

Community report

Kingston (C) (Vic.)

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

AREA

Kingston (C) (Vic.)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

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 Kingston (C) (Vic.), accounting for 40.1% (63,472 people). This share was higher than Greater Melbourne (36.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 15,867 people and 8.7 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

Kingston (C) (Vic.) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	604	0.4%	0.4%	752	0.5%	0.5%	-148	-0.1
Buddhism	4,446	2.8%	3.9%	4,385	2.9%	3.8%	+61	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	2,945	1.9%	2.7%	3,027	2.0%	2.6%	-82	-0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	11,233	7.1%	5.5%	14,113	9.3%	7.6%	-2,880	-2.2
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	1,220	0.8%	1.3%	1,267	0.8%	1.3%	-47	0.0
Brethren	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	+6	0.0
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	36,967	23.4%	20.5%	38,763	25.6%	23.2%	-1,796	-2.2
Maronite Catholic	25	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	0.1%	+6	0.0
Melkite Catholic	20	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%	+9	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Ukrainian Catholic	16	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	17	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Syro Malabar Catholic	52	0.0%	0.1%	80	0.1%	
Catholic, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Churches of Christ, nfd	35	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	183	0.1%	0.1%	253	0.2%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Jehovah's Witnesses	440	0.3%	0.2%	404	0.3%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	200	0.1%	0.2%	252	0.2%	
Community of Christ	8	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Lutheran	382	0.2%	0.2%	453	0.3%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	93	0.1%	0.0%	119	0.1%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	231	0.1%	0.2%	222	0.1%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	39	0.0%	0.1%	63	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	7	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	15	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Albanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Antiochian Orthodox	94	0.1%	0.1%	81	0.1%	–
Greek Orthodox	9,102	5.8%	3.3%	8,604	5.7%	–
Macedonian Orthodox	82	0.1%	0.4%	76	0.1%	–
Romanian Orthodox	30	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	–
Russian Orthodox	451	0.3%	0.1%	494	0.3%	–
Serbian Orthodox	426	0.3%	0.3%	366	0.2%	–
Ukrainian Orthodox	32	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	–
Eastern Orthodox, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Presbyterian	2,083	1.3%	1.1%	2,717	1.8%	–
Reformed	34	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	–
Salvation Army	99	0.1%	0.1%	121	0.1%	–
Seventh-day Adventist	144	0.1%	0.2%	165	0.1%	–
Uniting Church	3,060	1.9%	1.7%	3,852	2.5%	–
Pentecostal, nfd	1,047	0.7%	0.8%	924	0.6%	–
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	31	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	–
Bethesda Ministries International (Bethesda Churches)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Rhema Family Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acts 2 Alliance	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pentecostal City Life Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Victory Worship Centre	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Worship Centre Network	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nfd	203	0.1%	0.2%	195	0.1%	–
Born Again Christian	28	0.0%	0.1%	44	0.0%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Congregational	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	35	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Methodist, so described	143	0.1%	0.1%	153	0.1%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	–	–	–	
Christadelphians	19	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Christian Science	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Gnostic Christians	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Apostolic Church	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ratana (Maori)	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Temple Society	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nec	25	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	
Hinduism	4,563	2.9%	4.1%	3,364	2.2%	
Islam	2,301	1.5%	5.3%	2,207	1.5%	
Judaism	1,674	1.1%	0.9%	1,469	1.0%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Baha'i	15	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taoism	13	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	

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Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druse	99	0.1%	0.0%	76	0.1%	–
Shinto	16	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Sukyo Mahikari	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Animism	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Druidism	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Paganism	63	0.0%	0.1%	55	0.0%	–
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	38	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	–
Nature Religions, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Sikhism	791	0.5%	1.7%	1,127	0.7%	–
Spiritualism	40	0.0%	0.0%	64	0.0%	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of Scientology	13	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Eckankar	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Rastafari	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Satanism	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Theosophy	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Jainism	152	0.1%	0.0%	74	0.0%	–
Zoroastrianism	19	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Religious Groups, nec	30	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	63,472	40.1%	36.9%	47,605	31.4%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Agnosticism	160	0.1%	0.1%	146	0.1%	
Atheism	211	0.1%	0.1%	173	0.1%	
Humanism	6	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Rationalism	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Multi Faith	23	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
New Age	9	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	185	0.1%	0.1%	161	0.1%	
Theism	38	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	39	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Not stated	7,596	4.8%	5.8%	12,106	8.0%	
Total	158,095	100.0%	100.0%	151,392	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.