

Community report

Light (RegC)

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

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Light (RegC)

COMPARISON

Regional SA

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Birthplace

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.

Birthplace

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 11.1% (1,756) of people in Light (RegC) were born overseas, compared with 11.6% in Regional SA. A further 84.1% (13,268) of people were born in Australia.

About this topic

Birthplace records the country in which a person was born. It is a core measure of migration history and cultural diversity and helps distinguish Australia-born and overseas-born populations.

This topic is useful for understanding settlement patterns and the likely language, service, and support needs of different communities. It should be interpreted together with ancestry, language used at home, and religion for a fuller view of cultural diversity.

Interpretation notes

- Country of birth measures birthplace only; it does not capture ancestry, ethnicity, or current citizenship on its own.
- Use birthplace with ancestry and language when interpreting cultural background, because many cultural groups include both Australia-born and overseas-born people.

Birthplace - Ranked by size

Light (RegC) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australia	13,268	84.1%	81.3%	12,183	82.8%	81.0%	+1,085	+1.3
Norfolk Island	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
New Zealand	86	0.5%	0.8%	79	0.5%	0.8%	+7	0.0
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	8	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.1%	0.0%	-4	0.0
Solomon Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Vanuatu	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Nauru	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Cook Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Fiji	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Niue	–	–	–	–	–	
Samoa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	10	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
England	980	6.2%	4.2%	980	6.7%	
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern Ireland	28	0.2%	0.1%	21	0.1%	
Scotland	90	0.6%	0.5%	105	0.7%	
Wales	21	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ireland	20	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	
Austria	12	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	
Belgium	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
France	4	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Germany	63	0.4%	0.5%	59	0.4%	
Netherlands	45	0.3%	0.4%	47	0.3%	
Switzerland	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Denmark	–	–	0.0%	8	0.1%	
Faroe Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finland	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Sweden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gibraltar	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Italy	29	0.2%	0.2%	29	0.2%	
Malta	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Portugal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Spain	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Bulgaria	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Croatia	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Cyprus	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North Macedonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Greece	5	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Slovenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Montenegro	–	–	–	–	–	
Serbia	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Europe, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Czechia	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Estonia	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hungary	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Latvia	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Lithuania	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Poland	8	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	
Russian Federation	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Slovakia	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Ukraine	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Algeria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Egypt	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Libya	—	—	—	—	—	
Morocco	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sudan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tunisia	—	—	—	—	—	
South Sudan	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Bahrain	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Iran	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Iraq	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Israel	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Jordan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kuwait	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Lebanon	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	

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Oman	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Qatar	—	—	—	—	—	
Saudi Arabia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Syria	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Turkey	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
United Arab Emirates	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Myanmar	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Cambodia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Laos	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Thailand	10	0.1%	0.2%	11	0.1%	
Vietnam	15	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	
Brunei Darussalam	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Indonesia	6	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Malaysia	16	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	
Philippines	32	0.2%	0.7%	34	0.2%	
Singapore	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Timor-Leste	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	6	0.0%	0.2%	4	0.0%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mongolia	—	—	—	—	—	
Taiwan	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Japan	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Korea, Republic of (South)	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Southern Asia, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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Bangladesh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bhutan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
India	14	0.1%	0.5%	3	0.0%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pakistan	6	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Sri Lanka	13	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	
Afghanistan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Georgia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakhstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	23	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
United States of America	28	0.2%	0.2%	26	0.2%	
South America, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Argentina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazil	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chile	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Colombia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuador	–	–	–	–	–	
Falkland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Guyana	–	–	–	–	–	
Paraguay	–	–	–	–	–	
Peru	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Uruguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Venezuela	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
El Salvador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Panama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Congo, Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kenya	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Madagascar	–	–	–	–	–	
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Mauritius	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Africa	42	0.3%	0.3%	32	0.2%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zimbabwe	19	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	
Not stated	751	4.8%	7.1%	824	5.6%	
Total	15,775	100.0%	100.0%	14,722	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.