

Community report

Cumberland (A)

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

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COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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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 Cumberland (A) were Chinese, Lebanese and Australian.

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

Cumberland (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	1,218	0.5%	0.3%	683	0.3%	0.2%	+535	+0.2
Eurasian, so described	10	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	0.0%	-18	0.0
Asian, so described	754	0.3%	0.2%	525	0.2%	0.1%	+229	+0.1
African, so described	867	0.4%	0.2%	761	0.4%	0.2%	+106	0.0
European, so described	125	0.1%	0.1%	93	0.0%	0.1%	+32	+0.1
Caucasian, so described	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+8	0.0
Creole, so described	16	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	+11	0.0
Oceanian, nfd	147	0.1%	0.0%	156	0.1%	0.1%	-9	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	24,868	10.6%	22.3%	25,760	11.9%	23.5%	-892	-1.3
Australian Aboriginal	1,436	0.6%	1.6%	211	0.1%	0.2%	+1,225	+0.5
Australian South Sea Islander	11	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	0.0%	-25	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Torres Strait Islander	198	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	1,046	0.4%	0.5%	1,104	0.5%	
New Zealander	566	0.2%	0.7%	711	0.3%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Ni-Vanuatu	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	38	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	63	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Cook Islander	323	0.1%	0.1%	361	0.2%	
Fijian	1,248	0.5%	0.4%	1,072	0.5%	
Niuean	96	0.0%	0.0%	75	0.0%	
Samoan	1,148	0.5%	0.6%	963	0.4%	
Tongan	1,911	0.8%	0.4%	1,753	0.8%	
Hawaiian	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tahitian	17	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Tokelauan	33	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	21	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
North–West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
British, nfd	38	0.0%	0.0%	55	0.0%	–
English	21,713	9.2%	23.8%	22,251	10.3%	23.8%
Scottish	3,519	1.5%	6.0%	4,031	1.9%	–
Welsh	250	0.1%	0.5%	294	0.1%	–
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Manx	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
British, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Irish	5,261	2.2%	7.7%	6,286	2.9%	–
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Austrian	128	0.1%	0.2%	141	0.1%	–
Dutch	461	0.2%	0.9%	504	0.2%	–
Flemish	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
French	406	0.2%	0.7%	515	0.2%	–
German	1,609	0.7%	2.3%	1,921	0.9%	–
Swiss	63	0.0%	0.1%	62	0.0%	–
Belgian	26	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	–
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Danish	82	0.0%	0.2%	68	0.0%	
Finnish	59	0.0%	0.1%	53	0.0%	
Icelandic	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Norwegian	47	0.0%	0.1%	49	0.0%	
Swedish	81	0.0%	0.2%	77	0.0%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	4,890	2.1%	4.3%	5,064	2.3%	
Maltese	3,045	1.3%	1.2%	3,395	1.6%	
Portuguese	480	0.2%	0.5%	488	0.2%	
Spanish	1,067	0.5%	0.8%	1,264	0.6%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	111	0.0%	0.1%	165	0.1%	
Albanian	128	0.1%	0.0%	105	0.0%	
Bosnian	453	0.2%	0.1%	435	0.2%	
Bulgarian	49	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Croatian	2,200	0.9%	0.8%	2,155	1.0%	
Greek	2,284	1.0%	2.4%	2,466	1.1%	
Macedonian	265	0.1%	0.6%	258	0.1%	
Moldovan	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Montenegrin	42	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Romanian	125	0.1%	0.1%	137	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Serbian	621	0.3%	0.6%	554	0.3%	
Slovene	199	0.1%	0.1%	197	0.1%	
Cypriot	380	0.2%	0.3%	318	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	43	0.0%	0.1%	36	0.0%	
Belarusan	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Czech	87	0.0%	0.2%	96	0.0%	
Estonian	27	0.0%	0.1%	40	0.0%	
Hungarian	289	0.1%	0.4%	301	0.1%	
Latvian	63	0.0%	0.1%	53	0.0%	
Lithuanian	57	0.0%	0.1%	69	0.0%	
Polish	779	0.3%	0.8%	928	0.4%	
Russian	762	0.3%	0.6%	796	0.4%	
Slovak	61	0.0%	0.1%	76	0.0%	
Ukrainian	300	0.1%	0.2%	402	0.2%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	1,218	0.5%	0.2%	426	0.2%	
Arab, nfd	4,000	1.7%	0.6%	2,766	1.3%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Algerian	56	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Egyptian	1,169	0.5%	0.5%	1,119	0.5%	
Iraqi	2,718	1.2%	0.6%	2,970	1.4%	
Jordanian	393	0.2%	0.1%	432	0.2%	
Kuwaiti	108	0.0%	0.0%	110	0.1%	
Lebanese	28,014	11.9%	3.3%	28,654	13.3%	
Libyan	11	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Moroccan	57	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Palestinian	1,025	0.4%	0.2%	969	0.4%	
Saudi Arabian	50	0.0%	0.0%	82	0.0%	
Syrian	1,872	0.8%	0.3%	1,448	0.7%	
Tunisian	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Yemeni	58	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Qatari	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	37	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Jewish	28	0.0%	0.2%	33	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	66	0.0%	0.0%	105	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	13	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
South Sudanese	122	0.1%	0.0%	194	0.1%	
Sudanese	371	0.2%	0.1%	531	0.2%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	93	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	9	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Coptic	42	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Iranian	1,622	0.7%	0.6%	2,082	1.0%	
Kurdish	608	0.3%	0.1%	841	0.4%	
Turkish	7,694	3.3%	0.6%	7,304	3.4%	
Assyrian	501	0.2%	0.6%	380	0.2%	
Chaldean	74	0.0%	0.2%	86	0.0%	
Mandaean	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Nubian	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	24	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	77	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	671	0.3%	0.1%	780	0.4%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	333	0.1%	0.3%	300	0.1%	
Lao	122	0.1%	0.2%	118	0.1%	
Thai	848	0.4%	0.6%	672	0.3%	

