

Community report

Greater Geraldton (C)

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

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Greater Geraldton (C)

COMPARISON

Regional WA

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 Greater Geraldton (C), accounting for 82.6% (32,606 people). This share was higher than Regional WA (80.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 230 people, while its share fell by 1.2 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

Greater Geraldton (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	22	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.0%	0.0%	+8	+0.1
Non-verbal, so described	26	0.1%	0.1%	39	0.1%	0.1%	-13	0.0
Swiss, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Creole, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
French Creole, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Pidgin, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Gaelic (Scotland)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Irish	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Welsh	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
English	32,606	82.6%	80.9%	32,376	83.8%	81.7%	+230	-1.2
German	106	0.3%	0.3%	135	0.3%	0.3%	-29	0.0
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Dutch	39	0.1%	0.1%	39	0.1%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaans	283	0.7%	0.5%	309	0.8%	0.5%
Danish	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swedish	21	0.1%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
French	76	0.2%	0.2%	70	0.2%	0.2%
Greek	21	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.0%	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	32	0.1%	0.1%	17	0.0%	–
Spanish	38	0.1%	0.2%	50	0.1%	–
Italian	159	0.4%	0.4%	228	0.6%	0.4%
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latin	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lithuanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Hungarian	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Russian	12	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Macedonian	10	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.1%	0.0%
Serbian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Czech	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polish	13	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	0.0%
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Albanian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Hazaraghi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Arabic	41	0.1%	0.1%	28	0.1%	0.0%
Hebrew	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Turkish	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kannada	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Malayalam	131	0.3%	0.1%	98	0.3%	–
Tamil	22	0.1%	0.1%	28	0.1%	–
Telugu	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bengali	18	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	–
Gujarati	22	0.1%	0.1%	19	0.0%	–
Hindi	41	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.1%	–
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marathi	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Nepali	26	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Punjabi	34	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sinhalese	24	0.1%	0.1%	28	0.1%	–
Urdu	51	0.1%	0.1%	47	0.1%	–
Assamese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other Southern Asian Languages	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Burmese	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	–	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Vietnamese	154	0.4%	0.2%	99	0.3%	–
Lao	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Thai	115	0.3%	0.2%	99	0.3%	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Cebuano	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	84	0.2%	0.1%	56	0.1%	–
Malay	281	0.7%	0.2%	298	0.8%	–
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tagalog	203	0.5%	0.5%	236	0.6%	–
Filipino	154	0.4%	0.4%	173	0.4%	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bikol	–	–	–	–	–	–
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Javanese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Cantonese	34	0.1%	0.1%	34	0.1%	–
Hakka	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mandarin	132	0.3%	0.4%	99	0.3%	–
Wu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Min Nan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	16	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.1%	–
Korean	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	25	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.1%	–
Maung	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gudanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Murrinh Patha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Wardaman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yanyuwa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kunwinjku	–	–	–	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djapu	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wik Ngathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cape York Peninsula Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
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%	–	–	–
Bilinarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gurindji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jaru	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Ngardi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ngarinyman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Walmajarri	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Western Desert Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kartujarra	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kukatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Kukatja	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Luritja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Manyjilyjarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Martu Wangka	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Pintupi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wangkajunga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wangkatha	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Warnman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yulparija	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tjupany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bunuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gooniyandi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Miriwoong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarinyin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyikina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Worrorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wunambal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kija	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kimberley Area Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Banyjima	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kariyarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurna	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kriol	8	0.0%	0.4%	4	0.0%	–
Mangala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Muruwari	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ngarluma	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyangumarta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	8	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Palyku/Nyiyaparli	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	86	0.2%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yindjibarndi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Yinhawangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Badimaya	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Dharawal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngatjumaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
African Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	48	0.1%	0.1%	56	0.1%	0.1%
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swahili	25	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%
Amharic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Nuer	7	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Fulfulde	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	26	0.1%	0.0%	31	0.1%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	33	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Samoan	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Tongan	11	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norf'k–Pitcairn	–	–	–	–	–	–
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	–	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Auslan	35	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Not stated	3,912	9.9%	10.5%	3,423	8.9%	10.5%
Total	39,464	100.0%	100.0%	38,656	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.