

Community report

Moreland (C)

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

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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 Moreland (C), accounting for 61% (104,555 people). This share was similar to Greater Melbourne (61.1%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 13,526 people and 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

Moreland (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	123	0.1%	0.1%	168	0.1%	0.1%	-45	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	253	0.1%	0.1%	351	0.2%	0.2%	-98	-0.1
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	+7	0.0
Creole, nfd	33	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	+25	0.0
French Creole, nfd	15	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	0.0%	-7	0.0
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Portuguese Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+6	0.0
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	-3	0.0
Irish	28	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	0.0%	+3	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Welsh	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Celtic, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
English	104,555	61.0%	61.1%	91,029	56.0%	
German	605	0.4%	0.3%	596	0.4%	
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yiddish	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Dutch	153	0.1%	0.1%	140	0.1%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaans	69	0.0%	0.1%	50	0.0%	
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Danish	25	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Icelandic	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Norwegian	29	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Swedish	92	0.1%	0.0%	88	0.1%	
Estonian	17	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Finnish	35	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
French	644	0.4%	0.3%	580	0.4%	
Greek	6,789	4.0%	2.1%	7,426	4.6%	
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	16	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Portuguese	485	0.3%	0.2%	330	0.2%	
Spanish	2,003	1.2%	0.8%	1,555	1.0%	
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Italian	9,974	5.8%	1.7%	12,797	7.9%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Maltese	526	0.3%	0.3%	753	0.5%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Latvian	31	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Lithuanian	21	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Hungarian	62	0.0%	0.1%	76	0.0%	
East Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	225	0.1%	0.4%	201	0.1%	
Ukrainian	121	0.1%	0.0%	150	0.1%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	101	0.1%	0.1%	89	0.1%	
Bulgarian	29	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Croatian	535	0.3%	0.3%	506	0.3%	
Macedonian	266	0.2%	0.6%	266	0.2%	
Serbian	278	0.2%	0.3%	298	0.2%	
Slovene	42	0.0%	0.0%	50	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	22	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Czech	12	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Polish	390	0.2%	0.3%	454	0.3%	
Slovak	20	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Albanian	66	0.0%	0.1%	49	0.0%	–
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Romanian	53	0.0%	0.1%	39	0.0%	–
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Kurdish	191	0.1%	0.0%	210	0.1%	–
Pashto	290	0.2%	0.1%	266	0.2%	–
Balochi	15	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	23	0.0%	0.2%	29	0.0%	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	460	0.3%	0.4%	566	0.3%	–
Hazaraghi	11	0.0%	0.4%	14	0.0%	–
Iranic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arabic	7,767	4.5%	1.8%	7,918	4.9%	–
Hebrew	44	0.0%	0.1%	30	0.0%	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	407	0.2%	0.2%	386	0.2%	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	221	0.1%	0.2%	329	0.2%	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	3,065	1.8%	0.7%	2,965	1.8%	–
Azeri	13	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	16	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	5	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	31	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	–
Kannada	72	0.0%	0.1%	76	0.0%	–
Malayalam	478	0.3%	0.4%	530	0.3%	–
Tamil	434	0.3%	0.7%	396	0.2%	–
Telugu	509	0.3%	0.5%	404	0.2%	–
Tulu	24	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	38	0.0%	–
Bengali	752	0.4%	0.3%	727	0.4%	–
Gujarati	217	0.1%	0.5%	236	0.1%	–
Hindi	1,072	0.6%	1.3%	1,256	0.8%	–
Konkani	21	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	–
Marathi	109	0.1%	0.1%	92	0.1%	–
Nepali	3,738	2.2%	0.4%	2,506	1.5%	–
Punjabi	572	0.3%	2.0%	939	0.6%	–
Sindhi	82	0.0%	0.0%	77	0.0%	–
Sinhalese	728	0.4%	1.0%	723	0.4%	–
Urdu	3,813	2.2%	0.7%	3,837	2.4%	–

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Assamese	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Dhivehi	25	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Kashmiri	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Oriya	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Fijian Hindustani	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nec	30	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Other Southern Asian Languages	37	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	61	0.0%	0.1%	120	0.1%	
Chin Haka	–	–	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	8	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer	43	0.0%	0.3%	47	0.0%	
Vietnamese	1,604	0.9%	2.3%	1,460	0.9%	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lao	26	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Thai	352	0.2%	0.3%	388	0.2%	
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	37	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bisaya	22	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Cebuano	24	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Ilokano	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesian	504	0.3%	0.3%	642	0.4%	
Malay	157	0.1%	0.1%	193	0.1%	
Tetum	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tagalog	536	0.3%	0.5%	467	0.3%	
Filipino	435	0.3%	0.4%	395	0.2%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Javanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese, nfd	26	0.0%	0.1%	93	0.1%	
Cantonese	1,066	0.6%	1.6%	1,043	0.6%	
Hakka	27	0.0%	0.1%	34	0.0%	
Mandarin	2,857	1.7%	4.3%	3,167	1.9%	

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Wu	25	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Min Nan	77	0.0%	0.1%	72	0.0%	
Chinese, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	492	0.3%	0.2%	445	0.3%	
Korean	287	0.2%	0.3%	283	0.2%	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolian	15	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	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	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Manyjilyjarra	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bunuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yawuru	4	0.0%	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	–	–	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	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Mauritian Creole	6	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	–
Oromo	27	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.0%	–
Shona	40	0.0%	0.1%	40	0.0%	–
Somali	186	0.1%	0.2%	152	0.1%	–
Swahili	52	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.0%	–
Yoruba	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Zulu	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Amharic	49	0.0%	0.1%	49	0.0%	–
Bemba	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Dinka	6	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Luganda	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Shilluk	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	32	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	–
Tswana	4	0.0%	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%	3	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Kirundi (Rundi)	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Loma (Lorma)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lingala	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian	18	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Gilbertese	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Maori (Cook Island)	17	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Maori (New Zealand)	47	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoan	84	0.0%	0.3%	163	0.1%	
Tongan	17	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tuvaluan	6	0.0%	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)	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Sign Languages, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Auslan	104	0.1%	0.1%	94	0.1%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Not stated	7,682	4.5%	4.8%	9,488	5.8%	–
Total	171,348	100.0%	100.0%	162,481	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.