

# Community report

## Blacktown (C)

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

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**Blacktown (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

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### Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

**01** Language used at home

### 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.

# Language used at home

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, English was the most common language used at home among residents in Blacktown (C), accounting for 47.6% (188,793 people). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (57.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Punjabi, which increased by 8,532 people and 1.6 percentage points.

## About this topic

Language used at home shows which languages people speak in their home life and whether English or another language is used most often. It is a key indicator of cultural diversity and language retention within communities.

This topic is useful for planning communication, multicultural services, and local engagement. It should be analysed together with proficiency in English and birthplace, because language alone does not show migration history or support needs.

## Interpretation notes

- The Census records the language used most often at home, so it does not capture every language a person can speak.
- Language used at home is not a measure of English proficiency, literacy, or migration history on its own.

## Language used at home - Ranked by size

Blacktown (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	308	0.1%	0.1%	162	0.0%	0.0%	+146	+0.1
Non-verbal, so described	832	0.2%	0.1%	997	0.3%	0.2%	-165	-0.1
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	74	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	+65	0.0
French Creole, nfd	85	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	0.0%	+25	0.0
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Portuguese Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
Irish	13	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	+7	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Welsh	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Celtic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
English	188,793	47.6%	57.3%	180,924	53.7%	
German	385	0.1%	0.3%	584	0.2%	
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dutch	157	0.0%	0.1%	229	0.1%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaans	482	0.1%	0.1%	336	0.1%	
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Danish	34	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Norwegian	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Swedish	37	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.0%	
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finnish and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Estonian	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Finnish	36	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Southern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
French	649	0.2%	0.4%	771	0.2%	
Greek	1,965	0.5%	1.4%	1,993	0.6%	
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Portuguese	508	0.1%	0.5%	478	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Spanish	3,177	0.8%	1.2%	2,992	0.9%	
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	1,578	0.4%	1.0%	1,924	0.6%	
Maltese	1,995	0.5%	0.2%	2,368	0.7%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Baltic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Latvian	4	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Lithuanian	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Hungarian	431	0.1%	0.1%	528	0.2%	
Belorussian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	653	0.2%	0.4%	642	0.2%	
Ukrainian	104	0.0%	0.0%	132	0.0%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bosnian	252	0.1%	0.1%	273	0.1%	
Bulgarian	28	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Croatian	1,331	0.3%	0.3%	1,534	0.5%	
Macedonian	246	0.1%	0.4%	271	0.1%	
Serbian	954	0.2%	0.4%	942	0.3%	
Slovene	62	0.0%	0.0%	61	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	85	0.0%	0.0%	125	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Czech	93	0.0%	0.1%	116	0.0%	
Polish	923	0.2%	0.2%	1,093	0.3%	
Slovak	64	0.0%	0.0%	57	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	110	0.0%	0.0%	74	0.0%	
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	–	–	–	–	–	
Romanian	253	0.1%	0.0%	290	0.1%	
Romany	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	27	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Kurdish	538	0.1%	0.1%	385	0.1%	
Pashto	650	0.2%	0.1%	468	0.1%	
Balochi	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dari	2,045	0.5%	0.2%	2,026	0.6%	
Persian (excluding Dari)	2,606	0.7%	0.5%	1,915	0.6%	
Hazaraghi	919	0.2%	0.1%	410	0.1%	
Iranic, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arabic	11,687	2.9%	4.2%	10,220	3.0%	
Hebrew	20	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	479	0.1%	0.5%	366	0.1%	
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	755	0.2%	0.2%	861	0.3%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Mandaean (Mandaic)	9	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Turkish	2,500	0.6%	0.4%	2,415	0.7%	
Azeri	16	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Uygur	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian	351	0.1%	0.2%	321	0.1%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	253	0.1%	0.0%	499	0.1%	
Kannada	1,013	0.3%	0.1%	378	0.1%	
Malayalam	2,952	0.7%	0.3%	1,371	0.4%	
Tamil	8,091	2.0%	0.7%	4,964	1.5%	
Telugu	4,211	1.1%	0.4%	1,784	0.5%	
Tulu	56	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Dravidian, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	59	0.0%	0.0%	106	0.0%	
Bengali	4,532	1.1%	0.7%	3,397	1.0%	
Gujarati	9,380	2.4%	0.5%	4,617	1.4%	
Hindi	17,429	4.4%	1.5%	13,458	4.0%	

