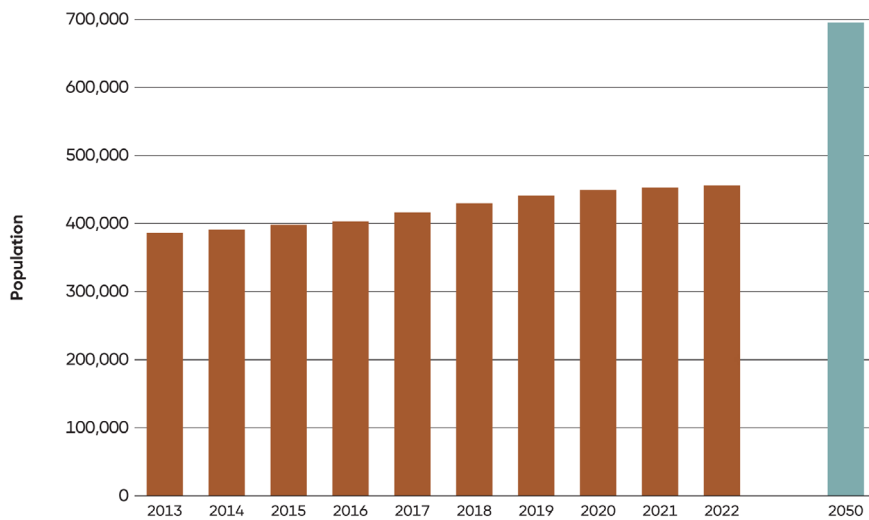


# The ACT's Growing Population

## Investigate the impacts of population growth in the ACT

The ACT's population more than tripled between 1970 and 2022. It is projected to roughly increase by a further 50% by 2050 – from 457,000 people in 2022 to 696,000 in 2050.



*The ACT'S population from 2013–2022, and the projected population for 2050*  
Data sourced from: Australian Bureau of Statistics

### Questions:

1. List some of the changes likely to occur in the ACT as population rises in the future.
2. How will the natural environment be impacted by an increasing population?
3. How can we limit these environmental impacts while providing housing for a growing population? Think about what kinds of new dwellings we build, and where.