

Community report

No usual address (NT)

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No usual address (NT)

COMPARISON

Northern Territory

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 (NT), accounting for 46.2% (1,605 people). This share was lower than Northern Territory (57.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 238 people, while its share fell by 9.7 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 (NT) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	41	1.2%	0.1%	4	0.2%	0.1%	+37	+1.0
Non-verbal, so described	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.2%	—	—
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	13	0.4%	0.0%	—	—	0.1%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Welsh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
English	1,605	46.2%	57.6%	1,367	55.9%	58.1%	+238	-9.7
German	16	0.5%	0.3%	22	0.9%	0.4%	-6	-0.4

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Dutch	3	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.8%	0.1%
Afrikaans	–	–	0.1%	3	0.1%	–
Danish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swedish	3	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.2%	–
Estonian	4	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.3%	–
Finnish	–	–	0.0%	10	0.4%	–
French	32	0.9%	0.3%	13	0.5%	–
Greek	7	0.2%	1.4%	–	–	–
Portuguese	8	0.2%	0.3%	–	–	–
Spanish	17	0.5%	0.3%	7	0.3%	–
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Italian	21	0.6%	0.3%	9	0.4%	–
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hungarian	3	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Russian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Macedonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Slovene	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Czech	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polish	—	—	0.0%	3	0.1%	—
Slovak	3	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
Albanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Romanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Iranic, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kurdish	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pashto	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Dari	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Persian (excluding Dari)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hazaraghi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Arabic	9	0.3%	0.2%	—	—	—
Hebrew	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	—	—	—	—	—	—
Turkish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kannada	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Malayalam	—	—	0.7%	—	—	—
Tamil	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Telugu	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Tulu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Dravidian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indo-Aryan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bengali	—	—	0.3%	—	—	—
Gujarati	9	0.3%	0.2%	—	—	—
Hindi	4	0.1%	0.4%	—	—	—
Konkani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Marathi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nepali	—	—	1.4%	—	—	—
Punjabi	5	0.1%	0.7%	—	—	—
Sindhi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sinhalese	4	0.1%	0.4%	—	—	—
Urdu	—	—	0.4%	—	—	—
Dhivehi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Fijian Hindustani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indo-Aryan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other Southern Asian Languages	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Burmese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Chin Haka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Karen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Rohingya	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hmong	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Khmer	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Vietnamese	–	–	0.7%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	–	–	0.4%	4	0.2%	–
Tai, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Bisaya	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Cebuano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	8	0.2%	0.6%	–	–	–
Malay	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Tetum	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tagalog	–	–	1.3%	–	–	–
Filipino	–	–	0.9%	5	0.2%	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Javanese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cantonese	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Hakka	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–

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Mandarin	12	0.3%	1.1%	9	0.4%	
Min Nan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Korean	–	–	0.2%	3	0.1%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	15	0.4%	0.3%	71	2.9%	
Arnhem Land and Daly River Region Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anindilyakwa	8	0.2%	0.6%	15	0.6%	
Maung	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Ngan'ikurunggurr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nunggubuyu	–	–	0.1%	6	0.2%	
Rembarrnga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tiwi	12	0.3%	0.9%	28	1.1%	
Dalabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gudanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iwaidja	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Jaminjung	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jawoyn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jingulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kunbarlang	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Larrakiya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malak Malak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Mangarrayi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maringarr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marrithiyel	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Murrinh Patha	6	0.2%	0.9%	–	–	–
Na-kara	–	–	0.0%	3	0.1%	–
Ndjebbana (Gunavidji)	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Ngaliwurru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nungali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wambaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wardaman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Garrwa	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Ngandi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Waanyi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Wagiman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yanyuwa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gundjeihmi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kune	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Kuninjku	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Kunwinjku	3	0.1%	0.6%	18	0.7%	–
Mayali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burarran, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burarra	17	0.5%	0.5%	16	0.7%	–
Gun-nartpa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Gurr-goni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arnhem Land and Daly River Region Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	16	0.5%	0.7%	20	0.8%	–
Dhangu, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Galpu	–	–	0.1%	5	0.2%	–
Golumala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wangurri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhangu, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dhay'yi, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dhalwangu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhuwal, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djambarrpuyngu	10	0.3%	1.7%	5	0.2%	–
Djapu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Daatiwuy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marrangu	–	–	–	–	–	–
Liyagalawumirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liyagawumirr	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dhuwal, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhuwala, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gumatj	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gupapuyngu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guyamirrili	–	–	–	–	–	–
Wubulkarra	–	–	–	–	–	–

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Djinang, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wurlaki	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djinang, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djinba, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ganalbingu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djinba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Manyjalpingu	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ritharrngu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wagilak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nhangu, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhuwaya	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Madarrpa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warramiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rirratjingu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Yolngu Matha, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuku Yalanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuuk Thayorre	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cape York Peninsula Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Meriam Mir	–	–	–	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bilinarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Gurindji	18	0.5%	0.3%	3	0.1%	
Gurindji Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malngin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mudburra	4	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.2%	
Ngarinyman	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Walmajarri	–	–	–	–	–	
Warlmanpa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warlpiri	48	1.4%	1.1%	17	0.7%	
Warumungu	–	–	0.2%	3	0.1%	
Arandic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Alyawarr	13	0.4%	0.8%	5	0.2%	
Kaytetye	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Central Anmatyerr	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Eastern Anmatyerr	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	17	0.5%	0.6%	–	–	
Eastern Arrernte	6	0.2%	0.2%	–	–	
Western Arrarnta	13	0.4%	0.4%	–	–	
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	14	0.6%	
Kukatja	4	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.2%	
Luritja	10	0.3%	0.5%	3	0.1%	
Martu Wangka	–	–	–	–	–	

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Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pintupi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	15	0.4%	0.4%	6	0.2%	–
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gooniyandi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Miriwoong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarinyin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yawuru	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kriol	37	1.1%	2.3%	31	1.3%	–
Lardil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Narungga	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	–	–	–	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	9	0.3%	0.1%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.1%	3	0.1%	–
American Languages	–	–	–	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Acholi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Akan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mauritian Creole	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Oromo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Shona	5	0.1%	0.2%	—	—	—
Somali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Swahili	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Yoruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Zulu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Amharic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bemba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Dinka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ewe	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hausa	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Igbo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kikuyu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Krio	—	—	—	—	—	—
Luganda	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ndebele	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nuer	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Nyanja (Chichewa)	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tswana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Xhosa	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Anuak	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.2%	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	5	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Samoan	–	–	0.1%	3	0.1%	–
Tongan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bislama	13	0.4%	0.0%	–	–	–
Norf'k–Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kiwai	–	–	–	–	–	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Auslan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Not stated	1,343	38.7%	9.9%	668	27.3%	10.0%
Total	3,474	100.0%	100.0%	2,446	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.