

Community report

Launceston (C)

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Launceston (C)

COMPARISON

Regional Tas.

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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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 Launceston (C), accounting for 84.1% (58,910 people). This share was lower than Regional Tas. (88.9%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 2,892 people, while its share fell by 1.8 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

Launceston (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	39	0.1%	0.1%	40	0.1%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	49	0.1%	0.0%	50	0.1%	0.1%	-1	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Welsh	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
English	58,910	84.1%	88.9%	56,018	85.9%	89.8%	+2,892	-1.8
German	134	0.2%	0.2%	148	0.2%	0.3%	-14	0.0
Yiddish	—	—	—	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Dutch	84	0.1%	0.1%	112	0.2%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaans	36	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.1%	
Danish	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Icelandic	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Swedish	25	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Estonian	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Finnish	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
French	92	0.1%	0.1%	92	0.1%	
Greek	40	0.1%	0.1%	56	0.1%	
Portuguese	40	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Spanish	155	0.2%	0.2%	81	0.1%	
Italian	106	0.2%	0.1%	115	0.2%	
Maltese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hungarian	9	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Russian	45	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.1%	
Ukrainian	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Bosnian	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Croatian	12	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Macedonian	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Serbian	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	15	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Polish	62	0.1%	0.1%	76	0.1%	
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	–	–	–	–	–	
Romanian	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kurdish	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Pashto	26	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dari	104	0.1%	0.0%	90	0.1%	
Persian (excluding Dari)	141	0.2%	0.1%	237	0.4%	
Hazaraghi	152	0.2%	0.1%	59	0.1%	
Arabic	152	0.2%	0.1%	178	0.3%	
Hebrew	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandaean (Mandaic)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkish	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Armenian	–	–	–	–	–	
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kannada	17	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Malayalam	113	0.2%	0.1%	60	0.1%	
Tamil	60	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	
Telugu	87	0.1%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bengali	104	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.1%	
Gujarati	208	0.3%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Hindi	141	0.2%	0.1%	83	0.1%	
Marathi	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Nepali	1,822	2.6%	0.9%	776	1.2%	
Punjabi	380	0.5%	0.2%	59	0.1%	
Sindhi	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sinhalese	163	0.2%	0.1%	52	0.1%	
Urdu	284	0.4%	0.2%	24	0.0%	
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern Asian Languages	8	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	24	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Burmese	123	0.2%	0.0%	73	0.1%	
Chin Haka	50	0.1%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Zomi	20	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	47	0.1%	0.0%	49	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Vietnamese	200	0.3%	0.1%	90	0.1%	
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Thai	90	0.1%	0.1%	63	0.1%	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bisaya	13	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Cebuano	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesian	56	0.1%	0.0%	43	0.1%	
Malay	19	0.0%	0.0%	64	0.1%	
Tetum	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tagalog	133	0.2%	0.1%	95	0.1%	
Filipino	90	0.1%	0.1%	50	0.1%	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Cantonese	147	0.2%	0.1%	130	0.2%	
Hakka	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mandarin	885	1.3%	0.6%	652	1.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Wu	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Min Nan	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Japanese	65	0.1%	0.1%	63	0.1%	
Korean	77	0.1%	0.1%	98	0.2%	
Tibetan	–	–	–	4	0.0%	
Mongolian	–	–	–	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	26	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
African Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Akan	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Shona	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Swahili	35	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.1%	
Yoruba	42	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Amharic	9	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Bemba	–	–	–	–	–	
Dinka	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hausa	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Igbo	25	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Krio	13	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	–	–	–	
Tigrinya	81	0.1%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Mandinka	–	–	–	–	–	
African Languages, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Fijian	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	–	–	–	
Maori (New Zealand)	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Niue	–	–	–	–	–	
Samoan	20	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Tongan	35	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norfolk-Pitcairn	–	–	–	–	–	
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Invented Languages	–	–	–	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	15	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Auslan	33	0.0%	0.1%	30	0.0%	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	3,561	5.1%	5.6%	4,604	7.1%	
Total	70,024	100.0%	100.0%	65,240	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.