success.

Tiwi Islands & West Arnhem, your numbers are in.

The results of our latest national Census reveal who we are, where we live, what we do, and where we're headed.

The information we've gathered will inform planning and decision-making for our future, like where we build schools, roads and hospitals. Census data helps us decide where we need funding and services across every community in Australia – this means your community, too!

So here is the story for Tiwi Islands & West Arnhem – a living biography updated every five years.

Future surveys

The ABS also has other surveys. We thank you in advance for your help in completing these. They may include questions about your health, employment or other details. You can see how this information helps your community at www.abs.gov.au/participant-info.



Photos by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, taken from the Jabiru township.

Australia



23.4
million

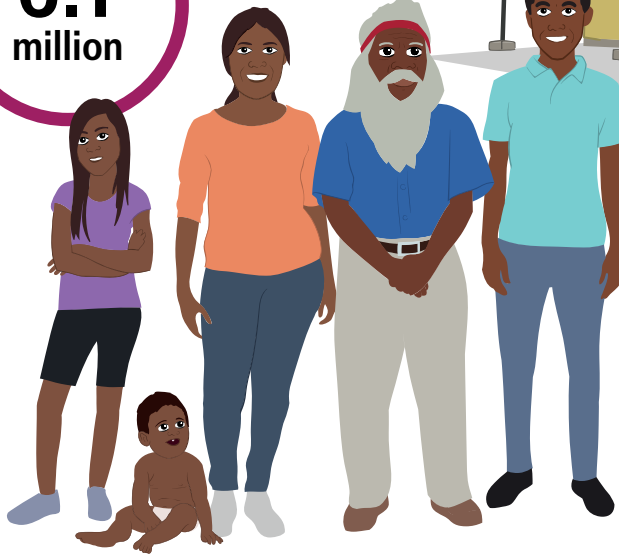
People

649 168

Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait
Islander people

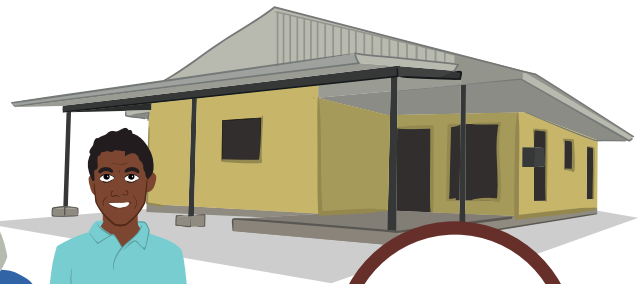
FAMILIES

6.1
million



9.9
million

HOUSES



11.9 million
Females



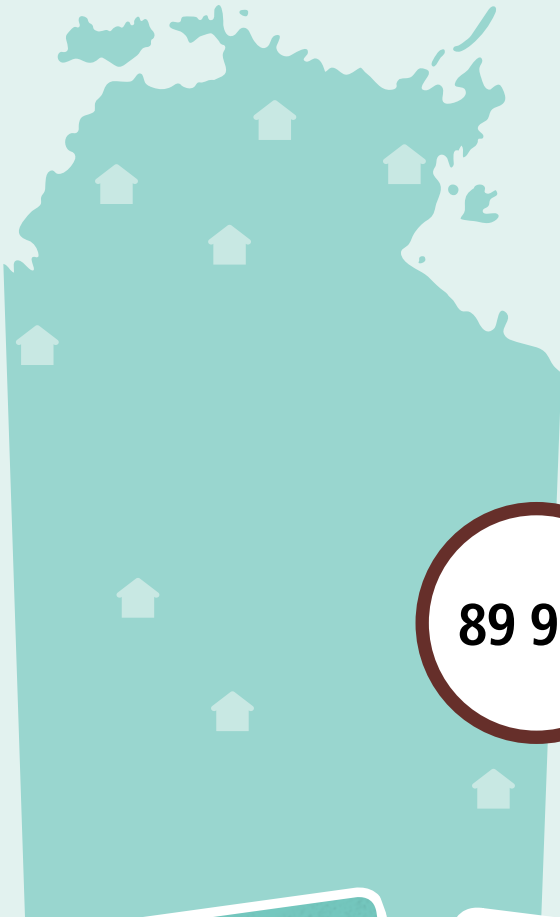
11.5 million
Males



4.4 million
Children



Northern Territory



228 833

People

58 247

Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait
Islander people

89 959

HOUSES

110 266

FEMALES

118 570

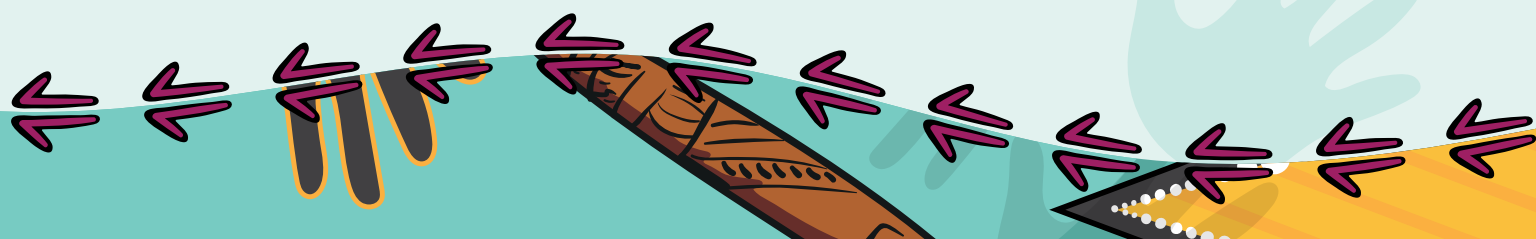
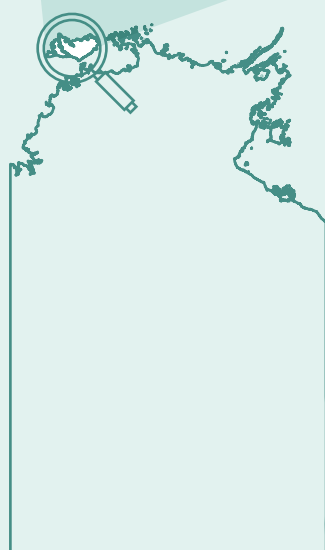
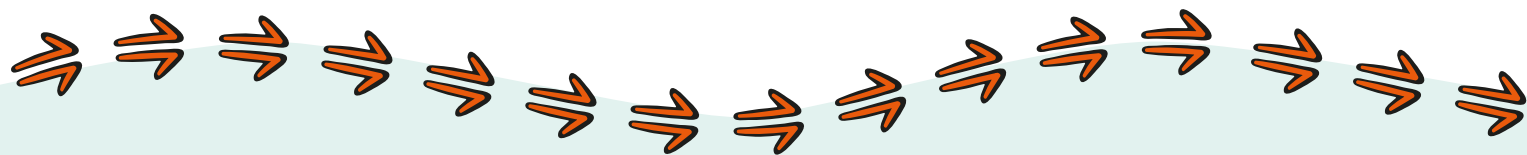
MALES

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(CHILDREN



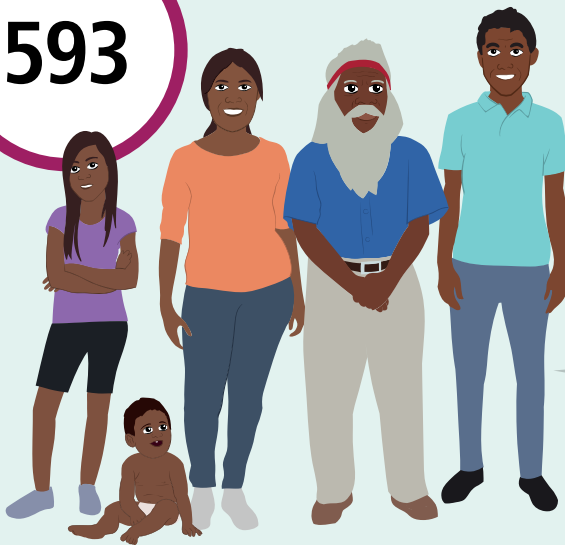
Tiwi Islands Region



Tiwi Islands Region

FAMILIES

593

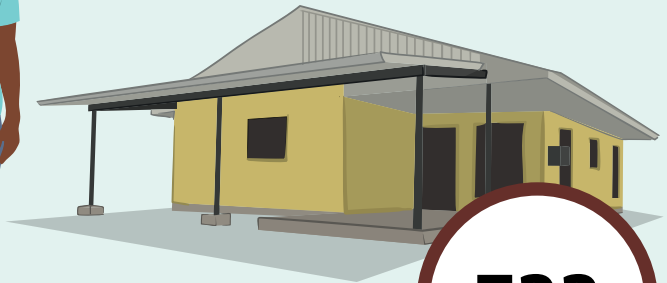


2 453

People

2 180

Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait
Islander people



722

HOUSES

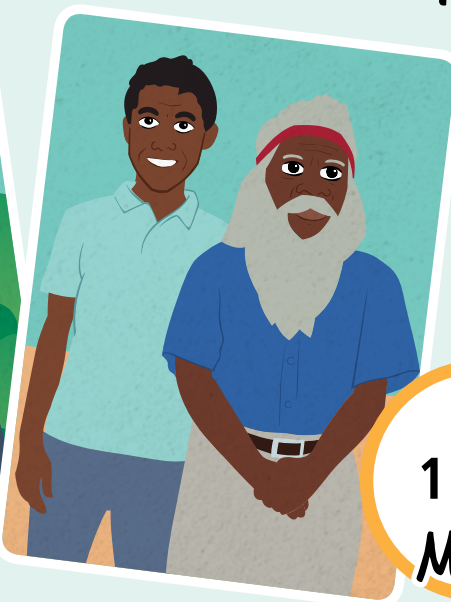
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FEMALES



