

Community report

Adelaide Hills (DC)

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

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Adelaide Hills (DC)

COMPARISON

Greater Adelaide

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Ancestry

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.

Ancestry

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Key takeaway

In 2021, the largest ancestry groups among residents in Adelaide Hills (DC) were English, Australian and German.

About this topic

Ancestry describes a person's cultural association and ethnic background, and Census respondents can report more than one ancestry. It is a broader cultural measure than country of birth because it can reflect family heritage across generations.

This topic helps show the size and diversity of cultural groups in an area, including groups whose members were born in Australia. Because multiple ancestries can be reported, ancestry totals can exceed the total population, so it is best read with birthplace, language used at home, and religion.

Interpretation notes

- People can report up to two ancestries, so category counts represent responses rather than a single unduplicated person count, while percentages are shown against the total population.
- ABS advises that ancestry is best used with birthplace and language, because ancestry alone is a broad measure of ethnicity and cultural background.
- The 2021 form added separate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mark boxes, so those categories need caution in over-time comparison.

Ancestry - Ranked by size

Adelaide Hills (DC) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	40	0.1%	0.3%	71	0.2%	0.2%	-31	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	8	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
African, so described	21	0.1%	0.3%	10	0.0%	0.2%	+11	+0.1
European, so described	23	0.1%	0.1%	21	0.1%	0.1%	+2	0.0
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	15,537	38.0%	30.2%	14,804	38.1%	30.9%	+733	-0.1
Australian Aboriginal	278	0.7%	1.6%	30	0.1%	0.3%	+248	+0.6
Australian South Sea Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Torres Strait Islander	21	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori	40	0.1%	0.2%	35	0.1%	–
New Zealander	198	0.5%	0.4%	200	0.5%	–
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ni-Vanuatu	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinean	17	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Solomon Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
I-Kiribati	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cook Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	14	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Niuean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Tongan	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
North-West European, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
British, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.1%	—
English	19,214	47.0%	36.8%	17,978	46.3%	36.8%
Scottish	4,523	11.1%	8.2%	3,931	10.1%	—
Welsh	437	1.1%	0.8%	404	1.0%	—
Channel Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Manx	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
British, nec	34	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	—
Irish	3,811	9.3%	7.6%	3,553	9.1%	—
Western European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Austrian	126	0.3%	0.2%	107	0.3%	—
Dutch	972	2.4%	1.7%	877	2.3%	—
Flemish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
French	261	0.6%	0.5%	284	0.7%	—
German	4,593	11.2%	6.7%	4,321	11.1%	—
Swiss	104	0.3%	0.1%	73	0.2%	—
Belgian	19	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	—
Frisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Western European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Northern European, nfd	29	0.1%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Danish	118	0.3%	0.2%	128	0.3%	—
Finnish	63	0.2%	0.1%	59	0.2%	—
Icelandic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Norwegian	82	0.2%	0.1%	73	0.2%	
Swedish	116	0.3%	0.2%	71	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	1,860	4.6%	6.8%	1,690	4.3%	
Maltese	132	0.3%	0.5%	114	0.3%	
Portuguese	31	0.1%	0.2%	33	0.1%	
Spanish	100	0.2%	0.4%	98	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	35	0.1%	0.1%	51	0.1%	
Albanian	–	–	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Bosnian	12	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	
Bulgarian	33	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	
Croatian	175	0.4%	0.6%	97	0.2%	
Greek	408	1.0%	2.7%	322	0.8%	
Macedonian	35	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	33	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Serbian	83	0.2%	0.5%	44	0.1%	
Slovene	44	0.1%	0.1%	28	0.1%	
Cypriot	23	0.1%	0.2%	28	0.1%	
South Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Eastern European, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Belarusan	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Czech	65	0.2%	0.1%	49	0.1%	
Estonian	33	0.1%	0.1%	34	0.1%	
Hungarian	200	0.5%	0.4%	170	0.4%	
Latvian	147	0.4%	0.2%	112	0.3%	
Lithuanian	69	0.2%	0.1%	60	0.2%	
Polish	537	1.3%	1.3%	465	1.2%	
Russian	186	0.5%	0.5%	150	0.4%	
Slovak	14	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Ukrainian	172	0.4%	0.4%	150	0.4%	
Sorb/Wend	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	5	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	
Arab, nfd	3	0.0%	0.2%	13	0.0%	
Algerian	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Egyptian	19	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Iraqi	12	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Jordanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lebanese	102	0.2%	0.4%	83	0.2%	–
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Palestinian	12	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian	5	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bahraini	–	–	–	–	–	–
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	–
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jewish	33	0.1%	0.0%	31	0.1%	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Sudanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Sudanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	51	0.1%	0.4%	57	0.1%	–
Kurdish	8	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	–
Turkish	22	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	–
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
South-East Asian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	9	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	25	0.1%	0.4%	25	0.1%	–
Lao	4	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Thai	67	0.2%	0.2%	46	0.1%	–
Vietnamese	100	0.2%	1.6%	105	0.3%	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Filipino	135	0.3%	1.3%	91	0.2%	
Indonesian	40	0.1%	0.2%	35	0.1%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	62	0.2%	0.2%	31	0.1%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	–	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	17	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	528	1.3%	4.1%	399	1.0%	
Taiwanese	12	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	84	0.2%	0.2%	61	0.2%	
Korean	50	0.1%	0.3%	15	0.0%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tibetan	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Anglo–Indian	15	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bengali	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Burgher	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Gujarati	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Indian	191	0.5%	3.0%	99	0.3%	–
Malayali	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Nepalese	9	0.0%	0.6%	–	–	–
Pakistani	13	0.0%	0.3%	–	–	–
Punjabi	4	0.0%	0.7%	–	–	–
Sikh	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Sinhalese	15	0.0%	0.2%	7	0.0%	–
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bangladeshi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Bhutanese	3	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Fijian Indian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan	51	0.1%	0.2%	35	0.1%	–
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tamil, nfd	5	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afghan	–	–	0.4%	3	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Armenian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.5%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
North American, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
African American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
American	180	0.4%	0.2%	124	0.3%	
Canadian	109	0.3%	0.2%	77	0.2%	
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Native North American Indian	6	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Argentinian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	12	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Chilean	8	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Colombian	24	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Uruguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Venezuelan	9	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Mexican	18	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	4	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Puerto Rican	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Caribbean Islander, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Nigerian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congolese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	–	–	–	–
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaner	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrean	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Ethiopian	15	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	–
Kenyan	10	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian	22	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychellois	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South African	174	0.4%	0.4%	159	0.4%	–
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zimbabwean	13	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Masai	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Burundian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swazilander	–	–	–	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Excludes ancestries with fewer than 10 responses (multi-response).

Data basis: usual residence.