

Community report

Bunbury (C)

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AREA

Bunbury (C)

COMPARISON

Regional WA

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

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Key takeaway

In 2021, No religion was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Bunbury (C), accounting for 45.4% (14,986 people). This share was lower than Regional WA (45.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 4,449 people and 12.4 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

Bunbury (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	168	0.5%	0.4%	141	0.4%	0.5%	+27	+0.1
Buddhism	309	0.9%	0.9%	387	1.2%	1.0%	-78	-0.3
Christianity, nfd	934	2.8%	3.2%	935	2.9%	3.3%	-1	-0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	4,207	12.8%	11.3%	5,628	17.6%	16.4%	-1,421	-4.8
Anglican Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–
Anglican, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Baptist	465	1.4%	1.6%	523	1.6%	1.8%	-58	-0.2
Brethren	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
Catholic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Western Catholic	5,864	17.8%	15.7%	6,821	21.4%	19.3%	-957	-3.6
Maronite Catholic	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Ukrainian Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Syro Malabar Catholic	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Catholic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Churches of Christ, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	—
Churches of Christ (Conference)	77	0.2%	0.3%	103	0.3%	—
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jehovah's Witnesses	195	0.6%	0.5%	228	0.7%	—
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	170	0.5%	0.2%	202	0.6%	—
Community of Christ	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lutheran	74	0.2%	0.3%	102	0.3%	—
Armenian Apostolic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Coptic Orthodox Church	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Syrian Orthodox Church	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Oriental Orthodox, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Antiochian Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Greek Orthodox	125	0.4%	0.2%	107	0.3%	—
Macedonian Orthodox	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Romanian Orthodox	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Russian Orthodox	14	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	—
Serbian Orthodox	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Ukrainian Orthodox	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern Orthodox, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Presbyterian	312	0.9%	0.9%	417	1.3%	1.3%
Reformed	13	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.1%	0.1%
Free Reformed	7	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Salvation Army	86	0.3%	0.1%	110	0.3%	0.3%
Seventh-day Adventist	97	0.3%	0.4%	105	0.3%	0.3%
Uniting Church	677	2.1%	2.1%	876	2.7%	2.7%
Pentecostal, nfd	168	0.5%	0.5%	237	0.7%	0.7%
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	14	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	0.0%
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Other Protestant, nfd	23	0.1%	0.2%	21	0.1%	0.1%
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	25	0.1%	0.1%	35	0.1%	0.1%
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Congregational	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Methodist, so described	66	0.2%	0.2%	107	0.3%	0.3%
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Other Christian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	17	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	21	0.1%	0.1%
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Hinduism	205	0.6%	0.4%	197	0.6%	0.4%
Islam	235	0.7%	0.7%	203	0.6%	0.6%
Judaism	15	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.1%	0.1%
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	3	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	0.2%

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Bahai	26	0.1%	0.0%	16	0.1%	0.0%
Taoism	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Druse	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shinto	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Sukyo Mahikari	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nature Religions, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Animism	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Druidism	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Paganism	51	0.2%	0.1%	23	0.1%	0.1%
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	7	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.1%	0.0%
Nature Religions, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Sikhism	85	0.3%	0.1%	65	0.2%	0.1%
Spiritualism	27	0.1%	0.0%	21	0.1%	0.0%
Mandaeen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Caodaism	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Church of Scientology	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Eckankar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Rastafari	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Satanism	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Theosophy	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Jainism	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Zoroastrianism	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Religious Groups, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%

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Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	14,986	45.4%	45.6%	10,537	33.0%	33.0%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	35	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.1%	0.1%
Atheism	53	0.2%	0.1%	60	0.2%	0.2%
Humanism	3	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.1%	0.1%
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Multi Faith	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
New Age	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Own Spiritual Beliefs	40	0.1%	0.1%	30	0.1%	0.1%
Theism	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Not stated	2,960	9.0%	12.1%	3,377	10.6%	10.6%
Total	32,990	100.0%	100.0%	31,893	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.