

Community report

Glen Eira (C)

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

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Glen Eira (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

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 Glen Eira (C) were English, Australian and Chinese.

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

Glen Eira (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	377	0.3%	0.3%	387	0.3%	0.3%	-10	0.0
Eurasian, so described	31	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	0.0%	-10	0.0
Asian, so described	82	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	0.1%	+3	0.0
African, so described	151	0.1%	0.3%	126	0.1%	0.2%	+25	0.0
European, so described	1,508	1.0%	0.1%	1,109	0.8%	0.1%	+399	+0.2
Caucasian, so described	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+8	0.0
Creole, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%	-7	0.0
Oceanian, nfd	18	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	+8	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	34,787	23.4%	23.4%	33,086	23.5%	24.0%	+1,701	-0.1
Australian Aboriginal	411	0.3%	0.7%	44	0.0%	0.1%	+367	+0.3
Australian South Sea Islander	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Torres Strait Islander	64	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Maori	341	0.2%	0.4%	238	0.2%	—
New Zealander	1,072	0.7%	0.6%	1,098	0.8%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ni-Vanuatu	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Papua New Guinean	21	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	—
Solomon Islander	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
I-Kiribati	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Nauruan	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nfd	15	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Cook Islander	16	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	—
Fijian	77	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.0%	—
Niuean	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Samoan	75	0.1%	0.4%	76	0.1%	—
Tongan	47	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	—
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	8	0.0%	—
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
North-West European, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
British, nfd	95	0.1%	0.0%	70	0.0%	–
English	35,173	23.6%	25.6%	33,499	23.8%	25.6%
Scottish	10,169	6.8%	7.1%	9,472	6.7%	7.1%
Welsh	634	0.4%	0.5%	570	0.4%	0.5%
Channel Islander	15	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Manx	5	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%
British, nec	23	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	13,344	9.0%	8.3%	13,257	9.4%	8.3%
Western European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Austrian	638	0.4%	0.2%	569	0.4%	0.2%
Dutch	1,851	1.2%	1.5%	1,619	1.1%	1.5%
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
French	1,562	1.0%	0.6%	1,318	0.9%	0.6%
German	5,041	3.4%	2.9%	4,995	3.5%	2.9%
Swiss	267	0.2%	0.1%	257	0.2%	0.1%
Belgian	98	0.1%	0.0%	99	0.1%	0.0%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Western European, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Northern European, nfd	36	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	0.0%

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Danish	337	0.2%	0.2%	274	0.2%	
Finnish	86	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	
Icelandic	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Norwegian	177	0.1%	0.1%	145	0.1%	
Swedish	288	0.2%	0.2%	245	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Catalan	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Italian	7,046	4.7%	6.6%	6,208	4.4%	
Maltese	630	0.4%	1.4%	540	0.4%	
Portuguese	397	0.3%	0.3%	285	0.2%	
Spanish	744	0.5%	0.5%	608	0.4%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	104	0.1%	0.1%	167	0.1%	
Albanian	65	0.0%	0.2%	70	0.0%	
Bosnian	118	0.1%	0.2%	70	0.0%	
Bulgarian	96	0.1%	0.0%	95	0.1%	
Croatian	894	0.6%	0.9%	670	0.5%	
Greek	8,237	5.5%	3.5%	7,662	5.4%	
Macedonian	255	0.2%	0.9%	175	0.1%	
Moldovan	83	0.1%	0.0%	69	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Montenegrin	46	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Romanian	612	0.4%	0.2%	592	0.4%	
Roma Gypsy	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Serbian	723	0.5%	0.5%	518	0.4%	
Slovene	145	0.1%	0.1%	113	0.1%	
Cypriot	541	0.4%	0.3%	342	0.2%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Eastern European, nfd	1,079	0.7%	0.1%	785	0.6%	
Belarusan	226	0.2%	0.0%	151	0.1%	
Czech	392	0.3%	0.1%	388	0.3%	
Estonian	62	0.0%	0.0%	67	0.0%	
Hungarian	1,638	1.1%	0.4%	1,609	1.1%	
Latvian	313	0.2%	0.1%	220	0.2%	
Lithuanian	992	0.7%	0.1%	827	0.6%	
Polish	6,226	4.2%	1.1%	6,312	4.5%	
Russian	4,365	2.9%	0.5%	4,489	3.2%	
Slovak	168	0.1%	0.1%	154	0.1%	
Ukrainian	1,336	0.9%	0.3%	1,209	0.9%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Eastern European, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	227	0.2%	0.1%	102	0.1%	
Arab, nfd	82	0.1%	0.3%	67	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Algerian	7	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Egyptian	418	0.3%	0.4%	334	0.2%	
Iraqi	118	0.1%	0.3%	101	0.1%	
Jordanian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Lebanese	467	0.3%	1.0%	416	0.3%	
Libyan	11	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Moroccan	197	0.1%	0.0%	168	0.1%	
Palestinian	64	0.0%	0.1%	58	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Syrian	65	0.0%	0.2%	57	0.0%	
Tunisian	35	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Yemeni	45	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	
Arab, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	5,880	3.9%	0.3%	4,696	3.3%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	10	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	