1 227

MALES



Milikapati

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Tiwi

401

People

372

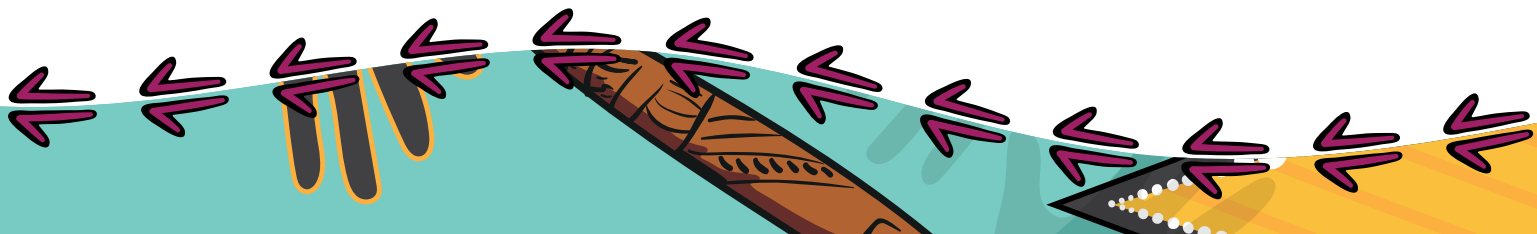
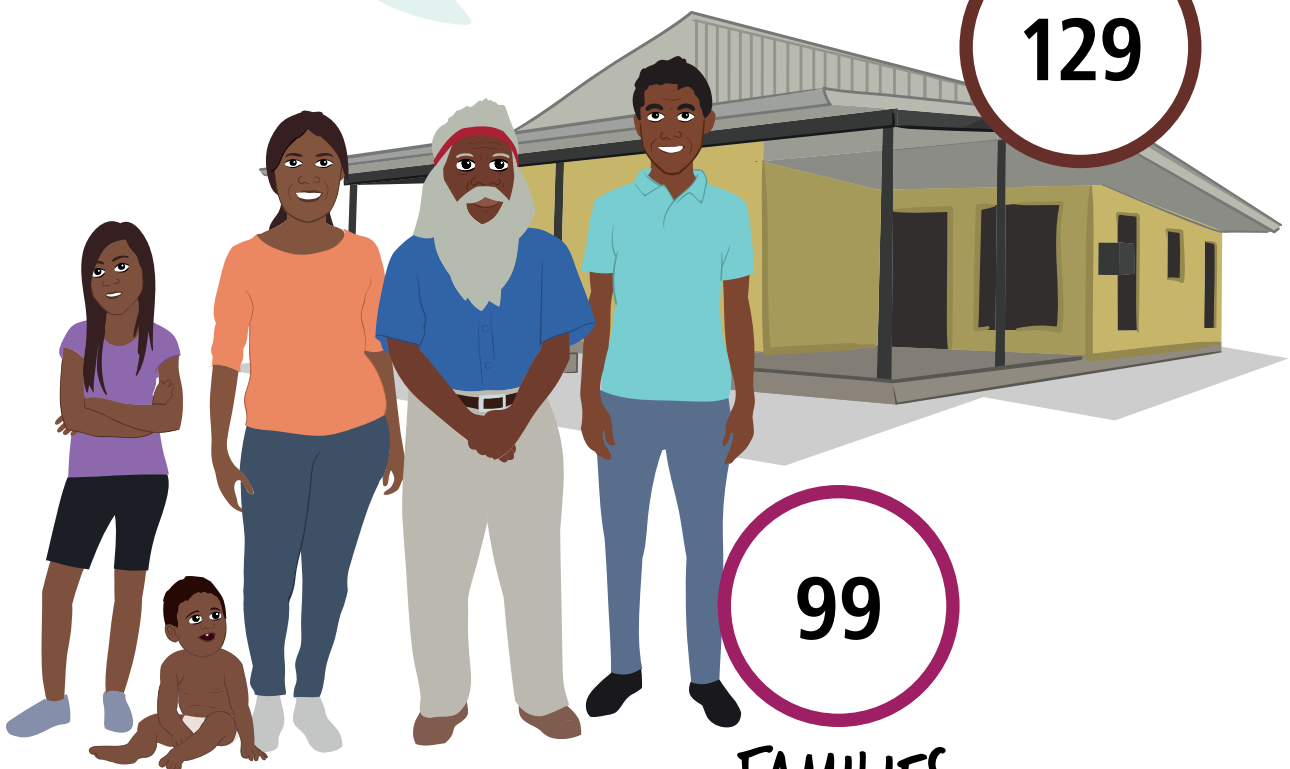
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Islander people

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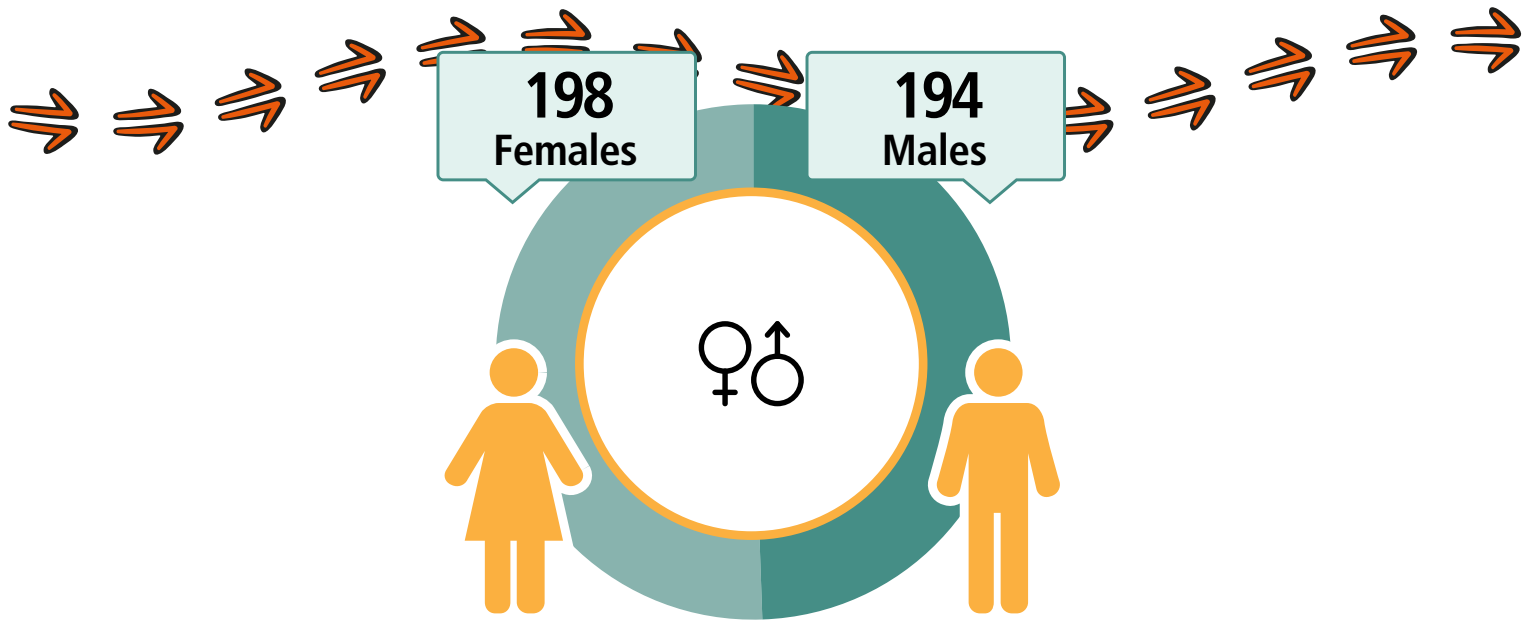
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99

FAMILIES



Milikapati



CARED FOR (CHILDREN



36%

82
Working



\$276
Weekly Income



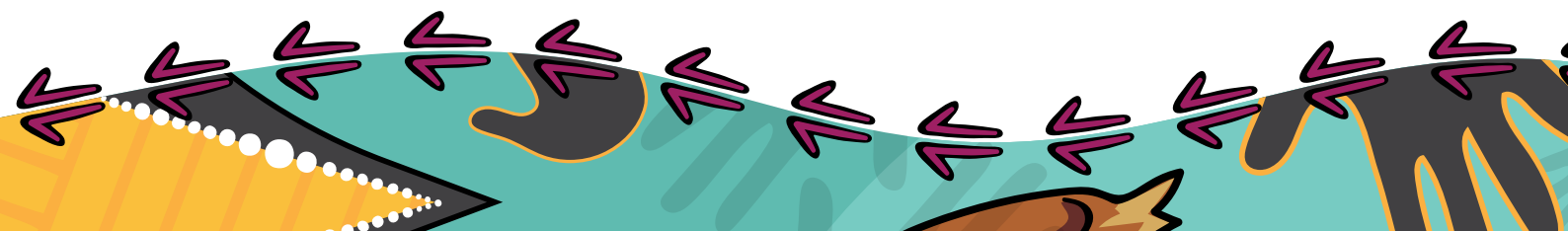
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Students



59
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Milikapati ILOC



Pirlangimpi

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Tiwi

371

People

332

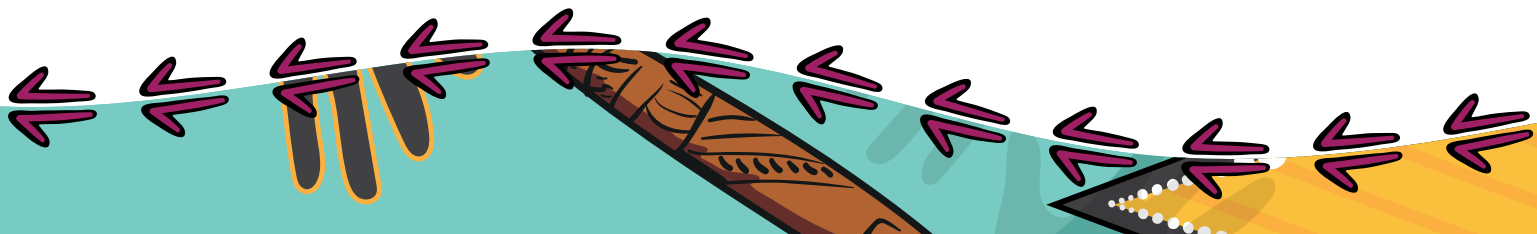
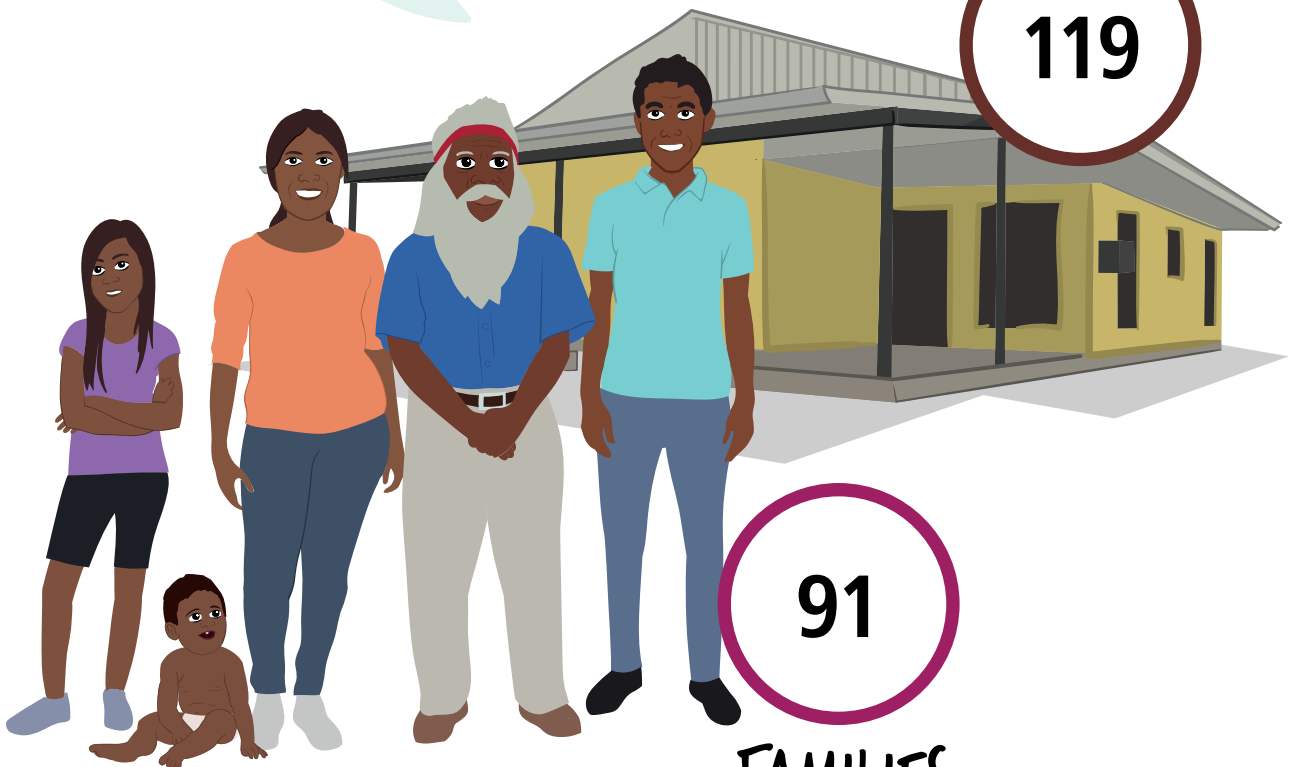
Aboriginal and/or
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Islander people

