

Community report

Maitland (C)

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

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Maitland (C)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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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 Maitland (C), accounting for 90.6% (81,723 people). This share was higher than Regional NSW (86.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 11,335 people, while its share fell by 0.4 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

Maitland (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	61	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.0%	0.0%	+30	+0.1
Non-verbal, so described	78	0.1%	0.1%	70	0.1%	0.1%	+8	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Welsh	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Celtic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	81,723	90.6%	86.8%	70,388	91.0%	86.8%
German and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
German	94	0.1%	0.2%	134	0.2%	0.2%
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	42	0.0%	0.1%	38	0.0%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaans	207	0.2%	0.1%	145	0.2%	0.1%
Danish	12	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	0.0%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	16	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Estonian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish and Related Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
French	63	0.1%	0.1%	62	0.1%	0.1%
Greek	71	0.1%	0.2%	63	0.1%	0.2%
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	49	0.1%	0.1%	46	0.1%	0.1%
Spanish	173	0.2%	0.3%	121	0.2%	0.3%
Italian	92	0.1%	0.4%	100	0.1%	0.4%
Maltese	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	0.0%
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hungarian	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	45	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.1%	
Ukrainian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bosnian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgarian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	23	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Macedonian	27	0.0%	0.3%	18	0.0%	
Serbian	30	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	
Slovene	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Czech	16	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Polish	71	0.1%	0.1%	94	0.1%	
Slovak	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Romanian	16	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	27	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Hazaraghi	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Arabic	173	0.2%	0.3%	100	0.1%	–
Hebrew	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	–	–	–	–
Turkish	20	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	–	–	–	–
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Kannada	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Malayalam	344	0.4%	0.2%	135	0.2%	–

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Tamil	58	0.1%	0.1%	37	0.0%	
Telugu	102	0.1%	0.0%	69	0.1%	
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	81	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Gujarati	47	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.0%	
Hindi	149	0.2%	0.1%	91	0.1%	
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marathi	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Nepali	92	0.1%	0.2%	11	0.0%	
Punjabi	332	0.4%	0.3%	120	0.2%	
Sindhi	14	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Sinhalese	49	0.1%	0.1%	18	0.0%	
Urdu	148	0.2%	0.1%	66	0.1%	
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	–	–	–	–	–	
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Hindustani	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Other Southern Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Vietnamese	139	0.2%	0.2%	74	0.1%	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Thai	128	0.1%	0.2%	62	0.1%	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bisaya	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Cebuano	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Indonesian	39	0.0%	0.1%	35	0.0%	
Malay	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	–	–	–	
Tagalog	255	0.3%	0.2%	164	0.2%	
Filipino	142	0.2%	0.1%	80	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Acehnese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	–	–	–	–
Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Cantonese	188	0.2%	0.2%	162	0.2%	–
Hakka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandarin	265	0.3%	0.4%	179	0.2%	–
Wu	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Min Nan	14	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Japanese	32	0.0%	0.1%	28	0.0%	–
Korean	110	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.1%	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Anindilyakwa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gudanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Murrinh Patha	–	–	–	–	–	
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuku Yalanji	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kuuku–Ya'u	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Meriam Mir	3	0.0%	–	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arnernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luritja	–	–	–	–	–	
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	–	–	–	
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bandjalang	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Diyari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gamilaraay	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Githabul	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gumbaynggir	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kanai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Muruwari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Yindjibarndi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yorta Yorta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dharawal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	16	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	100	0.1%	0.0%	82	0.1%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	31	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yoruba	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Zulu	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Amharic	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bemba	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Harari	–	–	–	–	–	
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kikuyu	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Krio	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ndebele	14	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Seychelles Creole	–	–	–	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Krahn	–	–	–	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moro (Nuba Moro)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	–	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Fijian	20	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	47	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Samoaan	69	0.1%	0.0%	41	0.1%	
Tongan	68	0.1%	0.0%	38	0.0%	
Rotuman	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
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%	–	–	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Auslan	82	0.1%	0.1%	35	0.0%	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	3,535	3.9%	6.6%	3,852	5.0%	
Total	90,198	100.0%	100.0%	77,312	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.