

Community report

Moreton Bay (R)

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

AREA

Moreton Bay (R)

COMPARISON

Greater Brisbane

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Ancestry

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.

Ancestry

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Key takeaway

In 2021, the largest ancestry groups among residents in Moreton Bay (R) were English, Australian and Irish.

About this topic

Ancestry describes a person's cultural association and ethnic background, and Census respondents can report more than one ancestry. It is a broader cultural measure than country of birth because it can reflect family heritage across generations.

This topic helps show the size and diversity of cultural groups in an area, including groups whose members were born in Australia. Because multiple ancestries can be reported, ancestry totals can exceed the total population, so it is best read with birthplace, language used at home, and religion.

Interpretation notes

- People can report up to two ancestries, so category counts represent responses rather than a single unduplicated person count, while percentages are shown against the total population.
- ABS advises that ancestry is best used with birthplace and language, because ancestry alone is a broad measure of ethnicity and cultural background.
- The 2021 form added separate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mark boxes, so those categories need caution in over-time comparison.

Ancestry - Ranked by size

Moreton Bay (R) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	1,141	0.2%	0.3%	1,071	0.3%	0.3%	+70	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	51	0.0%	0.0%	39	0.0%	0.0%	+12	0.0
Asian, so described	291	0.1%	0.1%	199	0.0%	0.1%	+92	+0.1
African, so described	887	0.2%	0.3%	561	0.1%	0.2%	+326	+0.1
European, so described	501	0.1%	0.1%	387	0.1%	0.1%	+114	0.0
Caucasian, so described	14	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Creole, so described	8	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	0.0%	-5	0.0
Oceanian, nfd	291	0.1%	0.1%	283	0.1%	0.1%	+8	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	177,297	37.2%	31.6%	162,676	38.2%	32.3%	+14,621	-1.0
Australian Aboriginal	17,266	3.6%	2.8%	1,563	0.4%	0.3%	+15,703	+3.2
Australian South Sea Islander	283	0.1%	0.1%	361	0.1%	0.1%	-78	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Torres Strait Islander	1,629	0.3%	0.3%	196	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	41	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	7,351	1.5%	1.5%	5,964	1.4%	
New Zealander	7,658	1.6%	1.4%	7,687	1.8%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	72	0.0%	0.0%	55	0.0%	
New Caledonian	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ni-Vanuatu	40	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Papua New Guinean	1,594	0.3%	0.3%	1,184	0.3%	
Solomon Islander	167	0.0%	0.0%	120	0.0%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Micronesian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
I-Kiribati	31	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Nauruan	56	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Micronesian, nec	18	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Polynesian, nfd	179	0.0%	0.0%	95	0.0%	
Cook Islander	887	0.2%	0.2%	636	0.1%	
Fijian	1,184	0.2%	0.3%	782	0.2%	
Niuean	345	0.1%	0.1%	194	0.0%	
Samoan	4,607	1.0%	1.2%	3,305	0.8%	
Tongan	1,000	0.2%	0.3%	628	0.1%	
Hawaiian	19	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Tahitian	46	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Tokelauan	120	0.0%	0.0%	120	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Tuvaluan	49	0.0%	0.0%	39	0.0%	
Pitcairn	23	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Polynesian, nec	29	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
North-West European, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
British, nfd	151	0.0%	0.0%	171	0.0%	
English	200,446	42.1%	36.5%	181,968	42.8%	3
Scottish	51,604	10.8%	10.1%	46,734	11.0%	1
Welsh	3,770	0.8%	0.7%	3,301	0.8%	
Channel Islander	21	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Manx	46	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	
British, nec	40	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Irish	52,505	11.0%	11.1%	52,430	12.3%	1
Western European, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	678	0.1%	0.2%	609	0.1%	
Dutch	8,567	1.8%	1.6%	7,161	1.7%	
Flemish	15	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
French	3,032	0.6%	0.7%	2,719	0.6%	
German	28,663	6.0%	5.7%	26,769	6.3%	
Swiss	653	0.1%	0.1%	593	0.1%	
Belgian	262	0.1%	0.1%	219	0.1%	
Frisian	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Luxembourg	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	322	0.1%	0.1%	183	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Danish	2,070	0.4%	0.5%	1,857	0.4%	
Finnish	639	0.1%	0.2%	571	0.1%	
Icelandic	23	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Norwegian	666	0.1%	0.1%	531	0.1%	
