

Community report

Bundaberg (R)

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AREA

Bundaberg (R)

COMPARISON

Regional Qld

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 Bundaberg (R), accounting for 39.7% (39,328 people). This share was lower than Regional Qld (40.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 15,248 people and 13.8 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

Bundaberg (R) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	314	0.3%	0.4%	348	0.4%	0.4%	-34	-0.1
Buddhism	935	0.9%	1.0%	766	0.8%	1.1%	+169	+0.1
Christianity, nfd	3,079	3.1%	3.0%	3,002	3.2%	3.0%	+77	-0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	14,222	14.3%	12.8%	17,610	19.0%	17.1%	-3,388	-4.7
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	1,696	1.7%	1.4%	2,034	2.2%	1.6%	-338	-0.5
Brethren	258	0.3%	0.1%	251	0.3%	0.1%	+7	0.0
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	15,349	15.5%	18.7%	17,118	18.4%	22.0%	-1,769	-2.9
Maronite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Ukrainian Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	42	0.0%	0.0%	86	0.1%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	150	0.2%	0.1%	197	0.2%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	660	0.7%	0.5%	709	0.8%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	297	0.3%	0.3%	308	0.3%	
Community of Christ	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Lutheran	1,732	1.7%	1.1%	2,129	2.3%	
Armenian Apostolic	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	15	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	16	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ancient Church of the East	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antiochian Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Greek Orthodox	109	0.1%	0.3%	106	0.1%	0.3%
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Russian Orthodox	28	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	0.0%
Serbian Orthodox	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Presbyterian	2,607	2.6%	2.3%	3,447	3.7%	2.3%
Reformed	22	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Salvation Army	275	0.3%	0.2%	420	0.5%	0.2%
Seventh-day Adventist	427	0.4%	0.3%	435	0.5%	0.3%
Uniting Church	5,827	5.9%	4.0%	7,583	8.2%	4.0%
Pentecostal, nfd	835	0.8%	1.1%	803	0.9%	1.1%
Apostolic Church (Australia)	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	65	0.1%	0.1%	110	0.1%	0.1%
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	93	0.1%	0.1%	84	0.1%	0.1%
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	4	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	0.0%
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

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Revival Centres	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Rhema Family Church	—	—	—	—	—	
United Pentecostal	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Acts 2 Alliance	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Christian Church in Australia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pentecostal City Life Church	—	—	—	—	—	
Revival Fellowship	5	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Victory Life Centre	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Worship Centre Network	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pentecostal, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	54	0.1%	0.1%	52	0.1%	
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Born Again Christian	58	0.1%	0.1%	49	0.1%	
Christian and Missionary Alliance	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Church of the Nazarene	20	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Congregational	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	13	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Independent Evangelical Churches	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	88	0.1%	0.0%	58	0.1%	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	274	0.3%	0.0%	323	0.3%	
Methodist, so described	184	0.2%	0.1%	180	0.2%	
United Methodist Church	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Other Protestant, nec	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	173	0.2%	0.0%	206	0.2%	–
Christadelphians	11	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Gnostic Christians	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	35	0.0%	0.0%	79	0.1%	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	7	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Temple Society	–	–	–	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	25	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	–
Hinduism	407	0.4%	0.7%	239	0.3%	–
Islam	428	0.4%	0.5%	307	0.3%	–
Judaism	33	0.0%	0.1%	48	0.1%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	18	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	–
Baha'i	15	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
Chinese Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	19	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–

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Druse	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shinto	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Nature Religions, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druidism	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Paganism	135	0.1%	0.1%	76	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	47	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Sikhism	78	0.1%	0.3%	56	0.1%	
Spiritualism	38	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eckankar	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Satanism	19	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Theosophy	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Jainism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Religious Groups, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	39,328	39.7%	40.1%	24,080	25.9%	25.9%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	68	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.1%	0.1%
Atheism	120	0.1%	0.1%	152	0.2%	0.2%
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Secular Beliefs, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Multi Faith	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
New Age	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Own Spiritual Beliefs	126	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	0.1%
Theism	28	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	0.0%
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	0.0%
Not stated	8,116	8.2%	8.8%	8,807	9.5%	9.5%
Total	99,186	100.0%	100.0%	92,870	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.