

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 Birthplace

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.

Birthplace

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 16.6% (6,776) of people in Adelaide Hills (DC) were born overseas, compared with 27.6% in Greater Adelaide. A further 79.2% (32,332) of people were born in Australia.

About this topic

Birthplace records the country in which a person was born. It is a core measure of migration history and cultural diversity and helps distinguish Australia-born and overseas-born populations.

This topic is useful for understanding settlement patterns and the likely language, service, and support needs of different communities. It should be interpreted together with ancestry, language used at home, and religion for a fuller view of cultural diversity.

Interpretation notes

- Country of birth measures birthplace only; it does not capture ancestry, ethnicity, or current citizenship on its own.
- Use birthplace with ancestry and language when interpreting cultural background, because many cultural groups include both Australia-born and overseas-born people.

Birthplace - Ranked by size

Adelaide Hills (DC) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	8	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	0.1%	-8	0.0
At sea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australia	32,332	79.2%	68.7%	30,232	77.9%	68.2%	+2,100	+1.3
Norfolk Island	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
New Zealand	331	0.8%	0.7%	337	0.9%	0.8%	-6	-0.1
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	41	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	0.1%	+19	0.0
Solomon Islands	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Vanuatu	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Guam	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Nauru	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Cook Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fiji	11	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	–
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tonga	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
England	2,888	7.1%	5.7%	2,988	7.7%	–
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Northern Ireland	42	0.1%	0.1%	40	0.1%	–
Scotland	214	0.5%	0.7%	238	0.6%	–
Wales	86	0.2%	0.2%	83	0.2%	–
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jersey	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ireland	73	0.2%	0.2%	82	0.2%	–
Austria	38	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	–
Belgium	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
France	40	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.1%	–
Germany	346	0.8%	0.6%	372	1.0%	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Netherlands	194	0.5%	0.3%	225	0.6%	
Switzerland	34	0.1%	0.0%	23	0.1%	
Denmark	18	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.1%	
Finland	9	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sweden	21	0.1%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Gibraltar	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Italy	170	0.4%	1.1%	196	0.5%	
Malta	20	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Portugal	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Spain	16	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	10	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	10	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	
Bulgaria	11	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Croatia	21	0.1%	0.2%	13	0.0%	
Cyprus	7	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
North Macedonia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Greece	20	0.0%	0.5%	30	0.1%	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	16	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Slovenia	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbia	13	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	–
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Europe, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czechia	23	0.1%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Estonia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Hungary	32	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	–
Latvia	16	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.1%	–
Lithuania	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Poland	91	0.2%	0.3%	83	0.2%	–
Russian Federation	33	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.1%	–
Slovakia	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Ukraine	20	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	–
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Egypt	9	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	–
Libya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Morocco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Sudan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bahrain	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gaza Strip and West Bank	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iran	39	0.1%	0.4%	41	0.1%	–
Iraq	3	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Israel	21	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.1%	–
Jordan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuwait	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Lebanon	11	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	–
Oman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Qatar	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Saudi Arabia	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Syria	4	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Turkey	11	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
United Arab Emirates	14	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Yemen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Myanmar	4	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	–
Cambodia	10	0.0%	0.3%	3	0.0%	–
Laos	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Thailand	39	0.1%	0.2%	34	0.1%	–
Vietnam	71	0.2%	1.2%	80	0.2%	–
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	3	0.0%	–
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Indonesia	24	0.1%	0.2%	26	0.1%	
Malaysia	111	0.3%	0.6%	75	0.2%	
Philippines	90	0.2%	0.9%	73	0.2%	
Singapore	63	0.2%	0.2%	47	0.1%	
Timor-Leste	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	173	0.4%	1.8%	117	0.3%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	55	0.1%	0.3%	30	0.1%	
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	12	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Japan	41	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	–	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	32	0.1%	0.3%	14	0.0%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladesh	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Bhutan	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
India	113	0.3%	3.1%	56	0.1%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	3	0.0%	0.5%	–	–	
Pakistan	13	0.0%	0.4%	3	0.0%	
Sri Lanka	27	0.1%	0.4%	17	0.0%	
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Afghanistan	–	–	0.6%	–	–	–
Armenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Azerbaijan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Georgia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kazakhstan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbekistan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern America, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Canada	102	0.2%	0.2%	80	0.2%	–
United States of America	227	0.6%	0.3%	199	0.5%	–
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Argentina	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Brazil	16	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Chile	9	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	–
Colombia	14	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Ecuador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Falkland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guyana	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Paraguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Peru	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uruguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Venezuela	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Belize	–	–	–	–	–	–
Costa Rica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
El Salvador	13	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	–
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mexico	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Nicaragua	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Panama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Martinique	–	–	–	–	–	–
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Trinidad and Tobago	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Virgin Islands, British	–	–	–	–	–	–
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Benin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cabo Verde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central African Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Cote d'Ivoire	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghana	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niger	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nigeria	6	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leone	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Togo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Angola	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burundi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djibouti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopia	14	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	–
Kenya	23	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.0%	–
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Mauritius	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Mozambique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibia	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Africa	252	0.6%	0.5%	232	0.6%	–
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tanzania	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Uganda	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Zambia	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Zimbabwe	41	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	–
Not stated	1,731	4.2%	3.7%	2,048	5.3%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Total	40,839	100.0%	100.0%	38,825	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.