

Community report

Wyndham (C)

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

AREA

Wyndham (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

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 Wyndham (C), accounting for 23.1% (67,553 people). This share was lower than Greater Melbourne (36.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Hinduism, which increased by 23,824 people and 5.9 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

Wyndham (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	1,026	0.4%	0.4%	929	0.4%	0.5%	+97	0.0
Buddhism	8,062	2.8%	3.9%	5,893	2.7%	3.8%	+2,169	+0.1
Christianity, nfd	10,427	3.6%	2.7%	7,108	3.3%	2.6%	+3,319	+0.3
Anglican Church of Australia	11,506	3.9%	5.5%	14,477	6.7%	7.6%	-2,971	-2.8
Anglican Catholic Church	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Anglican, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Baptist	5,216	1.8%	1.3%	4,374	2.0%	1.3%	+842	-0.2
Brethren	195	0.1%	0.0%	168	0.1%	0.0%	+27	0.0
Catholic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Western Catholic	52,854	18.1%	20.5%	51,943	23.9%	23.2%	+911	-5.8
Maronite Catholic	35	0.0%	0.1%	29	0.0%	0.1%	+6	0.0
Melkite Catholic	29	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	0.0%	+7	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Ukrainian Catholic	36	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Chaldean Catholic	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Syro Malabar Catholic	177	0.1%	0.1%	80	0.0%	
Catholic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Churches of Christ, nfd	43	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Churches of Christ (Conference)	300	0.1%	0.1%	291	0.1%	
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
International Church of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jehovah's Witnesses	782	0.3%	0.2%	705	0.3%	
Latter-day Saints, nfd	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	1,130	0.4%	0.2%	888	0.4%	
Community of Christ	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lutheran	749	0.3%	0.2%	891	0.4%	
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Armenian Apostolic	18	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Coptic Orthodox Church	232	0.1%	0.2%	222	0.1%	
Syrian Orthodox Church	188	0.1%	0.1%	86	0.0%	
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	984	0.3%	0.1%	540	0.2%	
Oriental Orthodox, nec	31	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Church of the East	3	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Ancient Church of the East	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Albanian Orthodox	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Antiochian Orthodox	91	0.0%	0.1%	66	0.0%	—
Greek Orthodox	4,070	1.4%	3.3%	3,622	1.7%	—
Macedonian Orthodox	764	0.3%	0.4%	740	0.3%	—
Romanian Orthodox	31	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	—
Russian Orthodox	232	0.1%	0.1%	234	0.1%	—
Serbian Orthodox	620	0.2%	0.3%	528	0.2%	—
Ukrainian Orthodox	21	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	—
Eastern Orthodox, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Presbyterian	2,647	0.9%	1.1%	3,195	1.5%	—
Reformed	34	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	—
Salvation Army	221	0.1%	0.1%	313	0.1%	—
Seventh-day Adventist	515	0.2%	0.2%	409	0.2%	—
Uniting Church	3,520	1.2%	1.7%	3,881	1.8%	—
Pentecostal, nfd	3,508	1.2%	0.8%	2,977	1.4%	—
Apostolic Church (Australia)	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Australian Christian Churches (Assemblies of God)	219	0.1%	0.0%	180	0.1%	—
Bethesda Ministries International (Bethesda Churches)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
C3 Church Global (Christian City Church)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
International Network of Churches (Christian Outreach Centres)	—	—	0.0%	10	0.0%	—
CRC International (Christian Revival Crusade)	35	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—

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Foursquare Gospel Church	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Full Gospel Church of Australia (Full Gospel Church)	3	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	—
Revival Centres	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Rhema Family Church	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
United Pentecostal	17	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Acts 2 Alliance	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Christian Church in Australia	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pentecostal City Life Church	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Revival Fellowship	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Victory Worship Centre	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Worship Centre Network	32	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	—
Pentecostal, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Other Protestant, nfd	675	0.2%	0.2%	460	0.2%	—
Born Again Christian	415	0.1%	0.1%	279	0.1%	—
Christian and Missionary Alliance	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Church of the Nazarene	54	0.0%	0.0%	50	0.0%	—
Congregational	44	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	—
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	257	0.1%	0.0%	188	0.1%	—
Independent Evangelical Churches	134	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Wesleyan Methodist Church	102	0.0%	0.0%	102	0.0%	—
Christian Community Churches of Australia	22	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	—
Methodist, so described	377	0.1%	0.1%	383	0.2%	—
United Methodist Church	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Other Protestant, nec	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Other Christian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Apostolic Church of Queensland	–	–	–	–	–	–
Christadelphians	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Christian Science	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Gnostic Christians	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Liberal Catholic Church	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Apostolic Church	25	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	–
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ratana (Maori)	119	0.0%	0.0%	170	0.1%	–
Religious Science	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Temple Society	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grace Communion International (Worldwide Church of God)	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Other Christian, nec	40	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	–
Hinduism	42,465	14.5%	4.1%	18,641	8.6%	–
Islam	28,941	9.9%	5.3%	15,903	7.3%	–
Judaism	115	0.0%	0.9%	118	0.1%	–
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Baha'i	84	0.0%	0.1%	68	0.0%	–
Ancestor Veneration	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Confucianism	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Taoism	46	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.0%	–

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Chinese Religions, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Druse	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Shinto	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Sukyo Mahikari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tenrikyo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese Religions, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nature Religions, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Animism	51	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	–
Druidism	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Paganism	171	0.1%	0.1%	124	0.1%	–
Wiccan (Witchcraft)	68	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	–
Nature Religions, nec	36	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	–
Sikhism	17,856	6.1%	1.7%	7,355	3.4%	–
Spiritualism	76	0.0%	0.0%	86	0.0%	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caodaism	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Church of Scientology	40	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	–
Eckankar	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Rastafari	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Satanism	44	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Theosophy	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Jainism	513	0.2%	0.0%	241	0.1%	–
Zoroastrianism	34	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Religious Groups, nec	98	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs and Other Spiritual Beliefs and No Religious Affiliation, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
No Religion, so described	67,553	23.1%	36.9%	49,266	22.7%	
Secular Beliefs, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Agnosticism	176	0.1%	0.1%	137	0.1%	
Atheism	208	0.1%	0.1%	195	0.1%	
Humanism	44	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Rationalism	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Secular Beliefs, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Multi Faith	51	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
New Age	3	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Own Spiritual Beliefs	153	0.1%	0.1%	109	0.1%	
Theism	36	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Unitarian Universalism	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Other Spiritual Beliefs, nec	36	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Not stated	20,095	6.9%	5.8%	17,415	8.0%	
Total	292,046	100.0%	100.0%	217,090	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes religions with fewer than 10 adherents.

Data basis: usual residence.