HOUSES

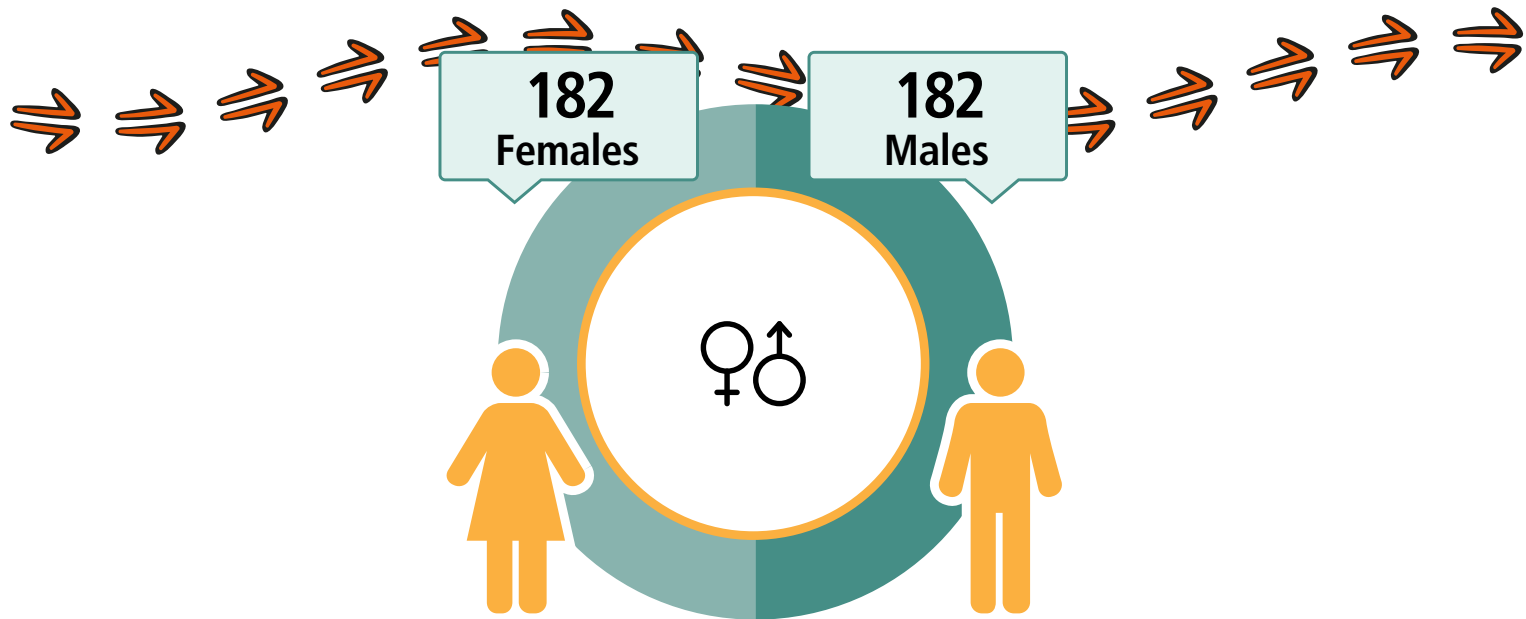
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FAMILIES



Pirlangimpi



CARED FOR (CHILDREN



41%

81
Working



\$255
Weekly Income



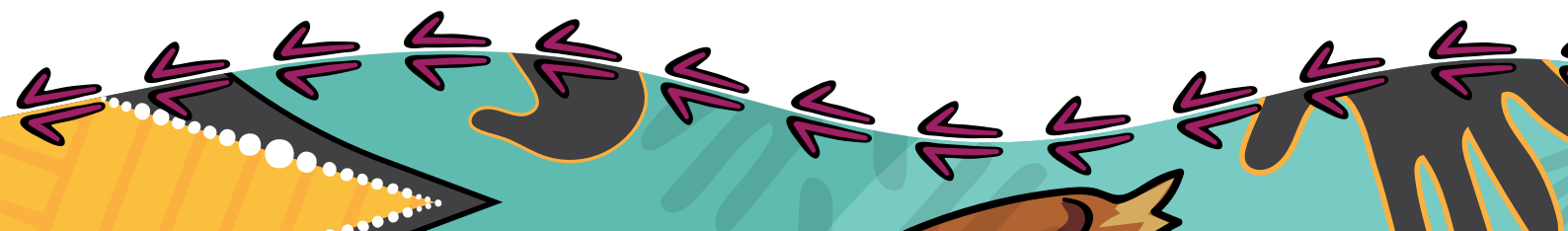
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Students



52
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Pirlangimpi ILOC



Wurrumiyanga

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Tiwi

1 563

People

1 408

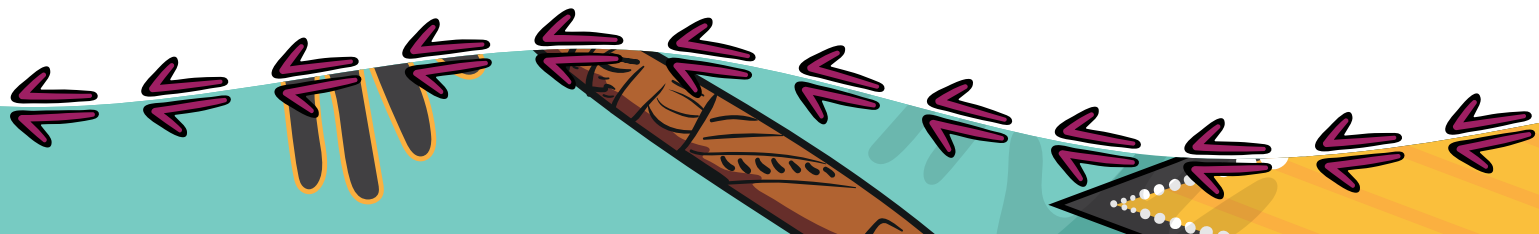
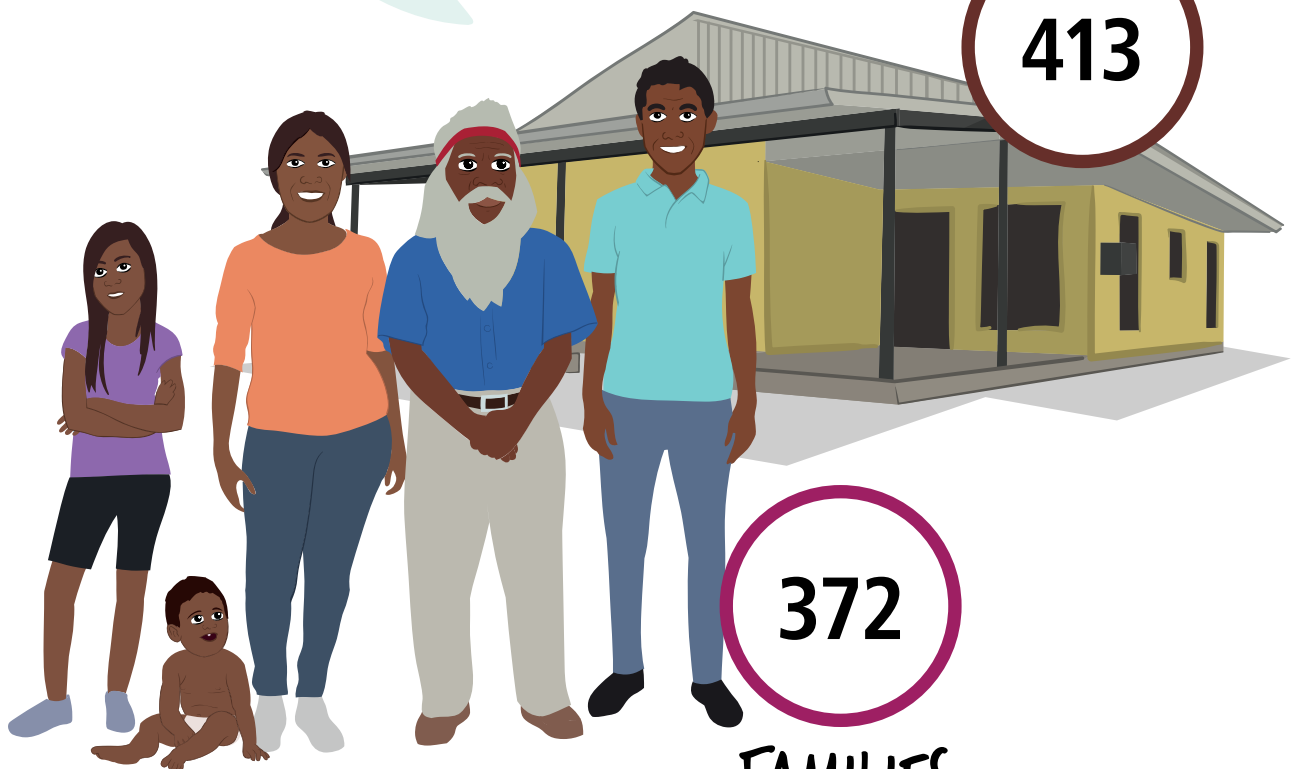
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Islander people

