

Community report

Maroondah (C)

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

AREA

Maroondah (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

Maroondah (C) | Greater Melbourne comparison | Persons

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Key takeaway

In 2021, No religion was the most common religious affiliation among residents in Maroondah (C), accounting for 45.3% (52,086 people). This share was higher than Greater Melbourne (36.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 12,063 people and 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

Maroondah (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | | Change | |
|------------------------------|--------|-------|---------------------|--------|-------|---------------------|--------|------|
| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | pp |
| Inadequately described | 508 | 0.4% | 0.4% | 613 | 0.6% | 0.5% | -105 | -0.2 |
| Buddhism | 2,543 | 2.2% | 3.9% | 2,129 | 1.9% | 3.8% | +414 | +0.3 |
| Christianity, nfd | 4,266 | 3.7% | 2.7% | 4,334 | 3.9% | 2.6% | -68 | -0.2 |
| Anglican Church of Australia | 8,495 | 7.4% | 5.5% | 11,110 | 10.1% | 7.6% | -2,615 | -2.7 |
| Anglican Catholic Church | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |
| Anglican, nec | - | - | 0.0% | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |
| Baptist | 4,772 | 4.1% | 1.3% | 4,664 | 4.2% | 1.3% | +108 | -0.1 |
| Brethren | 22 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 39 | 0.0% | 0.0% | -17 | 0.0 |
| Catholic, nfd | - | - | - | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |
| Western Catholic | 19,903 | 17.3% | 20.5% | 21,970 | 19.9% | 23.2% | -2,067 | -2.6 |
| Maronite Catholic | 25 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 23 | 0.0% | 0.1% | +2 | 0.0 |
| Melkite Catholic | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | - | - | 0.0% | - | - |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Ukrainian Catholic | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 9 | 0.0% | |
| Chaldean Catholic | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Syro Malabar Catholic | 48 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 70 | 0.1% | |
| Catholic, nec | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Churches of Christ, nfd | 155 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 70 | 0.1% | |
| Churches of Christ (Conference) | 492 | 0.4% | 0.1% | 439 | 0.4% | |
| Church of Christ (Non-denominational) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| International Church of Christ | – | – | 0.0% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Jehovah's Witnesses | 215 | 0.2% | 0.2% | 208 | 0.2% | |
| Latter-day Saints, nfd | – | – | – | – | – | |
| The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints | 238 | 0.2% | 0.2% | 301 | 0.3% | |
| Community of Christ | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Lutheran | 921 | 0.8% | 0.2% | 1,050 | 1.0% | |
| Oriental Orthodox, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Armenian Apostolic | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13 | 0.0% | |
| Coptic Orthodox Church | 104 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 69 | 0.1% | |
| Syrian Orthodox Church | 47 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 39 | 0.0% | |
| Ethiopian Orthodox Church | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Oriental Orthodox, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Assyrian Apostolic, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Assyrian Church of the East | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Ancient Church of the East | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Eastern Orthodox, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |

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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Albanian Orthodox | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Antiochian Orthodox | 19 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 19 | 0.0% | – |
| Greek Orthodox | 1,353 | 1.2% | 3.3% | 1,193 | 1.1% | – |
| Macedonian Orthodox | 72 | 0.1% | 0.4% | 46 | 0.0% | – |
| Romanian Orthodox | 9 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 14 | 0.0% | – |
| Russian Orthodox | 73 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 87 | 0.1% | – |
| Serbian Orthodox | 87 | 0.1% | 0.3% | 95 | 0.1% | – |
| Ukrainian Orthodox | 16 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 17 | 0.0% | – |
| Eastern Orthodox, nec | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | – |
| Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Presbyterian | 1,721 | 1.5% | 1.1% | 2,237 | 2.0% | – |
| Reformed | 106 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 136 | 0.1% | – |
| Salvation Army | 308 | 0.3% | 0.1% | 389 | 0.4% | – |
| Seventh-day Adventist | 408 | 0.4% | 0.2% | 405 | 0.4% | – |
| Uniting Church | 3,251 | 2.8% | 1.7% | 4,178 | 3.8% | – |
| Pentecostal, nfd | 1,475 | 1.3% | 0.8% | 1,420 | 1.3% | – |
| Apostolic Church (Australia) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God) | 47 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 82 | 0.1% | – |
| Bethesda Ministries International (Bethesda Churches) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| C3 Church Global (Christian City Church) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 25 | 0.0% | – |
| CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | – |

