

Community report

Newcastle (C)

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

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Newcastle (C)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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 Newcastle (C) 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

Newcastle (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	432	0.3%	0.2%	351	0.2%	0.2%	+81	+0.1
Eurasian, so described	16	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	+7	0.0
Asian, so described	144	0.1%	0.0%	79	0.1%	0.0%	+65	0.0
African, so described	364	0.2%	0.1%	222	0.1%	0.1%	+142	+0.1
European, so described	124	0.1%	0.1%	71	0.0%	0.1%	+53	+0.1
Caucasian, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+4	0.0
Oceanian, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	0.0%	-10	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Australian	63,864	37.8%	40.2%	60,236	38.8%	42.5%	+3,628	-1.0
Australian Aboriginal	7,167	4.2%	6.1%	704	0.5%	0.8%	+6,463	+3.7
Australian South Sea Islander	8	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	0.0%	-9	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Torres Strait Islander	227	0.1%	0.2%	15	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	688	0.4%	0.4%	507	0.3%	
New Zealander	1,054	0.6%	0.6%	1,046	0.7%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
New Caledonian	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ni-Vanuatu	14	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Papua New Guinean	74	0.0%	0.0%	57	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	18	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	6	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	21	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Cook Islander	43	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Fijian	181	0.1%	0.1%	141	0.1%	
Niuean	14	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Samoan	345	0.2%	0.1%	328	0.2%	
Tongan	371	0.2%	0.1%	290	0.2%	
Hawaiian	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tahitian	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Tokelauan	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Polynesian, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North–West European, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
British, nfd	44	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
English	68,773	40.7%	40.9%	63,624	40.9%	4
Scottish	19,659	11.6%	10.7%	18,087	11.6%	1
Welsh	1,762	1.0%	0.7%	1,667	1.1%	
Channel Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Manx	19	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
British, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	21,080	12.5%	11.8%	20,907	13.5%	1
Western European, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Austrian	318	0.2%	0.2%	280	0.2%	
Dutch	2,171	1.3%	1.4%	1,787	1.1%	
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French	953	0.6%	0.5%	839	0.5%	
German	7,070	4.2%	4.2%	6,556	4.2%	
Swiss	195	0.1%	0.1%	159	0.1%	
Belgian	88	0.1%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Frisian	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	105	0.1%	0.0%	76	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Danish	443	0.3%	0.2%	394	0.3%	
Finnish	173	0.1%	0.1%	140	0.1%	
Icelandic	3	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Norwegian	314	0.2%	0.1%	250	0.2%	
Swedish	433	0.3%	0.2%	364	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	4,735	2.8%	2.8%	4,180	2.7%	
Maltese	569	0.3%	0.5%	395	0.3%	
Portuguese	298	0.2%	0.2%	184	0.1%	
Spanish	653	0.4%	0.4%	509	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	182	0.1%	0.1%	263	0.2%	
Albanian	54	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Bosnian	116	0.1%	0.0%	124	0.1%	
Bulgarian	33	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Croatian	790	0.5%	0.4%	574	0.4%	
Greek	1,857	1.1%	0.6%	1,719	1.1%	
Macedonian	1,805	1.1%	0.5%	1,781	1.1%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Montenegrin	25	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Romanian	115	0.1%	0.0%	77	0.0%	
Roma Gypsy	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Serbian	502	0.3%	0.2%	358	0.2%	
Slovene	168	0.1%	0.1%	124	0.1%	
Cypriot	105	0.1%	0.1%	64	0.0%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	75	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
Belarusan	39	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Czech	165	0.1%	0.1%	116	0.1%	
Estonian	117	0.1%	0.1%	87	0.1%	
Hungarian	410	0.2%	0.2%	322	0.2%	
Latvian	195	0.1%	0.1%	179	0.1%	
Lithuanian	143	0.1%	0.1%	116	0.1%	
Polish	1,930	1.1%	0.6%	1,701	1.1%	
Russian	523	0.3%	0.2%	412	0.3%	
Slovak	55	0.0%	0.0%	48	0.0%	
Ukrainian	460	0.3%	0.2%	455	0.3%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	84	0.0%	0.0%	40	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	337	0.2%	0.1%	186	0.1%	
Algerian	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Egyptian	183	0.1%	0.1%	111	0.1%	
Iraqi	59	0.0%	0.1%	70	0.0%	
Jordanian	29	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	5	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Lebanese	366	0.2%	0.3%	243	0.2%	
Libyan	14	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Moroccan	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Palestinian	21	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	71	0.0%	0.0%	102	0.1%	
Syrian	219	0.1%	0.0%	118	0.1%	
Tunisian	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	–	–	–	
Omani	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	97	0.1%	0.0%	55	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Bari	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	28	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Sudanese	48	0.0%	0.0%	90	0.1%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranian	269	0.2%	0.1%	239	0.2%	
Kurdish	41	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Turkish	126	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.1%	
Assyrian	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Chaldean	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	65	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	98	0.1%	0.0%	61	0.0%	
