

Community report

Tweed (A)

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

AREA

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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.

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 Tweed (A), accounting for 41.3% (40,257 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (37.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 13,253 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

Tweed (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	383	0.4%	0.4%	468	0.5%	0.4%	-85	-0.1
Buddhism	981	1.0%	0.8%	1,045	1.1%	0.8%	-64	-0.1
Christianity, nfd	2,092	2.1%	2.2%	2,197	2.4%	2.2%	-105	-0.3
Anglican Church of Australia	14,285	14.7%	17.0%	17,978	19.7%	21.9%	-3,693	-5.0
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	825	0.8%	1.2%	851	0.9%	1.3%	-26	-0.1
Brethren	-	-	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.1%	-	-
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	19,080	19.6%	21.0%	20,386	22.3%	23.8%	-1,306	-2.7
Maronite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Ukrainian Catholic	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Chaldean Catholic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Syro Malabar Catholic	18	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Catholic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Churches of Christ, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	99	0.1%	0.1%	127	0.1%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
International Church of Christ	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Jehovah's Witnesses	770	0.8%	0.4%	775	0.8%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	105	0.1%	0.1%	106	0.1%	
Community of Christ	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Lutheran	267	0.3%	0.3%	308	0.3%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Armenian Apostolic	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	15	0.0%	0.0%	14	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	243	0.2%	0.4%	232	0.3%	
Macedonian Orthodox	9	0.0%	0.3%	13	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Russian Orthodox	36	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Serbian Orthodox	9	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	2,616	2.7%	2.6%	3,524	3.9%	
Reformed	14	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvation Army	109	0.1%	0.2%	209	0.2%	
Seventh-day Adventist	694	0.7%	0.4%	672	0.7%	
Uniting Church	2,417	2.5%	3.3%	3,209	3.5%	
Pentecostal, nfd	735	0.8%	0.7%	902	1.0%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	34	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	204	0.2%	0.1%	121	0.1%	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	7	0.0%	0.0%	17	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%	4	0.0%	
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Protestant, nfd	59	0.1%	0.1%	45	0.0%	
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Born Again Christian	42	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of the Nazarene	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Congregational	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Independent Evangelical Churches	32	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Methodist, so described	128	0.1%	0.1%	143	0.2%	
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Protestant, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Apostolic Church of Queensland	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Christadelphians	19	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Christian Science	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Gnostic Christians	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Liberal Catholic Church	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
New Apostolic Church	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ratana (Maori)	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Religious Science	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Temple Society	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Other Christian, nec	14	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Hinduism	722	0.7%	0.7%	616	0.7%	
Islam	105	0.1%	0.7%	108	0.1%	
Judaism	138	0.1%	0.1%	95	0.1%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	29	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.1%	
Baha'i	22	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Confucianism	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Taoism	20	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Chinese Religions, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Druse	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Shinto	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sukyo Mahikari	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Animism	12	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paganism	85	0.1%	0.1%	81	0.1%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	33	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Sikhism	289	0.3%	0.3%	203	0.2%	
Spiritualism	93	0.1%	0.0%	70	0.1%	
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Rastafari	17	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Satanism	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Theosophy	13	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Jainism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Religious Groups, nec	30	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	40,257	41.3%	37.4%	27,004	29.5%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	101	0.1%	0.1%	83	0.1%	
Atheism	130	0.1%	0.1%	96	0.1%	
Humanism	12	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Multi Faith	13	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
New Age	3	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	227	0.2%	0.1%	205	0.2%	
Theism	38	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	51	0.1%	0.0%	77	0.1%	
Not stated	8,426	8.7%	7.7%	8,776	9.6%	
Total	97,391	100.0%	100.0%	91,393	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.