

Community report

Nillumbik (S)

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

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Nillumbik (S)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

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 Nillumbik (S) 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

Nillumbik (S) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	69	0.1%	0.3%	117	0.2%	0.3%	-48	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	18	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	7	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	0.1%	-5	0.0
African, so described	10	0.0%	0.3%	20	0.0%	0.2%	-10	0.0
European, so described	78	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.0%	0.1%	+58	+0.1
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	22,749	36.2%	23.4%	22,107	36.1%	24.0%	+642	+0.1
Australian Aboriginal	359	0.6%	0.7%	31	0.1%	0.1%	+328	+0.5
Australian South Sea Islander	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Torres Strait Islander	24	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Maori	82	0.1%	0.4%	73	0.1%	—
New Zealander	411	0.7%	0.6%	409	0.7%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ni-Vanuatu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Papua New Guinean	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Solomon Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
I-Kiribati	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Nauruan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Cook Islander	6	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	—
Fijian	30	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	—
Niuean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Samoan	24	0.0%	0.4%	8	0.0%	—
Tongan	12	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	—
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North-West European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
British, nfd	22	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	0.0%
English	25,098	39.9%	25.6%	24,194	39.5%	25.6%
Scottish	7,357	11.7%	7.1%	6,896	11.3%	7.1%
Welsh	446	0.7%	0.5%	449	0.7%	0.5%
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Manx	13	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	0.0%
British, nec	17	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Irish	8,555	13.6%	8.3%	8,682	14.2%	8.3%
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Austrian	196	0.3%	0.2%	153	0.2%	0.2%
Dutch	1,317	2.1%	1.5%	1,146	1.9%	1.5%
Flemish	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
French	433	0.7%	0.6%	391	0.6%	0.6%
German	2,697	4.3%	2.9%	2,686	4.4%	2.9%
Swiss	159	0.3%	0.1%	155	0.3%	0.1%
Belgian	52	0.1%	0.0%	62	0.1%	0.0%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Luxembourg	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	29	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	0.0%

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Danish	200	0.3%	0.2%	141	0.2%	
Finnish	101	0.2%	0.1%	75	0.1%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	98	0.2%	0.1%	99	0.2%	
Swedish	169	0.3%	0.2%	147	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Italian	5,698	9.1%	6.6%	5,070	8.3%	
Maltese	912	1.5%	1.4%	796	1.3%	
Portuguese	97	0.2%	0.3%	105	0.2%	
Spanish	211	0.3%	0.5%	153	0.2%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	65	0.1%	0.1%	106	0.2%	
Albanian	60	0.1%	0.2%	34	0.1%	
Bosnian	17	0.0%	0.2%	9	0.0%	
Bulgarian	24	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Croatian	479	0.8%	0.9%	450	0.7%	
Greek	1,708	2.7%	3.5%	1,476	2.4%	
Macedonian	681	1.1%	0.9%	610	1.0%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	78	0.1%	0.2%	64	0.1%	–
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbian	221	0.4%	0.5%	168	0.3%	–
Slovene	111	0.2%	0.1%	106	0.2%	–
Cypriot	205	0.3%	0.3%	158	0.3%	–
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European, nfd	34	0.1%	0.1%	43	0.1%	–
Belarusan	14	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Czech	82	0.1%	0.1%	60	0.1%	–
Estonian	50	0.1%	0.0%	55	0.1%	–
Hungarian	275	0.4%	0.4%	205	0.3%	–
Latvian	115	0.2%	0.1%	90	0.1%	–
Lithuanian	63	0.1%	0.1%	52	0.1%	–
Polish	597	0.9%	1.1%	479	0.8%	–
Russian	187	0.3%	0.5%	175	0.3%	–
Slovak	37	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.0%	–
Ukrainian	202	0.3%	0.3%	197	0.3%	–
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	20	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	–
Arab, nfd	48	0.1%	0.3%	14	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Algerian	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Egyptian	153	0.2%	0.4%	125	0.2%	
Iraqi	26	0.0%	0.3%	17	0.0%	
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	229	0.4%	1.0%	154	0.3%	
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	15	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Palestinian	19	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	30	0.0%	0.2%	18	0.0%	
Tunisian	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	40	0.1%	0.3%	43	0.1%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	–	–	0.1%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sudanese	17	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranian	362	0.6%	0.5%	139	0.2%	
Kurdish	9	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Turkish	202	0.3%	0.8%	156	0.3%	
Assyrian	11	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	
Chaldean	–	–	0.2%	3	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	13	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	18	0.0%	0.2%	21	0.0%	
Hmong	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	26	0.0%	0.5%	7	0.0%	
Lao	6	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Thai	111	0.2%	0.4%	72	0.1%	
Vietnamese	157	0.2%	2.4%	121	0.2%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	251	0.4%	1.7%	178	0.3%	–
Indonesian	115	0.2%	0.4%	69	0.1%	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madurese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Malay	114	0.2%	0.4%	93	0.2%	–
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	13	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Bruneian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Singaporean	21	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	–
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese	1,581	2.5%	8.3%	1,208	2.0%	–
Taiwanese	18	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	–
Chinese Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	114	0.2%	0.3%	121	0.2%	–
Korean	61	0.1%	0.4%	35	0.1%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Mongolian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Tibetan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other North–East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern Asian, nfd	21	0.0%	0.3%	10	0.0%	—
Anglo–Indian	43	0.1%	0.1%	52	0.1%	—
Bengali	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Burgher	14	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Gujarati	8	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	—
Indian	635	1.0%	5.3%	431	0.7%	—
Malayali	8	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Nepalese	6	0.0%	0.4%	—	—	—
Pakistani	47	0.1%	0.6%	41	0.1%	—
Punjabi	32	0.1%	1.0%	6	0.0%	—
Sikh	16	0.0%	0.5%	10	0.0%	—
Sinhalese	86	0.1%	0.6%	23	0.0%	—
Maldivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bangladeshi	6	0.0%	0.2%	—	—	—
Bhutanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Fijian Indian	15	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	—
Kashmiri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Parsi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sindhi	—	—	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Sri Lankan	254	0.4%	1.0%	232	0.4%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sri Lankan Tamil	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	76	0.1%	0.5%	6	0.0%	
Telugu	10	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	7	0.0%	0.4%	4	0.0%	
Armenian	23	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.4%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	10	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
North American, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African American	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
American	217	0.3%	0.3%	205	0.3%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Canadian	118	0.2%	0.1%	118	0.2%	
French Canadian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hispanic North American	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Native North American Indian	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Argentinian	52	0.1%	0.1%	42	0.1%	
Bolivian	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Brazilian	19	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Chilean	66	0.1%	0.2%	42	0.1%	
Colombian	62	0.1%	0.2%	21	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Uruguayan	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Venezuelan	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	22	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	18	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.0%	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Caribbean Islander, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Cuban	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Jamaican	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Trinidadian Tobagonian	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Barbadian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Nigerian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	–	–	–	–
Togolese	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Central and West African, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Afrikaner	17	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	–
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrean	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Ethiopian	5	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Kenyan	16	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian	87	0.1%	0.3%	81	0.1%	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychellois	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Somali	5	0.0%	0.2%	4	0.0%	–
South African	317	0.5%	0.5%	306	0.5%	–
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Zambian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Zimbabwean	22	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hutu	–	–	–	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.