

# Community report

## Brisbane (C)

Prepared from Community Explorer topic selections for briefing, planning and reporting use.

AREA

**Brisbane (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Brisbane**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Religion

### Sources and method

- Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2021 and, where available, 2016 comparison data.
- Percentages are calculated from the denominator supplied for each topic. Change (pp) is the 2021 percentage minus the 2016 percentage when the topic is comparable across years.
- Usual residence topics describe where people usually live, rather than where they were counted on Census night.

# Religion

Brisbane (C) | Greater Brisbane comparison | Persons

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, No religion was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Brisbane (C), accounting for 40.8% (507,612 people). This share was lower than Greater Brisbane (41.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 150,055 people and 9.2 percentage points.

## About this topic

Religion records a person's stated religious affiliation, including no religion and not stated responses. It is a measure of cultural identity and belief rather than practice or participation.

This topic helps show the religious diversity of an area and can support planning for community facilities, faith-based services, and inclusive engagement. It is best interpreted with ancestry, birthplace, and language, which together provide a broader picture of cultural composition.

## Interpretation notes

- This records stated religious affiliation, not attendance or level of religious practice.
- No religion and not stated are part of the overall picture, so interpretation should consider both affiliation and non-response.

## Religion - Ranked by size

Brisbane (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	5,475	0.4%	0.4%	6,175	0.5%	0.5%	-700	-0.1
Buddhism	33,794	2.7%	1.9%	31,342	2.8%	2.0%	+2,452	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	32,461	2.6%	3.2%	27,864	2.5%	3.1%	+4,597	+0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	105,038	8.5%	9.7%	124,962	11.0%	13.3%	-19,924	-2.5
Anglican Catholic Church	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	-3	0.0
Anglican, nec	—	—	—	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Baptist	21,367	1.7%	2.0%	21,091	1.9%	2.2%	+276	-0.2
Brethren	515	0.0%	0.0%	619	0.1%	0.1%	-104	-0.1
Catholic, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Western Catholic	256,459	20.6%	18.5%	260,100	23.0%	21.4%	-3,641	-2.4
Maronite Catholic	342	0.0%	0.0%	266	0.0%	0.0%	+76	0.0
Melkite Catholic	84	0.0%	0.0%	78	0.0%	0.0%	+6	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Ukrainian Catholic	90	0.0%	0.0%	91	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	54	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Syro Malabar Catholic	767	0.1%	0.0%	870	0.1%	
Catholic, nec	75	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Churches of Christ, nfd	246	0.0%	0.0%	171	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	826	0.1%	0.1%	830	0.1%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
International Church of Christ	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Jehovah's Witnesses	3,576	0.3%	0.4%	3,290	0.3%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	3,467	0.3%	0.5%	3,631	0.3%	
Community of Christ	32	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Lutheran	7,244	0.6%	0.8%	8,275	0.7%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	42	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	589	0.0%	0.0%	489	0.0%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	669	0.1%	0.0%	487	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	361	0.0%	0.0%	285	0.0%	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	134	0.0%	0.0%	143	0.0%	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Assyrian Church of the East	26	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	–	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	47	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %
Albanian Orthodox	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Antiochian Orthodox	193	0.0%	0.0%	125	0.0%	
Greek Orthodox	12,359	1.0%	0.7%	11,530	1.0%	
Macedonian Orthodox	495	0.0%	0.0%	506	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	117	0.0%	0.0%	109	0.0%	
Russian Orthodox	1,675	0.1%	0.1%	1,615	0.1%	
Serbian Orthodox	1,826	0.1%	0.1%	1,621	0.1%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	140	0.0%	0.0%	127	0.0%	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	31	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Presbyterian	21,736	1.7%	1.9%	26,206	2.3%	
Reformed	341	0.0%	0.1%	413	0.0%	
Salvation Army	1,410	0.1%	0.2%	1,927	0.2%	
Seventh-day Adventist	2,791	0.2%	0.4%	2,779	0.2%	
Uniting Church	36,624	2.9%	3.2%	45,155	4.0%	
Pentecostal, nfd	12,023	1.0%	1.2%	12,297	1.1%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	13	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	913	0.1%	0.1%	1,150	0.1%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	377	0.0%	0.1%	861	0.1%	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	77	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	–	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	13	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Revival Centres	43	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Rhema Family Church	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
