

# Community report

## Karratha (C)

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

AREA

**Karratha (C)**

COMPARISON

**Regional WA**

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, 18.6% (4,118) of people in Karratha (C) were born overseas, compared with 17.7% in Regional WA. A further 65.6% (14,544) 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

Karratha (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	-2	0.0
At sea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Australia	14,544	65.6%	72.1%	14,290	66.7%	71.7%	+254	-1.1
Norfolk Island	—	—	—	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
New Zealand	899	4.1%	3.0%	1,083	5.1%	3.4%	-184	-1.0
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	20	0.1%	0.1%	18	0.1%	0.1%	+2	0.0
Solomon Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Vanuatu	13	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Micronesia, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Nauru	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Cook Islands	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Fiji	18	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.1%	0.1%
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Samoa	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Tonga	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
England	550	2.5%	5.0%	616	2.9%	5.0%
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Northern Ireland	10	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.1%	0.1%
Scotland	102	0.5%	0.5%	104	0.5%	0.5%
Wales	13	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	0.1%
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Jersey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Ireland	104	0.5%	0.3%	125	0.6%	0.3%
Austria	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Belgium	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
France	37	0.2%	0.1%	49	0.2%	0.1%
Germany	41	0.2%	0.4%	48	0.2%	0.4%
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Netherlands	31	0.1%	0.3%	26	0.1%	0.3%
Switzerland	7	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	0.1%
Denmark	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Finland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Norway	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Sweden	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Italy	14	0.1%	0.3%	13	0.1%	0.3%
Malta	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Portugal	12	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Spain	4	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.1%	0.0%
South Eastern Europe, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	11	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.1%	0.0%
Bulgaria	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Croatia	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Cyprus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
North Macedonia	17	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.1%	0.0%
Greece	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Romania	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Slovenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Serbia	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Estonia	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.1%	
Hungary	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Latvia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuania	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Poland	15	0.1%	0.1%	17	0.1%	
Russian Federation	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Slovakia	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ukraine	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egypt	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Libya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Morocco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudan	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Middle East, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bahrain	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iran	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Iraq	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Israel	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Jordan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Kuwait	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Lebanon	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Oman	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Qatar	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Saudi Arabia	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Syria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Turkey	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
United Arab Emirates	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Yemen	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Myanmar	27	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodia	17	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Laos	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Thailand	153	0.7%	0.3%	115	0.5%	0.3%
Vietnam	47	0.2%	0.2%	34	0.2%	0.2%
Brunei Darussalam	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Indonesia	70	0.3%	0.2%	56	0.3%	0.2%
Malaysia	45	0.2%	0.2%	44	0.2%	0.2%
Philippines	470	2.1%	1.2%	537	2.5%	1.2%
Singapore	28	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.1%	0.1%
Timor-Leste	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	103	0.5%	0.2%	146	0.7%	0.2%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	14	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.1%	0.0%
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Taiwan	32	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	0.1%
Japan	17	0.1%	0.1%	21	0.1%	0.1%
Korea, Republic of (South)	9	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.1%	0.1%
Bangladesh	15	0.1%	0.0%	22	0.1%	0.0%
Bhutan	13	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
India	261	1.2%	0.5%	244	1.1%	0.5%
Maldives	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Nepal	39	0.2%	0.0%	23	0.1%	0.0%
Pakistan	44	0.2%	0.1%	34	0.2%	0.1%
Sri Lanka	46	0.2%	0.1%	43	0.2%	0.1%
Afghanistan	3	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	0.1%
Armenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Kazakhstan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Uzbekistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Canada	37	0.2%	0.2%	34	0.2%	0.2%
United States of America	46	0.2%	0.3%	47	0.2%	0.3%
South America, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Argentina	12	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Brazil	11	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.1%	0.1%

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Chile	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Colombia	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Ecuador	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Falkland Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
French Guiana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Guyana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Paraguay	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peru	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Suriname	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Uruguay	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Venezuela	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Belize	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Costa Rica	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
El Salvador	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Guatemala	—	—	—	—	—	—
Honduras	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Mexico	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Nicaragua	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Panama	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Caribbean, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Aruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Bahamas	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Barbados	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Cayman Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%

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Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Lucia	–	–	–	–	–	–
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Trinidad and Tobago	13	0.1%	0.0%	15	0.1%	–
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghana	12	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberia	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigeria	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leone	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Angola	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Burundi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Ethiopia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Kenya	15	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritius	11	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Mozambique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Somalia	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
South Africa	249	1.1%	1.1%	287	1.3%	1.3%
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tanzania	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambia	20	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Zimbabwe	71	0.3%	0.4%	92	0.4%	0.4%
Not stated	3,520	15.9%	10.2%	2,750	12.8%	10.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,182</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>21,439</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.