

Community report

Warrumbungle Shire (A)

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

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Warrumbungle Shire (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

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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 Warrumbungle Shire (A), accounting for 26.2% (2,418 people). This share was lower than Regional NSW (37.4%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Anglican Church of Australia, which decreased by 521 people and 5.2 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

Warrumbungle Shire (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	20	0.2%	0.4%	21	0.2%	0.4%	-1	0.0
Buddhism	26	0.3%	0.8%	31	0.3%	0.8%	-5	0.0
Christianity, nfd	180	1.9%	2.2%	134	1.4%	2.2%	+46	+0.5
Anglican Church of Australia	2,359	25.5%	17.0%	2,880	30.7%	21.9%	-521	-5.2
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	41	0.4%	1.2%	40	0.4%	1.3%	+1	0.0
Brethren	-	-	0.1%	-	-	0.1%	-	-
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	1,896	20.5%	21.0%	2,045	21.8%	23.8%	-149	-1.3
Maronite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Melkite Catholic	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Ukrainian Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	22	0.2%	0.4%	38	0.4%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	9	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	18	0.2%	0.3%	24	0.3%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic Orthodox Church	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian Orthodox Church	–	–	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	25	0.3%	0.4%	19	0.2%	
Macedonian Orthodox	–	–	0.3%	–	–	
Romanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian Orthodox	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Ukrainian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Presbyterian	416	4.5%	2.6%	509	5.4%	
Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Free Reformed	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvation Army	10	0.1%	0.2%	14	0.1%	
Seventh-day Adventist	50	0.5%	0.4%	63	0.7%	
Uniting Church	238	2.6%	3.3%	301	3.2%	
Pentecostal, nfd	18	0.2%	0.7%	20	0.2%	
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	12	0.1%	0.1%	9	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	10	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nfd	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	3	0.0%	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	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Methodist, so described	13	0.1%	0.1%	17	0.2%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	7	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.1%	–
Christian Science	–	–	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%	3	0.0%	
Hinduism	19	0.2%	0.7%	15	0.2%	
Islam	13	0.1%	0.7%	10	0.1%	
Judaism	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	9	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.1%	
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%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paganism	8	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	–	–	0.0%	7	0.1%	
Nature Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sikhism	3	0.0%	0.3%	3	0.0%	
Spiritualism	–	–	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	–	–	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	2,418	26.2%	37.4%	1,929	20.6%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Atheism	3	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Humanism	–	–	0.0%	5	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Rationalism	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Multi Faith	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	3	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.1%	
Theism	6	0.1%	0.0%	6	0.1%	
Unitarian Universalism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	5	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.1%	
Not stated	1,352	14.6%	7.7%	1,172	12.5%	
Total	9,238	100.0%	100.0%	9,375	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.