

Community report

Hornsby (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 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, 40.6% (61,665) of people in Hornsby (A) were born overseas, compared with 38.6% in Greater Sydney. A further 57.1% (86,722) 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

Hornsby (A) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	134	0.1%	0.1%	152	0.1%	0.1%	-18	0.0
At sea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceania and Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	86,722	57.1%	56.8%	84,946	59.6%	57.1%	+1,776	-2.5
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	2,057	1.4%	1.6%	2,149	1.5%	1.8%	-92	-0.1
New Caledonia	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Papua New Guinea	144	0.1%	0.1%	143	0.1%	0.1%	+1	0.0
Solomon Islands	19	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Vanuatu	14	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Micronesia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Kiribati	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesia, Federated States of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauru	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Northern Mariana Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Cook Islands	8	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Fiji	363	0.2%	0.7%	339	0.2%	
French Polynesia	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa	23	0.0%	0.2%	22	0.0%	
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	54	0.0%	0.1%	73	0.1%	
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	56	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
England	5,743	3.8%	2.9%	6,015	4.2%	
Isle of Man	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	110	0.1%	0.1%	107	0.1%	
Scotland	575	0.4%	0.3%	605	0.4%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Wales	162	0.1%	0.1%	173	0.1%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Ireland	428	0.3%	0.4%	401	0.3%	
Austria	84	0.1%	0.1%	93	0.1%	
Belgium	59	0.0%	0.0%	80	0.1%	
France	209	0.1%	0.2%	181	0.1%	
Germany	579	0.4%	0.3%	585	0.4%	
Liechtenstein	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	357	0.2%	0.2%	384	0.3%	
Switzerland	123	0.1%	0.1%	107	0.1%	
Northern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Denmark	102	0.1%	0.0%	100	0.1%	
Faroe Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finland	46	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Greenland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	29	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Sweden	82	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Andorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gibraltar	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Italy	677	0.4%	0.7%	702	0.5%	
Malta	83	0.1%	0.2%	93	0.1%	
Portugal	50	0.0%	0.1%	37	0.0%	
San Marino	–	–	–	–	–	
Spain	75	0.0%	0.1%	75	0.1%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	77	0.1%	0.1%	83	0.1%	
Albania	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	44	0.0%	0.1%	38	0.0%	
Bulgaria	46	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	
Croatia	130	0.1%	0.2%	122	0.1%	
Cyprus	51	0.0%	0.1%	52	0.0%	
North Macedonia	21	0.0%	0.2%	19	0.0%	
Greece	128	0.1%	0.5%	120	0.1%	
Moldova	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Romania	119	0.1%	0.1%	125	0.1%	
Slovenia	17	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbia	63	0.0%	0.2%	55	0.0%	
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Europe, nfd	60	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Belarus	23	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Czechia	88	0.1%	0.0%	71	0.0%	
Estonia	24	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Hungary	156	0.1%	0.1%	158	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Latvia	47	0.0%	0.0%	54	0.0%	
Lithuania	35	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Poland	418	0.3%	0.2%	359	0.3%	
Russian Federation	337	0.2%	0.2%	303	0.2%	
Slovakia	58	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Ukraine	138	0.1%	0.1%	131	0.1%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Egypt	216	0.1%	0.4%	219	0.2%	
Libya	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Morocco	13	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Sudan	11	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahrain	35	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Iran	1,995	1.3%	0.5%	1,604	1.1%	
Iraq	77	0.1%	1.0%	60	0.0%	
Israel	99	0.1%	0.1%	61	0.0%	
Jordan	39	0.0%	0.1%	48	0.0%	
Kuwait	46	0.0%	0.1%	37	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Lebanon	655	0.4%	1.2%	588	0.4%	
Oman	15	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Qatar	16	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Saudi Arabia	42	0.0%	0.1%	34	0.0%	
Syria	51	0.0%	0.3%	41	0.0%	
Turkey	129	0.1%	0.3%	91	0.1%	
United Arab Emirates	170	0.1%	0.1%	103	0.1%	
Yemen	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	160	0.1%	0.1%	141	0.1%	
Cambodia	61	0.0%	0.3%	51	0.0%	
Laos	36	0.0%	0.1%	29	0.0%	
Thailand	524	0.3%	0.5%	408	0.3%	
Vietnam	744	0.5%	1.8%	591	0.4%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Brunei Darussalam	12	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Indonesia	772	0.5%	0.7%	653	0.5%	
Malaysia	1,987	1.3%	0.7%	1,771	1.2%	
Philippines	2,304	1.5%	1.7%	1,808	1.3%	
Singapore	782	0.5%	0.3%	713	0.5%	
Timor-Leste	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
North-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	

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Chinese Asia (includes Mongolia), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	11,523	7.6%	4.6%	8,745	6.1%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	2,778	1.8%	0.9%	2,356	1.7%	
Macau (SAR of China)	63	0.0%	0.0%	59	0.0%	
Mongolia	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Taiwan	656	0.4%	0.2%	609	0.4%	
Japan	572	0.4%	0.2%	525	0.4%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Korea, Republic of (South)	2,797	1.8%	1.0%	2,672	1.9%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladesh	199	0.1%	0.5%	131	0.1%	
Bhutan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
India	7,778	5.1%	3.6%	5,399	3.8%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	1,658	1.1%	1.1%	902	0.6%	
Pakistan	651	0.4%	0.6%	453	0.3%	
Sri Lanka	1,801	1.2%	0.6%	1,656	1.2%	
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Afghanistan	171	0.1%	0.3%	173	0.1%	
Armenia	22	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Azerbaijan	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Georgia	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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Kazakhstan	24	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Kyrgyzstan	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Uzbekistan	22	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Americas, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bermuda	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Canada	327	0.2%	0.2%	340	0.2%	
United States of America	834	0.5%	0.5%	785	0.6%	
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Argentina	140	0.1%	0.1%	121	0.1%	
Bolivia	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Brazil	170	0.1%	0.4%	95	0.1%	
Chile	184	0.1%	0.2%	170	0.1%	
Colombia	153	0.1%	0.2%	113	0.1%	
Ecuador	18	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Falkland Islands	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Guyana	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Paraguay	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Peru	188	0.1%	0.1%	204	0.1%	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	71	0.0%	0.1%	72	0.1%	
Venezuela	186	0.1%	0.0%	163	0.1%	

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Belize	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Costa Rica	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
El Salvador	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Guatemala	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mexico	42	0.0%	0.0%	40	0.0%	–
Nicaragua	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Panama	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Anguilla	–	–	–	–	–	–
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Barbados	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Cuba	13	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grenada	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Guadeloupe	–	–	–	–	–	–
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaica	14	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Martinique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	16	0.0%	0.0%	13	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Cote d'Ivoire	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Equatorial Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghana	44	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guinea-Bissau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Liberia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	48	0.0%	0.1%	28	0.0%	
Sao Tome and Principe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leone	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Togo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Angola	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Botswana	14	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Burundi	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Comoros	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djibouti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopia	20	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Kenya	121	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.1%	
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Mauritius	123	0.1%	0.1%	128	0.1%	
Mozambique	16	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Namibia	11	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Somalia	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South Africa	2,110	1.4%	0.8%	2,025	1.4%	
Eswatini	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	25	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Uganda	26	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Zambia	52	0.0%	0.0%	58	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	245	0.2%	0.1%	240	0.2%	
Southern and East Africa, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Not stated	3,394	2.2%	4.6%	4,925	3.5%	
Total	151,781	100.0%	100.0%	142,623	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.