

Table 2.12**Religious Affiliation****-Western Australia: 2001, 2006 Census**

Religion	2006 Census	% of population	% of responses	2001 Census	% change 2001-2006
Buddhism	34,357	1.8	2.0	29,963	14.7
Christianity (total):	1,162,507	59.3	68.0	1,157,117	0.5
Christianity, nfd (total) ¹	40,622	2.1	2.4	31,163	30.4
Christian, nfd	39,566	2.0	2.3	30,863	28.2
Apostolic Church, so described	719	0.0	0.0	300	139.7
Church of God, so described ¹	85	0.0	0.0	..	..
Australian Christian Churches, so described ¹	252	0.0	0.0	..	..
Anglican (total) ²	400,484	20.4	23.4	412,833	-3.0
Anglican Church of Australia ²	400,374	20.4	23.4	..	..
Anglican Catholic Church ²	110	0.0	0.0	..	..
Baptist	32,729	1.7	1.9	30,300	8.0
Brethren	2,059	0.1	0.1	1,620	27.1
Catholic (total):	463,999	23.7	27.2	451,262	2.8
Western Catholic	463,712	23.7	27.1	450,920	2.8
Maronite Catholic	18	0.0	0.0	20	-10.0
Melkite Catholic	36	0.0	0.0	38	-5.3
Ukrainian Catholic	227	0.0	0.0	278	-18.3
Churches of Christ (total):	9,868	0.5	0.6	11,022	-10.5
Churches of Christ, nfd	940	0.0	0.1	232	305.2
Churches of Christ (Conference)	8,908	0.5	0.5	10,765	-17.3
Church of Christ (Nondenominational)	17	0.0	0.0	15	13.3
Jehovah's Witnesses	10,640	0.5	0.6	10,759	-1.1
Latter Day Saints (total):	5,496	0.3	0.3	5,593	-1.7
Church of Jesus Christ of Lds (Mormons)	5,447	0.3	0.3	5,531	-1.5
Community of Christ	46	0.0	0.0	62	-25.8
Lutheran	11,952	0.6	0.7	11,632	2.8
Oriental Orthodox (total):	1,130	0.1	0.1	814	38.8
Armenian Apostolic	95	0.0	0.0	85	11.8
Coptic Orthodox Church	602	0.0	0.0	534	12.7
Syrian Orthodox Church	105	0.0	0.0	65	61.5
Ethiopian Orthodox Church ⁴	322	0.0	0.0	..	n.c.
Assyrian Apostolic (total):	18	0.0	0.0	11	63.6
Eastern Orthodox (total):	25,168	1.3	1.5	24,205	4.0
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	3,157	0.2	0.2	2,239	41.0
Albanian Orthodox	10	0.0	0.0	17	-41.2
Antiochian Orthodox	15	0.0	0.0	28	-46.4
Greek Orthodox	13,118	0.7	0.8	12,564	4.4
Macedonian Orthodox	4,335	0.2	0.3	4,715	-8.1
Romanian Orthodox	109	0.0	0.0	87	25.3
Russian Orthodox	871	0.0	0.1	748	16.4
Serbian Orthodox	3,200	0.2	0.2	3,437	-6.9
Ukrainian Orthodox	257	0.0	0.0	281	-8.5
Eastern Orthodox, nec	96	0.0	0.0	89	7.9
Presbyterian and Reformed (total):	43,808	2.2	2.6	44,630	-1.8
Presbyterian	39,470	2.0	2.3	40,839	-3.4
Reformed	1,882	0.1	0.1	1,324	42.1
Free Reformed	2,456	0.1	0.1	2,467	-0.4
Salvation Army	5,658	0.3	0.3	6,497	-12.9
Seventh-Day Adventist	5,501	0.3	0.3	5,477	0.4
Uniting Church	74,333	3.8	4.3	81,056	-8.3

