

# Community report

## Knox (C)

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

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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** 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

Knox (C) | Greater Melbourne comparison | Persons

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## Key takeaway

In 2021, 33.1% (52,599) of people in Knox (C) were born overseas, compared with 35.7% in Greater Melbourne. A further 64% (101,817) 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

Knox (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	69	0.0%	0.1%	87	0.1%	0.1%	-18	-0.1
At sea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceania and Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	101,817	64.0%	59.9%	100,910	65.5%	59.8%	+907	-1.5
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	1,915	1.2%	1.7%	1,927	1.3%	1.8%	-12	-0.1
New Caledonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Papua New Guinea	70	0.0%	0.0%	70	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Solomon Islands	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Vanuatu	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Micronesia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Kiribati	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauru	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Northern Mariana Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Palau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cook Islands	18	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Fiji	292	0.2%	0.2%	252	0.2%	
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa	59	0.0%	0.1%	46	0.0%	
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	34	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wallis and Futuna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Australian Antarctic Territory	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	37	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
England	5,007	3.1%	2.7%	5,682	3.7%	
Isle of Man	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	173	0.1%	0.1%	208	0.1%	
Scotland	646	0.4%	0.4%	813	0.5%	
Wales	154	0.1%	0.1%	180	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Guernsey	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Jersey	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Ireland	373	0.2%	0.3%	414	0.3%	—
Austria	149	0.1%	0.1%	171	0.1%	—
Belgium	31	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	—
France	112	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.1%	—
Germany	1,050	0.7%	0.4%	1,144	0.7%	—
Liechtenstein	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Monaco	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Netherlands	697	0.4%	0.2%	823	0.5%	—
Switzerland	75	0.0%	0.0%	76	0.0%	—
Denmark	51	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	—
Faroe Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Finland	27	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	—
Greenland	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Iceland	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Norway	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Sweden	39	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	—
Aland Islands	—	—	—	—	—	—
Andorra	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Gibraltar	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Italy	1,071	0.7%	1.2%	1,085	0.7%	—
Malta	163	0.1%	0.3%	168	0.1%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Portugal	51	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.0%	
Spain	52	0.0%	0.1%	51	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	179	0.1%	0.1%	216	0.1%	
Albania	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	106	0.1%	0.2%	104	0.1%	
Bulgaria	37	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Croatia	248	0.2%	0.3%	228	0.1%	
Cyprus	109	0.1%	0.1%	115	0.1%	
North Macedonia	74	0.0%	0.4%	57	0.0%	
Greece	592	0.4%	0.9%	602	0.4%	
Moldova	8	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Romania	174	0.1%	0.1%	185	0.1%	
Slovenia	58	0.0%	0.0%	63	0.0%	
Montenegro	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Serbia	185	0.1%	0.2%	133	0.1%	
Kosovo	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	31	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Belarus	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Czechia	41	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Estonia	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Hungary	230	0.1%	0.1%	277	0.2%	
Latvia	89	0.1%	0.0%	97	0.1%	
Lithuania	13	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Poland	494	0.3%	0.3%	528	0.3%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Russian Federation	146	0.1%	0.1%	134	0.1%	
Slovakia	24	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Ukraine	52	0.0%	0.1%	42	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Egypt	550	0.3%	0.3%	542	0.4%	
Libya	13	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Morocco	17	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Sudan	41	0.0%	0.1%	47	0.0%	
Tunisia	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South Sudan	12	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahrain	17	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	42	0.0%	0.0%	66	0.0%	
Iran	957	0.6%	0.4%	579	0.4%	
Iraq	151	0.1%	0.5%	130	0.1%	
Israel	46	0.0%	0.1%	49	0.0%	
Jordan	22	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Kuwait	36	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Lebanon	204	0.1%	0.4%	187	0.1%	
Oman	23	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Qatar	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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Saudi Arabia	42	0.0%	0.1%	29	0.0%	
Syria	31	0.0%	0.2%	21	0.0%	
Turkey	130	0.1%	0.4%	122	0.1%	
United Arab Emirates	112	0.1%	0.1%	73	0.0%	
Yemen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	199	0.1%	0.3%	118	0.1%	
Cambodia	572	0.4%	0.3%	536	0.3%	
Laos	130	0.1%	0.0%	130	0.1%	
Thailand	439	0.3%	0.4%	350	0.2%	
Vietnam	1,357	0.9%	1.8%	1,252	0.8%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	58	0.0%	0.0%	57	0.0%	
Indonesia	703	0.4%	0.4%	584	0.4%	
Malaysia	3,955	2.5%	1.2%	3,254	2.1%	
Philippines	1,534	1.0%	1.2%	1,336	0.9%	
Singapore	1,061	0.7%	0.3%	919	0.6%	
Timor-Leste	91	0.1%	0.1%	87	0.1%	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	8,464	5.3%	3.4%	6,081	3.9%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	1,647	1.0%	0.5%	1,313	0.9%	
Macau (SAR of China)	41	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	
Mongolia	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	340	0.2%	0.2%	272	0.2%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Japan	164	0.1%	0.2%	148	0.1%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	763	0.5%	0.3%	560	0.4%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bangladesh	106	0.1%	0.2%	73	0.0%	
Bhutan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
India	5,169	3.2%	4.9%	3,935	2.6%	
Maldives	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	220	0.1%	0.4%	140	0.1%	
Pakistan	334	0.2%	0.6%	195	0.1%	
Sri Lanka	3,788	2.4%	1.3%	3,174	2.1%	
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghanistan	248	0.2%	0.5%	218	0.1%	
Armenia	20	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Azerbaijan	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Georgia	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kazakhstan	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kyrgyzstan	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	164	0.1%	0.2%	163	0.1%	
United States of America	423	0.3%	0.4%	394	0.3%	
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Argentina	95	0.1%	0.1%	102	0.1%	
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazil	65	0.0%	0.1%	46	0.0%	
Chile	179	0.1%	0.2%	193	0.1%	
Colombia	84	0.1%	0.2%	49	0.0%	
Ecuador	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French Guiana	–	–	–	–	–	
Guyana	13	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Paraguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peru	48	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	41	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Venezuela	66	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Central America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
El Salvador	64	0.0%	0.1%	63	0.0%	
Guatemala	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Mexico	26	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Nicaragua	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Panama	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Anguilla	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antigua and Barbuda	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Aruba	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbados	8	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuba	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guadeloupe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	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	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Democratic Republic of	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Cote d'Ivoire	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Equatorial Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghana	14	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberia	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Mali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigeria	29	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Sao Tome and Principe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Sierra Leone	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Togo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern and East Africa, nfd	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Angola	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Botswana	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Burundi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Comoros	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Djibouti	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Eritrea	4	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	—
Ethiopia	37	0.0%	0.2%	30	0.0%	—
Kenya	211	0.1%	0.1%	159	0.1%	—
Lesotho	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Madagascar	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Malawi	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Mauritius	363	0.2%	0.2%	363	0.2%	—
Mozambique	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Namibia	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Reunion	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Rwanda	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
St Helena	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Seychelles	41	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	—
Somalia	6	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
South Africa	1,058	0.7%	0.6%	1,080	0.7%	—
Eswatini	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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Tanzania	18	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%
Uganda	8	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	0.0%
Zambia	21	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	0.0%
Zimbabwe	116	0.1%	0.1%	111	0.1%	0.1%
Not stated	4,703	3.0%	4.4%	6,688	4.3%	4.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>159,119</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>154,103</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.