

Community report

Muswellbrook (A)

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

AREA

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COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

30 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 Muswellbrook (A), accounting for 44.1% (5,692 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (39.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in vocational, which increased by 430 people and 2.4 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

Muswellbrook (A) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	1,129	8.8%	17.8%	982	7.9%	14.5%	+147	+0.9
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	871	6.8%	8.7%	757	6.1%	8.2%	+114	+0.7
Vocational	3,714	28.8%	24.4%	3,284	26.4%	23.6%	+430	+2.4
No Qualification	5,692	44.1%	39.1%	5,851	47.0%	41.7%	-159	-2.9
Not Stated	1,488	11.5%	10.0%	1,584	12.7%	12.1%	-96	-1.2
Total	12,894	100.0%	100.0%	12,458	100.0%	100.0%	+436	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.