

# Community report

## Fairfield (C)

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

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**Fairfield (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

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

Fairfield (C) | Greater Sydney comparison | Persons

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 56% (116,667) of people in Fairfield (C) were born overseas, compared with 38.6% in Greater Sydney. A further 38.6% (80,400) 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

Fairfield (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	95	0.0%	0.1%	80	0.0%	0.1%	+15	0.0
At sea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceania and Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	80,400	38.6%	56.8%	80,773	40.6%	57.1%	-373	-2.0
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	2,185	1.0%	1.6%	2,807	1.4%	1.8%	-622	-0.4
New Caledonia	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Papua New Guinea	21	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.0%	0.1%	-3	0.0
Solomon Islands	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Vanuatu	8	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	0.0%	-7	0.0
Micronesia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesia, Federated States of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauru	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Northern Mariana Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Cook Islands	65	0.0%	0.0%	70	0.0%	
Fiji	1,302	0.6%	0.7%	1,377	0.7%	
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	14	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Samoa	920	0.4%	0.2%	1,015	0.5%	
Samoa, American	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tokelau	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tonga	524	0.3%	0.1%	463	0.2%	
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wallis and Futuna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
England	822	0.4%	2.9%	1,027	0.5%	
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern Ireland	45	0.0%	0.1%	62	0.0%	
Scotland	143	0.1%	0.3%	198	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Wales	23	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.0%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ireland	108	0.1%	0.4%	132	0.1%	
Austria	100	0.0%	0.1%	133	0.1%	
Belgium	22	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
France	91	0.0%	0.2%	113	0.1%	
Germany	409	0.2%	0.3%	499	0.3%	
Liechtenstein	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	85	0.0%	0.2%	123	0.1%	
Switzerland	17	0.0%	0.1%	29	0.0%	
Northern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Denmark	21	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Faroe Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finland	26	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Greenland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	18	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Sweden	34	0.0%	0.1%	45	0.0%	
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Andorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Italy	3,041	1.5%	0.7%	3,475	1.7%	
Malta	864	0.4%	0.2%	981	0.5%	
Portugal	147	0.1%	0.1%	160	0.1%	
San Marino	—	—	—	—	—	
Spain	186	0.1%	0.1%	222	0.1%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	582	0.3%	0.1%	866	0.4%	
Albania	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	894	0.4%	0.1%	924	0.5%	
Bulgaria	13	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Croatia	1,791	0.9%	0.2%	1,940	1.0%	
Cyprus	192	0.1%	0.1%	206	0.1%	
North Macedonia	783	0.4%	0.2%	783	0.4%	
Greece	405	0.2%	0.5%	453	0.2%	
Moldova	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Romania	70	0.0%	0.1%	83	0.0%	
Slovenia	92	0.0%	0.0%	123	0.1%	
Montenegro	40	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Serbia	1,241	0.6%	0.2%	1,045	0.5%	
Kosovo	67	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	29	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Belarus	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Czechia	36	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Estonia	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hungary	65	0.0%	0.1%	78	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Latvia	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Lithuania	10	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Poland	390	0.2%	0.2%	484	0.2%	
Russian Federation	96	0.0%	0.2%	128	0.1%	
Slovakia	24	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Ukraine	71	0.0%	0.1%	97	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	13	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Egypt	402	0.2%	0.4%	426	0.2%	
Libya	15	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Morocco	22	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Sudan	166	0.1%	0.1%	201	0.1%	
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
South Sudan	23	0.0%	0.0%	54	0.0%	
Middle East, nfd	67	0.0%	0.0%	239	0.1%	
Bahrain	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	94	0.0%	0.0%	122	0.1%	
Iran	1,243	0.6%	0.5%	1,548	0.8%	
Iraq	24,983	12.0%	1.0%	18,751	9.4%	
Israel	36	0.0%	0.1%	52	0.0%	
Jordan	558	0.3%	0.1%	467	0.2%	
Kuwait	194	0.1%	0.1%	238	0.1%	

