

# Community report

## Rockingham (C)

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

AREA

**Rockingham (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Perth**

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 Rockingham (C), accounting for 50.1% (67,947 people). This share was higher than Greater Perth (41.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 21,677 people and 13.1 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

Rockingham (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	677	0.5%	0.4%	754	0.6%	0.5%	-77	-0.1
Buddhism	1,245	0.9%	2.5%	1,241	1.0%	2.5%	+4	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	4,785	3.5%	3.4%	4,550	3.6%	3.4%	+235	-0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	16,392	12.1%	9.9%	22,170	17.7%	13.8%	-5,778	-5.6
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	2,061	1.5%	1.6%	1,944	1.6%	1.7%	+117	-0.1
Brethren	-	-	0.1%	4	0.0%	0.1%	-	-
Western Catholic	20,320	15.0%	19.4%	22,132	17.7%	22.0%	-1,812	-2.7
Maronite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Ukrainian Catholic	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Chaldean Catholic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Syro Malabar Catholic	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Catholic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Churches of Christ, nfd	60	0.0%	0.0%	57	0.0%	—
Churches of Christ (Conference)	382	0.3%	0.2%	340	0.3%	—
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	—	—	—	—	—	—
International Church of Christ	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Jehovah's Witnesses	790	0.6%	0.4%	833	0.7%	—
Latter-day Saints, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	—
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	540	0.4%	0.2%	560	0.4%	—
Community of Christ	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Lutheran	421	0.3%	0.2%	623	0.5%	—
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Armenian Apostolic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Coptic Orthodox Church	27	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	—
Syrian Orthodox Church	42	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	—
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Oriental Orthodox, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Assyrian Church of the East	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Albanian Orthodox	—	—	—	—	—	—
Antiochian Orthodox	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Greek Orthodox	267	0.2%	0.6%	268	0.2%	
Macedonian Orthodox	19	0.0%	0.2%	24	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Russian Orthodox	47	0.0%	0.1%	69	0.1%	
Serbian Orthodox	294	0.2%	0.2%	250	0.2%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	14	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	1,610	1.2%	1.2%	2,159	1.7%	
Reformed	218	0.2%	0.1%	259	0.2%	
Free Reformed	252	0.2%	0.1%	272	0.2%	
Salvation Army	256	0.2%	0.1%	338	0.3%	
Seventh-day Adventist	250	0.2%	0.2%	219	0.2%	
Uniting Church	1,939	1.4%	1.5%	2,791	2.2%	
Pentecostal, nfd	1,189	0.9%	1.1%	1,091	0.9%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	48	0.0%	0.0%	63	0.1%	
Bethesda Ministries International (Bethesda Churches)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Foursquare Gospel Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rhema Family Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	19	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Victory Life Centre	–	–	–	–	–	–
Worship Centre Network	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nfd	204	0.2%	0.2%	215	0.2%	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	88	0.1%	0.1%	108	0.1%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congregational	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	15	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Methodist, so described	313	0.2%	0.2%	384	0.3%	–
United Methodist Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Christadelphians	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Christian Science	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Gnostic Christians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Apostolic Church	39	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ratana (Maori)	91	0.1%	0.0%	133	0.1%	
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Temple Society	–	–	–	–	–	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nec	31	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Hinduism	781	0.6%	2.3%	577	0.5%	
Islam	887	0.7%	3.0%	651	0.5%	
Judaism	44	0.0%	0.3%	44	0.0%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	18	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Baha'i	26	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.0%	
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taoism	12	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druse	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Shinto	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Animism	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Druidism	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Paganism	174	0.1%	0.1%	125	0.1%	–
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	69	0.1%	0.0%	62	0.0%	–
Nature Religions, nec	38	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	–
Sikhism	359	0.3%	0.8%	198	0.2%	–
Spiritualism	111	0.1%	0.0%	133	0.1%	–
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of Scientology	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rastafari	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Satanism	47	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	–
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Jainism	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Zoroastrianism	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Groups, nec	27	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	–
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
No Religion, so described	67,947	50.1%	41.8%	46,270	37.0%	30.0%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Agnosticism	148	0.1%	0.1%	129	0.1%	0.1%
Atheism	204	0.2%	0.1%	228	0.2%	0.1%
Humanism	4	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	0.0%
Rationalism	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Secular Beliefs, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Multi Faith	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
New Age	14	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Own Spiritual Beliefs	214	0.2%	0.1%	164	0.1%	0.1%
Theism	18	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	0.0%
Unitarian Universalism	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	26	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	0.0%
Not stated	9,382	6.9%	6.2%	12,111	9.7%	8.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>135,654</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>125,086</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.