

# Community report

## Launceston (C)

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

AREA

**Launceston (C)**

COMPARISON

**Regional Tas.**

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 Launceston (C), accounting for 48.7% (34,124 people). This share was lower than Regional Tas. (49.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 10,124 people and 11.9 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

Launceston (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	297	0.4%	0.4%	390	0.6%	0.5%	-93	-0.2
Buddhism	957	1.4%	0.8%	732	1.1%	0.7%	+225	+0.3
Christianity, nfd	1,880	2.7%	2.9%	1,845	2.8%	3.0%	+35	-0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	9,625	13.7%	14.7%	12,757	19.5%	20.8%	-3,132	-5.8
Baptist	1,045	1.5%	1.6%	1,092	1.7%	2.0%	-47	-0.2
Brethren	162	0.2%	0.3%	162	0.2%	0.4%	0	0.0
Western Catholic	8,065	11.5%	11.7%	9,132	14.0%	14.5%	-1,067	-2.5
Maronite Catholic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Ukrainian Catholic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Syro Malabar Catholic	—	—	—	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Catholic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Churches of Christ, nfd	37	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	0.0%	+4	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Churches of Christ (Conference)	82	0.1%	0.1%	112	0.2%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	342	0.5%	0.5%	328	0.5%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	157	0.2%	0.3%	211	0.3%	
Lutheran	116	0.2%	0.2%	157	0.2%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	16	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	14	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	16	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Assyrian Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Antiochian Orthodox	–	–	–	–	–	
Greek Orthodox	135	0.2%	0.1%	127	0.2%	
Macedonian Orthodox	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian Orthodox	25	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Serbian Orthodox	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Presbyterian	1,082	1.5%	1.5%	1,494	2.3%	
Reformed	96	0.1%	0.2%	145	0.2%	
Free Reformed	69	0.1%	0.1%	61	0.1%	
Salvation Army	172	0.2%	0.2%	264	0.4%	

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Seventh-day Adventist	94	0.1%	0.2%	91	0.1%	
Uniting Church	1,862	2.7%	3.3%	2,473	3.8%	
Pentecostal, nfd	568	0.8%	0.9%	664	1.0%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	–	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	14	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Revival Centres	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Revival Fellowship	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pentecostal, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	101	0.1%	0.1%	90	0.1%	
Born Again Christian	33	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Congregational	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	5	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Independent Evangelical Churches	112	0.2%	0.1%	74	0.1%	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	73	0.1%	0.2%	46	0.1%	
Methodist, so described	101	0.1%	0.1%	141	0.2%	
Other Protestant, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	

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Christadelphians	26	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.1%	
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gnostic Christians	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ratana (Maori)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	21	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Other Christian, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Hinduism	1,719	2.5%	1.0%	559	0.9%	
Islam	1,055	1.5%	0.6%	657	1.0%	
Judaism	65	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Baha'i	17	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taoism	11	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Shinto	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Animism	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paganism	75	0.1%	0.1%	51	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	29	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Sikhism	340	0.5%	0.2%	59	0.1%	

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Spiritualism	12	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Mandaeen	–	–	–	–	–	
Church of Scientology	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Rastafari	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Satanism	26	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jainism	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Groups, nec	242	0.3%	0.1%	167	0.3%	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	34,124	48.7%	49.3%	24,000	36.8%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	76	0.1%	0.1%	86	0.1%	
Atheism	150	0.2%	0.2%	118	0.2%	
Humanism	7	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Rationalism	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Multi Faith	13	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	59	0.1%	0.1%	47	0.1%	
Theism	13	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	

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Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Not stated	4,436	6.3%	7.3%	6,393	9.8%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,035</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>65,256</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.