

Community report

Moonee Valley (C)

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

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Moonee Valley (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

POPULATION

Persons

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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 Moonee Valley (C), accounting for 68% (82,779 people). This share was higher than Greater Melbourne (61.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 7,563 people and 3.5 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

Moonee Valley (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	87	0.1%	0.1%	88	0.1%	0.1%	-1	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	105	0.1%	0.1%	169	0.1%	0.2%	-64	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
Creole, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+8	0.0
French Creole, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	+8	0.0
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	4	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	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	+6	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Welsh	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Celtic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	82,779	68.0%	61.1%	75,216	64.5%	61.1%
German	287	0.2%	0.3%	325	0.3%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Dutch	89	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.1%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaans	42	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.0%	0.0%
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Danish	13	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	0.0%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	52	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.1%	0.1%
Estonian	14	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	0.0%
Finnish	15	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%
French	276	0.2%	0.3%	339	0.3%	0.3%
Greek	3,487	2.9%	2.1%	3,631	3.1%	2.1%
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	244	0.2%	0.2%	193	0.2%	0.2%
Spanish	1,447	1.2%	0.8%	1,208	1.0%	0.8%
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Italian	6,718	5.5%	1.7%	7,916	6.8%	1.7%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Maltese	515	0.4%	0.3%	645	0.6%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	10	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Lithuanian	17	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Hungarian	67	0.1%	0.1%	83	0.1%	
East Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	156	0.1%	0.4%	153	0.1%	
Ukrainian	228	0.2%	0.0%	283	0.2%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	75	0.1%	0.1%	91	0.1%	
Bulgarian	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Croatian	950	0.8%	0.3%	981	0.8%	
Macedonian	547	0.4%	0.6%	486	0.4%	
Serbian	341	0.3%	0.3%	280	0.2%	
Slovene	73	0.1%	0.0%	86	0.1%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	23	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Czech	10	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Polish	357	0.3%	0.3%	360	0.3%	
Slovak	11	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	

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Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Albanian	115	0.1%	0.1%	88	0.1%	–
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Romanian	35	0.0%	0.1%	35	0.0%	–
Romany	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Kurdish	31	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Pashto	21	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	–
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	17	0.0%	0.2%	12	0.0%	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	362	0.3%	0.4%	421	0.4%	–
Hazaraghi	–	–	0.4%	3	0.0%	–
Iranic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arabic	1,850	1.5%	1.8%	1,723	1.5%	–
Hebrew	12	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	136	0.1%	0.2%	129	0.1%	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	36	0.0%	0.2%	18	0.0%	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	882	0.7%	0.7%	634	0.5%	–
Azeri	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	–
Kannada	89	0.1%	0.1%	61	0.1%	–
Malayalam	204	0.2%	0.4%	183	0.2%	–
Tamil	288	0.2%	0.7%	287	0.2%	–
Telugu	361	0.3%	0.5%	296	0.3%	–
Tulu	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bengali	147	0.1%	0.3%	140	0.1%	–
Gujarati	173	0.1%	0.5%	250	0.2%	–
Hindi	827	0.7%	1.3%	898	0.8%	–
Konkani	16	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Marathi	76	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.0%	–
Nepali	609	0.5%	0.4%	388	0.3%	–
Punjabi	344	0.3%	2.0%	388	0.3%	–
Sindhi	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Sinhalese	414	0.3%	1.0%	335	0.3%	–
Urdu	303	0.2%	0.7%	238	0.2%	–

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Assamese	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Dhivehi	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kashmiri	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Oriya	13	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Fijian Hindustani	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Other Southern Asian Languages	21	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	23	0.0%	0.1%	23	0.0%	
Chin Haka	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Karen	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Hmong	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer	31	0.0%	0.3%	27	0.0%	
Vietnamese	2,902	2.4%	2.3%	2,732	2.3%	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lao	35	0.0%	0.0%	48	0.0%	
Thai	279	0.2%	0.3%	236	0.2%	
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Bisaya	14	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Cebuano	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Ilokano	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indonesian	198	0.2%	0.3%	189	0.2%	—
Malay	81	0.1%	0.1%	78	0.1%	—
Tetum	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Timorese	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Tagalog	328	0.3%	0.5%	269	0.2%	—
Filipino	268	0.2%	0.4%	239	0.2%	—
Acehnese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Balinese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bikol	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Iban	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Javanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Pampangan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Other Southeast Asian Languages	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Chinese, nfd	26	0.0%	0.1%	54	0.0%	—
Cantonese	1,842	1.5%	1.6%	1,819	1.6%	—
Hakka	103	0.1%	0.1%	110	0.1%	—
Mandarin	2,031	1.7%	4.3%	2,078	1.8%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Wu	18	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Min Nan	78	0.1%	0.1%	55	0.0%	
Chinese, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	330	0.3%	0.2%	274	0.2%	
Korean	242	0.2%	0.3%	263	0.2%	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mongolian	25	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	5	0.0%	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%	5	0.0%	–
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kanai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Narungga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	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	12	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian Creole	17	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	0.0%
Oromo	244	0.2%	0.1%	167	0.1%	0.1%
Shona	20	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Somali	531	0.4%	0.2%	628	0.5%	0.3%
Swahili	56	0.0%	0.1%	40	0.0%	0.0%
Yoruba	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Zulu	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Amharic	214	0.2%	0.1%	265	0.2%	0.1%
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Dinka	42	0.0%	0.1%	86	0.1%	0.1%

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Ewe	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	15	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Shilluk	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Tigrinya	216	0.2%	0.1%	232	0.2%	–
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Loma (Lorma)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Gilbertese	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Maori (Cook Island)	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Maori (New Zealand)	27	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	44	0.0%	0.3%	30	0.0%	–
Tongan	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Yapese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bislama	5	0.0%	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)	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Invented Languages	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Sign Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Auslan	68	0.1%	0.1%	57	0.0%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Not stated	4,718	3.9%	4.8%	6,740	5.8%	–
Total	121,779	100.0%	100.0%	116,690	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.