

Community report

Manningham (C)

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

AREA

Manningham (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

31 March 2026

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

Manningham (C) | Greater Melbourne comparison | Persons

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Key takeaway

In 2021, No religion was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Manningham (C), accounting for 37% (46,191 people). This share was similar to Greater Melbourne (36.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 10,451 people and 6.3 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

Manningham (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | | Change | |
|------------------------------|--------|-------|---------------------|--------|-------|---------------------|--------|------|
| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | pp |
| Inadequately described | 328 | 0.3% | 0.4% | 386 | 0.3% | 0.5% | -58 | 0.0 |
| Buddhism | 5,460 | 4.4% | 3.9% | 4,669 | 4.0% | 3.8% | +791 | +0.4 |
| Christianity, nfd | 3,719 | 3.0% | 2.7% | 3,150 | 2.7% | 2.6% | +569 | +0.3 |
| Anglican Church of Australia | 7,133 | 5.7% | 5.5% | 8,475 | 7.3% | 7.6% | -1,342 | -1.6 |
| Anglican Catholic Church | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |
| Anglican, nec | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |
| Baptist | 3,057 | 2.5% | 1.3% | 2,706 | 2.3% | 1.3% | +351 | +0.2 |
| Brethren | 25 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13 | 0.0% | 0.0% | +12 | 0.0 |
| Catholic, nfd | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |
| Western Catholic | 24,402 | 19.6% | 20.5% | 25,872 | 22.3% | 23.2% | -1,470 | -2.7 |
| Maronite Catholic | 240 | 0.2% | 0.1% | 173 | 0.1% | 0.1% | +67 | +0.1 |
| Melkite Catholic | 29 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 29 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0 | 0.0 |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Ukrainian Catholic | 26 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 34 | 0.0% | |
| Chaldean Catholic | 3 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 10 | 0.0% | |
| Syro Malabar Catholic | – | – | 0.1% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Catholic, nec | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | |
| Churches of Christ, nfd | 40 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 49 | 0.0% | |
| Churches of Christ (Conference) | 189 | 0.2% | 0.1% | 262 | 0.2% | |
| Church of Christ (Non-denominational) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| International Church of Christ | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Jehovah's Witnesses | 148 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 140 | 0.1% | |
| Latter-day Saints, nfd | – | – | – | – | – | |
| The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints | 106 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 106 | 0.1% | |
| Community of Christ | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Lutheran | 521 | 0.4% | 0.2% | 527 | 0.5% | |
| Oriental Orthodox, nfd | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| Armenian Apostolic | 85 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 75 | 0.1% | |
| Coptic Orthodox Church | 668 | 0.5% | 0.2% | 630 | 0.5% | |
| Syrian Orthodox Church | 61 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 68 | 0.1% | |
| Ethiopian Orthodox Church | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Oriental Orthodox, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Assyrian Apostolic, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Assyrian Church of the East | 7 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 7 | 0.0% | |
| Ancient Church of the East | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Eastern Orthodox, nfd | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | |

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| Albanian Orthodox | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Antiochian Orthodox | 136 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 85 | 0.1% | – |
| Greek Orthodox | 9,799 | 7.9% | 3.3% | 9,402 | 8.1% | – |
| Macedonian Orthodox | 375 | 0.3% | 0.4% | 386 | 0.3% | – |
| Romanian Orthodox | 36 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 33 | 0.0% | – |
| Russian Orthodox | 102 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 99 | 0.1% | – |
| Serbian Orthodox | 146 | 0.1% | 0.3% | 129 | 0.1% | – |
| Ukrainian Orthodox | 16 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 14 | 0.0% | – |
| Eastern Orthodox, nec | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 5 | 0.0% | – |
| Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Presbyterian | 1,870 | 1.5% | 1.1% | 2,103 | 1.8% | – |
| Reformed | 66 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 57 | 0.0% | – |
| Salvation Army | 113 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 165 | 0.1% | – |
| Seventh-day Adventist | 138 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 146 | 0.1% | – |
| Uniting Church | 2,753 | 2.2% | 1.7% | 3,380 | 2.9% | – |
| Pentecostal, nfd | 1,266 | 1.0% | 0.8% | 1,315 | 1.1% | – |
| Apostolic Church (Australia) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God) | 25 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 39 | 0.0% | – |
| Bethesda Ministries International (Bethesda Churches) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| C3 Church Global (Christian City Church) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade) | 15 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |

