

Community report

Gladstone (R)

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

AREA

Gladstone (R)

COMPARISON

Regional Qld

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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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 Gladstone (R), accounting for 41% (20,454 people). This share was higher than Regional Qld (39.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in vocational, which increased by 1,412 people and 1.6 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

Gladstone (R) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	5,989	12.0%	17.1%	5,331	11.2%	14.0%	+658	+0.8
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	3,440	6.9%	9.1%	3,147	6.6%	8.3%	+293	+0.3
Vocational	15,064	30.2%	24.1%	13,652	28.6%	23.1%	+1,412	+1.6
No Qualification	20,454	41.0%	39.2%	20,329	42.6%	42.4%	+125	-1.6
Not Stated	4,921	9.9%	10.5%	5,237	11.0%	12.1%	-316	-1.1
Total	49,868	100.0%	100.0%	47,696	100.0%	100.0%	+2,172	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.