

# Community report

## Hobsons Bay (C)

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

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**Hobsons Bay (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Melbourne**

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

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 30.1% (27,490) of people in Hobsons Bay (C) were born overseas, compared with 35.7% in Greater Melbourne. A further 65.5% (59,758) 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

Hobsons Bay (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	56	0.1%	0.1%	72	0.1%	0.1%	-16	0.0
At sea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceania and Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	59,758	65.5%	59.9%	56,177	63.3%	59.8%	+3,581	+2.2
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	1,919	2.1%	1.7%	1,951	2.2%	1.8%	-32	-0.1
New Caledonia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Papua New Guinea	37	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	0.0%	+3	0.0
Solomon Islands	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Micronesia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauru	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Northern Mariana Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Palau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cook Islands	16	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Fiji	114	0.1%	0.2%	115	0.1%	
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Samoa	36	0.0%	0.1%	48	0.1%	
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	43	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.1%	
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wallis and Futuna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Australian Antarctic Territory	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	28	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
England	3,101	3.4%	2.7%	2,993	3.4%	
Isle of Man	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	94	0.1%	0.1%	106	0.1%	
Scotland	554	0.6%	0.4%	541	0.6%	
Wales	95	0.1%	0.1%	84	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jersey	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Ireland	465	0.5%	0.3%	423	0.5%	–
Austria	61	0.1%	0.1%	66	0.1%	–
Belgium	20	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
France	146	0.2%	0.1%	124	0.1%	–
Germany	467	0.5%	0.4%	481	0.5%	–
Liechtenstein	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Netherlands	200	0.2%	0.2%	185	0.2%	–
Switzerland	32	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.1%	–
Denmark	33	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	–
Faroe Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Finland	39	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	–
Greenland	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Iceland	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Norway	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Sweden	56	0.1%	0.0%	51	0.1%	–
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	–
Andorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Italy	1,310	1.4%	1.2%	1,480	1.7%	–
Malta	1,055	1.2%	0.3%	1,165	1.3%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Portugal	78	0.1%	0.1%	66	0.1%	
Spain	66	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	261	0.3%	0.1%	319	0.4%	
Albania	32	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	146	0.2%	0.2%	143	0.2%	
Bulgaria	15	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Croatia	523	0.6%	0.3%	528	0.6%	
Cyprus	72	0.1%	0.1%	69	0.1%	
North Macedonia	708	0.8%	0.4%	689	0.8%	
Greece	1,037	1.1%	0.9%	1,067	1.2%	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	90	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.1%	
Slovenia	48	0.1%	0.0%	48	0.1%	
Montenegro	39	0.0%	0.0%	39	0.0%	
Serbia	320	0.4%	0.2%	308	0.3%	
Kosovo	45	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Belarus	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Czechia	17	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Estonia	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hungary	51	0.1%	0.1%	64	0.1%	
Latvia	13	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Lithuania	13	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Poland	298	0.3%	0.3%	312	0.4%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Russian Federation	87	0.1%	0.1%	63	0.1%	
Slovakia	18	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Ukraine	36	0.0%	0.1%	57	0.1%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Algeria	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Egypt	169	0.2%	0.3%	161	0.2%	
Libya	114	0.1%	0.0%	131	0.1%	
Morocco	18	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Sudan	64	0.1%	0.1%	77	0.1%	
Tunisia	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South Sudan	16	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	
Middle East, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bahrain	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	11	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Iran	200	0.2%	0.4%	177	0.2%	
Iraq	66	0.1%	0.5%	66	0.1%	
Israel	18	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Jordan	–	–	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Kuwait	18	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Lebanon	954	1.0%	0.4%	1,002	1.1%	
Oman	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Qatar	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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Saudi Arabia	20	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.0%	
Syria	53	0.1%	0.2%	37	0.0%	
Turkey	90	0.1%	0.4%	56	0.1%	
United Arab Emirates	34	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.0%	
Yemen	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	212	0.2%	0.3%	274	0.3%	
Cambodia	148	0.2%	0.3%	130	0.1%	
Laos	43	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Thailand	395	0.4%	0.4%	366	0.4%	
Vietnam	1,487	1.6%	1.8%	1,417	1.6%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Indonesia	320	0.4%	0.4%	261	0.3%	
Malaysia	461	0.5%	1.2%	380	0.4%	
Philippines	1,123	1.2%	1.2%	1,027	1.2%	
Singapore	200	0.2%	0.3%	159	0.2%	
Timor-Leste	38	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	925	1.0%	3.4%	1,062	1.2%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	145	0.2%	0.5%	148	0.2%	
Macau (SAR of China)	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	53	0.1%	0.2%	35	0.0%	

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Japan	125	0.1%	0.2%	125	0.1%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	93	0.1%	0.3%	87	0.1%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bangladesh	83	0.1%	0.2%	128	0.1%	
Bhutan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
India	2,494	2.7%	4.9%	2,569	2.9%	
Maldives	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	241	0.3%	0.4%	130	0.1%	
Pakistan	204	0.2%	0.6%	266	0.3%	
Sri Lanka	218	0.2%	1.3%	227	0.3%	
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghanistan	20	0.0%	0.5%	15	0.0%	
Armenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azerbaijan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Georgia	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakhstan	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tajikistan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Canada	176	0.2%	0.2%	154	0.2%	–
United States of America	411	0.5%	0.4%	327	0.4%	–
South America, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Argentina	71	0.1%	0.1%	81	0.1%	–
Bolivia	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Brazil	190	0.2%	0.1%	100	0.1%	–
Chile	142	0.2%	0.2%	119	0.1%	–
Colombia	254	0.3%	0.2%	122	0.1%	–
Ecuador	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
French Guiana	–	–	–	–	–	–
Guyana	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Paraguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Peru	34	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	–
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uruguay	29	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	–
Venezuela	25	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Central America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Costa Rica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
El Salvador	52	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.0%	–
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Mexico	41	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Nicaragua	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Panama	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anguilla	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominican Republic	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guadeloupe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Montserrat	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turks and Caicos Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sint Maarten (Dutch part)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
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	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Congo, Democratic Republic of	7	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Cote d'Ivoire	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Equatorial Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghana	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Guinea	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberia	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Mali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigeria	22	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Sao Tome and Principe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sierra Leone	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Togo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern and East Africa, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Angola	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Botswana	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Burundi	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Comoros	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Djibouti	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Eritrea	46	0.1%	0.1%	39	0.0%	—
Ethiopia	160	0.2%	0.2%	157	0.2%	—
Kenya	35	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	—
Lesotho	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Madagascar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Malawi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mauritius	134	0.1%	0.2%	125	0.1%	—
Mozambique	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Namibia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Reunion	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Rwanda	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
St Helena	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Seychelles	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Somalia	29	0.0%	0.1%	34	0.0%	—
South Africa	415	0.5%	0.6%	333	0.4%	—
Eswatini	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—

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Tanzania	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Uganda	12	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Zambia	16	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	71	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.0%	
Not stated	4,035	4.4%	4.4%	5,504	6.2%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>91,283</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>88,729</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.