

# Community report

## Unley (C)

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

AREA

**Unley (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Adelaide**

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 Unley (C), accounting for 47.1% (18,211 people). This share was higher than Greater Adelaide (44.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 3,786 people and 8.8 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

Unley (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	107	0.3%	0.4%	168	0.4%	0.5%	-61	-0.1
Buddhism	675	1.7%	2.3%	603	1.6%	2.2%	+72	+0.1
Christianity, nfd	680	1.8%	2.7%	728	1.9%	2.8%	-48	-0.1
Anglican Church of Australia	3,439	8.9%	7.0%	4,193	11.1%	9.8%	-754	-2.2
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	452	1.2%	1.6%	471	1.2%	1.7%	-19	0.0
Brethren	17	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.1%	0.0%	-4	-0.1
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	6,102	15.8%	16.4%	6,465	17.2%	18.9%	-363	-1.4
Maronite Catholic	21	0.1%	0.0%	17	0.0%	0.0%	+4	+0.1
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Ukrainian Catholic	10	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	0.0%	-7	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syro Malabar Catholic	5	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	–
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Churches of Christ, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.1%	–
Churches of Christ (Conference)	43	0.1%	0.2%	59	0.2%	–
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jehovah's Witnesses	50	0.1%	0.3%	49	0.1%	–
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	22	0.1%	0.2%	24	0.1%	–
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lutheran	732	1.9%	1.6%	920	2.4%	–
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic Orthodox Church	12	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.1%	–
Syrian Orthodox Church	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Antiochian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Greek Orthodox	2,025	5.2%	2.4%	1,913	5.1%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Macedonian Orthodox	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Russian Orthodox	49	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.1%	
Serbian Orthodox	46	0.1%	0.3%	31	0.1%	
Ukrainian Orthodox	12	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.1%	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	257	0.7%	0.6%	299	0.8%	
Reformed	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Salvation Army	34	0.1%	0.1%	46	0.1%	
Seventh-day Adventist	18	0.0%	0.2%	10	0.0%	
Uniting Church	1,649	4.3%	3.9%	2,117	5.6%	
Pentecostal, nfd	215	0.6%	1.1%	177	0.5%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rhema Family Church	–	–	–	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acts 2 Alliance	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Church in Australia	–	–	–	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Victory Life Centre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Other Protestant, nfd	43	0.1%	0.1%	44	0.1%	–
Born Again Christian	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Christian and Missionary Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of the Nazarene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congregational	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Independent Evangelical Churches	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Methodist, so described	18	0.0%	0.1%	48	0.1%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	26	0.1%	0.2%	31	0.1%	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gnostic Christians	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Temple Society	–	–	–	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Hinduism	882	2.3%	2.7%	583	1.5%	–
Islam	436	1.1%	2.8%	440	1.2%	–
Judaism	78	0.2%	0.1%	59	0.2%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Baha'i	71	0.2%	0.1%	60	0.2%	–
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druse	4	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	–
Shinto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paganism	15	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.1%	0.1%
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	0.0%
Nature Religions, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Sikhism	145	0.4%	1.2%	124	0.3%	0.3%
Spiritualism	21	0.1%	0.0%	24	0.1%	0.1%
Mandaeen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Church of Scientology	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Satanism	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jainism	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Zoroastrianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Groups, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
No Religion, so described	18,211	47.1%	44.6%	14,425	38.3%	38.3%
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Agnosticism	91	0.2%	0.1%	68	0.2%	0.2%
Atheism	84	0.2%	0.2%	78	0.2%	0.2%
Humanism	7	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.1%	0.1%

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Rationalism	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Secular Beliefs, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Multi Faith	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
New Age	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Own Spiritual Beliefs	69	0.2%	0.1%	33	0.1%	—
Theism	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Unitarian Universalism	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	—
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	—
Not stated	1,582	4.1%	5.2%	3,018	8.0%	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,635</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>37,696</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.