

Community report

Upper Lachlan Shire (A)

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

AREA

Upper Lachlan Shire (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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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 Upper Lachlan Shire (A), accounting for 39.8% (2,826 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (39.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in bachelor degree or higher, which increased by 327 people and 3.3 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

Upper Lachlan Shire (A) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Bachelor Or Higher Degree	1,110	15.6%	17.8%	783	12.3%	14.5%	+327	+3.3
Advanced Diploma Or Diploma	642	9.0%	8.7%	550	8.7%	8.2%	+92	+0.3
Vocational	1,709	24.1%	24.4%	1,519	23.9%	23.6%	+190	+0.2
No Qualification	2,826	39.8%	39.1%	2,628	41.4%	41.7%	+198	-1.6
Not Stated	819	11.5%	10.0%	866	13.6%	12.1%	-47	-2.1
Total	7,106	100.0%	100.0%	6,346	100.0%	100.0%	+760	0.0

Data basis: usual residence.