

Community report

Mount Isa (C)

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

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Mount Isa (C)

COMPARISON

Regional Qld

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 Mount Isa (C) were Australian, English and Australian Aboriginal.

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

Mount Isa (C) – Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	37	0.2%	0.2%	47	0.3%	0.2%	-10	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	23	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.1%	0.0%	+11	0.0
African, so described	96	0.5%	0.1%	42	0.2%	0.1%	+54	+0.3
European, so described	26	0.1%	0.1%	30	0.2%	0.1%	-4	-0.1
Caucasian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	25	0.1%	0.0%	36	0.2%	0.0%	-11	-0.1
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	6,262	33.4%	35.3%	7,650	41.0%	37.7%	-1,388	-7.6
Australian Aboriginal	3,577	19.1%	5.1%	591	3.2%	1.2%	+2,986	+15.9
Australian South Sea Islander	71	0.4%	0.2%	47	0.3%	0.2%	+24	+0.1

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Torres Strait Islander	283	1.5%	1.3%	24	0.1%	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	429	2.3%	1.0%	425	2.3%	
New Zealander	231	1.2%	1.2%	268	1.4%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	92	0.5%	0.3%	87	0.5%	
Solomon Islander	6	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.1%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	13	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	10	0.1%	0.0%	13	0.1%	
Cook Islander	84	0.4%	0.1%	61	0.3%	
Fijian	158	0.8%	0.1%	130	0.7%	
Niuean	17	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	
Samoan	122	0.7%	0.2%	73	0.4%	
Tongan	79	0.4%	0.1%	27	0.1%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	12	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Tuvaluan	31	0.2%	0.0%	22	0.1%	
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North-West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
British, nfd	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
English	5,329	28.5%	39.6%	5,654	30.3%	3
Scottish	1,354	7.2%	10.4%	1,574	8.4%	1
Welsh	89	0.5%	0.6%	84	0.4%	
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Manx	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
British, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	1,666	8.9%	10.9%	2,037	10.9%	1
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	19	0.1%	0.2%	31	0.2%	
Dutch	195	1.0%	1.5%	188	1.0%	
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French	69	0.4%	0.6%	83	0.4%	
German	822	4.4%	6.3%	909	4.9%	
Swiss	22	0.1%	0.2%	18	0.1%	
Belgian	8	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	5	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Danish	63	0.3%	0.5%	65	0.3%	
Finnish	92	0.5%	0.2%	113	0.6%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	15	0.1%	0.2%	13	0.1%	
Swedish	39	0.2%	0.2%	39	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	474	2.5%	3.2%	460	2.5%	
Maltese	53	0.3%	0.5%	50	0.3%	
Portuguese	30	0.2%	0.2%	35	0.2%	
Spanish	109	0.6%	0.5%	99	0.5%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	16	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.1%	
Albanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bosnian	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Bulgarian	10	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Croatian	16	0.1%	0.3%	20	0.1%	
Greek	60	0.3%	0.5%	67	0.4%	
Macedonian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	6	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	24	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	
Slovene	9	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.1%	
Cypriot	10	0.1%	0.0%	11	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	–	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	5	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Estonian	12	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.1%	
Hungarian	38	0.2%	0.3%	28	0.1%	
Latvian	8	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.1%	
Lithuanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Polish	65	0.3%	0.5%	58	0.3%	
Russian	19	0.1%	0.3%	29	0.2%	
Slovak	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Ukrainian	23	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egyptian	14	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Iraqi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	16	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.1%	
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	–	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	–	–	–	
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	7	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	12	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Lao	10	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Thai	50	0.3%	0.3%	32	0.2%	–
Vietnamese	34	0.2%	0.2%	25	0.1%	–
Karen	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	713	3.8%	1.3%	586	3.1%	–
Indonesian	41	0.2%	0.2%	34	0.2%	–
Javanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Malay	12	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	–
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Singaporean	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Maritime South-East Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Chinese	253	1.4%	1.6%	269	1.4%	–
Taiwanese	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	19	0.1%	0.5%	17	0.1%	–
Korean	4	0.0%	0.3%	6	0.0%	–
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nfd	14	0.1%	0.0%	15	0.1%	–
Anglo-Indian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indian	169	0.9%	1.0%	205	1.1%	
Malayali	13	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Nepalese	26	0.1%	0.2%	13	0.1%	
Pakistani	32	0.2%	0.1%	14	0.1%	
Punjabi	31	0.2%	0.2%	5	0.0%	
Sikh	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Sinhalese	33	0.2%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	32	0.2%	0.1%	45	0.2%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	22	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Telugu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
American	42	0.2%	0.3%	30	0.2%	
Canadian	38	0.2%	0.2%	26	0.1%	
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Argentinian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	8	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	
Chilean	8	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Colombian	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	10	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.1%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Puerto Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	–	–	–	
Ghanaian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	19	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Yoruba	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandinka	–	–	–	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	–	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	16	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kenyan	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Malawian	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	
Mauritian	10	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.1%	
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	100	0.5%	0.6%	96	0.5%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Zimbabwean	50	0.3%	0.1%	35	0.2%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	–	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	–	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Ogaden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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

Data basis: usual residence.