

Community report

Knox (C)

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Knox (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 Knox (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

Knox (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	353	0.2%	0.3%	410	0.3%	0.3%	-57	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	31	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	0.0%	-21	0.0
Asian, so described	131	0.1%	0.1%	98	0.1%	0.1%	+33	0.0
African, so described	166	0.1%	0.3%	120	0.1%	0.2%	+46	0.0
European, so described	130	0.1%	0.1%	124	0.1%	0.1%	+6	0.0
Caucasian, so described	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Creole, so described	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	-3	0.0
Oceanian, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	0.0%	-13	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	44,242	27.8%	23.4%	44,941	29.2%	24.0%	-699	-1.4
Australian Aboriginal	1,032	0.6%	0.7%	91	0.1%	0.1%	+941	+0.5
Australian South Sea Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	-2	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Torres Strait Islander	73	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Maori	500	0.3%	0.4%	364	0.2%	—
New Zealander	911	0.6%	0.6%	972	0.6%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ni-Vanuatu	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Papua New Guinean	45	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	—
Solomon Islander	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
I-Kiribati	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Nauruan	14	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	—
Micronesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Cook Islander	67	0.0%	0.1%	54	0.0%	—
Fijian	157	0.1%	0.1%	134	0.1%	—
Niuean	27	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Samoan	227	0.1%	0.4%	152	0.1%	—
Tongan	153	0.1%	0.1%	139	0.1%	—
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Tokelauan	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Tuvaluan	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Pitcairn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
North-West European, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
British, nfd	88	0.1%	0.0%	69	0.0%	—
English	47,053	29.6%	25.6%	48,535	31.5%	25.6%
Scottish	12,374	7.8%	7.1%	12,533	8.1%	7.1%
Welsh	867	0.5%	0.5%	856	0.6%	0.5%
Channel Islander	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Manx	12	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%
British, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Irish	12,796	8.0%	8.3%	14,217	9.2%	8.3%
Western European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Austrian	444	0.3%	0.2%	458	0.3%	0.2%
Dutch	3,730	2.3%	1.5%	3,692	2.4%	1.5%
Flemish	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
French	807	0.5%	0.6%	784	0.5%	0.6%
German	6,015	3.8%	2.9%	6,200	4.0%	2.9%
Swiss	231	0.1%	0.1%	236	0.2%	0.1%
Belgian	74	0.0%	0.0%	65	0.0%	0.0%
Frisian	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Western European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Northern European, nfd	52	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Danish	289	0.2%	0.2%	273	0.2%	
Finnish	101	0.1%	0.1%	99	0.1%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	167	0.1%	0.1%	135	0.1%	
Swedish	217	0.1%	0.2%	230	0.1%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Italian	7,638	4.8%	6.6%	7,478	4.9%	
Maltese	993	0.6%	1.4%	958	0.6%	
Portuguese	338	0.2%	0.3%	351	0.2%	
Spanish	556	0.3%	0.5%	667	0.4%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	145	0.1%	0.1%	260	0.2%	
Albanian	46	0.0%	0.2%	42	0.0%	
Bosnian	122	0.1%	0.2%	96	0.1%	
Bulgarian	68	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	
Croatian	848	0.5%	0.9%	725	0.5%	
Greek	3,547	2.2%	3.5%	3,470	2.3%	
Macedonian	337	0.2%	0.9%	280	0.2%	
Moldovan	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Montenegrin	23	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Romanian	250	0.2%	0.2%	263	0.2%	
Roma Gypsy	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Serbian	595	0.4%	0.5%	470	0.3%	
Slovene	210	0.1%	0.1%	167	0.1%	
Cypriot	341	0.2%	0.3%	290	0.2%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	54	0.0%	0.1%	51	0.0%	
Belarusan	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Czech	172	0.1%	0.1%	169	0.1%	
Estonian	60	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Hungarian	924	0.6%	0.4%	1,017	0.7%	
Latvian	238	0.1%	0.1%	206	0.1%	
Lithuanian	100	0.1%	0.1%	84	0.1%	
Polish	1,521	1.0%	1.1%	1,454	0.9%	
Russian	481	0.3%	0.5%	431	0.3%	
Slovak	60	0.0%	0.1%	65	0.0%	
Ukrainian	275	0.2%	0.3%	238	0.2%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	98	0.1%	0.1%	34	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	165	0.1%	0.3%	129	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Egyptian	750	0.5%	0.4%	773	0.5%	
Iraqi	80	0.1%	0.3%	89	0.1%	
Jordanian	25	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	544	0.3%	1.0%	498	0.3%	
Libyan	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Moroccan	15	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Palestinian	83	0.1%	0.1%	76	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	51	0.0%	0.2%	53	0.0%	
Tunisian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	
Arab, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Jewish	74	0.0%	0.3%	76	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	19	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
South Sudanese	32	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sudanese	35	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	10	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Iranian	1,195	0.8%	0.5%	702	0.5%	
Kurdish	24	0.0%	0.1%	28	0.0%	
Turkish	316	0.2%	0.8%	251	0.2%	
Assyrian	34	0.0%	0.2%	44	0.0%	
Chaldean	28	0.0%	0.2%	24	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	38	0.0%	0.1%	51	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	24	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	161	0.1%	0.2%	95	0.1%	
Hmong	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Khmer (Cambodian)	788	0.5%	0.5%	615	0.4%	
Lao	219	0.1%	0.1%	199	0.1%	
Thai	476	0.3%	0.4%	402	0.3%	