HOUSES

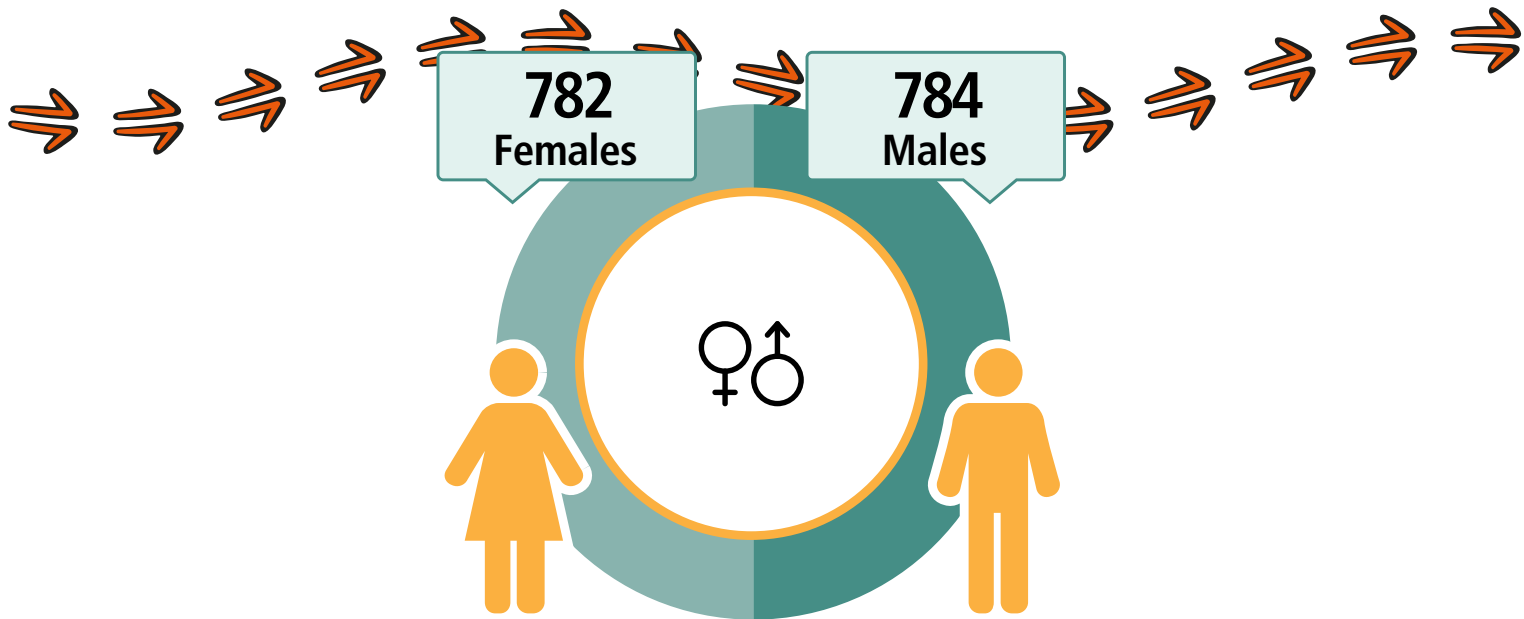
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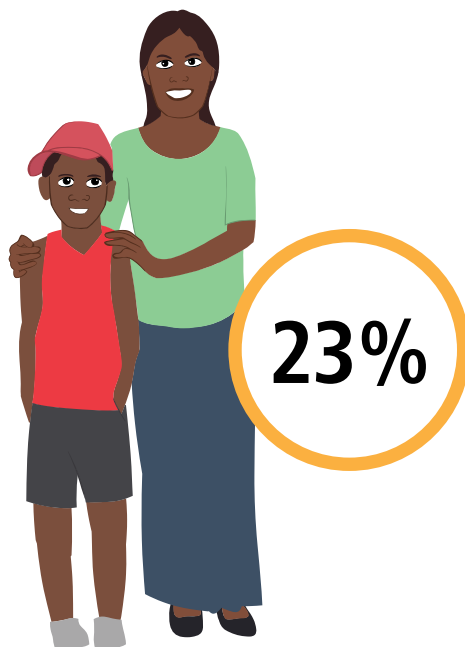
FAMILIES



Wurrumiyanga



CARED FOR CHILDREN



320
Working



\$220
Weekly Income



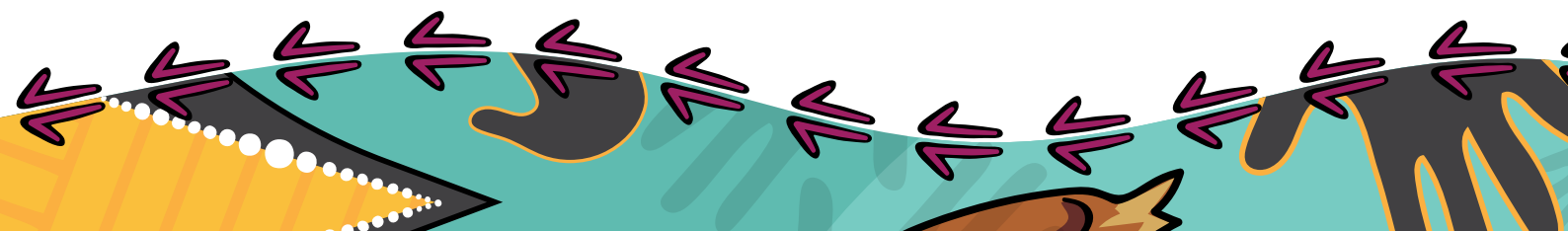
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Students



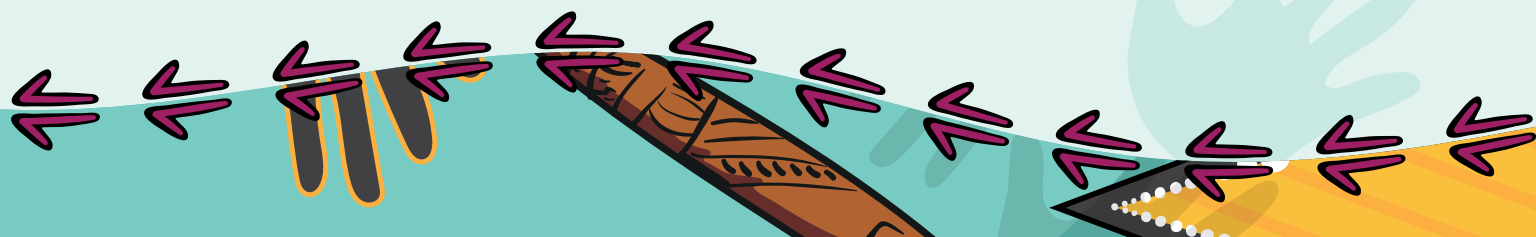
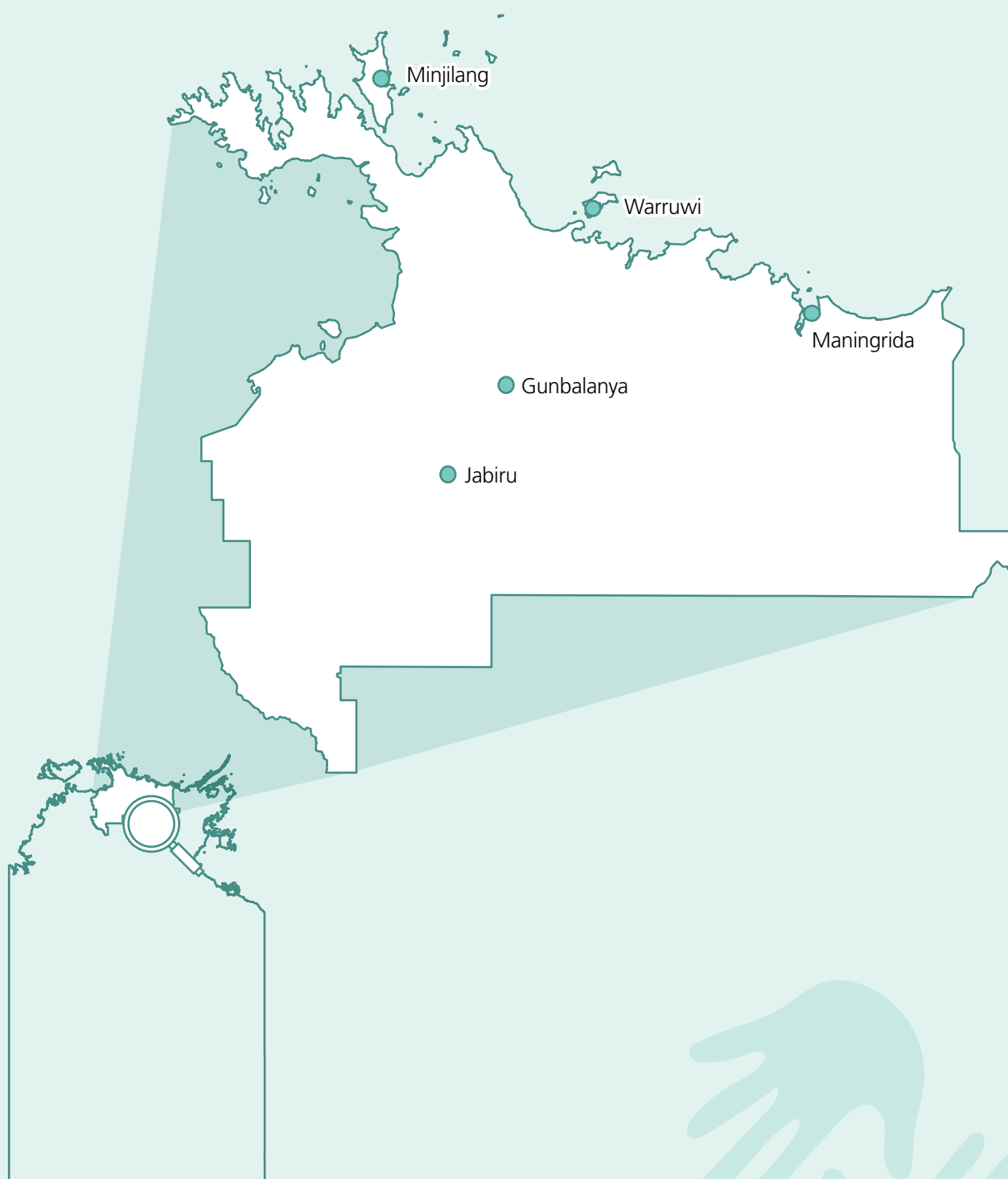
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Completed
Year 12



