

# Community report

## Snowy Monaro Regional (A)

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

AREA

**Snowy Monaro Regional (A)**

COMPARISON

**Regional NSW**

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 Snowy Monaro Regional (A), accounting for 41.6% (9,019 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (37.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 2,996 people and 11.8 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

Snowy Monaro Regional (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	114	0.5%	0.4%	148	0.7%	0.4%	-34	-0.2
Buddhism	201	0.9%	0.8%	185	0.9%	0.8%	+16	0.0
Christianity, nfd	345	1.6%	2.2%	320	1.6%	2.2%	+25	0.0
Anglican Church of Australia	3,466	16.0%	17.0%	4,119	20.4%	21.9%	-653	-4.4
Anglican Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Anglican, nec	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Baptist	283	1.3%	1.2%	339	1.7%	1.3%	-56	-0.4
Brethren	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
Catholic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Western Catholic	4,387	20.2%	21.0%	4,771	23.6%	23.8%	-384	-3.4
Maronite Catholic	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Melkite Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Ukrainian Catholic	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	3	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	55	0.3%	0.4%	69	0.3%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	7	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.1%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	103	0.5%	0.3%	152	0.8%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	–	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Antiochian Orthodox	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Greek Orthodox	85	0.4%	0.4%	97	0.5%	
Macedonian Orthodox	5	0.0%	0.3%	4	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian Orthodox	38	0.2%	0.0%	26	0.1%	
Serbian Orthodox	15	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	395	1.8%	2.6%	528	2.6%	
Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvation Army	19	0.1%	0.2%	46	0.2%	
Seventh-day Adventist	37	0.2%	0.4%	31	0.2%	
Uniting Church	521	2.4%	3.3%	556	2.8%	
Pentecostal, nfd	93	0.4%	0.7%	94	0.5%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nfd	12	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.0%	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Congregational	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Methodist, so described	22	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.1%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Science	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Gnostic Christians	–	–	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%	–	–	
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Hinduism	73	0.3%	0.7%	18	0.1%	
Islam	100	0.5%	0.7%	68	0.3%	
Judaism	16	0.1%	0.1%	19	0.1%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Baha'i	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taoism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
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%	–	–	
Paganism	46	0.2%	0.1%	24	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	14	0.1%	0.0%	22	0.1%	
Nature Religions, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sikhism	23	0.1%	0.3%	9	0.0%	
Spiritualism	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Satanism	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jainism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Religious Groups, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	9,019	41.6%	37.4%	6,023	29.8%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	17	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.1%	
Atheism	39	0.2%	0.1%	44	0.2%	
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Multi Faith	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	27	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Theism	16	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Not stated	1,989	9.2%	7.7%	2,324	11.5%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,669</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>20,209</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.