

Community report

Central Highlands (R) (Qld)

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

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Central Highlands (R) (Qld)

COMPARISON

Regional Qld

POPULATION

Persons

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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 Central Highlands (R) (Qld) were Australian, English 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

Central Highlands (R) (Qld) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	51	0.2%	0.2%	38	0.1%	0.2%	+13	+0.1
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	11	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.1%	0.0%	-13	-0.1
African, so described	18	0.1%	0.1%	45	0.2%	0.1%	-27	-0.1
European, so described	19	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	0.1%	+15	+0.1
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	+8	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	11,186	40.2%	35.3%	12,403	44.3%	37.7%	-1,217	-4.1
Australian Aboriginal	1,489	5.3%	5.1%	131	0.5%	1.2%	+1,358	+4.8
Australian South Sea Islander	42	0.2%	0.2%	46	0.2%	0.2%	-4	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Torres Strait Islander	186	0.7%	1.3%	12	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	498	1.8%	1.0%	398	1.4%	
New Zealander	318	1.1%	1.2%	344	1.2%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	56	0.2%	0.3%	53	0.2%	
Solomon Islander	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cook Islander	15	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
Fijian	38	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.1%	
Niuean	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Samoan	66	0.2%	0.2%	29	0.1%	
Tongan	112	0.4%	0.1%	63	0.2%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	17	0.1%	0.0%	13	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Tuvaluan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North-West European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
British, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
English	10,127	36.4%	39.6%	9,696	34.6%	
Scottish	2,689	9.7%	10.4%	2,619	9.4%	
Welsh	116	0.4%	0.6%	115	0.4%	
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Manx	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
British, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	2,901	10.4%	10.9%	2,974	10.6%	
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	45	0.2%	0.2%	25	0.1%	
Dutch	314	1.1%	1.5%	331	1.2%	
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French	93	0.3%	0.6%	112	0.4%	
German	1,697	6.1%	6.3%	1,663	5.9%	
Swiss	18	0.1%	0.2%	24	0.1%	
Belgian	4	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	14	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Danish	103	0.4%	0.5%	86	0.3%	
Finnish	41	0.1%	0.2%	48	0.2%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	30	0.1%	0.2%	16	0.1%	
Swedish	36	0.1%	0.2%	40	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	463	1.7%	3.2%	461	1.6%	
Maltese	99	0.4%	0.5%	71	0.3%	
Portuguese	4	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	
Spanish	54	0.2%	0.5%	74	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	9	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Albanian	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bosnian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	35	0.1%	0.3%	24	0.1%	
Greek	100	0.4%	0.5%	64	0.2%	
Macedonian	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	15	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Roma Gypsy	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Slovene	3	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Cypriot	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Vlach	–	–	–	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	4	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Estonian	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Hungarian	33	0.1%	0.3%	29	0.1%	
Latvian	7	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Lithuanian	12	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Polish	96	0.3%	0.5%	81	0.3%	
Russian	29	0.1%	0.3%	37	0.1%	
Slovak	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ukrainian	27	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Egyptian	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Iraqi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lebanese	6	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	–
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Emirati	–	–	–	–	–	–
Omani	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jewish	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	–	–	–	–
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	9	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	16	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	11	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Thai	88	0.3%	0.3%	53	0.2%	–
Vietnamese	33	0.1%	0.2%	13	0.0%	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	426	1.5%	1.3%	324	1.2%	
Indonesian	37	0.1%	0.2%	27	0.1%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	32	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.1%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South-East Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	256	0.9%	1.6%	234	0.8%	
Taiwanese	9	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	15	0.1%	0.5%	5	0.0%	
Korean	34	0.1%	0.3%	41	0.1%	
Mongolian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	16	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Indian	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indian	151	0.5%	1.0%	156	0.6%	–
Malayali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nepalese	23	0.1%	0.2%	21	0.1%	–
Pakistani	5	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Punjabi	21	0.1%	0.2%	15	0.1%	–
Sikh	9	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Sinhalese	12	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bangladeshi	3	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Indian	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan	17	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.1%	–
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tamil, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Telugu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afghan	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
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	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
American	48	0.2%	0.3%	54	0.2%	
Canadian	50	0.2%	0.2%	34	0.1%	
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Native North American Indian	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Argentinian	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Brazilian	10	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	–
Chilean	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Colombian	11	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	–
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Peruvian	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Uruguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mexican	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Salvadoran	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caribbean Islander, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
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	–	–	–	–	–	
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandinka	–	–	–	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	–	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	24	0.1%	0.0%	16	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kenyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychellois	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South African	194	0.7%	0.6%	142	0.5%	–
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Zimbabwean	44	0.2%	0.1%	35	0.1%	–
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Masai	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	–	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Ogaden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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

Data basis: usual residence.