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Sudanese	14	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Iranian	384	0.3%	0.5%	308	0.2%	
Kurdish	27	0.0%	0.1%	23	0.0%	
Turkish	413	0.3%	0.8%	277	0.2%	
Assyrian	22	0.0%	0.2%	21	0.0%	
Chaldean	9	0.0%	0.2%	11	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	2,317	1.6%	0.1%	2,224	1.6%	
South-East Asian, nfd	25	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	90	0.1%	0.2%	63	0.0%	
Hmong	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	162	0.1%	0.5%	118	0.1%	
Lao	46	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	
Thai	455	0.3%	0.4%	373	0.3%	
Vietnamese	1,452	1.0%	2.4%	950	0.7%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Karen	3	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Mon	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Chin	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Rohingya	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Filipino	1,243	0.8%	1.7%	943	0.7%	—
Indonesian	466	0.3%	0.4%	369	0.3%	—
Javanese	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Madurese	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malay	487	0.3%	0.4%	324	0.2%	—
Sundanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Timorese	20	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	—
Acehnese	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Balinese	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	—
Bruneian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kadazan	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Singaporean	115	0.1%	0.1%	76	0.1%	—
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	34	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Chinese	13,632	9.2%	8.3%	12,187	8.7%	—
Taiwanese	159	0.1%	0.1%	105	0.1%	—
Chinese Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Japanese	1,157	0.8%	0.3%	934	0.7%	—
Korean	898	0.6%	0.4%	851	0.6%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Mongolian	31	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Tibetan	22	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	345	0.2%	0.3%	210	0.1%	
Anglo-Indian	217	0.1%	0.1%	226	0.2%	
Bengali	55	0.0%	0.1%	47	0.0%	
Burgher	110	0.1%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Gujarati	259	0.2%	0.1%	112	0.1%	
Indian	7,164	4.8%	5.3%	7,071	5.0%	
Malayali	71	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Nepalese	509	0.3%	0.4%	285	0.2%	
Pakistani	163	0.1%	0.6%	133	0.1%	
Punjabi	171	0.1%	1.0%	82	0.1%	
Sikh	68	0.0%	0.5%	45	0.0%	
Sinhalese	391	0.3%	0.6%	133	0.1%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bangladeshi	114	0.1%	0.2%	114	0.1%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Fijian Indian	25	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	
Kashmiri	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	19	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sri Lankan	1,096	0.7%	1.0%	1,170	0.8%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sri Lankan Tamil	19	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	16	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Tamil, nfd	562	0.4%	0.5%	62	0.0%	
Telugu	311	0.2%	0.2%	81	0.1%	
Southern Asian, nec	97	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	54	0.0%	0.4%	33	0.0%	
Armenian	198	0.1%	0.1%	190	0.1%	
Georgian	57	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Kazakh	21	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Pathan	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	32	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Azeri	23	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Hazara	12	0.0%	0.4%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Turkmen	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Uighur	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Central Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	74	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.0%	
North American, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
African American	19	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
American	778	0.5%	0.3%	815	0.6%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Canadian	291	0.2%	0.1%	283	0.2%	
French Canadian	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	36	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	22	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	76	0.1%	0.0%	55	0.0%	
Argentinian	196	0.1%	0.1%	143	0.1%	
Bolivian	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Brazilian	214	0.1%	0.1%	155	0.1%	
Chilean	223	0.1%	0.2%	157	0.1%	
Colombian	334	0.2%	0.2%	176	0.1%	
Ecuadorian	13	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Guyanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Peruvian	94	0.1%	0.0%	50	0.0%	
Uruguayan	28	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Venezuelan	23	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Paraguayan	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South American, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	112	0.1%	0.1%	80	0.1%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	30	0.0%	0.1%	31	0.0%	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Central American, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Caribbean Islander, nfd	27	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	–
Cuban	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Jamaican	37	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	–
Trinidadian Tobagonian	11	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Puerto Rican	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Caribbean Islander, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghanaian	18	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Nigerian	20	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Igbo	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Krahn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mandinka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Senegalese	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Themne	—	—	—	—	—	—
Togolese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central and West African, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Southern and East African, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	—
Afrikaner	20	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	—
Angolan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eritrean	11	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	—
Ethiopian	41	0.0%	0.2%	32	0.0%	—
Kenyan	55	0.0%	0.0%	48	0.0%	—
Malawian	14	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Mauritian	367	0.2%	0.3%	323	0.2%	—
Mozambican	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Namibian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Oromo	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Seychellois	52	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	—
Somali	17	0.0%	0.2%	18	0.0%	—
South African	2,920	2.0%	0.5%	2,673	1.9%	—
Tanzanian	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Ugandan	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Zambian	12	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Zimbabwean	90	0.1%	0.1%	77	0.1%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hutu	–	–	–	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.