

Community report

Gawler (T)

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AREA

Gawler (T)

COMPARISON

Greater Adelaide

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 Gawler (T), accounting for 51.8% (12,958 people). This share was higher than Greater Adelaide (44.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 4,299 people and 14.2 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

Gawler (T) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	109	0.4%	0.4%	118	0.5%	0.5%	-9	-0.1
Buddhism	176	0.7%	2.3%	174	0.8%	2.2%	+2	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	650	2.6%	2.7%	700	3.0%	2.8%	-50	-0.4
Anglican Church of Australia	2,580	10.3%	7.0%	3,279	14.2%	9.8%	-699	-3.9
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	311	1.2%	1.6%	349	1.5%	1.7%	-38	-0.3
Brethren	-	-	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	-	-
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	3,067	12.3%	16.4%	3,437	14.9%	18.9%	-370	-2.6
Maronite Catholic	6	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Ukrainian Catholic	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Churches of Christ, nfd	16	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Churches of Christ (Conference)	54	0.2%	0.2%	95	0.4%	–
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jehovah's Witnesses	136	0.5%	0.3%	148	0.6%	–
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	31	0.1%	0.2%	25	0.1%	–
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Lutheran	872	3.5%	1.6%	1,022	4.4%	–
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic Orthodox Church	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Syrian Orthodox Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Antiochian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Greek Orthodox	161	0.6%	2.4%	150	0.7%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Russian Orthodox	8	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Serbian Orthodox	10	0.0%	0.3%	4	0.0%	–
Ukrainian Orthodox	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Presbyterian	139	0.6%	0.6%	201	0.9%	–
Reformed	8	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.1%	–
Salvation Army	77	0.3%	0.1%	57	0.2%	–
Seventh-day Adventist	37	0.1%	0.2%	31	0.1%	–
Uniting Church	1,286	5.1%	3.9%	1,809	7.9%	–
Pentecostal, nfd	343	1.4%	1.1%	298	1.3%	–
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	10	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.1%	–
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%	–	–	–
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rhema Family Church	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Victory Life Centre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nfd	29	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	–
Born Again Christian	23	0.1%	0.0%	19	0.1%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	9	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.1%	–
Congregational	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Methodist, so described	39	0.2%	0.1%	59	0.3%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	3	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gnostic Christians	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Temple Society	–	–	–	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	14	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Hinduism	54	0.2%	2.7%	45	0.2%	–
Islam	49	0.2%	2.8%	36	0.2%	–
Judaism	6	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Baha'i	8	0.0%	0.1%	17	0.1%	–
Ancestor Veneration	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druse	27	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.0%	–
Shinto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paganism	44	0.2%	0.1%	25	0.1%	–
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Nature Religions, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Sikhism	6	0.0%	1.2%	5	0.0%	–
Spiritualism	11	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.1%	–
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of Scientology	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Satanism	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jainism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Groups, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	12,958	51.8%	44.6%	8,659	37.6%	37.6%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	27	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	–
Atheism	51	0.2%	0.2%	40	0.2%	–
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Multi Faith	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
New Age	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Own Spiritual Beliefs	45	0.2%	0.1%	33	0.1%	–
Theism	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Not stated	1,412	5.6%	5.2%	1,981	8.6%	–
Total	24,996	100.0%	100.0%	23,034	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.