

# Community report

## Meekatharra (S)

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

AREA

**Meekatharra (S)**

COMPARISON

**Regional WA**

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 Meekatharra (S), accounting for 37.4% (440 people). This share was lower than Regional WA (45.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 96 people and 5 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

Meekatharra (S) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	3	0.3%	0.4%	4	0.4%	0.5%	-1	-0.1
Buddhism	7	0.6%	0.9%	10	0.9%	1.0%	-3	-0.3
Christianity, nfd	23	2.0%	3.2%	7	0.7%	3.3%	+16	+1.3
Anglican Church of Australia	77	6.5%	11.3%	86	8.1%	16.4%	-9	-1.6
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	11	0.9%	1.6%	6	0.6%	1.8%	+5	+0.3
Brethren	-	-	0.1%	-	-	0.1%	-	-
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	132	11.2%	15.7%	164	15.5%	19.3%	-32	-4.3
Maronite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Ukrainian Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Churches of Christ, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Churches of Christ (Conference)	9	0.8%	0.3%	–	–	–
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jehovah's Witnesses	5	0.4%	0.5%	–	–	–
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Community of Christ	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lutheran	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Antiochian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Greek Orthodox	–	–	0.2%	5	0.5%	–
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Russian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Presbyterian	5	0.4%	0.9%	6	0.6%	0.9%
Reformed	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%
Free Reformed	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%
Salvation Army	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%
Seventh-day Adventist	87	7.4%	0.4%	103	9.7%	0.4%
Uniting Church	11	0.9%	2.1%	17	1.6%	2.1%
Pentecostal, nfd	–	–	0.5%	8	0.8%	0.5%
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Other Protestant, nfd	–	–	0.2%	–	–	0.2%
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%
Born Again Christian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Congregational	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Methodist, so described	–	–	0.2%	5	0.5%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hinduism	3	0.3%	0.4%	–	–	–
Islam	3	0.3%	0.7%	–	–	–
Judaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	3	0.3%	0.2%	3	0.3%	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Bahai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druse	–	–	–	–	–	–
Shinto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paganism	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sikhism	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Spiritualism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
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%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	440	37.4%	45.6%	344	32.4%	35.1%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	–	–	0.1%	3	0.3%	0.1%
Atheism	–	–	0.1%	3	0.3%	0.1%
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
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	358	30.4%	12.1%	287	27.0%	11.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,061</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.