

Community report

Kwinana (C)

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

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Kwinana (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Perth

POPULATION

Persons

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Language used at home

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.

Language used at home

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Key takeaway

In 2021, English was the most common language used at home among residents in Kwinana (C), accounting for 70.7% (32,453 people). This share was lower than Greater Perth (74%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 4,641 people, while its share fell by 0.8 percentage points.

About this topic

Language used at home shows which languages people speak in their home life and whether English or another language is used most often. It is a key indicator of cultural diversity and language retention within communities.

This topic is useful for planning communication, multicultural services, and local engagement. It should be analysed together with proficiency in English and birthplace, because language alone does not show migration history or support needs.

Interpretation notes

- The Census records the language used most often at home, so it does not capture every language a person can speak.
- Language used at home is not a measure of English proficiency, literacy, or migration history on its own.

Language used at home - Ranked by size

Kwinana (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	33	0.1%	0.1%	34	0.1%	0.1%	-1	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	58	0.1%	0.1%	82	0.2%	0.2%	-24	-0.1
Swiss, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	21	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+18	0.0
French Creole, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Welsh	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
English	32,453	70.7%	74.0%	27,812	71.5%	74.0%
German and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
German	117	0.3%	0.3%	111	0.3%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Dutch	49	0.1%	0.2%	46	0.1%	0.2%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Afrikaans	232	0.5%	0.6%	205	0.5%	0.6%
Danish	19	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.1%	0.0%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	0.0%
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%
Finnish	16	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	0.0%
French	117	0.3%	0.4%	101	0.3%	0.4%
Greek	32	0.1%	0.2%	22	0.1%	0.2%
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Portuguese	167	0.4%	0.4%	159	0.4%	0.4%
Spanish	260	0.6%	0.6%	239	0.6%	0.6%
Italian	150	0.3%	1.1%	154	0.4%	1.1%
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hungarian	8	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Russian	70	0.2%	0.2%	54	0.1%	–
Ukrainian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bosnian	12	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	–
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	47	0.1%	0.2%	48	0.1%	–
Macedonian	18	0.0%	0.3%	18	0.0%	–
Serbian	150	0.3%	0.3%	136	0.3%	–
Slovene	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Czech	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Polish	41	0.1%	0.2%	70	0.2%	–
Slovak	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	34	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.1%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Pashto	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	6	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	57	0.1%	0.3%	57	0.1%	–
Hazaraghi	13	0.0%	0.2%	28	0.1%	–
Arabic	166	0.4%	0.7%	106	0.3%	–
Hebrew	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Turkish	–	–	0.1%	8	0.0%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Kannada	24	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Malayalam	274	0.6%	0.4%	204	0.5%	
Tamil	158	0.3%	0.4%	130	0.3%	
Telugu	106	0.2%	0.1%	82	0.2%	
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bengali	79	0.2%	0.2%	93	0.2%	
Gujarati	200	0.4%	0.5%	149	0.4%	
Hindi	369	0.8%	0.5%	318	0.8%	
Konkani	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Marathi	41	0.1%	0.1%	30	0.1%	
Nepali	86	0.2%	0.2%	53	0.1%	
Punjabi	1,065	2.3%	0.9%	516	1.3%	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sinhalese	128	0.3%	0.3%	116	0.3%	
Urdu	154	0.3%	0.4%	115	0.3%	
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern Asian Languages	3	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	20	0.0%	0.2%	11	0.0%	–
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	18	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	–
Vietnamese	114	0.2%	1.0%	101	0.3%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon–Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	148	0.3%	0.3%	90	0.2%	–
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	70	0.2%	0.0%	66	0.2%	–
Cebuano	51	0.1%	0.0%	45	0.1%	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Indonesian	173	0.4%	0.5%	124	0.3%	–
Malay	114	0.2%	0.2%	84	0.2%	–
Tetum	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Tagalog	1,394	3.0%	0.7%	879	2.3%	
Filipino	958	2.1%	0.5%	627	1.6%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bikol	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	22	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Cantonese	169	0.4%	0.9%	152	0.4%	
Hakka	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mandarin	400	0.9%	2.3%	450	1.2%	
Wu	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Min Nan	23	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Chinese, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Japanese	101	0.2%	0.3%	70	0.2%	
Korean	183	0.4%	0.3%	132	0.3%	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Walmajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	–	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kukatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kukatja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luritja	–	–	–	–	–	
Manyjilyjarra	–	–	–	–	–	
Martu Wangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wangkatha	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tjupany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bardi	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Miriwoong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyikina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Worrorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kija	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kimberley Area Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Banyjima	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kariyarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mangala	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ngarluma	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyangumarta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	38	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Palyku/Nyiyaparli	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yindjibarndi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yinhawangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Badimaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngatjumaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Acholi	11	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Akan	12	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Mauritian Creole	7	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Oromo	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	262	0.6%	0.1%	159	0.4%	–
Somali	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Swahili	71	0.2%	0.1%	53	0.1%	–
Yoruba	9	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	–
Zulu	12	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Amharic	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Bemba	11	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.1%	–
Dinka	53	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	–
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	16	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	20	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.1%	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	49	0.1%	0.0%	41	0.1%	–
Nuer	15	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Shilluk	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	31	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.1%	–
Tswana	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Anuak	18	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Bari	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	16	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	32	0.1%	0.0%	21	0.1%	–
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Loma (Lorma)	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Perth %	Count	%	Greater Perth %
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	24	0.1%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	26	0.1%	0.0%	38	0.1%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	34	0.1%	0.0%	35	0.1%	–
Maori (New Zealand)	159	0.3%	0.1%	161	0.4%	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	61	0.1%	0.0%	25	0.1%	–
Tongan	16	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norfolk-Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	10	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–

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Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Auslan	33	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.1%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Not stated	3,602	7.8%	5.1%	3,686	9.5%	–
Total	45,891	100.0%	100.0%	38,922	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.