Swedish	974	0.2%	0.2%	874	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	55	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Catalan	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	11,701	2.5%	2.7%	9,783	2.3%	
Maltese	1,818	0.4%	0.3%	1,456	0.3%	
Portuguese	897	0.2%	0.2%	637	0.1%	
Spanish	1,996	0.4%	0.5%	1,815	0.4%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	292	0.1%	0.1%	364	0.1%	
Albanian	85	0.0%	0.0%	63	0.0%	
Bosnian	181	0.0%	0.1%	136	0.0%	
Bulgarian	78	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	
Croatian	1,203	0.3%	0.4%	767	0.2%	
Greek	1,942	0.4%	0.8%	1,620	0.4%	
Macedonian	230	0.0%	0.1%	132	0.0%	
Moldovan	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Montenegrin	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Romanian	281	0.1%	0.1%	226	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	16	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Serbian	551	0.1%	0.3%	347	0.1%	
Slovene	257	0.1%	0.1%	163	0.0%	
Cypriot	151	0.0%	0.1%	87	0.0%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	140	0.0%	0.0%	89	0.0%	
Belarusan	43	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Czech	436	0.1%	0.1%	351	0.1%	
Estonian	185	0.0%	0.0%	131	0.0%	
Hungarian	1,495	0.3%	0.3%	1,208	0.3%	
Latvian	291	0.1%	0.1%	214	0.1%	
Lithuanian	224	0.0%	0.0%	162	0.0%	
Polish	2,952	0.6%	0.7%	2,351	0.6%	
Russian	1,421	0.3%	0.4%	1,076	0.3%	
Slovak	152	0.0%	0.0%	124	0.0%	
Ukrainian	635	0.1%	0.2%	476	0.1%	
Sorb/Wend	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Eastern European, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	91	0.0%	0.1%	26	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	160	0.0%	0.1%	73	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Algerian	16	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Egyptian	309	0.1%	0.1%	234	0.1%	
Iraqi	175	0.0%	0.1%	148	0.0%	
Jordanian	17	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	565	0.1%	0.2%	418	0.1%	
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Moroccan	39	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Palestinian	34	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Syrian	230	0.0%	0.1%	70	0.0%	
Tunisian	13	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	–	–	–	
Omani	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	
Arab, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Jewish	186	0.0%	0.0%	139	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %
South Sudanese	157	0.0%	0.1%	84	0.0%	
Sudanese	101	0.0%	0.1%	109	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Iranian	571	0.1%	0.3%	330	0.1%	
Kurdish	25	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Turkish	257	0.1%	0.1%	175	0.0%	
Assyrian	160	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Chaldean	36	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	67	0.0%	0.0%	66	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	25	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	158	0.0%	0.1%	99	0.0%	
Hmong	14	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Khmer (Cambodian)	189	0.0%	0.1%	147	0.0%	
Lao	88	0.0%	0.1%	48	0.0%	
Thai	1,289	0.3%	0.3%	735	0.2%	
Vietnamese	808	0.2%	1.1%	596	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Karen	252	0.1%	0.1%	145	0.0%	
Mon	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	12	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Rohingya	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	7,501	1.6%	1.6%	4,825	1.1%	
Indonesian	742	0.2%	0.2%	474	0.1%	
Javanese	16	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Madurese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	441	0.1%	0.2%	365	0.1%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	95	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	24	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Singaporean	77	0.0%	0.0%	50	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	75	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Chinese	6,480	1.4%	4.7%	5,439	1.3%	
Taiwanese	414	0.1%	0.3%	253	0.1%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	1,018	0.2%	0.4%	766	0.2%	
Korean	1,224	0.3%	0.7%	731	0.2%	
Mongolian	45	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Tibetan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	337	0.1%	0.1%	174	0.0%	
Anglo-Indian	151	0.0%	0.0%	101	0.0%	
Bengali	29	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Burgher	35	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Gujarati	78	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Indian	7,478	1.6%	2.7%	4,604	1.1%	
Malayali	169	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Nepalese	786	0.2%	0.3%	228	0.1%	
Pakistani	276	0.1%	0.2%	149	0.0%	
Punjabi	1,336	0.3%	0.4%	183	0.0%	
Sikh	541	0.1%	0.2%	65	0.0%	
Sinhalese	320	0.1%	0.2%	101	0.0%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	131	0.0%	0.1%	97	0.0%	
Bhutanese	92	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Fijian Indian	431	0.1%	0.1%	287	0.1%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	21	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sri Lankan	728	0.2%	0.3%	637	0.1%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	10	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	16	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Tamil, nfd	262	0.1%	0.2%	30	0.0%	
