

Community report

Georges River (A)

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AREA

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COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

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 Georges River (A), accounting for 29.4% (44,697 people). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (30.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 4,435 people and 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

Georges River (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	327	0.2%	0.3%	404	0.3%	0.4%	-77	-0.1
Buddhism	7,288	4.8%	3.8%	7,036	4.8%	3.9%	+252	0.0
Christianity, nfd	4,332	2.8%	2.5%	3,620	2.5%	2.2%	+712	+0.3
Anglican Church of Australia	10,492	6.9%	9.2%	12,743	8.7%	12.0%	-2,251	-1.8
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	2,517	1.7%	1.2%	2,599	1.8%	1.2%	-82	-0.1
Brethren	19	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	0.1%	+5	0.0
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	30,168	19.8%	22.1%	30,769	21.0%	24.2%	-601	-1.2
Maronite Catholic	688	0.5%	0.8%	436	0.3%	0.7%	+252	+0.2
Melkite Catholic	79	0.1%	0.0%	75	0.1%	0.0%	+4	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Ukrainian Catholic	11	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	3	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	5	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Catholic, nec	14	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Churches of Christ, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	81	0.1%	0.1%	81	0.1%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	372	0.2%	0.2%	370	0.3%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	230	0.2%	0.2%	261	0.2%	
Community of Christ	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	133	0.1%	0.2%	156	0.1%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	25	0.0%	0.1%	43	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	1,508	1.0%	0.4%	1,545	1.1%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	55	0.0%	0.1%	69	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	19	0.0%	0.2%	14	0.0%	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Albanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antiochian Orthodox	227	0.1%	0.2%	195	0.1%	
Greek Orthodox	11,886	7.8%	2.3%	10,878	7.4%	
Macedonian Orthodox	3,024	2.0%	0.3%	2,956	2.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	20	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Russian Orthodox	211	0.1%	0.2%	239	0.2%	
Serbian Orthodox	467	0.3%	0.4%	375	0.3%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	9	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	1,925	1.3%	1.5%	2,448	1.7%	
Reformed	20	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Salvation Army	154	0.1%	0.1%	231	0.2%	
Seventh-day Adventist	125	0.1%	0.2%	135	0.1%	
Uniting Church	1,865	1.2%	1.5%	2,458	1.7%	
Pentecostal, nfd	871	0.6%	0.8%	995	0.7%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	57	0.0%	0.1%	92	0.1%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Foursquare Gospel Church	4	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rhema Family Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Victory Worship Centre	–	–	–	–	–	
Worship Centre Network	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	296	0.2%	0.2%	260	0.2%	
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Born Again Christian	91	0.1%	0.1%	60	0.0%	
Christian and Missionary Alliance	25	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Church of the Nazarene	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Congregational	43	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	23	0.0%	0.0%	50	0.0%	
Independent Evangelical Churches	36	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	56	0.0%	0.0%	56	0.0%	
Methodist, so described	151	0.1%	0.1%	244	0.2%	
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Protestant, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	103	0.1%	0.0%	98	0.1%	–
Christian Science	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Ratana (Maori)	30	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	15	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	–
Hinduism	10,363	6.8%	4.8%	6,704	4.6%	–
Islam	6,964	4.6%	6.3%	5,634	3.8%	–
Judaism	212	0.1%	0.7%	212	0.1%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Baha'i	17	0.0%	0.1%	30	0.0%	–
Ancestor Veneration	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	7	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Taoism	97	0.1%	0.0%	89	0.1%	–
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Druse	17	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Shinto	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Paganism	40	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	32	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Sikhism	201	0.1%	0.7%	238	0.2%	
Spiritualism	23	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Mandaeen	3	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caodaism	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Church of Scientology	4	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Satanism	16	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Jainism	22	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Zoroastrianism	67	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.0%	
Religious Groups, nec	40	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	

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Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	44,697	29.4%	30.3%	40,262	27.4%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	153	0.1%	0.1%	137	0.1%	
Atheism	140	0.1%	0.1%	89	0.1%	
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Rationalism	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Multi Faith	29	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	74	0.0%	0.1%	71	0.0%	
Theism	26	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	82	0.1%	0.0%	63	0.0%	
Not stated	8,722	5.7%	6.2%	10,538	7.2%	
Total	152,285	100.0%	100.0%	146,822	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.