United Pentecostal	6	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Acts 2 Alliance	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Christian Church in Australia	—	—	—	—	—	
Revival Fellowship	11	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Victory Life Centre	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Victory Worship Centre	—	—	—	—	—	
Worship Centre Network	4	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Pentecostal, nec	61	0.0%	0.0%	103	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	1,945	0.2%	0.1%	1,383	0.1%	
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	16	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Born Again Christian	464	0.0%	0.0%	450	0.0%	
Christian and Missionary Alliance	209	0.0%	0.0%	366	0.0%	
Church of the Nazarene	82	0.0%	0.0%	85	0.0%	
Congregational	199	0.0%	0.0%	213	0.0%	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	201	0.0%	0.0%	366	0.0%	
Independent Evangelical Churches	480	0.0%	0.0%	167	0.0%	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	294	0.0%	0.0%	255	0.0%	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	441	0.0%	0.0%	425	0.0%	
Methodist, so described	1,943	0.2%	0.2%	1,962	0.2%	
United Methodist Church	18	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %
Other Protestant, nec	18	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Other Christian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Apostolic Church of Queensland	339	0.0%	0.1%	362	0.0%	
Christadelphians	414	0.0%	0.1%	450	0.0%	
Christian Science	58	0.0%	0.0%	56	0.0%	
Gnostic Christians	45	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Liberal Catholic Church	18	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
New Apostolic Church	129	0.0%	0.0%	163	0.0%	
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	23	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Ratana (Maori)	206	0.0%	0.0%	249	0.0%	
Religious Science	13	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	77	0.0%	0.0%	76	0.0%	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	26	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Other Christian, nec	252	0.0%	0.0%	317	0.0%	
Hinduism	36,005	2.9%	2.0%	25,141	2.2%	
Islam	28,193	2.3%	1.8%	22,500	2.0%	
Judaism	1,648	0.1%	0.1%	1,537	0.1%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	127	0.0%	0.0%	104	0.0%	
Baha'i	877	0.1%	0.1%	781	0.1%	
Ancestor Veneration	18	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Confucianism	25	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Taoism	665	0.1%	0.0%	525	0.0%	
Chinese Religions, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Druse	73	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Japanese Religions, nfd	–	–	–	4	0.0%	
Shinto	106	0.0%	0.0%	72	0.0%	
Sukyo Mahikari	13	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tenrikyo	35	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	–	10	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Animism	26	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Druidism	34	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Paganism	947	0.1%	0.1%	708	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	337	0.0%	0.0%	263	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	190	0.0%	0.0%	161	0.0%	
Sikhism	11,488	0.9%	0.8%	9,590	0.8%	
Spiritualism	470	0.0%	0.0%	474	0.0%	
Mandaeen	17	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Yezidi	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caodaism	71	0.0%	0.0%	61	0.0%	
Church of Scientology	60	0.0%	0.0%	58	0.0%	
Eckankar	33	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Rastafari	57	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	
Satanism	348	0.0%	0.0%	134	0.0%	
Theosophy	25	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Jainism	269	0.0%	0.0%	223	0.0%	
Zoroastrianism	134	0.0%	0.0%	110	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %
Religious Groups, nec	308	0.0%	0.0%	270	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
No Religion, so described	507,612	40.8%	41.4%	357,557	31.6%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Agnosticism	2,396	0.2%	0.1%	1,991	0.2%	
Atheism	2,325	0.2%	0.2%	1,842	0.2%	
Humanism	152	0.0%	0.0%	376	0.0%	
Rationalism	60	0.0%	0.0%	67	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	56	0.0%	0.0%	82	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	86	0.0%	0.0%	130	0.0%	
Multi Faith	170	0.0%	0.0%	149	0.0%	
New Age	51	0.0%	0.0%	89	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	1,453	0.1%	0.1%	1,098	0.1%	
Theism	270	0.0%	0.0%	283	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	47	0.0%	0.0%	70	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	288	0.0%	0.0%	326	0.0%	
Not stated	70,199	5.6%	6.3%	98,490	8.7%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,242,830</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,131,171</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.