

# Community report

## Armidale Regional

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

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**Armidale Regional**

COMPARISON

**Regional NSW**

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 Armidale Regional were English, Australian and Irish.

## 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

Armidale Regional - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	276	0.9%	0.2%	–	–	0.2%	–	–
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	27	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
African, so described	50	0.2%	0.1%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
European, so described	18	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	10,507	36.1%	40.2%	–	–	42.5%	–	–
Australian Aboriginal	2,108	7.2%	6.1%	–	–	0.8%	–	–
Australian South Sea Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Torres Strait Islander	62	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	98	0.3%	0.4%	–	–	
New Zealander	130	0.4%	0.6%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	16	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Solomon Islander	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nauruan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cook Islander	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian	38	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Niuean	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Samoaan	25	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Tongan	74	0.3%	0.1%	–	–	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North–West European, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
British, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
English	10,778	37.0%	40.9%	–	–	4
Scottish	3,331	11.4%	10.7%	–	–	1
Welsh	180	0.6%	0.7%	–	–	
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Manx	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
British, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	3,515	12.1%	11.8%	–	–	1
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	59	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Dutch	328	1.1%	1.4%	–	–	
Flemish	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
French	144	0.5%	0.5%	–	–	
German	1,287	4.4%	4.2%	–	–	
Swiss	49	0.2%	0.1%	–	–	
Belgian	36	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	22	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Danish	65	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Finnish	36	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Icelandic	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	33	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Swedish	67	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	321	1.1%	2.8%	–	–	
Maltese	54	0.2%	0.5%	–	–	
Portuguese	27	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Spanish	81	0.3%	0.4%	–	–	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Albanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	34	0.1%	0.4%	–	–	
Greek	79	0.3%	0.6%	–	–	
Macedonian	–	–	0.5%	–	–	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	19	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Roma Gypsy	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	19	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Slovene	6	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Cypriot	19	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	12	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Estonian	11	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Hungarian	49	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Latvian	16	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Lithuanian	13	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Polish	112	0.4%	0.6%	–	–	
Russian	58	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Slovak	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ukrainian	22	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nfd	82	0.3%	0.1%	–	–	
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Egyptian	11	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Iraqi	294	1.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	70	0.2%	0.3%	–	–	
Libyan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Saudi Arabian	22	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	–	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	20	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	64	0.2%	0.1%	–	–	–
Kurdish	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	26	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Assyrian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	94	0.3%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	15	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	53	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	–
Vietnamese	100	0.3%	0.2%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	206	0.7%	0.8%	–	–	
Indonesian	30	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Javanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	20	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acehnese	–	–	–	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	434	1.5%	1.0%	–	–	
Taiwanese	25	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	57	0.2%	0.1%	–	–	
Korean	26	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Mongolian	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	24	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Anglo-Indian	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Bengali	30	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Burgher	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Gujarati	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Indian	277	1.0%	0.8%	—	—	
Malayali	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Nepalese	274	0.9%	0.2%	—	—	
Pakistani	47	0.2%	0.1%	—	—	
Punjabi	67	0.2%	0.2%	—	—	
Sikh	37	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Sinhalese	48	0.2%	0.0%	—	—	
Maldivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bangladeshi	87	0.3%	0.1%	—	—	
Bhutanese	34	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Fijian Indian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kashmiri	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Parsi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sindhi	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Sri Lankan	61	0.2%	0.1%	—	—	
Sri Lankan Tamil	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Indian Tamil	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tamil, nfd	18	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Telugu	14	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African American	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
American	114	0.4%	0.3%	–	–	
Canadian	55	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Native North American Indian	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Argentinian	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	27	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Chilean	8	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Colombian	19	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	15	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguayan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Jamaican	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	27	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Eritrean	12	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Ethiopian	29	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Kenyan	18	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Malawian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mauritian	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Mozambican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Namibian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Oromo	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Seychellois	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Somali	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
South African	84	0.3%	0.3%	—	—	
Tanzanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ugandan	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Zambian	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Zimbabwean	22	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Amhara	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Batswana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Masai	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tigrayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Zulu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Burundian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Madi	—	—	—	—	—	
Rwandan	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Shona	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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

Data basis: usual residence.