

# Community report

## Mosman (A)

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

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**Mosman (A)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

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 Mosman (A), accounting for 80.1% (22,671 people). This share was higher than Greater Sydney (57.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 474 people and 2.1 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

Mosman (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	13	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	19	0.1%	0.1%	28	0.1%	0.2%	-9	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Portuguese Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	-2	0.0
Irish	—	—	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Welsh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Celtic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	22,671	80.1%	57.3%	22,197	78.0%	57.3%
German	201	0.7%	0.3%	243	0.9%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	86	0.3%	0.1%	102	0.4%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaans	90	0.3%	0.1%	80	0.3%	0.1%
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Danish	38	0.1%	0.0%	50	0.2%	0.0%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	59	0.2%	0.1%	41	0.1%	0.1%
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Estonian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish	13	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%
Southern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
French	299	1.1%	0.4%	326	1.1%	0.4%
Greek	191	0.7%	1.4%	158	0.6%	1.4%
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	216	0.8%	0.5%	129	0.5%	0.5%

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Spanish	327	1.2%	1.2%	328	1.2%	
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	220	0.8%	1.0%	248	0.9%	
Maltese	8	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Baltic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Latvian	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Lithuanian	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hungarian	48	0.2%	0.1%	54	0.2%	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	152	0.5%	0.4%	126	0.4%	
Ukrainian	18	0.1%	0.0%	15	0.1%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bosnian	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Bulgarian	22	0.1%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Croatian	51	0.2%	0.3%	66	0.2%	
Macedonian	28	0.1%	0.4%	24	0.1%	
Serbian	55	0.2%	0.4%	36	0.1%	
Slovene	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	

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Czech	43	0.2%	0.1%	42	0.1%	
Polish	101	0.4%	0.2%	79	0.3%	
Slovak	34	0.1%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Albanian	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	—	—	—	—	—	
Romanian	11	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Romany	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	—	—	—	—	—	
Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	
Iranic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kurdish	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Pashto	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Balochi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Dari	—	—	0.2%	—	—	
Persian (excluding Dari)	71	0.3%	0.5%	74	0.3%	
Hazaraghi	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Iranic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Arabic	73	0.3%	4.2%	37	0.1%	
Hebrew	13	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	—	—	0.5%	—	—	
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	—	—	0.2%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	40	0.1%	0.4%	33	0.1%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	25	0.1%	0.2%	18	0.1%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Kannada	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Malayalam	6	0.0%	0.3%	13	0.0%	–
Tamil	25	0.1%	0.7%	19	0.1%	–
Telugu	8	0.0%	0.4%	4	0.0%	–
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bengali	17	0.1%	0.7%	28	0.1%	–
Gujarati	12	0.0%	0.5%	32	0.1%	–
Hindi	75	0.3%	1.5%	72	0.3%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Marathi	10	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Nepali	77	0.3%	1.2%	78	0.3%	–
Punjabi	19	0.1%	0.8%	10	0.0%	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sinhalese	9	0.0%	0.2%	10	0.0%	–
Urdu	28	0.1%	0.8%	20	0.1%	–
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southern Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	4	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	3	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	–
Vietnamese	60	0.2%	2.2%	46	0.2%	–

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Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon–Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tai, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Lao	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Thai	68	0.2%	0.4%	83	0.3%	
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bisaya	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cebuano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesian	51	0.2%	0.6%	45	0.2%	
Malay	6	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tagalog	56	0.2%	0.9%	71	0.2%	
Filipino	48	0.2%	0.5%	29	0.1%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	15	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.0%	–
Cantonese	296	1.0%	2.8%	253	0.9%	–
Hakka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandarin	836	3.0%	5.0%	621	2.2%	–
Wu	9	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	–
Min Nan	9	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.1%	–
Chinese, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Japanese	177	0.6%	0.3%	205	0.7%	–
Korean	76	0.3%	1.1%	90	0.3%	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tiwi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jawoyn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuku Yalanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wik Mungkan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Djabugay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yidiny	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gurindji	–	–	–	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bandjalang	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batjala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gumbaynggir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Kaurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mangala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Muruwari	–	–	–	–	–	
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yorta Yorta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dharawal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yugambah	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Amharic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shilluk	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kpelle	–	–	–	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	–	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	14	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Maori (New Zealand)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Samoan	–	–	0.3%	6	0.0%	
Tongan	10	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yapese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
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)	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Auslan	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	981	3.5%	5.3%	1,977	6.9%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,308</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>28,447</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.