

Community report

Lismore (C)

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

AREA

Lismore (C)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

31 March 2026

Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Qualifications

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.

Qualifications

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Key takeaway

In 2021, no qualification was the most common qualification level among residents aged 15 and over in Lismore (C), accounting for 36.8% (13,515 people). This share was lower than Regional NSW (39.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in bachelor degree or higher, which increased by 1,452 people and 3.3 percentage points.

About this topic

Qualifications records the highest non-school qualification completed by people aged 15 years and over. It describes post-school educational attainment such as certificates, diplomas, and university degrees.

This topic is a key indicator of skill level and socio-economic opportunity within an area. It is most useful when read with employment status, occupation, and income, which show how qualifications relate to labour market outcomes.

Interpretation notes

– This topic uses highest completed non-school qualification, so incomplete study and current enrolment do not count as attained qualifications.

– It applies to people aged 15 years and over and should be read with schooling for the full education profile.

Highest qualification achieved

Lismore (C) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	7,672	20.9%	17.8%	6,220	17.6%	14.5%	+1,452	+3.3
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	3,263	8.9%	8.7%	2,885	8.1%	8.2%	+378	+0.8
Vocational	8,534	23.2%	24.4%	8,239	23.3%	23.6%	+295	-0.1
No Qualification	13,515	36.8%	39.1%	13,818	39.0%	41.7%	-303	-2.2
Not Stated	3,767	10.3%	10.0%	4,268	12.0%	12.1%	-501	-1.7
Total	36,751	100.0%	100.0%	35,430	100.0%	100.0%	+1,321	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.