Lao	37	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Thai	466	0.3%	0.2%	331	0.2%	
Vietnamese	733	0.4%	0.2%	554	0.4%	
Karen	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mon	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	1,647	1.0%	0.8%	1,182	0.8%	
Indonesian	328	0.2%	0.1%	199	0.1%	
Javanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Malay	257	0.2%	0.1%	187	0.1%	
Sundanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	12	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	–	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Singaporean	44	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	20	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Chinese	3,534	2.1%	1.0%	3,630	2.3%	
Taiwanese	54	0.0%	0.0%	71	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Japanese	305	0.2%	0.1%	203	0.1%	
Korean	550	0.3%	0.1%	505	0.3%	
Mongolian	27	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Tibetan	99	0.1%	0.0%	34	0.0%	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	132	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Anglo-Indian	18	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Bengali	78	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Gujarati	17	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Indian	2,281	1.4%	0.8%	1,685	1.1%	
Malayali	107	0.1%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Nepalese	511	0.3%	0.2%	106	0.1%	
Pakistani	507	0.3%	0.1%	242	0.2%	
Punjabi	175	0.1%	0.2%	52	0.0%	
Sikh	109	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.0%	
Sinhalese	108	0.1%	0.0%	57	0.0%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bangladeshi	239	0.1%	0.1%	173	0.1%	
Bhutanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Fijian Indian	25	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Kashmiri	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	228	0.1%	0.1%	249	0.2%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	4	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	186	0.1%	0.0%	40	0.0%	
Telugu	38	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	26	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Central Asian, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Afghan	322	0.2%	0.0%	301	0.2%	
Armenian	32	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Georgian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kazakh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pathan	31	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Uzbek	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Azeri	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Hazara	94	0.1%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Tajik	—	—	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tatar	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Turkmen	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Uighur	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Kyrgyz	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	48	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
North American, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
African American	32	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
American	496	0.3%	0.3%	478	0.3%	
Canadian	316	0.2%	0.2%	276	0.2%	
French Canadian	11	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	21	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	57	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Bermudan	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
North American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
South American, nfd	55	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	
Argentinian	83	0.0%	0.0%	54	0.0%	
Bolivian	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Brazilian	166	0.1%	0.1%	107	0.1%	
Chilean	135	0.1%	0.1%	102	0.1%	
Colombian	91	0.1%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	17	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	85	0.1%	0.0%	56	0.0%	
Uruguayan	30	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Venezuelan	13	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Paraguayan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	70	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	22	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Central American, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Cuban	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Jamaican	38	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	14	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central and West African, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	67	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Nigerian	88	0.1%	0.0%	79	0.1%	
Yoruba	21	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Liberian	20	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Sierra Leonean	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	107	0.1%	0.0%	105	0.1%	
Igbo	9	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Senegalese	5	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	39	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Eritrean	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Ethiopian	43	0.0%	0.0%	39	0.0%	
Kenyan	64	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Malawian	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Mauritian	99	0.1%	0.0%	74	0.0%	
Mozambican	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Namibian	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Somali	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South African	554	0.3%	0.3%	397	0.3%	
Tanzanian	18	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Ugandan	18	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Zambian	4	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Zimbabwean	118	0.1%	0.0%	118	0.1%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	5	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Madi	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	18	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Swahili	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Swazilander	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	19	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.