

Community report

Migratory – Offshore –

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

Shipping (NT)

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**Migratory – Offshore – Shipping
(NT)**

COMPARISON

Northern Territory

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Ancestry

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.

Ancestry

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Key takeaway

In 2021, the largest ancestry groups among residents in Migratory – Offshore – Shipping (NT) were English, Australian and Irish.

About this topic

Ancestry describes a person's cultural association and ethnic background, and Census respondents can report more than one ancestry. It is a broader cultural measure than country of birth because it can reflect family heritage across generations.

This topic helps show the size and diversity of cultural groups in an area, including groups whose members were born in Australia. Because multiple ancestries can be reported, ancestry totals can exceed the total population, so it is best read with birthplace, language used at home, and religion.

Interpretation notes

- People can report up to two ancestries, so category counts represent responses rather than a single unduplicated person count, while percentages are shown against the total population.
- ABS advises that ancestry is best used with birthplace and language, because ancestry alone is a broad measure of ethnicity and cultural background.
- The 2021 form added separate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mark boxes, so those categories need caution in over-time comparison.

Ancestry - Ranked by size

Migratory - Offshore - Shipping (NT) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	–	–	0.3%	–	–	0.3%	–	–
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	–	–	0.2%	–	–	0.2%	–	–
African, so described	–	–	0.4%	–	–	0.3%	–	–
European, so described	–	–	0.1%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	24	24.2%	24.2%	9	12.9%	28.5%	+15	+11.3
Australian Aboriginal	8	8.1%	24.6%	–	–	16.6%	–	–
Australian South Sea Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.1%	–	–
Torres Strait Islander	3	3.0%	1.0%	–	–	0.2%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori	–	–	0.8%	–	–	–
New Zealander	–	–	0.7%	–	–	–
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
New Caledonian	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinean	3	3.0%	0.3%	–	–	–
Solomon Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cook Islander	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Fijian	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Niuean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoaan	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Tongan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North-West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
British, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	32	32.3%	23.2%	7	10.0%	10.0%
Scottish	8	8.1%	6.3%	4	5.7%	5.7%
Welsh	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Manx	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
British, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	14	14.1%	7.3%	6	8.6%	8.6%
Austrian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Dutch	–	–	1.1%	–	–	–
Flemish	–	–	–	–	–	–
French	–	–	0.5%	–	–	–
German	4	4.0%	3.6%	–	–	–
Swiss	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Belgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Danish	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Finnish	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Swedish	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Italian	–	–	1.9%	–	–	–
Maltese	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Portuguese	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Spanish	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
South Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Greek	–	–	1.9%	–	–	–
Macedonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moldovan	–	–	–	–	–	–
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cypriot	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czech	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Hungarian	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Latvian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polish	–	–	0.4%	–	–	–
Russian	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ukrainian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arab, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Egyptian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iraqi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lebanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jewish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Sudanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Sudanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Iranian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Burmese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	–	–	0.6%	–	–	–
Vietnamese	–	–	0.7%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	3	3.0%	3.6%	9	12.9%	–

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Indonesian	3	3.0%	0.8%	23	32.9%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	0.5%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	–	–	–	
Singaporean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	–	–	3.0%	–	–	
Taiwanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	–	–	0.2%	7	10.0%	
Korean	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	–	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Anglo–Indian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indian	–	–	2.3%	–	–	
Malayali	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Nepalese	–	–	1.4%	–	–	

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Pakistani	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Punjabi	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Sikh	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Sinhalese	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Maldivian	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bangladeshi	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Indian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan	5	5.1%	0.3%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tamil, nfd	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afghan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	–	–	–	–
Azeri	–	–	–	–	–	–
Hazara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Tatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Turkmen	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uighur	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kyrgyz	—	—	—	—	—	—
Central Asian, nec	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
African American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
American	—	—	0.3%	—	—	—
Canadian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
French Canadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hispanic North American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Native North American Indian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Argentinian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Brazilian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Chilean	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Colombian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Ecuadorian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guyanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Peruvian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Uruguayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Venezuelan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central American, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mexican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caribbean Islander, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Puerto Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caribbean Islander, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulani	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigerian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leonean	–	–	–	–	–	–
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congolese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegalese	–	–	–	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaner	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Angolan	–	–	–	–	–	–
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kenyan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South African	–	–	0.3%	–	–	–
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zimbabwean	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Masai	–	–	–	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Northern Territory %	Count	%	Northern Territory %
Madi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Excludes ancestries with fewer than 10 responses (multi-response).

Data basis: usual residence.