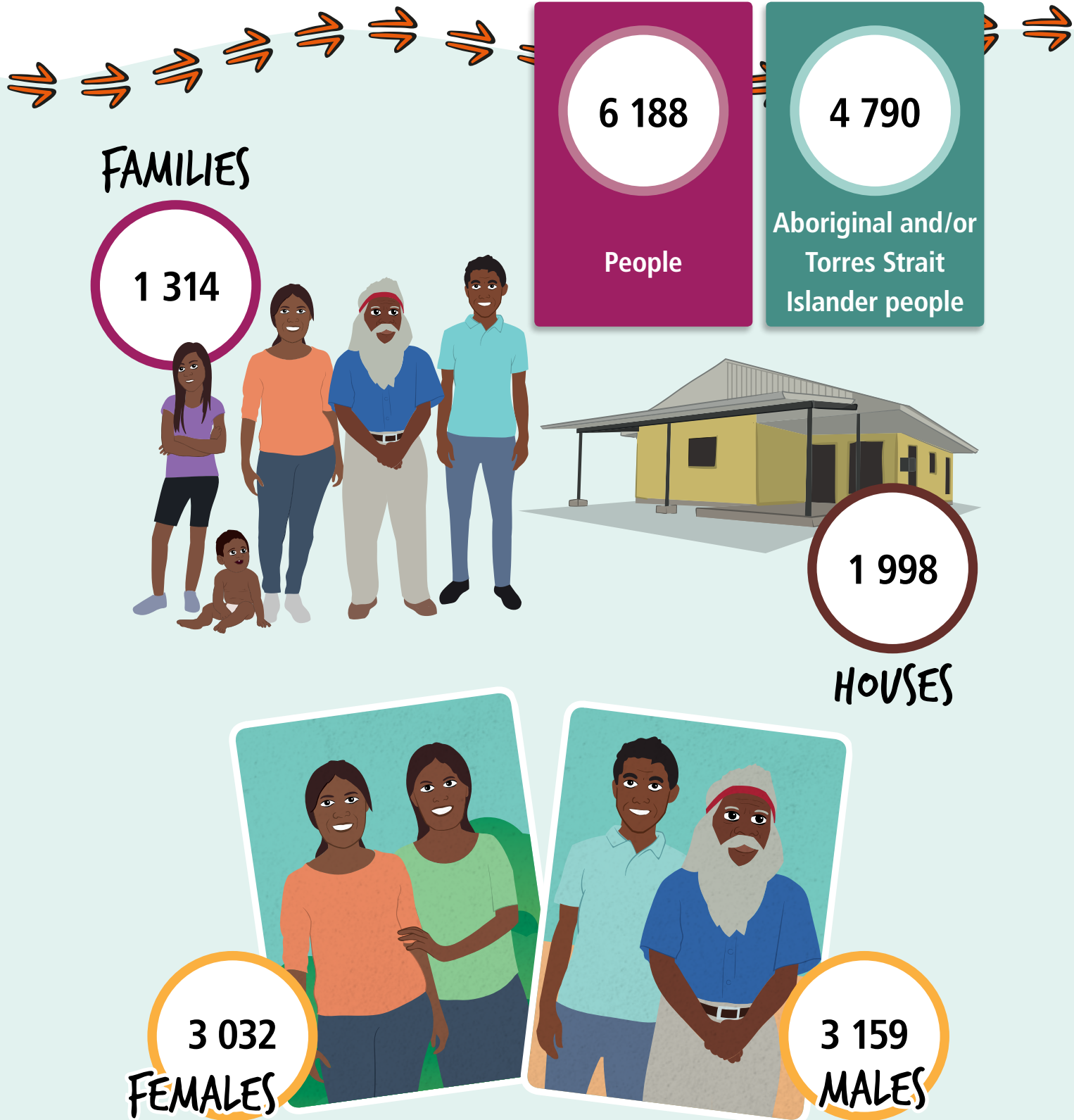
Geography: Wurrumiyanga (Nguiu) ILOC



West Arnhem Region



West Arnhem Region



Geography: West Arnhem (R) LGA

Gunbalanya

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Kunwinjku

1 117

People

989

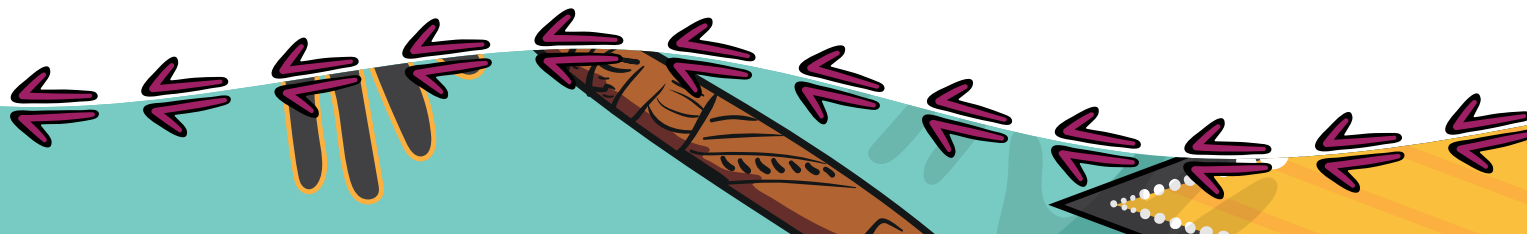
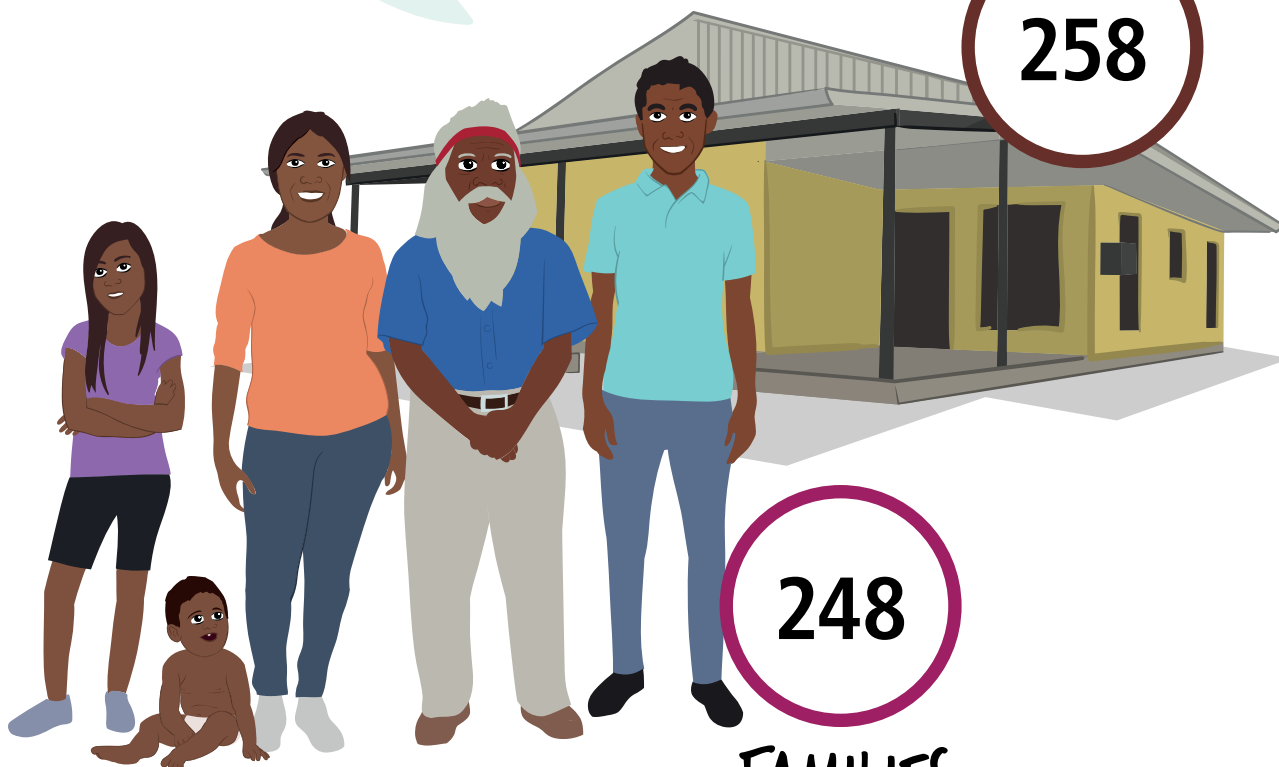
Aboriginal and/or
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Islander people

HOUSES

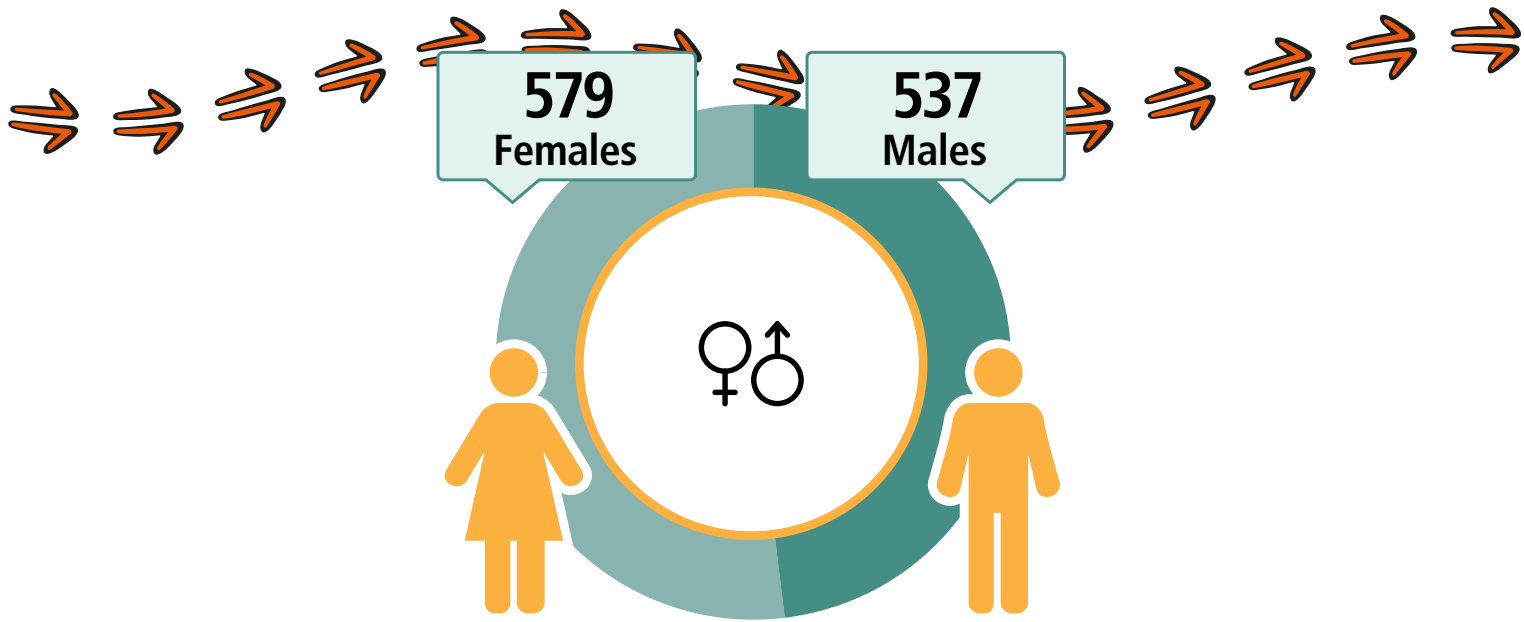
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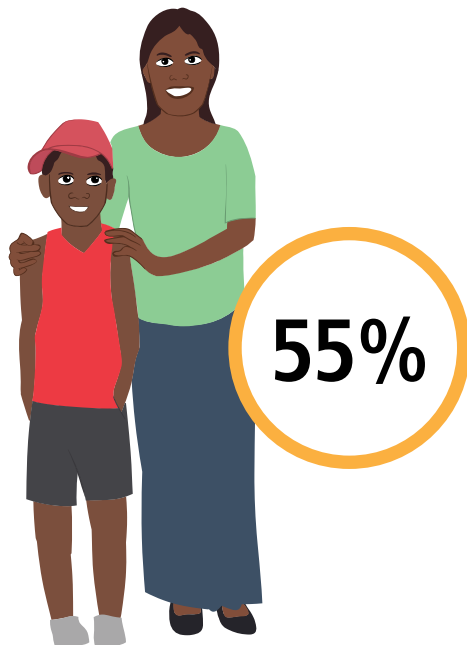
FAMILIES