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Konkani	278	0.1%	0.0%	138	0.0%	
Marathi	1,634	0.4%	0.2%	732	0.2%	
Nepali	4,477	1.1%	1.2%	1,763	0.5%	
Punjabi	20,554	5.2%	0.8%	12,022	3.6%	
Sindhi	165	0.0%	0.0%	65	0.0%	
Sinhalese	2,899	0.7%	0.2%	2,104	0.6%	
Urdu	8,582	2.2%	0.8%	5,524	1.6%	
Assamese	34	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	44	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Oriya	154	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Fijian Hindustani	666	0.2%	0.0%	342	0.1%	
Indo-Aryan, nec	124	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Other Southern Asian Languages	58	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	923	0.2%	0.1%	831	0.2%	
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Karen	48	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Rohingya	14	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	52	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer	178	0.0%	0.2%	136	0.0%	
Vietnamese	1,510	0.4%	2.2%	1,212	0.4%	

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Mon	21	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Mon-Khmer, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tai, nfd	–	–	–	4	0.0%	
Lao	68	0.0%	0.1%	56	0.0%	
Thai	771	0.2%	0.4%	521	0.2%	
Tai, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	137	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bisaya	266	0.1%	0.0%	154	0.0%	
Cebuano	243	0.1%	0.0%	125	0.0%	
Ilokano	61	0.0%	0.0%	59	0.0%	
Indonesian	1,819	0.5%	0.6%	1,610	0.5%	
Malay	150	0.0%	0.1%	134	0.0%	
Tetum	25	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Timorese	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tagalog	14,993	3.8%	0.9%	13,556	4.0%	
Filipino	7,720	1.9%	0.5%	6,474	1.9%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bikol	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	61	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pampangan	68	0.0%	0.0%	38	0.0%	

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Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	28	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Other Southeast Asian Languages	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese, nfd	50	0.0%	0.1%	80	0.0%	
Cantonese	3,935	1.0%	2.8%	3,509	1.0%	
Hakka	46	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Mandarin	7,083	1.8%	5.0%	4,830	1.4%	
Wu	61	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.0%	
Min Nan	209	0.1%	0.1%	167	0.0%	
Chinese, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Japanese	213	0.1%	0.3%	194	0.1%	
Korean	2,712	0.7%	1.1%	1,844	0.5%	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Tibetan	15	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	31	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Tiwi	–	–	–	–	–	
Jawoyn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marra	3	0.0%	–	–	–	
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuku Yalanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Wik Mungkan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djabugay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yidiny	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Gurindji	–	–	–	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bandjalang	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batjala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gamilaraay	21	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Gumbaynggir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mangala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Muruwari	–	–	–	–	–	
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wiradjuri	32	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Yorta Yorta	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dharawal	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yugambah	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	41	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	63	0.0%	0.0%	86	0.0%	
Acholi	16	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Akan	440	0.1%	0.0%	359	0.1%	
Mauritian Creole	53	0.0%	0.0%	82	0.0%	
Oromo	27	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Shona	292	0.1%	0.0%	193	0.1%	

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Somali	91	0.0%	0.0%	73	0.0%	
Swahili	188	0.0%	0.0%	110	0.0%	
Yoruba	126	0.0%	0.0%	79	0.0%	
Zulu	21	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Amharic	249	0.1%	0.0%	200	0.1%	
Bemba	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	661	0.2%	0.0%	653	0.2%	
Ewe	25	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Ga	20	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Igbo	129	0.0%	0.0%	84	0.0%	
Kikuyu	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Krio	133	0.0%	0.0%	163	0.0%	
Luganda	21	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Luo	11	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Ndebele	43	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Nuer	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Nyanja (Chichewa)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Shilluk	–	–	–	9	0.0%	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrinya	106	0.0%	0.0%	70	0.0%	
Tswana	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Xhosa	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anuak	18	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Bari	31	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Dan (Gio-Dan)	13	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Fulfulde	34	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kirundi (Rundi)	12	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kpelle	5	0.0%	–	–	–	
Krahn	–	–	–	–	–	
Liberian (Liberian English)	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Madi	89	0.0%	0.0%	111	0.0%	
Mandinka	35	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Mann	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Moro (Nuba Moro)	22	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Lingala	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nec	110	0.0%	0.0%	163	0.0%	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Fijian	719	0.2%	0.1%	489	0.1%	
Gilbertese	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Maori (Cook Island)	378	0.1%	0.0%	333	0.1%	
Maori (New Zealand)	382	0.1%	0.0%	286	0.1%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Niue	51	0.0%	0.0%	38	0.0%	
Samoan	4,115	1.0%	0.3%	3,787	1.1%	
Tongan	2,410	0.6%	0.2%	2,030	0.6%	
Rotuman	34	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Tokelauan	164	0.0%	0.0%	216	0.1%	
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Yapese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Norfolk–Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Motu (HiriMotu)	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	32	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Auslan	216	0.1%	0.0%	182	0.1%	
Key Word Sign Australia	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	24,395	6.1%	5.3%	17,741	5.3%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>396,813</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>336,930</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.