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Pentecostal (total):	17,968	0.9	1.1	17,465	2.9
Pentecostal, nfd	9,541	0.5	0.6	14,360	-33.6
Apostolic Church (Australia)	490	0.0	0.0	17	2,782.4
Assemblies of God	5,468	0.3	0.3	1,653	230.8
Christian City Church	486	0.0	0.0	18	2,600.0
Christian Outreach Centres	505	0.0	0.0	187	170.1
Christian Revival Crusade	134	0.0	0.0	35	282.9
Faith Churches	10	0.0	0.0	5	100.0
Foursquare Gospel Church	222	0.0	0.0	206	7.8
Full Gospel Church	101	0.0	0.0	67	50.7
Revival Centres	161	0.0	0.0	197	-18.3
Rhema Family Church	13	0.0	0.0	21	-38.1
United Pentecostal	34	0.0	0.0	41	-17.1
Pentecostal, nec	797	0.0	0.0	637	25.1
Other Protestant (total):	7,826	0.4	0.5	7,748	1.0
Other Protestant, nfd	2,671	0.1	0.2	2,351	13.6
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	709	0.0	0.0	1,427	-50.3
Born Again Christian	1,811	0.1	0.1	1,900	-4.7
Christian and Missionary Alliance	259	0.0	0.0	124	108.9
Church of The Nazarene	93	0.0	0.0	92	1.1
Congregational	231	0.0	0.0	286	-19.2
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	85	0.0	0.0	51	66.7
Independent Evangelical Churches	1,368	0.1	0.1	1,003	36.4
Wesleyan Methodist Church	94	0.0	0.0	71	32.4
Other Protestant, nec	505	0.0	0.0	443	14.0
Other Christian (total):	3,248	0.2	0.2	3,030	7.2
Other Christian, nfd	61	0.0	0.0	7	771.4
Christadelphians	832	0.0	0.0	801	3.9
Christian Science	211	0.0	0.0	220	-4.1
Gnostic Christians	115	0.0	0.0	70	64.3
Liberal Catholic Church	55	0.0	0.0	75	-26.7
New Apostolic Church	355	0.0	0.0	283	25.4
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	75	0.0	0.0	94	-20.2
Ratana (Maori)	497	0.0	0.0	428	16.1
Religious Science	19	0.0	0.0	28	-32.1
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	225	0.0	0.0	224	0.4
Unitarian	93	0.0	0.0	69	34.8
Worldwide Church of God	75	0.0	0.0	123	-39.0
Other Christian, nec	622	0.0	0.0	595	4.5
Hinduism	8,159	0.4	0.5	4,971	64.1
Islam	24,187	1.2	1.4	19,460	24.3
Judaism	5,292	0.3	0.3	5,057	4.6
Other Religions (total):	11,188	0.6	0.7	10,550	6.0
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	655	0.0	0.0	1,401	-53.2
Baha'i	1,949	0.1	0.1	1,738	12.1
Chinese Religions (total):	404	0.0	0.0	409	-1.2
Ancestor Veneration	27	0.0	0.0	31	-12.9
Confucianism	21	0.0	0.0	30	-30.0
Taoism	356	0.0	0.0	348	2.3
Druse	29	0.0	0.0	21	38.1

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Japanese Religions (total):	112	0.0	0.0	118	-5.1
Shinto	69	0.0	0.0	55	25.5
Sukyo Mahikari	43	0.0	0.0	63	-31.7
Nature Religions (total):	3,080	0.2	0.2	2,735	12.6
Animism	64	0.0	0.0	49	30.6
Druidism	89	0.0	0.0	75	18.7
Paganism	1,502	0.1	0.1	1,142	31.5
Pantheism	108	0.0	0.0	110	-1.8
Wiccan/Witchcraft	1,008	0.1	0.1	1,146	-12.0
Nature Religions, nec	304	0.0	0.0	210	44.8
Sikhism	1,393	0.1	0.1	1,090	27.8
Spiritualism	1,501	0.1	0.1	1,433	4.7
Miscellaneous Religions (total):	2,065	0.1	0.1	1,605	28.7
Caodaism	42	0.0	0.0	64	-34.4
Church of Scientology	283	0.0	0.0	201	40.8
Eckankar	92	0.0	0.0	130	-29.2
Rastafarianism	153	0.0	0.0	138	10.9
Satanism	243	0.0	0.0	230	5.7
Theosophy	107	0.0	0.0	119	-10.1
Jainism ⁵	334	0.0	0.0	..	..
Zoroastrianism	261	0.0	0.0	216	20.8
Religious Groups, nec ⁵	550	0.0	0.0	507	n.c.
No Religion (total):	448,435	22.9	26.2	361,088	24.2
No Religion, nfd	441,820	22.6	25.9	355,770	24.2
Agnosticism	2,238	0.1	0.1	1,743	28.4
Atheism	3,497	0.2	0.2	2,842	23.0
Humanism	635	0.0	0.0	496	28.0
Rationalism	245	0.0	0.0	237	3.4
Religious Belief, nfd ¹	2,321	0.1	0.1	29,059	n.c.
Not Defined	11,940	0.6	0.7	14,298	-16.5
New Age, so described	215	0.0	0.0	..	..
Theism	273	0.0	0.0	288	-5.2
Not Stated	250,209	12.8	..	196,442	27.4
Total	1,959,083	100.0	..	1,828,293	7.2

1. In 2001 Census Religious Belief, nfd included Church of God, so described and Australian Christian Churches, so described

2. The Anglican sub group has been split into Anglican Church of Australia and Anglican Catholic Church for 2006 Census.

3. In 2001 Census Catholic, nec included Chaldean Catholic

4. In 2001 Census Oriental Orthodox, nec included Ethiopian Orthodox Church

5. In 2001 Census Religious groups, nec included Jainism