

# 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** 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 Gladstone (R), accounting for 45.4% (28,818 people). This share was higher than Regional Qld (40.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 10,658 people and 15.9 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

Gladstone (R) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	269	0.4%	0.4%	238	0.4%	0.4%	+31	0.0
Buddhism	451	0.7%	1.0%	625	1.0%	1.1%	-174	-0.3
Christianity, nfd	1,490	2.3%	3.0%	1,584	2.6%	3.0%	-94	-0.3
Anglican Church of Australia	7,725	12.2%	12.8%	10,812	17.6%	17.1%	-3,087	-5.4
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	1,121	1.8%	1.4%	1,231	2.0%	1.6%	-110	-0.2
Brethren	3	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	0.1%	-7	0.0
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	10,428	16.4%	18.7%	13,039	21.2%	22.0%	-2,611	-4.8
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	9	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	85	0.1%	0.1%	117	0.2%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	295	0.5%	0.5%	230	0.4%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	100	0.2%	0.3%	170	0.3%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	553	0.9%	1.1%	722	1.2%	
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	115	0.2%	0.3%	154	0.2%	0.3%
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Russian Orthodox	31	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.1%	0.0%
Serbian Orthodox	12	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	0.0%
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Presbyterian	1,714	2.7%	2.3%	2,383	3.9%	2.3%
Reformed	19	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Salvation Army	154	0.2%	0.2%	229	0.4%	0.2%
Seventh-day Adventist	103	0.2%	0.3%	131	0.2%	0.3%
Uniting Church	2,305	3.6%	4.0%	3,288	5.3%	4.0%
Pentecostal, nfd	731	1.2%	1.1%	700	1.1%	1.1%
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	62	0.1%	0.1%	107	0.2%	0.1%
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	14	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	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%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
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	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Victory Life Centre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Worship Centre Network	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Other Protestant, nfd	30	0.0%	0.1%	23	0.0%	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	28	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Congregational	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	15	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	10	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Methodist, so described	102	0.2%	0.1%	130	0.2%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	22	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	–
Christadelphians	9	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	14	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	8	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Temple Society	–	–	–	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Hinduism	431	0.7%	0.7%	466	0.8%	–
Islam	275	0.4%	0.5%	306	0.5%	–
Judaism	21	0.0%	0.1%	28	0.0%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Baha'i	23	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Chinese Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Druse	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shinto	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Paganism	60	0.1%	0.1%	44	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	14	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Sikhism	74	0.1%	0.3%	93	0.2%	
Spiritualism	19	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eckankar	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Satanism	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jainism	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Zoroastrianism	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Religious Groups, nec	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	28,818	45.4%	40.1%	18,160	29.5%	38.1%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	55	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	–
Atheism	104	0.2%	0.1%	128	0.2%	–
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Multi Faith	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
New Age	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Own Spiritual Beliefs	91	0.1%	0.1%	57	0.1%	–
Theism	16	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Not stated	5,331	8.4%	8.8%	5,865	9.5%	10.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>63,499</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>61,601</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.