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Lebanon	2,717	1.3%	1.2%	2,467	1.2%	
Oman	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Qatar	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Saudi Arabia	45	0.0%	0.1%	51	0.0%	
Syria	5,768	2.8%	0.3%	2,440	1.2%	
Turkey	682	0.3%	0.3%	648	0.3%	
United Arab Emirates	34	0.0%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Yemen	14	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	315	0.2%	0.1%	404	0.2%	
Cambodia	7,507	3.6%	0.3%	7,382	3.7%	
Laos	1,855	0.9%	0.1%	1,979	1.0%	
Thailand	1,526	0.7%	0.5%	1,511	0.8%	
Vietnam	34,072	16.3%	1.8%	30,801	15.5%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Indonesia	486	0.2%	0.7%	468	0.2%	
Malaysia	737	0.4%	0.7%	539	0.3%	
Philippines	2,385	1.1%	1.7%	2,382	1.2%	
Singapore	106	0.1%	0.3%	101	0.1%	
Timor-Leste	557	0.3%	0.0%	628	0.3%	
North-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	

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Chinese Asia (includes Mongolia), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	3,846	1.8%	4.6%	4,047	2.0%	–
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	444	0.2%	0.9%	437	0.2%	–
Macau (SAR of China)	21	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	–
Mongolia	6	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Taiwan	157	0.1%	0.2%	150	0.1%	–
Japan	57	0.0%	0.2%	63	0.0%	–
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Korea, Republic of (South)	117	0.1%	1.0%	102	0.1%	–
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bangladesh	100	0.0%	0.5%	86	0.0%	–
Bhutan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
India	665	0.3%	3.6%	749	0.4%	–
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nepal	118	0.1%	1.1%	70	0.0%	–
Pakistan	357	0.2%	0.6%	327	0.2%	–
Sri Lanka	183	0.1%	0.6%	210	0.1%	–
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Afghanistan	484	0.2%	0.3%	305	0.2%	–
Armenia	18	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Azerbaijan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Georgia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–

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Kazakhstan	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kyrgyzstan	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Americas, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	75	0.0%	0.2%	58	0.0%	
United States of America	212	0.1%	0.5%	205	0.1%	
South America, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Argentina	556	0.3%	0.1%	653	0.3%	
Bolivia	63	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	
Brazil	30	0.0%	0.4%	41	0.0%	
Chile	1,411	0.7%	0.2%	1,680	0.8%	
Colombia	128	0.1%	0.2%	119	0.1%	
Ecuador	58	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguay	15	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Peru	354	0.2%	0.1%	413	0.2%	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	907	0.4%	0.1%	1,164	0.6%	
Venezuela	21	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	

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Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
El Salvador	281	0.1%	0.0%	321	0.2%	
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Honduras	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Mexico	10	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Nicaragua	54	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Panama	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anguilla	–	–	–	–	–	
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuba	21	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominican Republic	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guadeloupe	–	–	–	–	–	
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Martinique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Virgin Islands, British	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Virgin Islands, United States	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sint Maarten (Dutch part)	–	–	–	–	–	
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Benin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burkina Faso	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cabo Verde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central African Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chad	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Republic of	11	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	49	0.0%	0.0%	48	0.0%	
Cote d'Ivoire	6	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Equatorial Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gambia	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Ghana	83	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.0%	
Guinea	9	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Guinea-Bissau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Liberia	12	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Mali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	126	0.1%	0.1%	128	0.1%	
Sao Tome and Principe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sierra Leone	36	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Togo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Angola	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundi	15	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Comoros	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djibouti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ethiopia	28	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Kenya	90	0.0%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mauritius	190	0.1%	0.1%	209	0.1%	
Mozambique	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	13	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Somalia	25	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
South Africa	91	0.0%	0.8%	115	0.1%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	14	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Uganda	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Zambia	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	36	0.0%	0.1%	51	0.0%	
Southern and East Africa, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Not stated	11,417	5.5%	4.6%	10,890	5.5%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>208,484</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>198,789</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.