

Community report

Lachlan (A)

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

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COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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, Western Catholic was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Lachlan (A), accounting for 24.7% (1,499 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (21%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 274 people and 4.8 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

Lachlan (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	9	0.1%	0.4%	11	0.2%	0.4%	-2	-0.1
Buddhism	11	0.2%	0.8%	20	0.3%	0.8%	-9	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	149	2.5%	2.2%	172	2.8%	2.2%	-23	-0.3
Anglican Church of Australia	1,215	20.0%	17.0%	1,459	23.6%	21.9%	-244	-3.6
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	22	0.4%	1.2%	26	0.4%	1.3%	-4	0.0
Brethren	179	3.0%	0.1%	166	2.7%	0.1%	+13	+0.3
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	1,499	24.7%	21.0%	1,577	25.5%	23.8%	-78	-0.8
Maronite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	-	-
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Ukrainian Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	9	0.1%	0.4%	13	0.2%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	16	0.3%	0.3%	16	0.3%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	4	0.1%	
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	–	–	–	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antiochian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Greek Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.4%	21	0.3%	
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.3%	–	–	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian Orthodox	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	311	5.1%	2.6%	351	5.7%	
Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvation Army	3	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.1%	
Seventh-day Adventist	15	0.2%	0.4%	16	0.3%	
Uniting Church	382	6.3%	3.3%	407	6.6%	
Pentecostal, nfd	38	0.6%	0.7%	73	1.2%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nfd	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	8	0.1%	0.0%	6	0.1%	–
Born Again Christian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congregational	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Methodist, so described	8	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hinduism	46	0.8%	0.7%	22	0.4%	–
Islam	15	0.2%	0.7%	3	0.0%	–
Judaism	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Baha'i	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druse	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shinto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paganism	7	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sikhism	8	0.1%	0.3%	–	–	–
Spiritualism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of Scientology	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Satanism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jainism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Groups, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	1,313	21.6%	37.4%	1,039	16.8%	37.4%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Atheism	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Multi Faith	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Theism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	796	13.1%	7.7%	760	12.3%	
Total	6,065	100.0%	100.0%	6,186	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.