

Community report

Murray (S)

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COMPARISON

Regional WA

POPULATION

Persons

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Birthplace

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.

Birthplace

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 17.6% (3,183) of people in Murray (S) were born overseas, compared with 17.7% in Regional WA. A further 74.8% (13,507) of people were born in Australia.

About this topic

Birthplace records the country in which a person was born. It is a core measure of migration history and cultural diversity and helps distinguish Australia-born and overseas-born populations.

This topic is useful for understanding settlement patterns and the likely language, service, and support needs of different communities. It should be interpreted together with ancestry, language used at home, and religion for a fuller view of cultural diversity.

Interpretation notes

- Country of birth measures birthplace only; it does not capture ancestry, ethnicity, or current citizenship on its own.
- Use birthplace with ancestry and language when interpreting cultural background, because many cultural groups include both Australia-born and overseas-born people.

Birthplace - Ranked by size

Murray (S) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+5	0.0
At sea	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Australia	13,507	74.8%	72.1%	12,186	73.1%	71.7%	+1,321	+1.7
Norfolk Island	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
New Zealand	500	2.8%	3.0%	447	2.7%	3.4%	+53	+0.1
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	8	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	0.1%	—	—
Solomon Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Vanuatu	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Micronesia, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Nauru	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Cook Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fiji	9	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	–
French Polynesia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoa, American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tonga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
England	1,483	8.2%	5.0%	1,452	8.7%	–
Isle of Man	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern Ireland	24	0.1%	0.1%	19	0.1%	–
Scotland	169	0.9%	0.5%	174	1.0%	–
Wales	32	0.2%	0.1%	37	0.2%	–
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jersey	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.1%	–
Ireland	46	0.3%	0.3%	51	0.3%	–
Austria	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Belgium	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
France	3	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Germany	52	0.3%	0.4%	53	0.3%	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Netherlands	81	0.4%	0.3%	87	0.5%	0.3%
Switzerland	4	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.1%	0.1%
Denmark	10	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	0.0%
Finland	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Norway	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Sweden	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Gibraltar	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Italy	37	0.2%	0.3%	49	0.3%	0.3%
Malta	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Portugal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Spain	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
South Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%
Albania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Bulgaria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Croatia	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Cyprus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
North Macedonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Greece	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Moldova	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Romania	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Slovenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

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Serbia	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czechia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Estonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hungary	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Latvia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lithuania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Poland	5	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	–
Russian Federation	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Slovakia	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ukraine	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Egypt	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Libya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Morocco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Sudan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle East, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Bahrain	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gaza Strip and West Bank	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Iraq	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Israel	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jordan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuwait	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lebanon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Qatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Saudi Arabia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
United Arab Emirates	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yemen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Myanmar	7	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Cambodia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Laos	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Thailand	42	0.2%	0.3%	27	0.2%	–
Vietnam	21	0.1%	0.2%	12	0.1%	–
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesia	18	0.1%	0.2%	15	0.1%	–
Malaysia	40	0.2%	0.2%	27	0.2%	–
Philippines	102	0.6%	1.2%	75	0.4%	–
Singapore	17	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.2%	–
Timor-Leste	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	15	0.1%	0.2%	7	0.0%	–

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Hong Kong (SAR of China)	4	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.1%	0.1%
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Taiwan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Japan	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Korea, Republic of (South)	4	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Bangladesh	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bhutan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
India	36	0.2%	0.5%	35	0.2%	0.2%
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nepal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pakistan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Sri Lanka	8	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.1%	0.1%
Afghanistan	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Armenia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kazakhstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbekistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Canada	31	0.2%	0.2%	31	0.2%	0.2%
United States of America	52	0.3%	0.3%	53	0.3%	0.3%
South America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Argentina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Brazil	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–

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Chile	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Colombia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ecuador	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Falkland Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
French Guiana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guyana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Paraguay	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peru	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Suriname	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Uruguay	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Venezuela	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Belize	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Costa Rica	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
El Salvador	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guatemala	—	—	—	—	—	—
Honduras	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mexico	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nicaragua	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Panama	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean, nfd	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Aruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bahamas	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Barbados	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cayman Islands	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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Cuba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
St Lucia	–	–	–	–	–	–
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Trinidad and Tobago	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Democratic Republic of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leone	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Angola	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Botswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burundi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Ethiopia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kenya	12	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.1%	–
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritius	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Mozambique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Africa	166	0.9%	1.1%	98	0.6%	–
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tanzania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambia	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Zimbabwe	35	0.2%	0.4%	28	0.2%	–
Not stated	1,361	7.5%	10.2%	1,510	9.1%	10.2%
Total	18,051	100.0%	100.0%	16,676	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.