

Community report

Broken Hill (C)

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

AREA

Broken Hill (C)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

30 March 2026

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

Broken Hill (C) | Regional NSW comparison | Persons

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SECTION

01

Key takeaway

In 2021, the largest ancestry groups among residents in Broken Hill (C) were Australian, English and Australian Aboriginal.

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

Broken Hill (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | | Change | |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------|------|
| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | pp |
| Inadequately described | 28 | 0.2% | 0.2% | 39 | 0.2% | 0.2% | -11 | 0.0 |
| Eurasian, so described | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | 0.0% | – | – |
| Asian, so described | 10 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 9 | 0.1% | 0.0% | +1 | 0.0 |
| African, so described | 14 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 5 | 0.0% | 0.1% | +9 | +0.1 |
| European, so described | – | – | 0.1% | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | – | – |
| Caucasian, so described | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | 0.0% | – | – |
| Creole, so described | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | 0.0% | – | – |
| Oceanian, nfd | 9 | 0.1% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | +5 | +0.1 |
| Australian Peoples, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | 0.0% | – | – |
| Australian | 7,597 | 43.2% | 40.2% | 8,422 | 47.6% | 42.5% | -825 | -4.4 |
| Australian Aboriginal | 1,615 | 9.2% | 6.1% | 168 | 0.9% | 0.8% | +1,447 | +8.3 |
| Australian South Sea Islander | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | +1 | 0.0 |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Torres Strait Islander | 46 | 0.3% | 0.2% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Norfolk Islander | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| New Zealand Peoples, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Maori | 45 | 0.3% | 0.4% | 30 | 0.2% | |
| New Zealander | 39 | 0.2% | 0.6% | 39 | 0.2% | |
| Melanesian and Papuan, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| New Caledonian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Ni-Vanuatu | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Papua New Guinean | 17 | 0.1% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Solomon Islander | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Melanesian and Papuan, nec | – | – | – | – | – | |
| Micronesian, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| I-Kiribati | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Nauruan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Micronesian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Polynesian, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Cook Islander | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Fijian | 8 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 8 | 0.0% | |
| Niuean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Samoan | 3 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Tongan | 18 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 8 | 0.0% | |
| Hawaiian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tahitian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tokelauan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Tuvaluan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Pitcairn | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Polynesian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| North-West European, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| British, nfd | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| English | 6,643 | 37.8% | 40.9% | 6,783 | 38.3% | 4 |
| Scottish | 1,504 | 8.6% | 10.7% | 1,474 | 8.3% | 1 |
| Welsh | 72 | 0.4% | 0.7% | 67 | 0.4% | |
| Channel Islander | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Manx | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| British, nec | 20 | 0.1% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Irish | 1,590 | 9.0% | 11.8% | 1,669 | 9.4% | 1 |
| Western European, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Austrian | 10 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 9 | 0.1% | |
| Dutch | 107 | 0.6% | 1.4% | 83 | 0.5% | |
| Flemish | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| French | 67 | 0.4% | 0.5% | 58 | 0.3% | |
| German | 797 | 4.5% | 4.2% | 851 | 4.8% | |
| Swiss | 10 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 17 | 0.1% | |
| Belgian | – | – | 0.0% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Frisian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Luxembourg | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Western European, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Northern European, nfd | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Danish | 21 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 12 | 0.1% | |
| Finnish | 9 | 0.1% | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Icelandic | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Norwegian | 28 | 0.2% | 0.1% | 35 | 0.2% | |
| Swedish | 26 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 18 | 0.1% | |
| Northern European, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern and Eastern European, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern European, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Basque | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Catalan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Italian | 537 | 3.1% | 2.8% | 559 | 3.2% | |
| Maltese | 264 | 1.5% | 0.5% | 237 | 1.3% | |
| Portuguese | 3 | 0.0% | 0.2% | 10 | 0.1% | |
| Spanish | 24 | 0.1% | 0.4% | 34 | 0.2% | |
| Gibraltarian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern European, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| South Eastern European, nfd | 25 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 39 | 0.2% | |
| Albanian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bosnian | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Bulgarian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Croatian | 71 | 0.4% | 0.4% | 68 | 0.4% | |
| Greek | 72 | 0.4% | 0.6% | 76 | 0.4% | |
| Macedonian | – | – | 0.5% | – | – | |
| Moldovan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Montenegrin | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Romanian | — | — | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Roma Gypsy | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Serbian | 7 | 0.0% | 0.2% | 10 | 0.1% | |
| Slovene | — | — | 0.1% | — | — | |
| Cypriot | 8 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Vlach | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Eastern European, nfd | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Belarusan | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Czech | 6 | 0.0% | 0.1% | — | — | |
| Estonian | 5 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Hungarian | 17 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| Latvian | — | — | 0.1% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Lithuanian | 6 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Polish | 59 | 0.3% | 0.6% | 49 | 0.3% | |
| Russian | 20 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 14 | 0.1% | |
| Slovak | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Ukrainian | 5 | 0.0% | 0.2% | — | — | |
| Sorb/Wend | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Eastern European, nec | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| North African and Middle Eastern, nfd | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Arab, nfd | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Algerian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Egyptian | 13 | 0.1% | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Iraqi | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Jordanian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Kuwaiti | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Lebanese | 41 | 0.2% | 0.3% | 26 | 0.1% | |
| Libyan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Moroccan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Palestinian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Saudi Arabian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Syrian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tunisian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Yemeni | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bahraini | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Emirati | – | – | – | – | – | |
| Omani | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Arab, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Jewish | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Peoples of the Sudan, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bari | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Dinka | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Nuer | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| South Sudanese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Sudanese | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Peoples of the Sudan, nec | – | – | – | – | – | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Berber | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Coptic | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Iranian | 5 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Kurdish | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Turkish | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | – | – | – |
| Assyrian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Chaldean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Mandaean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Nubian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Yezidi | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | – |
| South-East Asian, nfd | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Mainland South-East Asian, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Anglo-Burmese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Burmese | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | – |
| Hmong | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Khmer (Cambodian) | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Lao | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Thai | 13 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 13 | 0.1% | – |
| Vietnamese | 18 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 7 | 0.0% | – |
| Karen | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |
| Mon | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | – |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Chin | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Rohingya | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Mainland South–East Asian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Filipino | 254 | 1.4% | 0.8% | 150 | 0.8% | |
| Indonesian | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Javanese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Malay | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Sundanese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Timorese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Acehnese | – | – | – | – | – | |
| Balinese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bruneian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Kadazan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Singaporean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Maritime South–East Asian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Chinese | 61 | 0.3% | 1.0% | 54 | 0.3% | |
| Taiwanese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Chinese Asian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Japanese | 13 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 11 | 0.1% | |
| Korean | 5 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Mongolian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tibetan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern and Central Asian, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern Asian, nfd | 3 | 0.0% | 0.1% | – | – | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Anglo-Indian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bengali | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Burgher | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Gujarati | 5 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 7 | 0.0% | |
| Indian | 111 | 0.6% | 0.8% | 79 | 0.4% | |
| Malayali | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Nepalese | 4 | 0.0% | 0.2% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Pakistani | 4 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Punjabi | 4 | 0.0% | 0.2% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Sikh | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Sinhalese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Maldivian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bangladeshi | 5 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 9 | 0.1% | |
| Bhutanese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Fijian Indian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Kashmiri | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Parsi | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Sindhi | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Sri Lankan | 3 | 0.0% | 0.1% | 11 | 0.1% | |
| Sri Lankan Tamil | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Indian Tamil | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tamil, nfd | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Telugu | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern Asian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Central Asian, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Afghan | 33 | 0.2% | 0.0% | 14 | 0.1% | |
| Armenian | – | – | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Georgian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Kazakh | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Pathan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Uzbek | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Azeri | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Hazara | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tajik | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tatar | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Turkmen | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Uighur | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Kyrgyz | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Central Asian, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Peoples of the Americas, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| North American, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| African American | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| American | 14 | 0.1% | 0.3% | 15 | 0.1% | |
| Canadian | 11 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 7 | 0.0% | |
| French Canadian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Hispanic North American | – | – | 0.0% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Native North American Indian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bermudan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| North American, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| South American, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Argentinian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Bolivian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Brazilian | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Chilean | – | – | 0.1% | – | – | |
| Colombian | 6 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Ecuadorian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Guyanese | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Peruvian | 12 | 0.1% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Uruguayan | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Venezuelan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Paraguayan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| South American, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Central American, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Mexican | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| Nicaraguan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Salvadoran | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Costa Rican | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Guatemalan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Mayan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Central American, nec | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Caribbean Islander, nfd | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Cuban | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |

