

Community report

Broome (S)

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Broome (S)

COMPARISON

Regional WA

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, 14.3% (2,416) of people in Broome (S) were born overseas, compared with 17.7% in Regional WA. A further 72.2% (12,228) 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

Broome (S) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
At sea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Australia	12,228	72.2%	72.1%	11,795	72.8%	71.7%	+433	-0.6
Norfolk Island	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
New Zealand	305	1.8%	3.0%	374	2.3%	3.4%	-69	-0.5
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	9	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.1%	0.1%	-6	0.0
Solomon Islands	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	0.0%	-7	-0.1
Vanuatu	11	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.1%	0.0%	0	0.0
Micronesia, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Nauru	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Cook Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Fiji	9	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	—
French Polynesia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Niue	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Samoa	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Samoa, American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tonga	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tuvalu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	11	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
England	477	2.8%	5.0%	565	3.5%	—
Isle of Man	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Northern Ireland	9	0.1%	0.1%	18	0.1%	—
Scotland	58	0.3%	0.5%	61	0.4%	—
Wales	14	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	—
Guernsey	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Jersey	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Ireland	51	0.3%	0.3%	42	0.3%	—
Austria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Belgium	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
France	71	0.4%	0.1%	55	0.3%	—
Germany	95	0.6%	0.4%	95	0.6%	—
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Netherlands	45	0.3%	0.3%	40	0.2%	0.2%
Switzerland	14	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.2%	0.2%
Denmark	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Finland	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Iceland	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Norway	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Sweden	12	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	0.1%
Gibraltar	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Italy	50	0.3%	0.3%	33	0.2%	0.2%
Malta	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Portugal	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Spain	25	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
South Eastern Europe, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Albania	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bosnia and Herzegovina	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Bulgaria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Croatia	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Cyprus	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
North Macedonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Greece	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Moldova	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Romania	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Slovenia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Montenegro	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Serbia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern Europe, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Belarus	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Czechia	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Estonia	9	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
Hungary	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Latvia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Lithuania	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Poland	—	—	0.1%	9	0.1%	—
Russian Federation	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Slovakia	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Ukraine	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North Africa, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Algeria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Egypt	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Libya	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Morocco	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sudan	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Tunisia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South Sudan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Middle East, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bahrain	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Gaza Strip and West Bank	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Iran	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Iraq	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Israel	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Jordan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kuwait	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Lebanon	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Oman	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Qatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Saudi Arabia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Syria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Turkey	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
United Arab Emirates	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Yemen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Myanmar	4	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Cambodia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Laos	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Thailand	70	0.4%	0.3%	75	0.5%	—
Vietnam	25	0.1%	0.2%	10	0.1%	—
Brunei Darussalam	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indonesia	26	0.2%	0.2%	35	0.2%	—
Malaysia	25	0.1%	0.2%	31	0.2%	—
Philippines	225	1.3%	1.2%	235	1.5%	—
Singapore	23	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	—
Timor-Leste	—	—	0.0%	14	0.1%	—
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	89	0.5%	0.2%	26	0.2%	—

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Hong Kong (SAR of China)	18	0.1%	0.0%	26	0.2%	0.0%
Macau (SAR of China)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Mongolia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Taiwan	23	0.1%	0.1%	60	0.4%	0.0%
Japan	24	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.2%	0.0%
Korea, Republic of (South)	12	0.1%	0.1%	38	0.2%	0.0%
Bangladesh	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Bhutan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
India	71	0.4%	0.5%	70	0.4%	0.0%
Maldives	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Nepal	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Pakistan	7	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.1%	0.0%
Sri Lanka	24	0.1%	0.1%	19	0.1%	0.0%
Afghanistan	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.0%
Armenia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Kazakhstan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Uzbekistan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Bermuda	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Canada	31	0.2%	0.2%	29	0.2%	0.0%
United States of America	55	0.3%	0.3%	30	0.2%	0.0%
South America, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Argentina	41	0.2%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Bolivia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Brazil	9	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.0%

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Chile	18	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
Colombia	12	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.1%	—
Ecuador	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Falkland Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
French Guiana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guyana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Paraguay	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peru	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Suriname	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Uruguay	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Venezuela	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Belize	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Costa Rica	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
El Salvador	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guatemala	—	—	—	—	—	—
Honduras	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mexico	—	—	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%	—	—	—

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Cuba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Jamaica	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Puerto Rico	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
St Kitts and Nevis	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
St Lucia	—	—	—	—	—	—
St Vincent and the Grenadines	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Trinidad and Tobago	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Curacao	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central and West Africa, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cameroon	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Congo, Republic of	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Congo, Democratic Republic of	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Gabon	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ghana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guinea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Liberia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nigeria	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Senegal	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sierra Leone	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern and East Africa, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Angola	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Botswana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Burundi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eritrea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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Ethiopia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kenya	20	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.1%	—
Lesotho	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Madagascar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Malawi	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Mauritius	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	—
Mozambique	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Namibia	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Reunion	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Rwanda	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Seychelles	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Somalia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South Africa	102	0.6%	1.1%	85	0.5%	—
Eswatini	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tanzania	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Uganda	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Zambia	8	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Zimbabwe	33	0.2%	0.4%	30	0.2%	—
Not stated	2,281	13.5%	10.2%	2,016	12.4%	10.2%
Total	16,925	100.0%	100.0%	16,195	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.