

Community report

Nambucca (A)

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

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COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

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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 Nambucca (A), accounting for 40.4% (8,237 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (37.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 2,626 people and 11.2 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

Nambucca (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	66	0.3%	0.4%	96	0.5%	0.4%	-30	-0.2
Buddhism	189	0.9%	0.8%	186	1.0%	0.8%	+3	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	393	1.9%	2.2%	430	2.2%	2.2%	-37	-0.3
Anglican Church of Australia	3,226	15.8%	17.0%	4,167	21.7%	21.9%	-941	-5.9
Anglican Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Anglican, nec	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Baptist	126	0.6%	1.2%	134	0.7%	1.3%	-8	-0.1
Brethren	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
Catholic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Western Catholic	3,513	17.2%	21.0%	3,715	19.4%	23.8%	-202	-2.2
Maronite Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Melkite Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Ukrainian Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	5	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	260	1.3%	0.4%	210	1.1%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	17	0.1%	0.1%	28	0.1%	
Community of Christ	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Lutheran	37	0.2%	0.3%	43	0.2%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	–	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antiochian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Greek Orthodox	30	0.1%	0.4%	24	0.1%	
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.3%	–	–	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian Orthodox	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Serbian Orthodox	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	733	3.6%	2.6%	931	4.9%	
Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvation Army	144	0.7%	0.2%	186	1.0%	
Seventh-day Adventist	118	0.6%	0.4%	154	0.8%	
Uniting Church	626	3.1%	3.3%	771	4.0%	
Pentecostal, nfd	204	1.0%	0.7%	142	0.7%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	11	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Revival Centres	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acts 2 Alliance	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	8	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.1%	
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Born Again Christian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congregational	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Methodist, so described	32	0.2%	0.1%	27	0.1%	
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Christadelphians	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Apostolic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hinduism	93	0.5%	0.7%	27	0.1%	
Islam	24	0.1%	0.7%	24	0.1%	
Judaism	25	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.1%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	33	0.2%	0.0%	30	0.2%	
Baha'i	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taoism	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.1%	
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druse	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shinto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Paganism	33	0.2%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	13	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.1%	
Nature Religions, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sikhism	61	0.3%	0.3%	10	0.1%	
Spiritualism	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Satanism	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jainism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Groups, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	8,237	40.4%	37.4%	5,611	29.2%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	18	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Atheism	42	0.2%	0.1%	19	0.1%	
Humanism	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Multi Faith	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	27	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.1%	
Theism	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	13	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Not stated	1,927	9.5%	7.7%	2,008	10.5%	
Total	20,381	100.0%	100.0%	19,186	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.