

# Community report

## Maroondah (C)

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

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**Maroondah (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Melbourne**

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 Maroondah (C), accounting for 76.9% (88,426 people). This share was higher than Greater Melbourne (61.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Mandarin, which increased by 1,852 people and 1.4 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

Maroondah (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	95	0.1%	0.1%	79	0.1%	0.1%	+16	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	135	0.1%	0.1%	180	0.2%	0.2%	-45	-0.1
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	28	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	+18	0.0
French Creole, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	+6	0.0
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Portuguese Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Irish	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Welsh	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Celtic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	88,426	76.9%	61.1%	87,017	78.9%	61.1%
German	383	0.3%	0.3%	513	0.5%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	212	0.2%	0.1%	298	0.3%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaans	204	0.2%	0.1%	207	0.2%	0.1%
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Danish	20	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	0.0%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	20	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	21	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	0.0%
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Finnish	15	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	0.0%
French	190	0.2%	0.3%	211	0.2%	0.3%
Greek	603	0.5%	2.1%	610	0.6%	2.1%
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	85	0.1%	0.2%	68	0.1%	0.2%
Spanish	557	0.5%	0.8%	472	0.4%	0.8%
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Italian	683	0.6%	1.7%	824	0.7%	1.7%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Maltese	44	0.0%	0.3%	53	0.0%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	26	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Lithuanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Hungarian	106	0.1%	0.1%	142	0.1%	
East Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	159	0.1%	0.4%	142	0.1%	
Ukrainian	12	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	32	0.0%	0.1%	33	0.0%	
Bulgarian	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Croatian	119	0.1%	0.3%	140	0.1%	
Macedonian	81	0.1%	0.6%	70	0.1%	
Serbian	121	0.1%	0.3%	132	0.1%	
Slovene	19	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	15	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Czech	49	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Polish	212	0.2%	0.3%	268	0.2%	
Slovak	43	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Czechoslovakian, so described	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Albanian	17	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	—
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Romanian	63	0.1%	0.1%	63	0.1%	—
Romany	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Iranic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Kurdish	12	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Pashto	3	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	—
Balochi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Dari	31	0.0%	0.2%	39	0.0%	—
Persian (excluding Dari)	817	0.7%	0.4%	546	0.5%	—
Hazaraghi	—	—	0.4%	4	0.0%	—
Iranic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Arabic	451	0.4%	1.8%	351	0.3%	—
Hebrew	10	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	—
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	4	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	—
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	3	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	—
Mandaean (Mandaic)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Turkish	71	0.1%	0.7%	65	0.1%	—
Azeri	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Tatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	13	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	19	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	–
Kannada	86	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.0%	–
Malayalam	307	0.3%	0.4%	255	0.2%	–
Tamil	272	0.2%	0.7%	142	0.1%	–
Telugu	173	0.2%	0.5%	74	0.1%	–
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dravidian, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bengali	98	0.1%	0.3%	67	0.1%	–
Gujarati	308	0.3%	0.5%	240	0.2%	–
Hindi	808	0.7%	1.3%	629	0.6%	–
Konkani	21	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	–
Marathi	118	0.1%	0.1%	53	0.0%	–
Nepali	122	0.1%	0.4%	50	0.0%	–
Punjabi	604	0.5%	2.0%	587	0.5%	–
Sindhi	17	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Sinhalese	548	0.5%	1.0%	421	0.4%	–
Urdu	163	0.1%	0.7%	109	0.1%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oriya	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southern Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	68	0.1%	0.0%	77	0.1%	–
Burmese	284	0.2%	0.1%	204	0.2%	–
Chin Haka	1,067	0.9%	0.1%	1,158	1.0%	–
Karen	208	0.2%	0.1%	333	0.3%	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zomi	512	0.4%	0.0%	433	0.4%	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	502	0.4%	0.1%	312	0.3%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	192	0.2%	0.3%	211	0.2%	–
Vietnamese	555	0.5%	2.3%	431	0.4%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	13	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Thai	279	0.2%	0.3%	199	0.2%	–
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Bisaya	22	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	—
Cebuano	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Ilokano	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indonesian	250	0.2%	0.3%	215	0.2%	—
Malay	27	0.0%	0.1%	37	0.0%	—
Tetum	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Timorese	12	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Tagalog	259	0.2%	0.5%	206	0.2%	—
Filipino	204	0.2%	0.4%	181	0.2%	—
Acehnese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Balinese	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Bikol	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Iban	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Javanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Pampangan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other Southeast Asian Languages	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Chinese, nfd	40	0.0%	0.1%	64	0.1%	—
Cantonese	1,906	1.7%	1.6%	1,400	1.3%	—
Hakka	40	0.0%	0.1%	34	0.0%	—
Mandarin	5,455	4.7%	4.3%	3,603	3.3%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Wu	24	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Min Nan	137	0.1%	0.1%	90	0.1%	
Chinese, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	171	0.1%	0.2%	155	0.1%	
Korean	452	0.4%	0.3%	284	0.3%	
Tibetan	38	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maung	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jawoyn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Murrinh Patha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Na-kara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Garrwa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djambarrpuyngu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cape York Peninsula Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Manyjilyjarra	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bunuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bandjalang	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Banyjima	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Batjala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bidjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kanai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Narungga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarrindjeri	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–

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Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yorta Yorta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Djabwurrung	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wergaia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yugambah	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	17	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Mauritian Creole	20	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	–
Oromo	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Shona	28	0.0%	0.1%	38	0.0%	–
Somali	6	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Swahili	20	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	–
Yoruba	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Amharic	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Bemba	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Dinka	17	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	13	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Nuer	14	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shilluk	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Loma (Lorma)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	11	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Maori (Cook Island)	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	9	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Nauruan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	25	0.0%	0.3%	26	0.0%	–
Tongan	55	0.0%	0.1%	64	0.1%	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Yapese	–	–	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)	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Auslan	185	0.2%	0.1%	105	0.1%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Not stated	3,864	3.4%	4.8%	4,634	4.2%	–
<b>Total</b>	<b>115,031</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>110,346</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.