Gunbalanya



CARED FOR CHILDREN



241
Working



\$258
Weekly Income



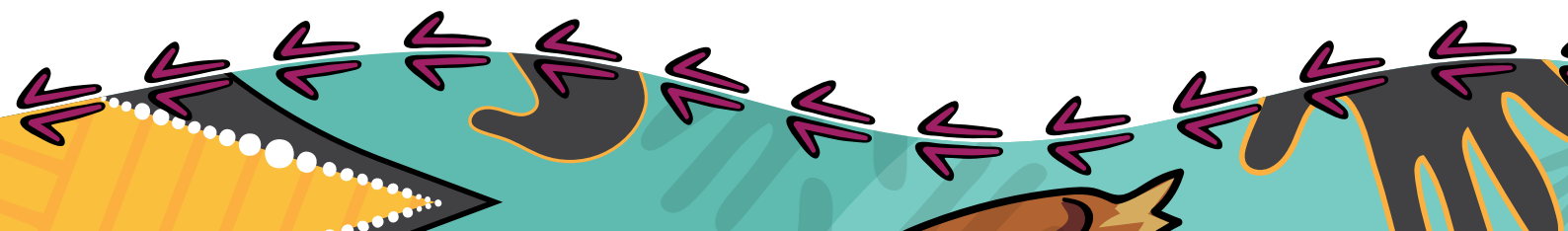
360
Students



153
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Gunbalanya ILOC



Jabiru

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Kunwinjku

1 081

People

265

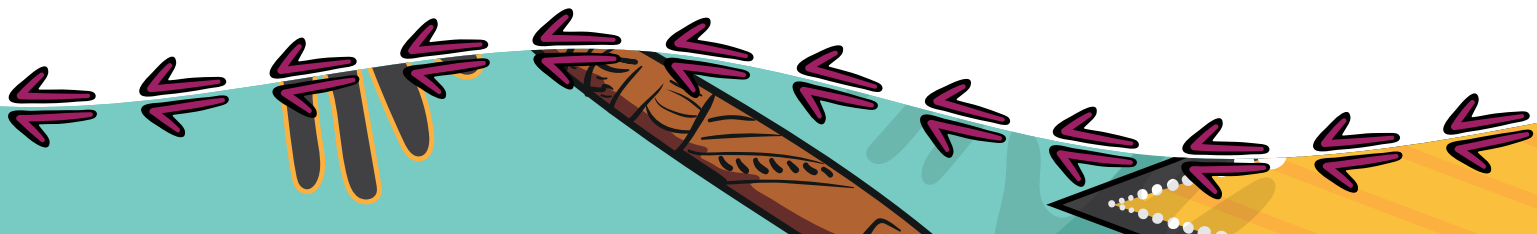
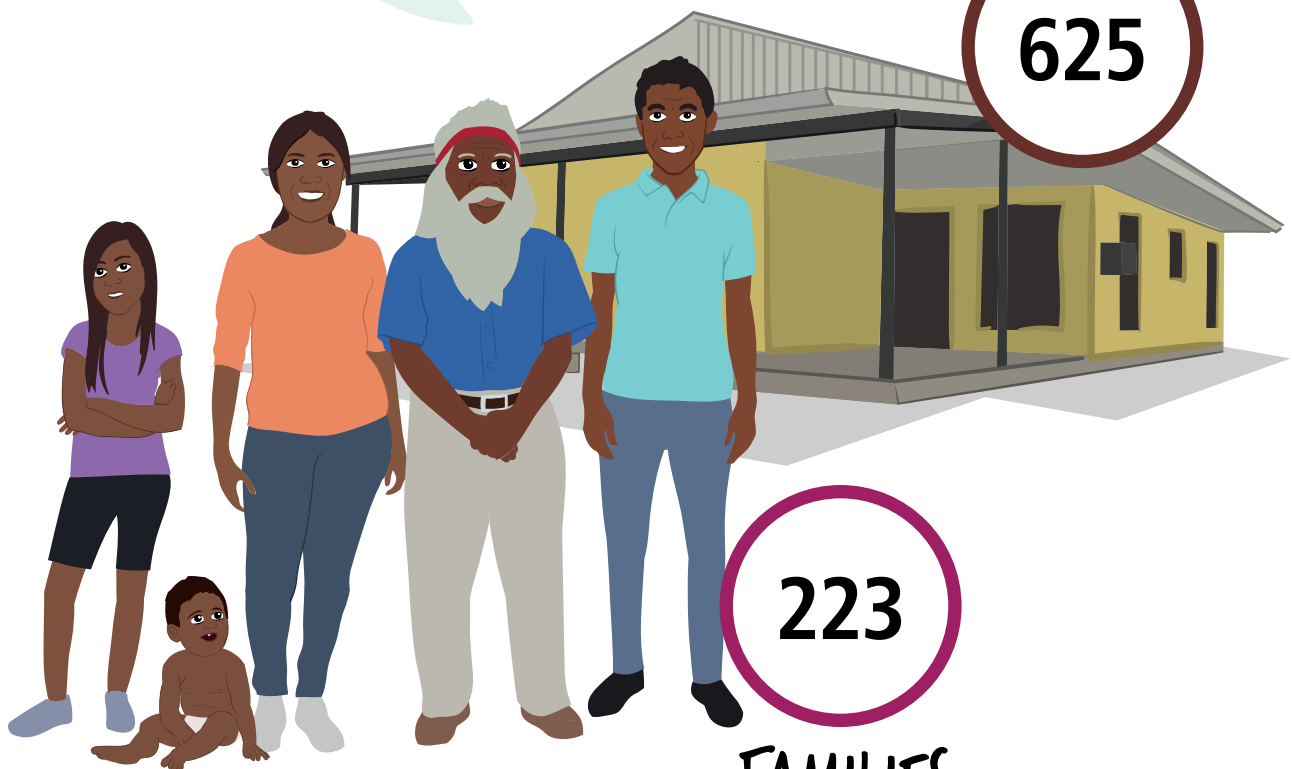
Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait
Islander people

HOUSES

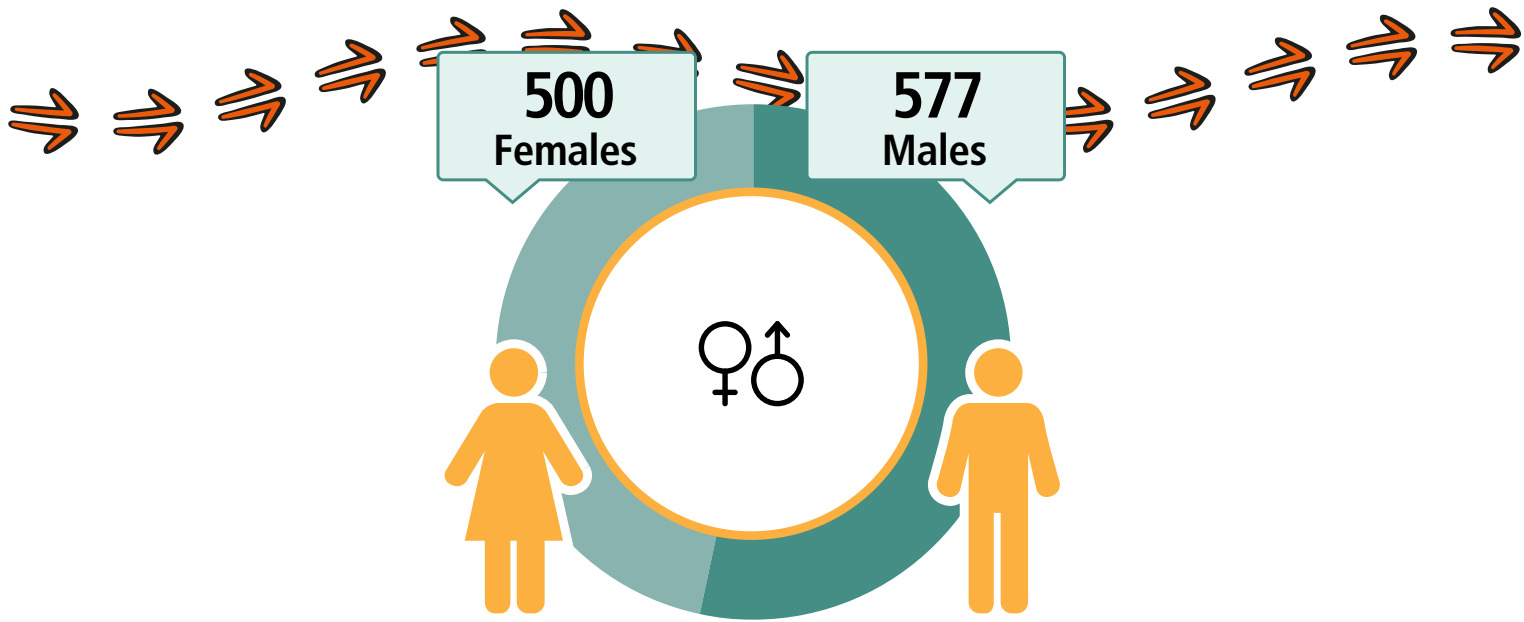
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223

FAMILIES



Jabiru



CARED FOR CHILDREN



29%

541
Working



\$1 167
Weekly Income



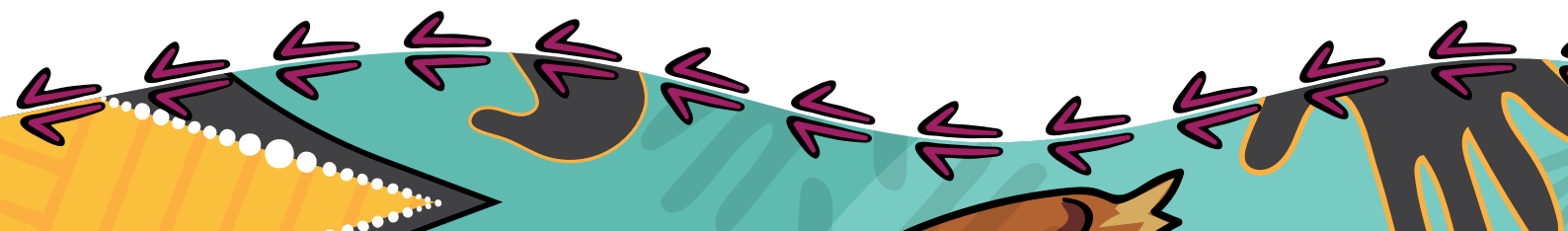
392
Students



346
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Jabiru ILOC



Maningrida

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Burarra

2 308

People

2 061

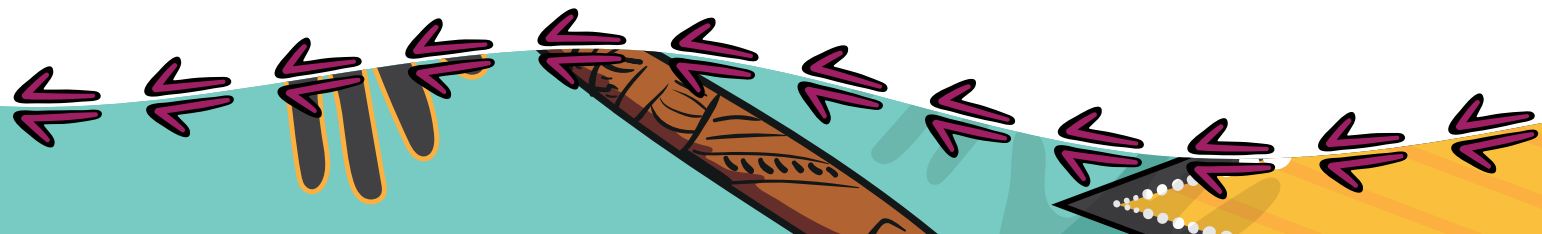
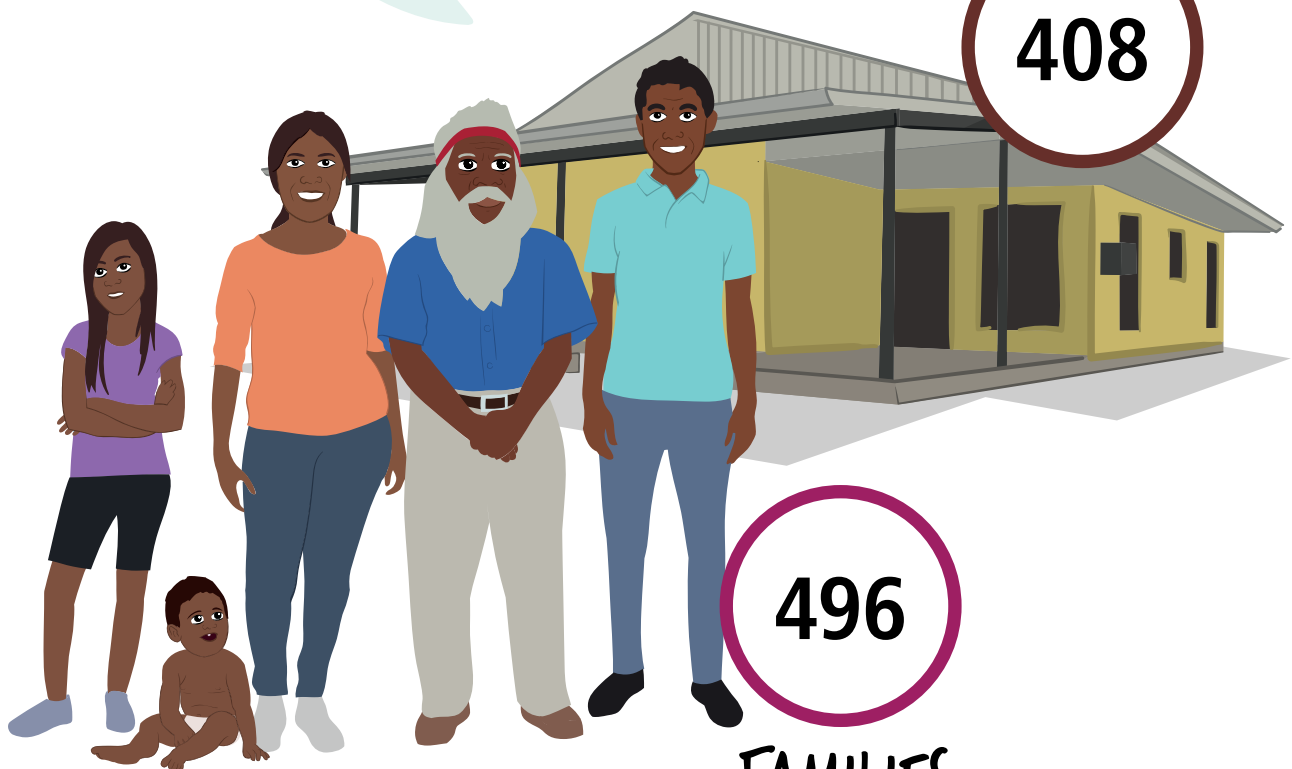
Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait
Islander people

