

Community report

No usual address (NSW)

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

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No usual address (NSW)

COMPARISON

New South Wales

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 No usual address (NSW), accounting for 56.7% (6,417 people). This share was lower than New South Wales (67.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which decreased by 792 people and 2.1 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

No usual address (NSW) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	17	0.2%	0.1%	15	0.1%	0.0%	+2	+0.1
Non-verbal, so described	8	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	0.2%	-6	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Portuguese Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %
Welsh	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Celtic, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
English	6,417	56.7%	67.6%	7,209	58.8%	67.6%
German	22	0.2%	0.3%	57	0.5%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	23	0.2%	0.1%	22	0.2%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	–	–	–	–
Afrikaans	6	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.1%
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Danish	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	4	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.2%	0.0%
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	9	0.1%	0.0%
Finnish	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
French	72	0.6%	0.3%	90	0.7%	0.3%
Greek	37	0.3%	1.0%	35	0.3%	0.3%
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	18	0.2%	0.4%	37	0.3%	0.4%
Spanish	67	0.6%	0.9%	93	0.8%	0.9%

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South W
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	25	0.2%	0.8%	54	0.4%	
Maltese	–	–	0.1%	9	0.1%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Hungarian	4	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.1%	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	15	0.1%	0.2%	18	0.1%	
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bosnian	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Croatian	12	0.1%	0.3%	13	0.1%	
Macedonian	12	0.1%	0.3%	8	0.1%	
Serbian	12	0.1%	0.3%	13	0.1%	
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Polish	15	0.1%	0.2%	12	0.1%	
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South W
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurdish	6	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	6	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	20	0.2%	0.3%	20	0.2%	–
Hazaraghi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Iranic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Arabic	90	0.8%	2.8%	161	1.3%	–
Hebrew	8	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.3%	5	0.0%	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.2%	9	0.1%	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	11	0.1%	0.3%	29	0.2%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South W
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Armenian	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	6	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kannada	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Malayalam	5	0.0%	0.3%	15	0.1%	
Tamil	14	0.1%	0.5%	16	0.1%	
Telugu	6	0.1%	0.2%	14	0.1%	
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	4	0.0%	0.5%	21	0.2%	
Gujarati	4	0.0%	0.3%	–	–	
Hindi	30	0.3%	1.0%	58	0.5%	
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marathi	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Nepali	14	0.1%	0.8%	27	0.2%	
Punjabi	12	0.1%	0.7%	15	0.1%	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sinhalese	8	0.1%	0.2%	5	0.0%	
Urdu	10	0.1%	0.6%	38	0.3%	

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southern Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	–	–	0.1%	8	0.1%	–
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	–	–	0.2%	9	0.1%	–
Vietnamese	39	0.3%	1.5%	86	0.7%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tai, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lao	12	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Thai	16	0.1%	0.3%	32	0.3%	–
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South W
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bisaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cebuano	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesian	31	0.3%	0.4%	28	0.2%	
Malay	23	0.2%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tagalog	14	0.1%	0.6%	28	0.2%	
Filipino	14	0.1%	0.4%	20	0.2%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Cantonese	51	0.5%	1.8%	81	0.7%	
Hakka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %
Mandarin	152	1.3%	3.4%	306	2.5%	
Wu	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Min Nan	5	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Chinese, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Japanese	12	0.1%	0.2%	12	0.1%	
Korean	24	0.2%	0.8%	41	0.3%	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	7	0.1%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Anindilyakwa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gudanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Murrinh Patha	–	–	–	–	–	
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuku Yalanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuuku-Ya'u	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djabugay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yidiny	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gurindji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bandjalang	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Batjala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Diyari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Githabul	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gumbaynggir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kanai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mangala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Muruwari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Yindjibarndi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yorta Yorta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dharawal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yugambah	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South W
Swahili	7	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
Yoruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Zulu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Amharic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bemba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Dinka	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Ewe	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ga	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Harari	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hausa	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Igbo	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Kikuyu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Krio	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Luganda	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Luo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ndebele	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nuer	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nyanja (Chichewa)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Shilluk	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tigre	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tigrinya	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tswana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Xhosa	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Seychelles Creole	—	—	—	—	—	—

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	–	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fijian	6	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Maori (New Zealand)	6	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.1%	–
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	New South Wales %	Count	%	New South Wales %
Samoaan	13	0.1%	0.2%	35	0.3%	
Tongan	8	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.1%	
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%	–	–	
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	7	0.1%	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	10	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Auslan	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	3,803	33.6%	5.8%	3,256	26.5%	
Total	11,326	100.0%	100.0%	12,269	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.