

# Community report

## Burnside (C)

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

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**Burnside (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Adelaide**

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 Burnside (C), accounting for 70.4% (32,387 people). This share was lower than Greater Adelaide (74.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Mandarin, which increased by 1,100 people and 2.1 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

Burnside (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	12	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+9	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	29	0.1%	0.1%	55	0.1%	0.2%	-26	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Welsh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nec	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
English	32,387	70.4%	74.8%	31,631	72.1%	75.4%	+756	-1.7

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
German and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
German	220	0.5%	0.3%	254	0.6%	
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dutch	52	0.1%	0.1%	57	0.1%	
Frisian	–	–	–	–	–	
Afrikaans	62	0.1%	0.2%	61	0.1%	
Danish	14	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	7	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Swedish	33	0.1%	0.0%	22	0.1%	
Estonian	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Finnish	4	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
French	177	0.4%	0.2%	223	0.5%	
Greek	662	1.4%	1.5%	709	1.6%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Portuguese	56	0.1%	0.2%	24	0.1%	
Spanish	302	0.7%	0.5%	230	0.5%	
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Italian	887	1.9%	1.6%	1,063	2.4%	
Maltese	12	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	45	0.1%	0.0%	58	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Lithuanian	17	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Hungarian	35	0.1%	0.1%	47	0.1%	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	139	0.3%	0.2%	131	0.3%	
Ukrainian	21	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.1%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	15	0.0%	0.1%	17	0.0%	
Bulgarian	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Croatian	64	0.1%	0.2%	74	0.2%	
Macedonian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	68	0.1%	0.3%	53	0.1%	
Slovene	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Czech	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Polish	109	0.2%	0.4%	95	0.2%	
Slovak	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	16	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	
Romanian	23	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kurdish	11	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Pashto	27	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	4	0.0%	0.2%	7	0.0%	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	355	0.8%	0.4%	304	0.7%	–
Hazaraghi	9	0.0%	0.5%	4	0.0%	–
Arabic	293	0.6%	0.8%	242	0.6%	–
Hebrew	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	–	5	0.0%	–
Turkic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	30	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Kannada	56	0.1%	0.0%	30	0.1%	–
Malayalam	276	0.6%	0.3%	185	0.4%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Tamil	204	0.4%	0.2%	182	0.4%	
Telugu	110	0.2%	0.2%	59	0.1%	
Tulu	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Dravidian, nec	—	—	—	—	—	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Bengali	192	0.4%	0.2%	97	0.2%	
Gujarati	93	0.2%	0.5%	69	0.2%	
Hindi	430	0.9%	0.7%	294	0.7%	
Konkani	17	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Marathi	90	0.2%	0.1%	48	0.1%	
Nepali	95	0.2%	0.7%	33	0.1%	
Punjabi	260	0.6%	1.4%	102	0.2%	
Sindhi	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Sinhalese	465	1.0%	0.3%	282	0.6%	
Urdu	232	0.5%	0.3%	113	0.3%	
Assamese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Dhivehi	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kashmiri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Oriya	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Fijian Hindustani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Indo-Aryan, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Other Southern Asian Languages	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Chin Haka	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	29	0.1%	0.3%	20	0.0%	–
Vietnamese	318	0.7%	1.5%	237	0.5%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Thai	81	0.2%	0.1%	70	0.2%	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Cebuano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	72	0.2%	0.1%	101	0.2%	–
Malay	35	0.1%	0.1%	65	0.1%	–
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tagalog	68	0.1%	0.4%	83	0.2%	–
Filipino	36	0.1%	0.3%	61	0.1%	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	27	0.1%	0.0%	73	0.2%	–
Cantonese	912	2.0%	0.7%	815	1.9%	–
Hakka	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Mandarin	3,854	8.4%	2.2%	2,754	6.3%	–
Wu	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Min Nan	83	0.2%	0.1%	73	0.2%	–
Chinese, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	179	0.4%	0.2%	181	0.4%	–
Korean	323	0.7%	0.3%	400	0.9%	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Mongolian	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	–	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warumungu	–	–	–	–	–	–
Alyawarr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Arrernte	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western Arrarnta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kukatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luritja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Martu Wangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyikina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arabana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Diyari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Narungga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mirning	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	10	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swahili	23	0.0%	0.2%	14	0.0%	–
Yoruba	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Amharic	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Bemba	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	17	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luo	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	–	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Loma (Lorma)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Fijian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Tongan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norfolk-Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Auslan	19	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Not stated	988	2.1%	3.8%	1,673	3.8%	–
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,026</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>43,874</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.