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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Jamaican | 3 | 0.0% | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Trinidadian Tobagonian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Barbadian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Puerto Rican | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Caribbean Islander, nec | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Sub-Saharan African, nfd | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Central and West African, nfd | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Akan | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Fulani | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Ghanaian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Nigerian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Yoruba | — | — | 0.0% | 6 | 0.0% | |
| Liberian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Sierra Leonean | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Acholi | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Cameroonian | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Congolese | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Igbo | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Senegalese | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Togolese | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Central and West African, nec | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Southern and East African, nfd | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Afrikaner | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |
| Angolan | — | — | 0.0% | — | — | |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Eritrean | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Ethiopian | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |
| Kenyan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Malawian | – | – | 0.0% | 5 | 0.0% | |
| Mauritian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Mozambican | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Namibian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Oromo | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Seychellois | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Somali | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| South African | 20 | 0.1% | 0.3% | 17 | 0.1% | |
| Tanzanian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Ugandan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Zambian | 4 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 3 | 0.0% | |
| Zimbabwean | 11 | 0.1% | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Amhara | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Batswana | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Masai | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Tigrayan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Zulu | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Burundian | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Madi | – | – | – | – | – | |
| Rwandan | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Shona | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |

| Category | 2021 | | | 2016 | | |
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| | Count | % | Regional NSW % | Count | % | Regional |
| Swahili | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Swazilander | – | – | 0.0% | – | – | |
| Southern and East African, nec | – | – | 0.0% | 4 | 0.0% | |

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

Data basis: usual residence.