

Community report

Ku-ring-gai (A)

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

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 Ku-ring-gai (A), accounting for 40.9% (50,683 people). This share was higher than Greater Sydney (30.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 14,047 people and 9.9 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

Ku-ring-gai (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	334	0.3%	0.3%	362	0.3%	0.4%	-28	0.0
Buddhism	3,793	3.1%	3.8%	3,112	2.6%	3.9%	+681	+0.5
Christianity, nfd	2,604	2.1%	2.5%	2,252	1.9%	2.2%	+352	+0.2
Anglican Church of Australia	18,807	15.2%	9.2%	22,252	18.9%	12.0%	-3,445	-3.7
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	1,466	1.2%	1.2%	1,247	1.1%	1.2%	+219	+0.1
Brethren	-	-	0.1%	16	0.0%	0.1%	-	-
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	20,455	16.5%	22.1%	22,235	18.8%	24.2%	-1,780	-2.3
Maronite Catholic	116	0.1%	0.8%	75	0.1%	0.7%	+41	0.0
Melkite Catholic	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Ukrainian Catholic	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Catholic, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Churches of Christ, nfd	28	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	56	0.0%	0.1%	58	0.0%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	103	0.1%	0.2%	81	0.1%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	69	0.1%	0.2%	86	0.1%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Lutheran	304	0.2%	0.2%	355	0.3%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	254	0.2%	0.1%	263	0.2%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	78	0.1%	0.4%	68	0.1%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	29	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	9	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Albanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antiochian Orthodox	14	0.0%	0.2%	9	0.0%	
Greek Orthodox	884	0.7%	2.3%	886	0.8%	
Macedonian Orthodox	45	0.0%	0.3%	31	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	21	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Russian Orthodox	190	0.2%	0.2%	177	0.1%	
Serbian Orthodox	123	0.1%	0.4%	109	0.1%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	16	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	3,029	2.4%	1.5%	3,418	2.9%	
Reformed	44	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Salvation Army	61	0.0%	0.1%	72	0.1%	
Seventh-day Adventist	382	0.3%	0.2%	424	0.4%	
Uniting Church	4,608	3.7%	1.5%	5,576	4.7%	
Pentecostal, nfd	810	0.7%	0.8%	1,010	0.9%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	44	0.0%	0.1%	46	0.0%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	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	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Other Protestant, nfd	289	0.2%	0.2%	241	0.2%	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	18	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	21	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	–
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congregational	8	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	26	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	9	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	–
Methodist, so described	131	0.1%	0.1%	144	0.1%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
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Other Christian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Christadelphians	48	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Christian Science	7	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Gnostic Christians	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Liberal Catholic Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
New Apostolic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	17	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Hinduism	3,012	2.4%	4.8%	2,194	1.9%	
Islam	1,251	1.0%	6.3%	857	0.7%	
Judaism	2,912	2.3%	0.7%	3,164	2.7%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Baha'i	189	0.2%	0.1%	212	0.2%	
Ancestor Veneration	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Confucianism	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Taoism	57	0.0%	0.0%	61	0.1%	
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Druse	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Shinto	27	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druidism	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Paganism	23	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sikhism	546	0.4%	0.7%	451	0.4%	
Spiritualism	14	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Mandaeen	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	15	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Satanism	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Jainism	31	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Zoroastrianism	148	0.1%	0.0%	140	0.1%	
Religious Groups, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	50,683	40.9%	30.3%	36,636	31.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Agnosticism	190	0.2%	0.1%	149	0.1%	
Atheism	177	0.1%	0.1%	155	0.1%	
Humanism	17	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Rationalism	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Multi Faith	11	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	96	0.1%	0.1%	71	0.1%	
Theism	4	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Not stated	5,093	4.1%	6.2%	8,686	7.4%	
Total	124,058	100.0%	100.0%	118,016	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.