

Community report

Clarence Valley (A)

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

AREA

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COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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 Clarence Valley (A), accounting for 41.4% (18,831 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (39.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in vocational, which increased by 1,213 people and 1 percentage point.

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

Clarence Valley (A) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	5,367	11.8%	17.8%	4,208	9.9%	14.5%	+1,159	+1.9
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	3,489	7.7%	8.7%	3,011	7.1%	8.2%	+478	+0.6
Vocational	11,710	25.8%	24.4%	10,497	24.8%	23.6%	+1,213	+1.0
No Qualification	18,831	41.4%	39.1%	18,859	44.5%	41.7%	-28	-3.1
Not Stated	6,065	13.3%	10.0%	5,789	13.7%	12.1%	+276	-0.4
Total	45,462	100.0%	100.0%	42,364	100.0%	100.0%	+3,098	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.