HOUSES

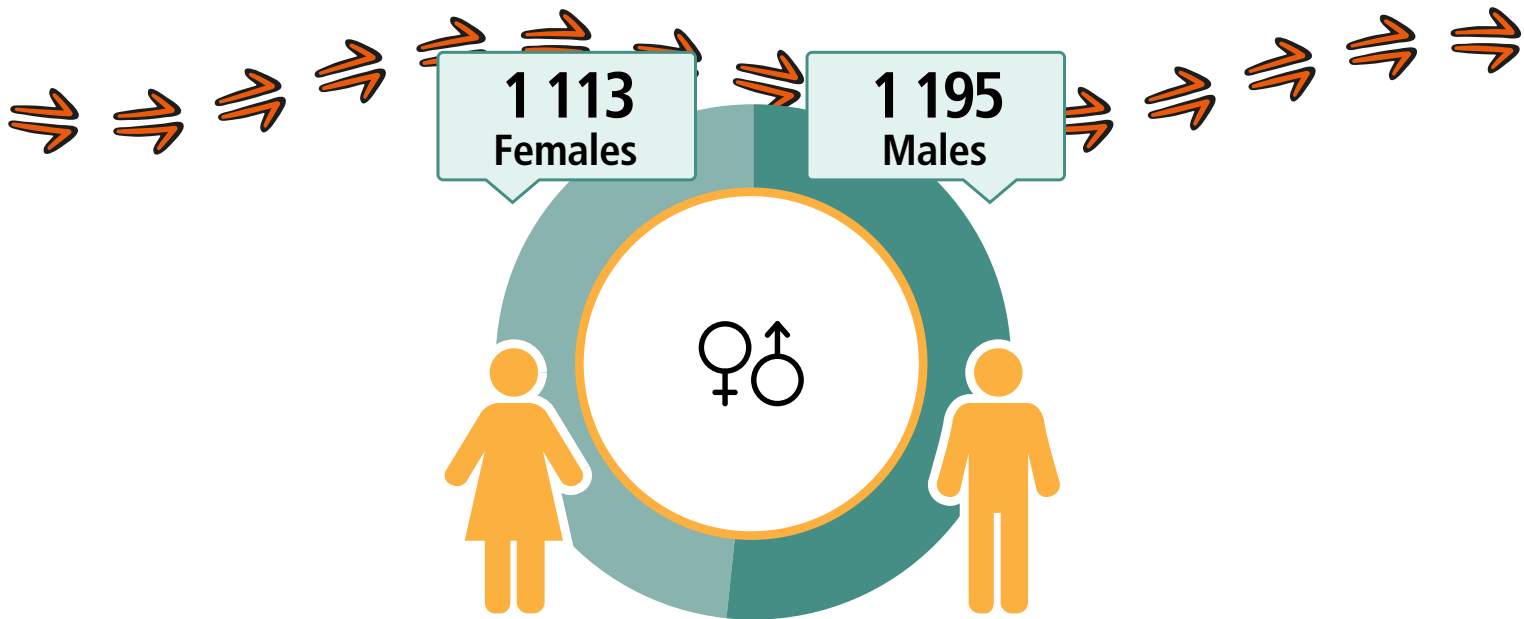
408

496

FAMILIES



Maningrida



CARED FOR (CHILDREN



55%

365
Working



\$236
Weekly Income



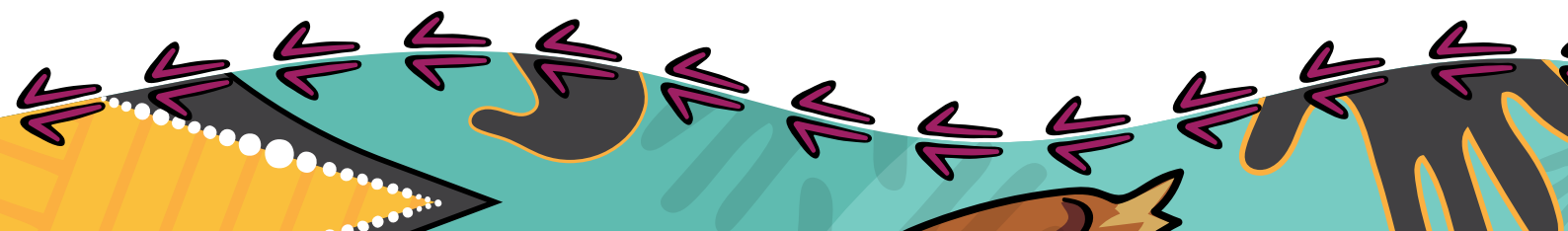
847
Students



380
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Maningrida ILOC



Minjilang

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Iwaidja

247

People

223

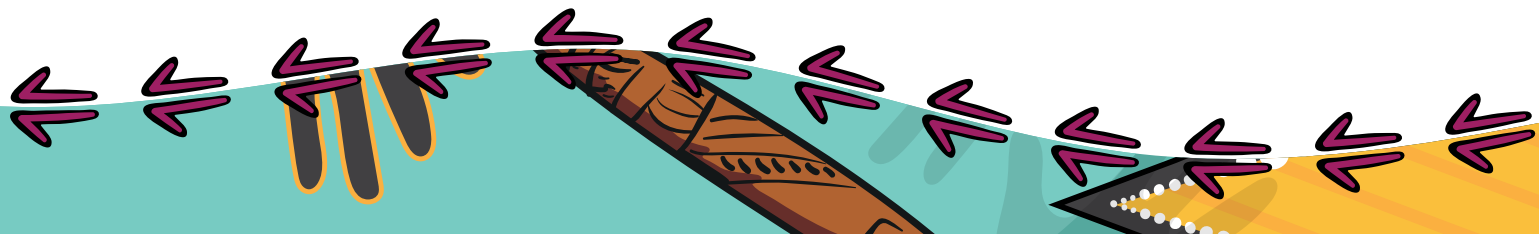
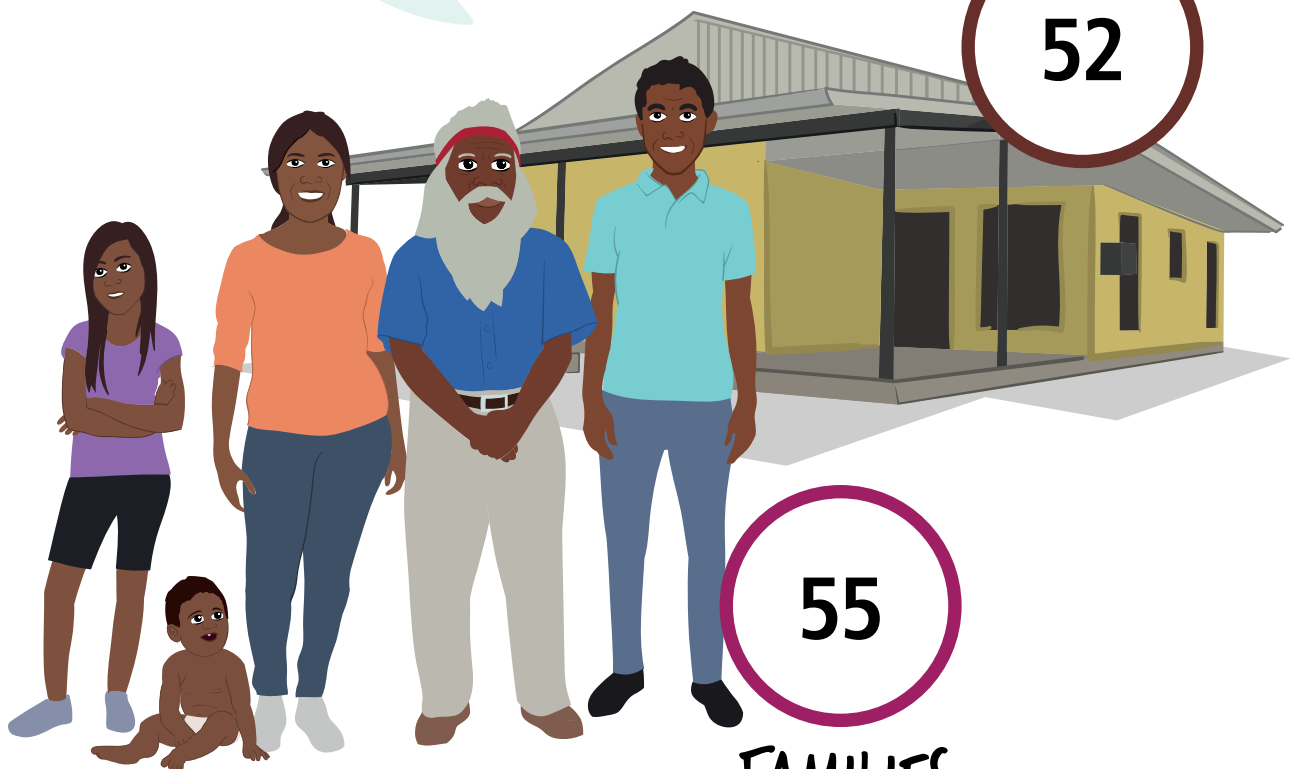
Aboriginal and/or
Torres Strait
Islander people

