

Community report

Cottesloe (T)

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

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Cottesloe (T)

COMPARISON

Greater Perth

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 Cottesloe (T), accounting for 89.5% (7,113 people). This share was higher than Greater Perth (74%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 551 people and 3 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

Cottesloe (T) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	9	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	0.1%	—	—
Non-verbal, so described	6	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.2%	-3	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—
Irish	5	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Welsh	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
English	7,113	89.5%	74.0%	6,562	86.5%	74.0%
German and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
German	31	0.4%	0.3%	56	0.7%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Dutch	15	0.2%	0.2%	23	0.3%	0.2%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Afrikaans	21	0.3%	0.6%	29	0.4%	0.6%
Danish	9	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	0.0%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.1%	0.0%
Swedish	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.1%	0.0%
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Finnish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
French	50	0.6%	0.4%	76	1.0%	0.4%
Greek	19	0.2%	0.2%	35	0.5%	0.2%
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Portuguese	26	0.3%	0.4%	20	0.3%	0.4%
Spanish	36	0.5%	0.6%	20	0.3%	0.6%
Italian	92	1.2%	1.1%	71	0.9%	1.1%
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hungarian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Russian	6	0.1%	0.2%	5	0.1%	–
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bosnian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	6	0.1%	0.2%	10	0.1%	–
Macedonian	3	0.0%	0.3%	5	0.1%	–
Serbian	–	–	0.3%	3	0.0%	–
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czech	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polish	13	0.2%	0.2%	6	0.1%	–
Slovak	5	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Albanian	4	0.1%	0.0%	6	0.1%	–
Romanian	–	–	0.1%	5	0.1%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	4	0.1%	0.3%	8	0.1%	–
Hazaraghi	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Arabic	8	0.1%	0.7%	7	0.1%	–
Hebrew	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Turkish	9	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Kannada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Malayalam	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Tamil	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bengali	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Gujarati	5	0.1%	0.5%	–	–	–
Hindi	3	0.0%	0.5%	3	0.0%	–
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marathi	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Nepali	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Punjabi	–	–	0.9%	–	–	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sinhalese	3	0.0%	0.3%	8	0.1%	–
Urdu	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southern Asian Languages	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–

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Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Vietnamese	8	0.1%	1.0%	7	0.1%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon–Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	6	0.1%	0.3%	6	0.1%	–
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cebuano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	12	0.2%	0.5%	7	0.1%	–
Malay	–	–	0.2%	4	0.1%	–
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Tagalog	–	–	0.7%	–	–	–
Filipino	–	–	0.5%	–	–	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cantonese	12	0.2%	0.9%	11	0.1%	–
Hakka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandarin	40	0.5%	2.3%	25	0.3%	–
Wu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Min Nan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Chinese, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Japanese	5	0.1%	0.3%	17	0.2%	–
Korean	3	0.0%	0.3%	3	0.0%	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Walmajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	–	–	–	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kukatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kukatja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luritja	–	–	–	–	–	–
Manyjilyjarra	–	–	–	–	–	–
Martu Wangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tjupany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Miriwoong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyikina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Worrorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kija	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kimberley Area Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Banyjima	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kariyarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mangala	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ngarluma	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyangumarta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Palyku/Nyiyaparli	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yindjibarndi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yinhawangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Badimaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngatjumaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Somali	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Swahili	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Amharic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shilluk	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Loma (Lorma)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	–	–	–	–

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Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tongan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	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%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Auslan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Key Word Sign Australia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Not stated	349	4.4%	5.1%	506	6.7%	–
Total	7,945	100.0%	100.0%	7,585	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.