Telugu	146	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	45	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	118	0.0%	0.2%	90	0.0%	
Armenian	63	0.0%	0.0%	59	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kazakh	14	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Pathan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	9	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Azeri	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hazara	20	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Tajik	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tatar	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	197	0.0%	0.1%	71	0.0%	
North American, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
African American	100	0.0%	0.0%	54	0.0%	
American	1,529	0.3%	0.3%	1,367	0.3%	
Canadian	934	0.2%	0.2%	741	0.2%	
French Canadian	34	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Hispanic North American	107	0.0%	0.0%	65	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	161	0.0%	0.0%	113	0.0%	
Bermudan	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
North American, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
South American, nfd	163	0.0%	0.0%	140	0.0%	
Argentinian	154	0.0%	0.0%	133	0.0%	
Bolivian	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Brazilian	464	0.1%	0.2%	267	0.1%	
Chilean	269	0.1%	0.1%	196	0.0%	
Colombian	336	0.1%	0.2%	130	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	13	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Guyanese	16	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Peruvian	135	0.0%	0.0%	68	0.0%	
Uruguayan	69	0.0%	0.0%	57	0.0%	
Venezuelan	99	0.0%	0.0%	70	0.0%	
Paraguayan	12	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
South American, nec	20	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Mexican	143	0.0%	0.0%	95	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Salvadoran	158	0.0%	0.1%	119	0.0%	
Costa Rican	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Guatemalan	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mayan	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Central American, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	91	0.0%	0.0%	80	0.0%	
Cuban	27	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	
Jamaican	96	0.0%	0.0%	65	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	31	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Barbadian	22	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Puerto Rican	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nec	34	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central and West African, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Akan	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	–	–	–	
Ghanaian	65	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Nigerian	129	0.0%	0.0%	78	0.0%	
Yoruba	25	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Ivorean	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	12	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	29	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	
Igbo	31	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Krahn	–	–	–	8	0.0%	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Senegalese	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	32	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Afrikaner	220	0.0%	0.0%	192	0.0%	
Angolan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	17	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Ethiopian	54	0.0%	0.1%	26	0.0%	
Kenyan	80	0.0%	0.0%	40	0.0%	
Malawian	14	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mauritian	369	0.1%	0.1%	274	0.1%	
Mozambican	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Namibian	18	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	111	0.0%	0.0%	67	0.0%	
Somali	13	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
South African	4,256	0.9%	0.8%	3,171	0.7%	
Tanzanian	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Ugandan	29	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Zambian	36	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Zimbabwean	493	0.1%	0.1%	370	0.1%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hutu	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Brisbane %	Count	%	Greater Bris
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrayan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zulu	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Burundian	36	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Kunama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Rwandan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	27	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nec	30	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	–

Excludes ancestries with fewer than 10 responses (multi-response).

Data basis: usual residence.