

Community report

Bass Coast (S)

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

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Bass Coast (S)

COMPARISON

Regional Vic.

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, 15.1% (6,135) of people in Bass Coast (S) were born overseas, compared with 12.4% in Regional Vic.. A further 77.3% (31,517) 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

Bass Coast (S) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
At sea	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australia	31,517	77.3%	81.0%	25,150	76.8%	80.7%	+6,367	+0.5
Norfolk Island	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
New Zealand	613	1.5%	1.0%	506	1.5%	1.0%	+107	0.0
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	21	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.1%	0.0%	+3	0.0
Solomon Islands	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Vanuatu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Marshall Islands	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Micronesia, Federated States of	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Nauru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cook Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fiji	18	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Antarctic Territory	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
England	2,140	5.3%	2.6%	1,697	5.2%	
Isle of Man	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	57	0.1%	0.1%	47	0.1%	
Scotland	238	0.6%	0.4%	220	0.7%	
Wales	63	0.2%	0.1%	48	0.1%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Jersey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ireland	106	0.3%	0.2%	82	0.3%	
Austria	23	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Belgium	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
France	43	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Germany	227	0.6%	0.4%	191	0.6%	
Liechtenstein	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	275	0.7%	0.4%	258	0.8%	
Switzerland	21	0.1%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Denmark	16	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Finland	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Greenland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Sweden	22	0.1%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Andorra	–	–	–	–	–	
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italy	268	0.7%	0.4%	234	0.7%	
Malta	73	0.2%	0.1%	65	0.2%	
Portugal	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Spain	17	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	29	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgaria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatia	29	0.1%	0.1%	21	0.1%	
Cyprus	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
North Macedonia	14	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Greece	82	0.2%	0.1%	65	0.2%	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	17	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Slovenia	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbia	23	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechia	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Estonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hungary	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Latvia	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Lithuania	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Poland	40	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.1%	
Russian Federation	12	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Slovakia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukraine	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egypt	23	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Libya	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Morocco	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sudan	—	—	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Tunisia	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
South Sudan	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Middle East, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bahrain	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Iran	5	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Iraq	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Israel	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Jordan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kuwait	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Lebanon	10	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Oman	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Qatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Saudi Arabia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Syria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Turkey	10	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
United Arab Emirates	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Yemen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Myanmar	20	0.0%	0.1%	17	0.1%	
Cambodia	19	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Laos	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Thailand	82	0.2%	0.2%	58	0.2%	
Vietnam	52	0.1%	0.2%	35	0.1%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesia	43	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
Malaysia	55	0.1%	0.3%	38	0.1%	
Philippines	153	0.4%	0.6%	82	0.3%	
Singapore	14	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Timor-Leste	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	84	0.2%	0.3%	68	0.2%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	22	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	5	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Japan	34	0.1%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	–	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladesh	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bhutan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
India	210	0.5%	1.0%	127	0.4%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Nepal	36	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
Pakistan	10	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Sri Lanka	82	0.2%	0.2%	45	0.1%	
Afghanistan	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Armenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azerbaijan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Georgia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakhstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	59	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.1%	
United States of America	126	0.3%	0.2%	81	0.2%	
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Argentina	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazil	15	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Chile	38	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.1%	
Colombia	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuador	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Falkland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Guyana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Peru	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Venezuela	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
El Salvador	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexico	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nicaragua	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Panama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Montserrat	–	–	–	–	–	
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Central and West Africa, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Benin	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Burkina Faso	—	—	—	—	—	
Cameroon	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Congo, Republic of	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cote d'Ivoire	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Gambia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ghana	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Guinea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Liberia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mali	—	—	—	—	—	
Nigeria	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Senegal	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sierra Leone	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Togo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Angola	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Botswana	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Burundi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Djibouti	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Eritrea	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ethiopia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kenya	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritius	46	0.1%	0.0%	26	0.1%	
Mozambique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Helena	–	–	–	–	–	
Seychelles	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Africa	133	0.3%	0.3%	74	0.2%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	22	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Not stated	3,094	7.6%	6.6%	2,913	8.9%	
Total	40,746	100.0%	100.0%	32,746	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.