

# Community report

## Bega Valley (A)

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

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**Bega Valley (A)**

COMPARISON

**Regional NSW**

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, 12.1% (4,326) of people in Bega Valley (A) were born overseas, compared with 12.2% in Regional NSW. A further 80.5% (28,894) 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

Bega Valley (A) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	11	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
At sea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	28,894	80.5%	81.3%	26,442	79.7%	80.9%	+2,452	+0.8
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	421	1.2%	1.2%	372	1.1%	1.1%	+49	+0.1
New Caledonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Papua New Guinea	19	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	0.1%	-4	0.0
Solomon Islands	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Nauru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Palau	–	–	–	–	–	
Cook Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fiji	24	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
England	1,490	4.2%	2.8%	1,439	4.3%	
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	19	0.1%	0.1%	30	0.1%	
Scotland	165	0.5%	0.4%	161	0.5%	
Wales	31	0.1%	0.1%	38	0.1%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ireland	73	0.2%	0.2%	66	0.2%	
Austria	29	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	
Belgium	12	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
France	47	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.1%	
Germany	252	0.7%	0.4%	234	0.7%	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	190	0.5%	0.2%	205	0.6%	
Switzerland	21	0.1%	0.0%	25	0.1%	
Northern Europe, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Denmark	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Faroe Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Finland	15	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.1%	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	9	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.1%	
Sweden	16	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Gibraltar	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Italy	51	0.1%	0.3%	51	0.2%	
Malta	28	0.1%	0.1%	30	0.1%	
Portugal	7	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Spain	10	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	14	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.1%	
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgaria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatia	19	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Cyprus	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
North Macedonia	3	0.0%	0.2%	4	0.0%	
Greece	22	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.0%	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Slovenia	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbia	14	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Europe, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechia	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Estonia	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hungary	22	0.1%	0.0%	24	0.1%	
Latvia	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Lithuania	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Poland	22	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	
Russian Federation	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Slovakia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukraine	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Algeria	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Egypt	12	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Libya	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Morocco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahrain	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Iran	9	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Iraq	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Israel	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jordan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwait	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanon	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Oman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Saudi Arabia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkey	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
United Arab Emirates	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yemen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cambodia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Laos	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Thailand	85	0.2%	0.2%	57	0.2%	
Vietnam	18	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesia	15	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.1%	
Malaysia	35	0.1%	0.2%	30	0.1%	
Philippines	141	0.4%	0.5%	115	0.3%	
Singapore	21	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Timor-Leste	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	44	0.1%	0.3%	39	0.1%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	23	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	3	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Japan	24	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	12	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Southern Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladesh	10	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Bhutan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
India	96	0.3%	0.7%	42	0.1%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Nepal	48	0.1%	0.2%	4	0.0%	
Pakistan	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Sri Lanka	13	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Afghanistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azerbaijan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Georgia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakhstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	79	0.2%	0.2%	57	0.2%	
United States of America	174	0.5%	0.3%	126	0.4%	
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Argentina	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazil	10	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Chile	21	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Colombia	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Guyana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peru	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Venezuela	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
El Salvador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexico	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nicaragua	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Panama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guadeloupe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Benin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burkina Faso	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cote d'Ivoire	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghana	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guinea-Bissau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	20	0.1%	0.0%	6	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leone	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Angola	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kenya	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritius	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mozambique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Africa	124	0.3%	0.4%	89	0.3%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambia	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	21	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Southern and East Africa, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	2,678	7.5%	6.5%	2,947	8.9%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,898</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>33,189</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.