

Community report

Meander Valley (M)

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

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Meander Valley (M)

COMPARISON

Regional Tas.

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, 11.7% (2,414) of people in Meander Valley (M) were born overseas, compared with 12.5% in Regional Tas.. A further 83% (17,176) 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

Meander Valley (M) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Australia	17,176	83.0%	81.1%	15,935	82.8%	81.4%	+1,241	+0.2
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	228	1.1%	1.1%	182	0.9%	1.0%	+46	+0.2
New Caledonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Papua New Guinea	21	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.1%	0.1%	+6	0.0
Solomon Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–
Nauru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Cook Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Fiji	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Samoa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	17	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
England	824	4.0%	3.6%	788	4.1%	
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern Ireland	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Scotland	79	0.4%	0.4%	80	0.4%	
Wales	26	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.2%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ireland	29	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.2%	
Austria	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Belgium	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
France	7	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Germany	76	0.4%	0.3%	81	0.4%	
Netherlands	94	0.5%	0.4%	94	0.5%	
Switzerland	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Denmark	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Finland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norway	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Sweden	11	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italy	37	0.2%	0.1%	36	0.2%	
Malta	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Portugal	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Spain	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Albania	–	–	–	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bulgaria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatia	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Cyprus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North Macedonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Greece	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romania	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Slovenia	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbia	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechia	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Estonia	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hungary	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Latvia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Lithuania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Poland	16	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Russian Federation	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Slovakia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukraine	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egypt	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Libya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Morocco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudan	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bahrain	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	–	–	–	–	–	
Iran	19	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Iraq	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Israel	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jordan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwait	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanon	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Oman	–	–	–	–	–	
Qatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Saudi Arabia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syria	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Turkey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Arab Emirates	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yemen	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	6	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Cambodia	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Laos	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Thailand	12	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Vietnam	15	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesia	10	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Malaysia	31	0.1%	0.2%	12	0.1%	
Philippines	99	0.5%	0.4%	62	0.3%	
Singapore	22	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Timor–Leste	86	0.4%	0.0%	–	–	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	46	0.2%	0.4%	12	0.1%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	14	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.1%	
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolia	–	–	–	–	–	
Taiwan	8	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Japan	11	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Korea, Republic of (South)	10	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Southern Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladesh	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Bhutan	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
India	68	0.3%	0.7%	35	0.2%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	44	0.2%	0.7%	3	0.0%	
Pakistan	25	0.1%	0.2%	24	0.1%	
Sri Lanka	19	0.1%	0.2%	9	0.0%	
Afghanistan	9	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Kazakhstan	–	–	–	–	–	
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	30	0.1%	0.2%	26	0.1%	
United States of America	86	0.4%	0.3%	74	0.4%	
South America, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Argentina	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazil	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Chile	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Colombia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguay	–	–	–	–	–	
Peru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Venezuela	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
El Salvador	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nicaragua	–	–	–	–	–	
Barbados	–	–	–	–	–	
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rico	–	–	–	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	12	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leone	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kenya	12	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Tas. %	Count	%	Regiona
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritius	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mozambique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South Africa	59	0.3%	0.3%	39	0.2%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zimbabwe	20	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.1%	
Not stated	1,092	5.3%	6.4%	1,417	7.4%	
Total	20,682	100.0%	100.0%	19,238	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.