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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Foursquare Gospel Church | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church) | – | – | 0.0% | 7 | 0.0% | – |
| Revival Centres | 18 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | – |
| Rhema Family Church | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| United Pentecostal | 10 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 35 | 0.0% | – |
| Acts 2 Alliance | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Christian Church in Australia | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Pentecostal City Life Church | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Revival Fellowship | 11 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Victory Worship Centre | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Worship Centre Network | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Pentecostal, nec | 20 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 15 | 0.0% | – |
| Other Protestant, nfd | 186 | 0.2% | 0.2% | 193 | 0.2% | – |
| Born Again Christian | 32 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 50 | 0.0% | – |
| Christian and Missionary Alliance | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | – |
| Church of the Nazarene | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Congregational | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Ethnic Evangelical Churches | 13 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 7 | 0.0% | – |
| Independent Evangelical Churches | 10 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Wesleyan Methodist Church | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | – |
| Christian Community Churches of Australia | 111 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 113 | 0.1% | – |
| Methodist, so described | 103 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 108 | 0.1% | – |
| United Methodist Church | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |

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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Other Protestant, nec | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Other Christian, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Apostolic Church of Queensland | – | – | – | – | – | |
| Christadelphians | 247 | 0.2% | 0.0% | 298 | 0.3% | |
| Christian Science | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | |
| Gnostic Christians | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13 | 0.0% | |
| Liberal Catholic Church | – | – | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| New Apostolic Church | 23 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 22 | 0.0% | |
| New Churches (Swedenborgian) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Ratana (Maori) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Religious Science | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 12 | 0.0% | |
| Temple Society | 15 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 24 | 0.0% | |
| Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God) | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Other Christian, nec | 18 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 30 | 0.0% | |
| Hinduism | 2,164 | 1.9% | 4.1% | 1,410 | 1.3% | |
| Islam | 1,020 | 0.9% | 5.3% | 667 | 0.6% | |
| Judaism | 111 | 0.1% | 0.9% | 87 | 0.1% | |
| Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions | – | – | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | |
| Baha'i | 185 | 0.2% | 0.1% | 146 | 0.1% | |
| Ancestor Veneration | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Confucianism | – | – | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| Taoism | 32 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 31 | 0.0% | |

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| Chinese Religions, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Druse | 33 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13 | 0.0% | – |
| Shinto | 7 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Sukyo Mahikari | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Tenrikyo | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Japanese Religions, nec | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Nature Religions, nfd | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | – |
| Animism | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Druidism | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 5 | 0.0% | – |
| Paganism | 74 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 63 | 0.1% | – |
| Wiccan (Witchcraft) | 42 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 23 | 0.0% | – |
| Nature Religions, nec | 16 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 13 | 0.0% | – |
| Sikhism | 538 | 0.5% | 1.7% | 575 | 0.5% | – |
| Spiritualism | 47 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 62 | 0.1% | – |
| Mandaean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Yezidi | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Caodaism | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Church of Scientology | 37 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 23 | 0.0% | – |
| Eckankar | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | – |
| Rastafari | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Satanism | 30 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 20 | 0.0% | – |
| Theosophy | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 9 | 0.0% | – |
| Jainism | 48 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 28 | 0.0% | – |
| Zoroastrianism | 17 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 23 | 0.0% | – |

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| | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % | Count | % | Greater Melbourne % |
| Religious Groups, nec | 22 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10 | 0.0% | |
| Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| No Religion, so described | 52,086 | 45.3% | 36.9% | 40,023 | 36.3% | |
| Secular Beliefs, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | 7 | 0.0% | |
| Agnosticism | 160 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 166 | 0.2% | |
| Atheism | 188 | 0.2% | 0.1% | 180 | 0.2% | |
| Humanism | 10 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 41 | 0.0% | |
| Rationalism | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Secular Beliefs, nec | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 11 | 0.0% | |
| Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd | 9 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 12 | 0.0% | |
| Multi Faith | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| New Age | – | – | 0.0% | 8 | 0.0% | |
| Own Spiritual Beliefs | 153 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 103 | 0.1% | |
| Theism | 21 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 31 | 0.0% | |
| Unitarian Universalism | 8 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec | 34 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 24 | 0.0% | |
| Not stated | 5,299 | 4.6% | 5.8% | 7,992 | 7.2% | |
| Total | 115,024 | 100.0% | 100.0% | 110,345 | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.