

Community report

Bellingen (A)

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

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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, 12.4% (1,639) of people in Bellingen (A) were born overseas, compared with 12.2% in Regional NSW. A further 79.5% (10,518) 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

Bellingen (A) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
At sea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australia	10,518	79.5%	81.3%	10,166	80.4%	80.9%	+352	-0.9
Norfolk Island	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
New Zealand	181	1.4%	1.2%	172	1.4%	1.1%	+9	0.0
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	19	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.1%	0.1%	+8	0.0
Solomon Islands	—	—	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	9	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.1%	
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa	–	–	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	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
England	618	4.7%	2.8%	570	4.5%	
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern Ireland	5	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.1%	
Scotland	65	0.5%	0.4%	67	0.5%	
Wales	24	0.2%	0.1%	29	0.2%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	7	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ireland	20	0.2%	0.2%	26	0.2%	
Austria	11	0.1%	0.1%	18	0.1%	
Belgium	7	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
France	27	0.2%	0.1%	26	0.2%	
Germany	98	0.7%	0.4%	94	0.7%	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	65	0.5%	0.2%	66	0.5%	
Switzerland	24	0.2%	0.0%	15	0.1%	
Northern Europe, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Denmark	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Faroe Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Finland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sweden	14	0.1%	0.0%	15	0.1%	
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italy	12	0.1%	0.3%	8	0.1%	
Malta	3	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Portugal	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Spain	8	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgaria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatia	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Cyprus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
North Macedonia	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Greece	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	9	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Slovenia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechia	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Estonia	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hungary	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.1%	
Latvia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Poland	10	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Russian Federation	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Slovakia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukraine	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egypt	–	–	0.1%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Libya	–	–	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iran	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Iraq	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Israel	7	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Jordan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwait	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanon	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Oman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Saudi Arabia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkey	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
United Arab Emirates	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yemen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cambodia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Laos	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Thailand	13	0.1%	0.2%	3	0.0%	
Vietnam	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesia	10	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Malaysia	17	0.1%	0.2%	14	0.1%	
Philippines	38	0.3%	0.5%	24	0.2%	
Singapore	12	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.1%	
Timor-Leste	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	7	0.1%	0.3%	7	0.1%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	10	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.1%	
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Japan	10	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.1%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladesh	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Bhutan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
India	10	0.1%	0.7%	23	0.2%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Nepal	8	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Pakistan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Sri Lanka	3	0.0%	0.1%	5	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	33	0.2%	0.2%	26	0.2%	
United States of America	73	0.6%	0.3%	50	0.4%	
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Argentina	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazil	7	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Chile	5	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Colombia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Guyana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	7	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Venezuela	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
El Salvador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexico	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Nicaragua	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Panama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	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	–	–	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	–	–	0.0%	3	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guinea-Bissau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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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	12	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritius	–	–	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	62	0.5%	0.4%	46	0.4%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambia	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	6	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.1%	
Southern and East Africa, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	1,069	8.1%	6.5%	1,005	7.9%	
Total	13,226	100.0%	100.0%	12,651	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.