

# Community report

## Central Highlands (R) (Qld)

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

AREA

**Central Highlands (R) (Qld)**

COMPARISON

**Regional Qld**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

**30 March 2026**

### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Qualifications

### 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.

# Qualifications

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, no qualification was the most common qualification level among residents aged 15 and over in Central Highlands (R) (Qld), accounting for 41.2% (8,784 people). This share was higher than Regional Qld (39.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in vocational, which increased by 420 people and 1.7 percentage points.

## About this topic

Qualifications records the highest non-school qualification completed by people aged 15 years and over. It describes post-school educational attainment such as certificates, diplomas, and university degrees.

This topic is a key indicator of skill level and socio-economic opportunity within an area. It is most useful when read with employment status, occupation, and income, which show how qualifications relate to labour market outcomes.

## Interpretation notes

- This topic uses highest completed non-school qualification, so incomplete study and current enrolment do not count as attained qualifications.

- It applies to people aged 15 years and over and should be read with schooling for the full education profile.

## Highest qualification achieved

Central Highlands (R) (Qld) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	2,418	11.3%	17.1%	2,177	10.3%	14.0%	+241	+1.0
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	1,342	6.3%	9.1%	1,247	5.9%	8.3%	+95	+0.4
Vocational	5,676	26.6%	24.1%	5,256	24.9%	23.1%	+420	+1.7
No Qualification	8,784	41.2%	39.2%	9,011	42.8%	42.4%	-227	-1.6
Not Stated	3,125	14.6%	10.5%	3,382	16.0%	12.1%	-257	-1.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,345</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>21,073</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>+272</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Data basis: usual residence.