

# Community report

## Noosa (S)

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

AREA

**Noosa (S)**

COMPARISON

**Regional Qld**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

**3 April 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 Noosa (S), accounting for 33.4% (16,011 people). This share was lower than Regional Qld (39.2%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in bachelor degree or higher, which increased by 3,137 people and 4.9 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

Noosa (S) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	10,954	22.8%	17.1%	7,817	17.9%	14.0%	+3,137	+4.9
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	5,628	11.7%	9.1%	4,789	11.0%	8.3%	+839	+0.7
Vocational	10,701	22.3%	24.1%	9,985	22.8%	23.1%	+716	-0.5
No Qualification	16,011	33.4%	39.2%	16,336	37.4%	42.4%	-325	-4.0
Not Stated	4,655	9.7%	10.5%	4,775	10.9%	12.1%	-120	-1.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>47,949</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>43,702</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>+4,247</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Data basis: usual residence.