

Community report

Blue Mountains (C)

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

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Blue Mountains (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

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 Blue Mountains (C) 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

Blue Mountains (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	184	0.2%	0.3%	161	0.2%	0.2%	+23	0.0
Eurasian, so described	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Asian, so described	13	0.0%	0.2%	11	0.0%	0.1%	+2	0.0
African, so described	30	0.0%	0.2%	46	0.1%	0.2%	-16	-0.1
European, so described	123	0.2%	0.1%	91	0.1%	0.1%	+32	+0.1
Caucasian, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	0.1%	-6	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	29,739	38.1%	22.3%	29,664	38.6%	23.5%	+75	-0.5
Australian Aboriginal	2,051	2.6%	1.6%	259	0.3%	0.2%	+1,792	+2.3
Australian South Sea Islander	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Torres Strait Islander	52	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	256	0.3%	0.5%	161	0.2%	
New Zealander	682	0.9%	0.7%	719	0.9%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Papua New Guinean	11	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Cook Islander	16	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Fijian	102	0.1%	0.4%	73	0.1%	
Niuean	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Samoan	103	0.1%	0.6%	76	0.1%	
Tongan	57	0.1%	0.4%	25	0.0%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
North–West European, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
British, nfd	55	0.1%	0.0%	45	0.1%	–
English	34,643	44.3%	23.8%	34,455	44.8%	13.1%
Scottish	10,404	13.3%	6.0%	9,667	12.6%	2.4%
Welsh	849	1.1%	0.5%	867	1.1%	0.3%
Channel Islander	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Manx	26	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	0.0%
British, nec	20	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	12,517	16.0%	7.7%	12,568	16.3%	3.0%
Western European, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Austrian	319	0.4%	0.2%	310	0.4%	0.1%
Dutch	1,816	2.3%	0.9%	1,625	2.1%	0.4%
Flemish	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
French	693	0.9%	0.7%	611	0.8%	0.2%
German	3,773	4.8%	2.3%	3,715	4.8%	0.9%
Swiss	184	0.2%	0.1%	176	0.2%	0.0%
Belgian	75	0.1%	0.1%	52	0.1%	0.0%
Frisian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	78	0.1%	0.0%	43	0.1%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Danish	338	0.4%	0.2%	282	0.4%	
Finnish	127	0.2%	0.1%	97	0.1%	
Icelandic	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	177	0.2%	0.1%	125	0.2%	
Swedish	240	0.3%	0.2%	200	0.3%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Italian	2,261	2.9%	4.3%	1,966	2.6%	
Maltese	920	1.2%	1.2%	765	1.0%	
Portuguese	150	0.2%	0.5%	131	0.2%	
Spanish	390	0.5%	0.8%	397	0.5%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	82	0.1%	0.1%	137	0.2%	
Albanian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	23	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Bulgarian	23	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Croatian	448	0.6%	0.8%	357	0.5%	
Greek	709	0.9%	2.4%	662	0.9%	
Macedonian	60	0.1%	0.6%	39	0.1%	
Moldovan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Montenegrin	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Romanian	74	0.1%	0.1%	58	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Serbian	155	0.2%	0.6%	99	0.1%	
Slovene	94	0.1%	0.1%	82	0.1%	
Cypriot	79	0.1%	0.3%	48	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	80	0.1%	0.1%	56	0.1%	
Belarusan	19	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Czech	277	0.4%	0.2%	249	0.3%	
Estonian	115	0.1%	0.1%	92	0.1%	
Hungarian	541	0.7%	0.4%	467	0.6%	
Latvian	138	0.2%	0.1%	129	0.2%	
Lithuanian	97	0.1%	0.1%	96	0.1%	
Polish	1,019	1.3%	0.8%	860	1.1%	
Russian	458	0.6%	0.6%	412	0.5%	
Slovak	62	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Ukrainian	229	0.3%	0.2%	204	0.3%	
Sorb/Wend	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	13	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	37	0.0%	0.6%	19	0.0%	

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Algerian	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Egyptian	74	0.1%	0.5%	58	0.1%	
Iraqi	13	0.0%	0.6%	30	0.0%	
Jordanian	12	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	321	0.4%	3.3%	231	0.3%	
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	4	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Palestinian	46	0.1%	0.2%	19	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	30	0.0%	0.3%	21	0.0%	
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	119	0.2%	0.2%	64	0.1%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudanese	3	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Berber	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Iranian	85	0.1%	0.6%	63	0.1%	–
Kurdish	8	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Turkish	86	0.1%	0.6%	44	0.1%	–
Assyrian	20	0.0%	0.6%	25	0.0%	–
Chaldean	14	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	34	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.0%	–
South-East Asian, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	26	0.0%	0.1%	30	0.0%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	67	0.1%	0.3%	60	0.1%	–
Lao	12	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	–
Thai	227	0.3%	0.6%	149	0.2%	–

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Vietnamese	204	0.3%	2.3%	172	0.2%	
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	604	0.8%	2.5%	384	0.5%	
Indonesian	142	0.2%	0.6%	115	0.1%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	99	0.1%	0.2%	65	0.1%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	19	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	29	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	1,140	1.5%	10.6%	1,011	1.3%	
Taiwanese	12	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	238	0.3%	0.4%	185	0.2%	

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Korean	108	0.1%	1.3%	105	0.1%	
Mongolian	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Tibetan	70	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.3%	4	0.0%	
Anglo-Indian	32	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Bengali	6	0.0%	0.2%	12	0.0%	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Indian	555	0.7%	4.5%	409	0.5%	
Malayali	8	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Nepalese	56	0.1%	1.3%	19	0.0%	
Pakistani	55	0.1%	0.7%	31	0.0%	
Punjabi	27	0.0%	0.4%	9	0.0%	
Sikh	3	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Sinhalese	27	0.0%	0.2%	22	0.0%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	8	0.0%	0.5%	4	0.0%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Fijian Indian	17	0.0%	0.2%	24	0.0%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Sri Lankan	104	0.1%	0.4%	102	0.1%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	18	0.0%	0.5%	–	–	
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	22	0.0%	0.3%	13	0.0%	
Armenian	46	0.1%	0.3%	48	0.1%	
Georgian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	12	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	
North American, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
African American	14	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

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American	372	0.5%	0.3%	337	0.4%	
Canadian	167	0.2%	0.2%	155	0.2%	
French Canadian	13	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	27	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	71	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	
Argentinian	64	0.1%	0.1%	57	0.1%	
Bolivian	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Brazilian	51	0.1%	0.3%	34	0.0%	
Chilean	189	0.2%	0.3%	125	0.2%	
Colombian	32	0.0%	0.2%	22	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Guyanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Peruvian	57	0.1%	0.1%	37	0.0%	
Uruguayan	99	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	
Venezuelan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	16	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	21	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	18	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

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Costa Rican	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Guatemalan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	24	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Cuban	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Jamaican	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	8	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Nigerian	5	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Afrikaner	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Kenyan	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	135	0.2%	0.2%	92	0.1%	
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	369	0.5%	0.6%	264	0.3%	
Tanzanian	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Zimbabwean	19	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	–	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.