Vietnamese	1,529	1.0%	2.4%	1,361	0.9%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Karen	41	0.0%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Mon	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	20	0.0%	0.1%	71	0.0%	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	77	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	2,169	1.4%	1.7%	1,778	1.2%	
Indonesian	551	0.3%	0.4%	450	0.3%	
Javanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Madurese	–	–	–	–	–	
Malay	888	0.6%	0.4%	724	0.5%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	85	0.1%	0.1%	66	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bruneian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Singaporean	168	0.1%	0.1%	150	0.1%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	28	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Chinese	22,422	14.1%	8.3%	17,144	11.1%	
Taiwanese	173	0.1%	0.1%	87	0.1%	
Chinese Asian, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	329	0.2%	0.3%	247	0.2%	
Korean	1,060	0.7%	0.4%	759	0.5%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tibetan	20	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Other North–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	244	0.2%	0.3%	99	0.1%	
Anglo–Indian	238	0.1%	0.1%	209	0.1%	
Bengali	54	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Burgher	180	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Gujarati	138	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Indian	6,908	4.3%	5.3%	5,712	3.7%	
Malayali	147	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.0%	
Nepalese	320	0.2%	0.4%	191	0.1%	
Pakistani	381	0.2%	0.6%	232	0.2%	
Punjabi	473	0.3%	1.0%	175	0.1%	
Sikh	277	0.2%	0.5%	129	0.1%	
Sinhalese	1,645	1.0%	0.6%	562	0.4%	
Maldivian	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	87	0.1%	0.2%	84	0.1%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	73	0.0%	0.1%	61	0.0%	
Kashmiri	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	9	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Sindhi	17	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	2,966	1.9%	1.0%	3,385	2.2%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sri Lankan Tamil	133	0.1%	0.0%	186	0.1%	
Indian Tamil	35	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Tamil, nfd	1,015	0.6%	0.5%	304	0.2%	
Telugu	96	0.1%	0.2%	4	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	85	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	352	0.2%	0.4%	374	0.2%	
Armenian	362	0.2%	0.1%	345	0.2%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kazakh	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	44	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Azeri	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Hazara	16	0.0%	0.4%	5	0.0%	
Tajik	14	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Tatar	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	30	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Kyrgyz	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	48	0.0%	0.1%	52	0.0%	
North American, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
African American	23	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
American	374	0.2%	0.3%	349	0.2%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Mel
Canadian	180	0.1%	0.1%	158	0.1%	
French Canadian	6	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	29	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	24	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	41	0.0%	0.0%	54	0.0%	
Argentinian	109	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	77	0.0%	0.1%	52	0.0%	
Chilean	273	0.2%	0.2%	240	0.2%	
Colombian	90	0.1%	0.2%	46	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Guyanese	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Peruvian	57	0.0%	0.0%	64	0.0%	
Uruguayan	34	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Venezuelan	55	0.0%	0.0%	39	0.0%	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mexican	54	0.0%	0.1%	43	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Salvadoran	102	0.1%	0.1%	73	0.0%	
Costa Rican	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Guatemalan	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Mayan	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Central American, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean Islander, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	—
Cuban	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Jamaican	12	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	—
Trinidadian Tobagonian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Barbadian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Puerto Rican	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Caribbean Islander, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central and West African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Akan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Fulani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ghanaian	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Nigerian	34	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	—
Yoruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ivorean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Liberian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Sierra Leonean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Acholi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cameroonian	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Congolese	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Gio	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	–	–	–	–
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Southern and East African, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Afrikaner	17	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	–
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrean	8	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Ethiopian	32	0.0%	0.2%	17	0.0%	–
Kenyan	41	0.0%	0.0%	48	0.0%	–
Malawian	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Mauritian	501	0.3%	0.3%	445	0.3%	–
Mozambican	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychellois	84	0.1%	0.0%	61	0.0%	–
Somali	12	0.0%	0.2%	7	0.0%	–
South African	972	0.6%	0.5%	898	0.6%	–
Tanzanian	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Zambian	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Zimbabwean	75	0.0%	0.1%	72	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hutu	–	–	–	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.