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Vietnamese	4,358	1.9%	2.3%	4,262	2.0%	
Karen	76	0.0%	0.0%	91	0.0%	
Mon	15	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Chin	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Rohingya	27	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	79	0.0%	0.0%	97	0.0%	
Maritime South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	5,778	2.5%	2.5%	5,254	2.4%	
Indonesian	768	0.3%	0.6%	743	0.3%	
Javanese	20	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	547	0.2%	0.2%	315	0.1%	
Sundanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Timorese	57	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Singaporean	63	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Maritime South-East Asian, nec	46	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
North-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	29,748	12.6%	10.6%	27,385	12.7%	
Taiwanese	281	0.1%	0.1%	283	0.1%	
Chinese Asian, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Japanese	265	0.1%	0.4%	219	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Korean	5,503	2.3%	1.3%	5,272	2.4%	
Mongolian	152	0.1%	0.1%	53	0.0%	
Tibetan	31	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nfd	1,869	0.8%	0.3%	899	0.4%	
Anglo-Indian	118	0.1%	0.0%	111	0.1%	
Bengali	440	0.2%	0.2%	232	0.1%	
Burgher	18	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Gujarati	721	0.3%	0.1%	203	0.1%	
Indian	20,417	8.7%	4.5%	18,143	8.4%	
Malayali	335	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.0%	
Nepalese	10,562	4.5%	1.3%	5,503	2.5%	
Pakistani	4,551	1.9%	0.7%	4,180	1.9%	
Punjabi	1,405	0.6%	0.4%	714	0.3%	
Sikh	550	0.2%	0.2%	215	0.1%	
Sinhalese	319	0.1%	0.2%	370	0.2%	
Maldivian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bangladeshi	1,011	0.4%	0.5%	986	0.5%	
Bhutanese	19	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Fijian Indian	395	0.2%	0.2%	409	0.2%	
Kashmiri	57	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Parsi	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sindhi	21	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Sri Lankan	1,581	0.7%	0.4%	2,664	1.2%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	766	0.3%	0.1%	1,234	0.6%	
Indian Tamil	69	0.0%	0.0%	39	0.0%	
Tamil, nfd	5,199	2.2%	0.5%	2,168	1.0%	
Telugu	1,187	0.5%	0.1%	67	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	466	0.2%	0.1%	116	0.1%	
Central Asian, nfd	19	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	5,251	2.2%	0.3%	6,027	2.8%	
Armenian	443	0.2%	0.3%	358	0.2%	
Georgian	12	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kazakh	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	282	0.1%	0.0%	190	0.1%	
Uzbek	22	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Azeri	32	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Hazara	4,170	1.8%	0.1%	2,620	1.2%	
Tajik	91	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	
Tatar	6	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Turkmen	89	0.0%	0.0%	111	0.1%	
Uighur	53	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Kyrgyz	12	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Central Asian, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	57	0.0%	0.1%	64	0.0%	
North American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African American	28	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
American	169	0.1%	0.3%	180	0.1%	
Canadian	41	0.0%	0.2%	62	0.0%	
French Canadian	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	40	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	5	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South American, nfd	198	0.1%	0.1%	144	0.1%	
Argentinian	123	0.1%	0.1%	182	0.1%	
Bolivian	25	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Brazilian	111	0.0%	0.3%	76	0.0%	
Chilean	488	0.2%	0.3%	508	0.2%	
Colombian	180	0.1%	0.2%	151	0.1%	
Ecuadorian	39	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	
Guyanese	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Peruvian	248	0.1%	0.1%	205	0.1%	
Uruguayan	166	0.1%	0.1%	164	0.1%	
Venezuelan	19	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Paraguayan	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
South American, nec	30	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mexican	37	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	14	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Salvadoran	63	0.0%	0.0%	68	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Costa Rican	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Cuban	17	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Jamaican	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Central and West African, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Akan	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Fulani	7	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Ghanaian	214	0.1%	0.1%	246	0.1%	
Nigerian	207	0.1%	0.1%	125	0.1%	
Yoruba	32	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	24	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Sierra Leonean	209	0.1%	0.0%	211	0.1%	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Congolese	27	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	43	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	–
Mandinka	4	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	–
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Central and West African, nec	41	0.0%	0.0%	85	0.0%	–
Southern and East African, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Afrikaner	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Angolan	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Eritrean	35	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	–
Ethiopian	148	0.1%	0.0%	137	0.1%	–
Kenyan	152	0.1%	0.0%	75	0.0%	–
Malawian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Mauritian	300	0.1%	0.2%	303	0.1%	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	15	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Seychellois	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Somali	658	0.3%	0.0%	711	0.3%	–
South African	228	0.1%	0.6%	247	0.1%	–
Tanzanian	8	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	–
Ugandan	68	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	–
Zambian	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Zimbabwean	86	0.0%	0.1%	72	0.0%	
Amhara	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Batswana	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tigre	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	4	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Ogaden	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	27	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.