

Community report

Western Plains Regional (A)

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

AREA

Western Plains Regional (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

8 April 2026

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

Detailed insight for Qualifications in Western Plains Regional (A) is not yet available for the current filters.

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

Western Plains Regional (A) – Persons aged 15+ (Usual residence)

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | | Change | |
|-----------------------------|-------|---|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------|----|
| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | pp |
| Bachelor Or Higher Degree | – | – | 17.8% | 5,434 | 13.7% | 14.5% | – | – |
| Advanced Diploma Or Diploma | – | – | 8.7% | 2,853 | 7.2% | 8.2% | – | – |
| Vocational | – | – | 24.4% | 9,319 | 23.5% | 23.6% | – | – |
| No Qualification | – | – | 39.1% | 16,510 | 41.6% | 41.7% | – | – |
| Not Stated | – | – | 10.0% | 5,586 | 14.1% | 12.1% | – | – |
| Total | – | – | 100.0% | 39,702 | 100.0% | 100.0% | – | – |

Data basis: usual residence.