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| Foursquare Gospel Church | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Revival Centres | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | – |
| Rhema Family Church | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| United Pentecostal | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Acts 2 Alliance | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Christian Church in Australia | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Pentecostal City Life Church | – | – | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Revival Fellowship | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Victory Worship Centre | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Worship Centre Network | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Pentecostal, nec | 16 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13 | 0.0% | – |
| Other Protestant, nfd | 358 | 0.3% | 0.2% | 414 | 0.4% | – |
| Born Again Christian | 11 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 11 | 0.0% | – |
| Christian and Missionary Alliance | 16 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 33 | 0.0% | – |
| Church of the Nazarene | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | – |
| Congregational | – | – | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Ethnic Evangelical Churches | 12 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | – |
| Independent Evangelical Churches | 35 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | – |
| Wesleyan Methodist Church | 20 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 8 | 0.0% | – |
| Christian Community Churches of Australia | 95 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 165 | 0.1% | – |
| Methodist, so described | 206 | 0.2% | 0.1% | 191 | 0.2% | – |
| United Methodist Church | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |

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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Other Protestant, nec | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| Other Christian, nfd | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| Apostolic Church of Queensland | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Christadelphians | 11 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 12 | 0.0% | — |
| Christian Science | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | — |
| Gnostic Christians | — | — | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | — |
| Liberal Catholic Church | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| New Apostolic Church | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 19 | 0.0% | — |
| New Churches (Swedenborgian) | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| Ratana (Maori) | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| Religious Science | — | — | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | — |
| Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| Temple Society | — | — | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | — |
| Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God) | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | — |
| Other Christian, nec | 24 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 27 | 0.0% | — |
| Hinduism | 2,418 | 1.9% | 4.1% | 1,732 | 1.5% | — |
| Islam | 4,247 | 3.4% | 5.3% | 2,588 | 2.2% | — |
| Judaism | 344 | 0.3% | 0.9% | 361 | 0.3% | — |
| Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions | — | — | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | — |
| Baha'i | 419 | 0.3% | 0.1% | 379 | 0.3% | — |
| Ancestor Veneration | — | — | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | — |
| Confucianism | 11 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | — |
| Taoism | 80 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 74 | 0.1% | — |

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| Chinese Religions, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Druse | 26 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 18 | 0.0% | – |
| Shinto | 12 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 9 | 0.0% | – |
| Sukyo Mahikari | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 8 | 0.0% | – |
| Tenrikyo | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Japanese Religions, nec | 3 | 0.0% | – | – | – | – |
| Nature Religions, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Animism | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Druidism | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Paganism | 23 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 23 | 0.0% | – |
| Wiccan (Witchcraft) | 12 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 14 | 0.0% | – |
| Nature Religions, nec | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Sikhism | 686 | 0.6% | 1.7% | 598 | 0.5% | – |
| Spiritualism | 18 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 26 | 0.0% | – |
| Mandaean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Yezidi | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Caodaism | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Church of Scientology | 19 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 17 | 0.0% | – |
| Eckankar | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | – |
| Rastafari | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Satanism | 12 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | – |
| Theosophy | 7 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | – |
| Jainism | 32 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | – |
| Zoroastrianism | 33 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 34 | 0.0% | – |

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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Religious Groups, nec | 21 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 12 | 0.0% | |
| Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| No Religion, so described | 46,191 | 37.0% | 36.9% | 35,740 | 30.7% | |
| Secular Beliefs, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Agnosticism | 113 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 101 | 0.1% | |
| Atheism | 82 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 76 | 0.1% | |
| Humanism | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 32 | 0.0% | |
| Rationalism | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Secular Beliefs, nec | 10 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 7 | 0.0% | |
| Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 9 | 0.0% | |
| Multi Faith | 14 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 7 | 0.0% | |
| New Age | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Own Spiritual Beliefs | 90 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 81 | 0.1% | |
| Theism | 18 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 25 | 0.0% | |
| Unitarian Universalism | 7 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec | 38 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 32 | 0.0% | |
| Not stated | 5,685 | 4.6% | 5.8% | 8,442 | 7.3% | |
| Total | 124,690 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 116,232 | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.