

# Community report

## Woollahra (A)

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

AREA

**Woollahra (A)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

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 Woollahra (A), accounting for 36.9% (19,709 people). This share was higher than Greater Sydney (30.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in No religion, which increased by 3,316 people and 6.7 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

Woollahra (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	177	0.3%	0.3%	210	0.4%	0.4%	-33	-0.1
Buddhism	710	1.3%	3.8%	639	1.2%	3.9%	+71	+0.1
Christianity, nfd	555	1.0%	2.5%	535	1.0%	2.2%	+20	0.0
Anglican Church of Australia	6,587	12.3%	9.2%	7,463	13.8%	12.0%	-876	-1.5
Anglican Catholic Church	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Anglican, nec	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Baptist	146	0.3%	1.2%	109	0.2%	1.2%	+37	+0.1
Brethren	-	-	0.1%	-	-	0.1%	-	-
Catholic, nfd	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-
Western Catholic	9,822	18.4%	22.1%	10,348	19.1%	24.2%	-526	-0.7
Maronite Catholic	40	0.1%	0.8%	16	0.0%	0.7%	+24	+0.1
Melkite Catholic	4	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	-	-

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Ukrainian Catholic	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Syro Malabar Catholic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	7	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	34	0.1%	0.2%	43	0.1%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	9	0.0%	0.2%	10	0.0%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	115	0.2%	0.2%	162	0.3%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian Apostolic	4	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	21	0.0%	0.4%	23	0.0%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	–	–	0.2%	3	0.0%	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Apostolic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Albanian Orthodox	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Antiochian Orthodox	53	0.1%	0.2%	38	0.1%	–
Greek Orthodox	1,525	2.9%	2.3%	1,464	2.7%	–
Macedonian Orthodox	38	0.1%	0.3%	29	0.1%	–
Romanian Orthodox	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Russian Orthodox	130	0.2%	0.2%	85	0.2%	–
Serbian Orthodox	82	0.2%	0.4%	77	0.1%	–
Ukrainian Orthodox	13	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Eastern Orthodox, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Presbyterian	685	1.3%	1.5%	905	1.7%	–
Reformed	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Salvation Army	5	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	–
Seventh-day Adventist	29	0.1%	0.2%	30	0.1%	–
Uniting Church	461	0.9%	1.5%	554	1.0%	–
Pentecostal, nfd	93	0.2%	0.8%	149	0.3%	–
Apostolic Church (Australia)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	11	0.0%	0.1%	15	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%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Foursquare Gospel Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Revival Centres	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rhema Family Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Pentecostal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acts 2 Alliance	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Revival Fellowship	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Victory Worship Centre	–	–	–	–	–	–
Worship Centre Network	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pentecostal, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Other Protestant, nfd	49	0.1%	0.2%	47	0.1%	–
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Born Again Christian	9	0.0%	0.1%	5	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%	–	–	–
Wesleyan Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Community Churches of Australia	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Methodist, so described	40	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.1%	–
United Methodist Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christadelphians	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Science	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Gnostic Christians	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Christian, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Hinduism	315	0.6%	4.8%	266	0.5%	–
Islam	260	0.5%	6.3%	202	0.4%	–
Judaism	7,509	14.0%	0.7%	7,052	13.0%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Baha'i	27	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.0%	–
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	18	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Druse	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Shinto	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Animism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Druidism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paganism	9	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Nature Religions, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sikhism	33	0.1%	0.7%	24	0.0%	
Spiritualism	16	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Mandaean	3	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caodaism	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Church of Scientology	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eckankar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rastafari	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Satanism	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Theosophy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jainism	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Zoroastrianism	15	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Religious Groups, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	19,709	36.9%	30.3%	16,393	30.2%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	114	0.2%	0.1%	96	0.2%	
Atheism	105	0.2%	0.1%	88	0.2%	
Humanism	14	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.1%	
Rationalism	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Multi Faith	17	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
New Age	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	76	0.1%	0.1%	59	0.1%	
Theism	11	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	20	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Not stated	3,655	6.8%	6.2%	6,740	12.4%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,483</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>54,234</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.