HOUSES

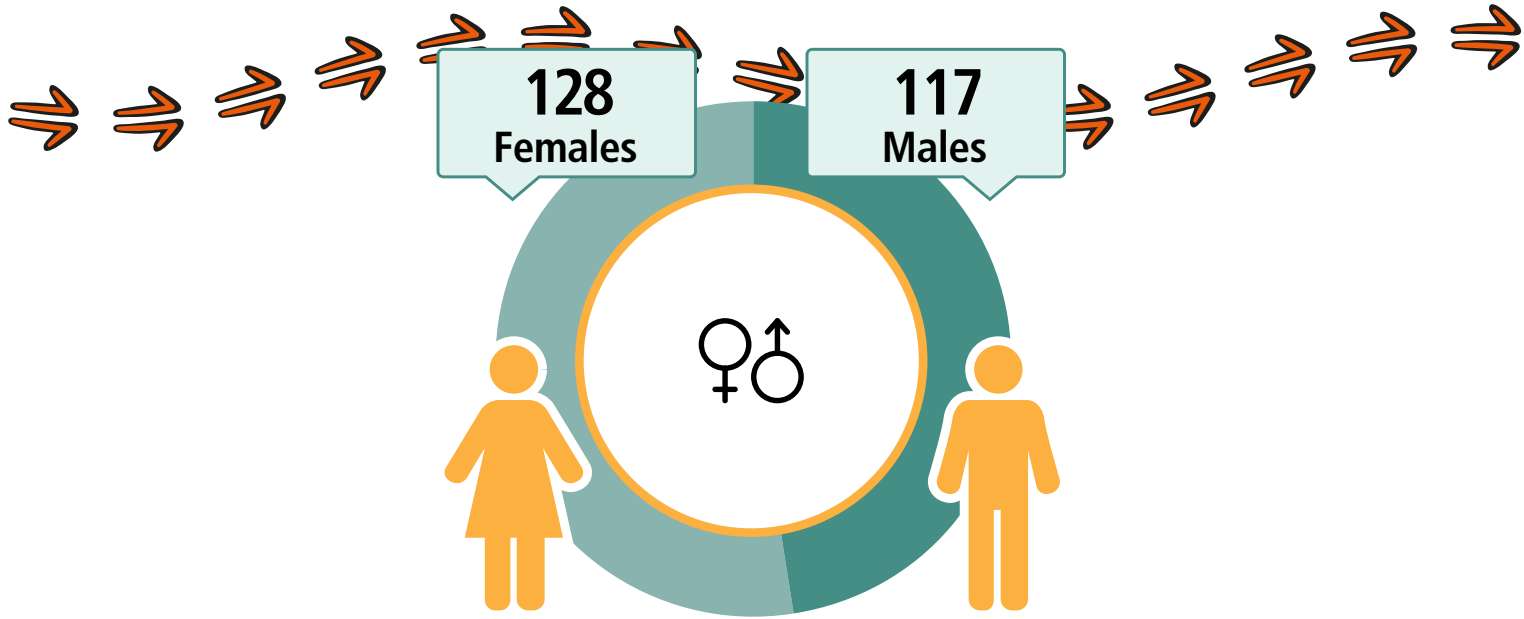
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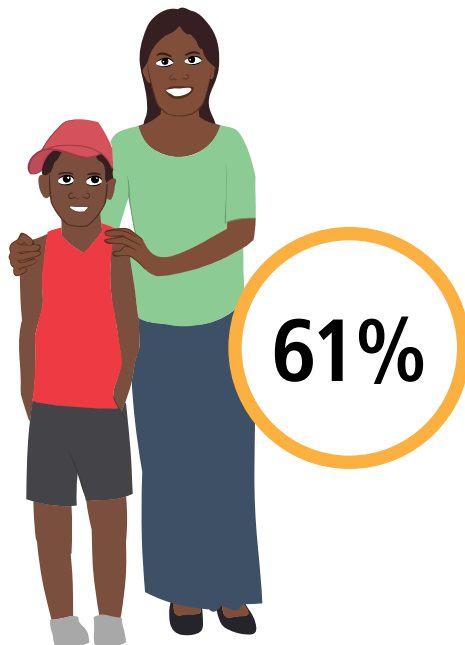
FAMILIES



Minjilang



CARED FOR CHILDREN



53
Working



\$268
Weekly Income



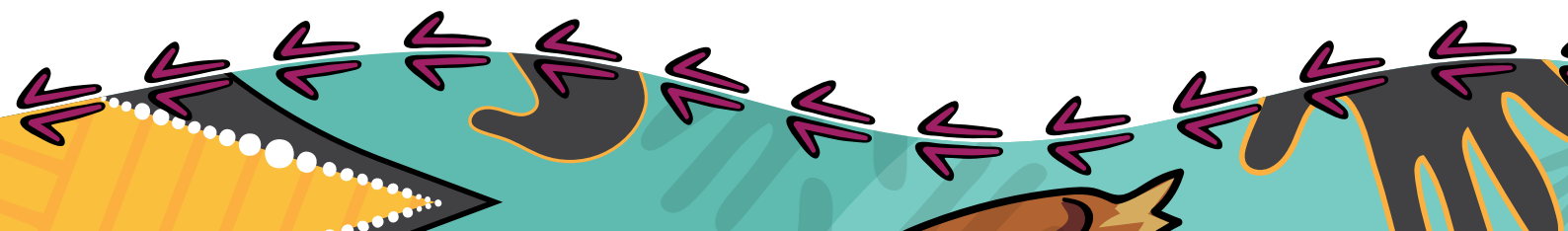
80
Students



34
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Minjilang ILOC



Warruwi

LANGUAGE SPOKEN
Maung

389

People

361

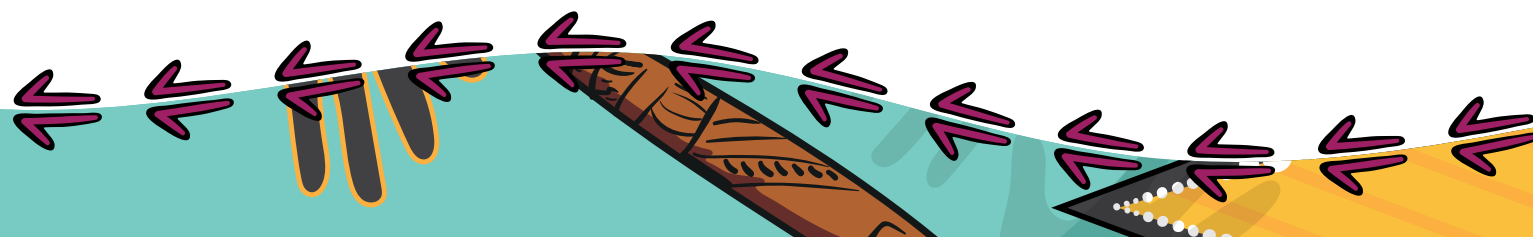
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Torres Strait
Islander people

HOUSES

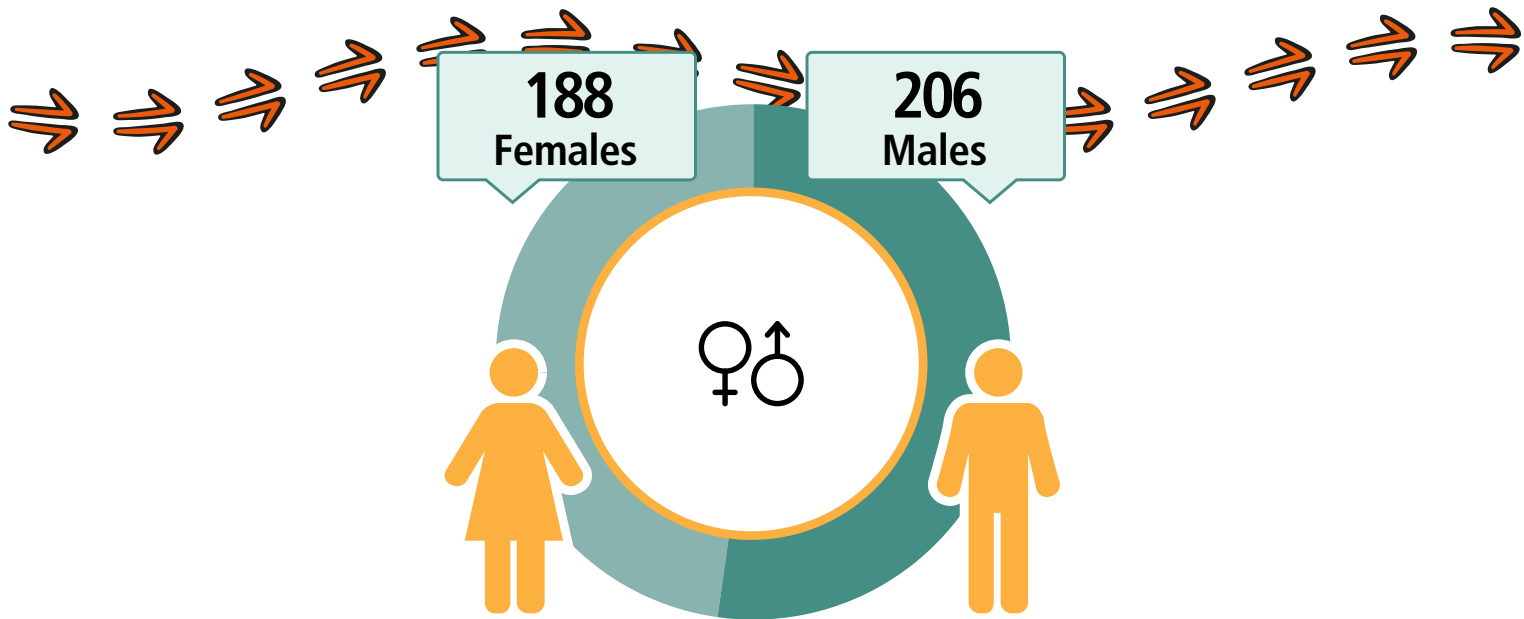
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FAMILIES



Warruwi



CARED FOR (CHILDREN



52%

75
Working



\$265
Weekly Income



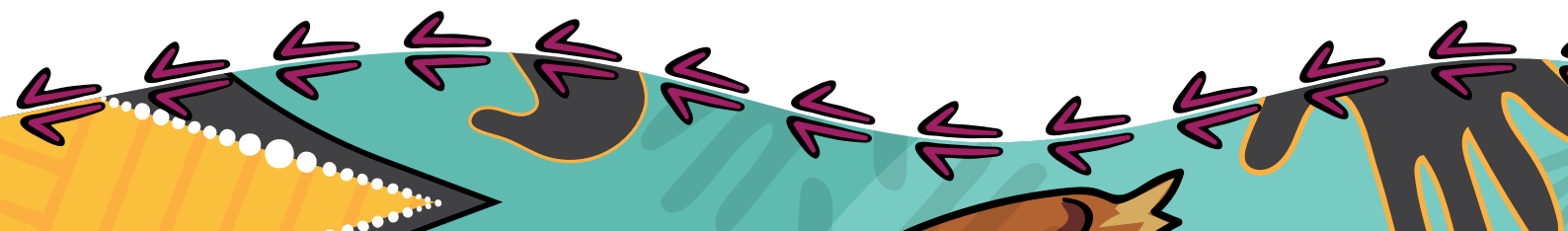
160
Students



55
Completed
Year 12



Geography: Warruwi ILOC





Know more

You can find more information on your region for free at www.abs.gov.au/census using these data products.



Contact the Centre of Excellence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Statistics

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All data in this publication is based on Total People, Total Dwellings and Total Families for each area.

Community names are generally based upon a commonly identified name or combination of names for the area/community. It is acknowledged that some communities may have an alternative name or different spelling.

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