

# Community report

## Charters Towers (R)

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

AREA

**Charters Towers (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

Charters Towers (R) | Regional Qld comparison | Persons

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, No religion was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Charters Towers (R), accounting for 33% (3,882 people). This share was lower than Regional Qld (40.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 1,159 people and 10 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

Charters Towers (R) - Total persons (Usual residence)

| Category                     | 2021  |       |                | 2016  |       |                | Change |      |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------|------|
|                              | Count | %     | Regional Qld % | Count | %     | Regional Qld % | Count  | pp   |
| Inadequately described       | 29    | 0.2%  | 0.4%           | 30    | 0.3%  | 0.4%           | -1     | -0.1 |
| Buddhism                     | 45    | 0.4%  | 1.0%           | 46    | 0.4%  | 1.1%           | -1     | 0.0  |
| Christianity, nfd            | 232   | 2.0%  | 3.0%           | 215   | 1.8%  | 3.0%           | +17    | +0.2 |
| Anglican Church of Australia | 1,734 | 14.8% | 12.8%          | 2,253 | 19.0% | 17.1%          | -519   | -4.2 |
| Anglican Catholic Church     | -     | -     | 0.0%           | -     | -     | 0.0%           | -      | -    |
| Anglican, nec                | -     | -     | -              | -     | -     | 0.0%           | -      | -    |
| Baptist                      | 132   | 1.1%  | 1.4%           | 124   | 1.0%  | 1.6%           | +8     | +0.1 |
| Brethren                     | -     | -     | 0.1%           | 4     | 0.0%  | 0.1%           | -      | -    |
| Catholic, nfd                | -     | -     | -              | -     | -     | 0.0%           | -      | -    |
| Western Catholic             | 2,271 | 19.3% | 18.7%          | 2,877 | 24.3% | 22.0%          | -606   | -5.0 |
| 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                           | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Catholic, nec                                   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Churches of Christ, nfd                         | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Churches of Christ (Conference)                 | 13    | 0.1% | 0.1%           | 17    | 0.1% |          |
| Church of Christ (Non-denominational)           | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| International Church of Christ                  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Jehovah's Witnesses                             | 109   | 0.9% | 0.5%           | 122   | 1.0% |          |
| Latter-day Saints, nfd                          | –     | –    | –              | –     | –    |          |
| The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints | 11    | 0.1% | 0.3%           | 21    | 0.2% |          |
| Community of Christ                             | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Lutheran  | 45    | 0.4% | 1.1%           | 65    | 0.5% |          |
| Armenian Apostolic                              | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Coptic Orthodox Church                          | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Syrian Orthodox Church                          | –     | –    | 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                      | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Eastern Orthodox, nfd                           | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Antiochian Orthodox                             | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |

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|  | Count | %    | Regional Qld % | Count | %     | Regional Qld % |
| Greek Orthodox   | 7     | 0.1% | 0.3%           | 14    | 0.1%  | 0.3%           |
| Macedonian Orthodox  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Romanian Orthodox  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Russian Orthodox   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Serbian Orthodox   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Ukrainian Orthodox   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Eastern Orthodox, nec  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd                                 | –     | –    | –              | –     | –     | –              |
| Presbyterian   | 303   | 2.6% | 2.3%           | 368   | 3.1%  | 2.3%           |
| Reformed   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Free Reformed  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Salvation Army   | 41    | 0.3% | 0.2%           | 60    | 0.5%  | 0.2%           |
| Seventh-day Adventist  | 24    | 0.2% | 0.3%           | 21    | 0.2%  | 0.3%           |
| Uniting Church   | 908   | 7.7% | 4.0%           | 1,319 | 11.1% | 4.0%           |
| Pentecostal, nfd   | 39    | 0.3% | 1.1%           | 65    | 0.5%  | 1.1%           |
| Apostolic Church (Australia)                                   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)              | 15    | 0.1% | 0.1%           | 7     | 0.1%  | 0.1%           |
| C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)                       | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –     | 0.0%           |
| International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres) | 6     | 0.1% | 0.1%           | 10    | 0.1%  | 0.1%           |
| CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)                  | –     | –    | 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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|   | Count | %    | Regional Qld % | Count | %    | Regional |
| Revival Centres                           | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Rhema Family Church                       | –     | –    | –              | –     | –    |          |
| United Pentecostal                        | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Acts 2 Alliance                           | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Christian Church in Australia             | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Pentecostal City Life Church              | –     | –    | –              | –     | –    |          |
| Revival Fellowship                        | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Victory Life Centre                       | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Worship Centre Network                    | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Pentecostal, nec                          | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Other Protestant, nfd                     | 6     | 0.1% | 0.1%           | 3     | 0.0% |          |
| Aboriginal Evangelical Missions           | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Born Again Christian                      | –     | –    | 0.1%           | 4     | 0.0% |          |
| Christian and Missionary Alliance         | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Church of the Nazarene                    | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Congregational                            | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Ethnic Evangelical Churches               | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Independent Evangelical Churches          | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Wesleyan Methodist Church                 | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Christian Community Churches of Australia | 5     | 0.0% | 0.0%           | 4     | 0.0% |          |
| Methodist, so described                   | 17    | 0.1% | 0.1%           | 22    | 0.2% |          |
| United Methodist Church                   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Other Protestant, nec                     | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |

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|   | Count | %    | Regional Qld % | Count | %    | Regional |
| Other Christian, nfd                                    | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Apostolic Church of Queensland                          | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Christadelphians  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Christian Science                                       | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Gnostic Christians                                      | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Liberal Catholic Church                                 | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| New Apostolic Church                                    | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| New Churches (Swedenborgian)                            | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Ratana (Maori)  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Religious Science                                       | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)                  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Temple Society  | –     | –    | –              | –     | –    | –        |
| Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God) | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Other Christian, nec                                    | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Hinduism  | 31    | 0.3% | 0.7%           | 21    | 0.2% | –        |
| Islam   | 11    | 0.1% | 0.5%           | 7     | 0.1% | –        |
| Judaism   | –     | –    | 0.1%           | 6     | 0.1% | –        |
| Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions             | –     | –    | 0.0%           | 5     | 0.0% | –        |
| Baha'i  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Chinese Religions, nfd                                  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Ancestor Veneration                                     | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Confucianism  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |
| Taoism  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    | –        |

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|                         | Count | %    | Regional Qld % | Count | %    | Regional |
| Druse                   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Japanese Religions, nfd | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Shinto                  | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Sukyo Mahikari          | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Tenrikyo                | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Japanese Religions, nec | –     | –    | –              | –     | –    |          |
| Nature Religions, nfd   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Animism                 | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Druidism                | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Paganism                | 18    | 0.2% | 0.1%           | 12    | 0.1% |          |
| Wiccan (Witchcraft)     | 4     | 0.0% | 0.0%           | 11    | 0.1% |          |
| Nature Religions, nec   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Sikhism                 | 8     | 0.1% | 0.3%           | –     | –    |          |
| Spiritualism            | –     | –    | 0.0%           | 6     | 0.1% |          |
| Mandaean                | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Yezidi                  | –     | –    | 0.1%           | –     | –    |          |
| Caodaism                | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Church of Scientology   | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Eckankar                | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Rastafari               | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Satanism                | –     | –    | 0.0%           | 3     | 0.0% |          |
| Theosophy               | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Jainism                 | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |
| Zoroastrianism          | –     | –    | 0.0%           | –     | –    |          |

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|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|   | Count         | %             | Regional Qld % | Count         | %             | Regional      |
| Religious Groups, nec   | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| No Religion, so described   | 3,882         | 33.0%         | 40.1%          | 2,723         | 23.0%         |               |
| Secular Beliefs, nfd  | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Agnosticism   | 6             | 0.1%          | 0.1%           | 3             | 0.0%          |               |
| Atheism   | 13            | 0.1%          | 0.1%           | 11            | 0.1%          |               |
| Humanism  | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Rationalism   | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Secular Beliefs, nec  | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd  | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Multi Faith   | 4             | 0.0%          | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| New Age   | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Own Spiritual Beliefs   | 4             | 0.0%          | 0.1%           | 4             | 0.0%          |               |
| Theism  | 3             | 0.0%          | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Unitarian Universalism  | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec  | –             | –             | 0.0%           | –             | –             |               |
| Not stated  | 1,775         | 15.1%         | 8.8%           | 1,374         | 11.6%         |               |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>11,751</b> | <b>100.0%</b> | <b>100.0%</b>  | <b>11,857</b> | <b>100.0%</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.