

Community report

Macedon Ranges (S)

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

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Macedon Ranges (S)

COMPARISON

Regional Vic.

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 Macedon Ranges (S) 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

Macedon Ranges (S) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	78	0.2%	0.2%	71	0.2%	0.2%	+7	0.0
Eurasian, so described	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Asian, so described	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
African, so described	13	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	0.1%	+4	0.0
European, so described	37	0.1%	0.1%	35	0.1%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Caucasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	20,663	40.2%	39.2%	18,701	40.6%	40.0%	+1,962	-0.4
Australian Aboriginal	456	0.9%	1.9%	28	0.1%	0.2%	+428	+0.8
Australian South Sea Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Torres Strait Islander	27	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Maori	132	0.3%	0.3%	93	0.2%	
New Zealander	375	0.7%	0.5%	332	0.7%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ni-Vanuatu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Papua New Guinean	13	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
I-Kiribati	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Nauruan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Micronesian, nec	—	—	—	—	—	
Polynesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Cook Islander	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Fijian	13	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	
Niuean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Samoan	35	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.1%	
Tongan	13	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North-West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
British, nfd	22	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.1%	
English	21,717	42.2%	40.6%	18,870	40.9%	4
Scottish	6,681	13.0%	11.7%	5,549	12.0%	1
Welsh	450	0.9%	0.6%	362	0.8%	
Channel Islander	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Manx	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
British, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	7,882	15.3%	12.9%	6,866	14.9%	1
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	161	0.3%	0.2%	123	0.3%	
Dutch	1,036	2.0%	2.3%	840	1.8%	
Flemish	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
French	330	0.6%	0.4%	263	0.6%	
German	2,419	4.7%	4.6%	2,211	4.8%	
Swiss	159	0.3%	0.2%	119	0.3%	
Belgian	17	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	19	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Danish	179	0.3%	0.2%	112	0.2%	
Finnish	42	0.1%	0.1%	49	0.1%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	67	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Swedish	122	0.2%	0.2%	100	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	2,405	4.7%	3.9%	1,928	4.2%	
Maltese	1,178	2.3%	0.7%	909	2.0%	
Portuguese	52	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	
Spanish	138	0.3%	0.3%	132	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	41	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.1%	
Albanian	24	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Bosnian	25	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Bulgarian	20	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Croatian	352	0.7%	0.6%	232	0.5%	
Greek	472	0.9%	0.6%	375	0.8%	
Macedonian	151	0.3%	0.2%	89	0.2%	
Moldovan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Montenegrin	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Romanian	38	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.0%	
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	90	0.2%	0.2%	68	0.1%	
Slovene	102	0.2%	0.1%	62	0.1%	
Cypriot	67	0.1%	0.1%	40	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	26	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	56	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.1%	
Estonian	31	0.1%	0.0%	24	0.1%	
Hungarian	183	0.4%	0.3%	146	0.3%	
Latvian	79	0.2%	0.1%	72	0.2%	
Lithuanian	41	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	
Polish	577	1.1%	0.6%	434	0.9%	
Russian	132	0.3%	0.2%	100	0.2%	
Slovak	32	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Ukrainian	142	0.3%	0.2%	109	0.2%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nfd	12	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Algerian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Egyptian	24	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Iraqi	3	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Jordanian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwaiti	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	98	0.2%	0.1%	71	0.2%	
Libyan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Palestinian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	30	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	–	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranian	11	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkish	59	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	
Assyrian	16	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	–	–	–	
Burmese	15	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	9	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Lao	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Thai	69	0.1%	0.2%	41	0.1%	
Vietnamese	59	0.1%	0.2%	40	0.1%	
Karen	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Filipino	185	0.4%	0.8%	117	0.3%	
Indonesian	35	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	37	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	427	0.8%	1.1%	367	0.8%	
Taiwanese	46	0.1%	0.0%	27	0.1%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	57	0.1%	0.1%	38	0.1%	
Korean	19	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	4	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Anglo–Indian	25	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Indian	239	0.5%	1.0%	184	0.4%	
Malayali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepalese	22	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Pakistani	17	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Punjabi	27	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Sikh	6	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Sinhalese	23	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	121	0.2%	0.1%	96	0.2%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Telugu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Armenian	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African American	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
American	166	0.3%	0.2%	163	0.4%	
Canadian	111	0.2%	0.1%	68	0.1%	
French Canadian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Bermudan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	19	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Argentinian	40	0.1%	0.0%	26	0.1%	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Chilean	35	0.1%	0.0%	19	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Colombian	20	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Guyanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Peruvian	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Uruguayan	15	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Venezuelan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Paraguayan	—	—	—	—	—	
South American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mexican	22	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Salvadoran	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Costa Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Guatemalan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Cuban	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Jamaican	12	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Barbadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Puerto Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Caribbean Islander, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	–	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ethiopian	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kenyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	48	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	180	0.3%	0.2%	146	0.3%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zimbabwean	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	–	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.