

# Community report

## Northam (S)

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**Northam (S)**

COMPARISON

**Regional WA**

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 Northam (S) were English, Australian and Scottish.

## 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

Northam (S) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	25	0.2%	0.2%	31	0.3%	0.2%	-6	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
Asian, so described	3	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
African, so described	10	0.1%	0.2%	22	0.2%	0.2%	-12	-0.1
European, so described	8	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	0.1%	—	—
Caucasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	4,423	38.9%	36.3%	4,578	41.2%	39.9%	-155	-2.3
Australian Aboriginal	667	5.9%	7.8%	90	0.8%	3.1%	+577	+5.1
Australian South Sea Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Torres Strait Islander	15	0.1%	0.3%	—	—	—
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Maori	85	0.7%	1.3%	64	0.6%	—
New Zealander	85	0.7%	1.1%	129	1.2%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ni-Vanuatu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Papua New Guinean	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Solomon Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	—
I-Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nauruan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cook Islander	3	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.1%	—
Fijian	6	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	—
Niuean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Samoan	10	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.1%	—
Tongan	3	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tuvaluan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Pitcairn	–	–	–	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North–West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
British, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	4,619	40.7%	40.0%	4,342	39.1%	39.1%
Scottish	1,030	9.1%	9.0%	985	8.9%	8.9%
Welsh	80	0.7%	0.7%	76	0.7%	0.7%
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Manx	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
British, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	998	8.8%	8.6%	872	7.8%	7.8%
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Austrian	11	0.1%	0.1%	19	0.2%	0.2%
Dutch	204	1.8%	1.9%	194	1.7%	1.7%
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
French	47	0.4%	0.5%	46	0.4%	0.4%
German	407	3.6%	3.4%	350	3.1%	3.1%
Swiss	9	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.1%	0.1%
Belgian	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	8	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Danish	17	0.1%	0.2%	23	0.2%	0.2%

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Finnish	3	0.0%	0.1%	8	0.1%	0.1%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	15	0.1%	0.1%	14	0.1%	0.1%
Swedish	23	0.2%	0.2%	8	0.1%	0.1%
Northern European, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern European, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Italian	299	2.6%	3.8%	269	2.4%	3.1%
Maltese	13	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.1%	0.1%
Portuguese	19	0.2%	0.2%	9	0.1%	0.1%
Spanish	13	0.1%	0.3%	19	0.2%	0.3%
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Eastern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.1%	0.1%
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.1%	0.1%
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	41	0.4%	0.4%	31	0.3%	0.3%
Greek	21	0.2%	0.3%	20	0.2%	0.2%
Macedonian	10	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.1%
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	7	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.1%	0.1%

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Roma Gypsy	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Serbian	22	0.2%	0.1%	18	0.2%	—
Slovene	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Cypriot	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.1%	—
Belarusan	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Czech	7	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	—
Estonian	8	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	—
Hungarian	12	0.1%	0.1%	16	0.1%	—
Latvian	15	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.1%	—
Lithuanian	18	0.2%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Polish	169	1.5%	0.7%	151	1.4%	—
Russian	32	0.3%	0.2%	16	0.1%	—
Slovak	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ukrainian	39	0.3%	0.1%	32	0.3%	—
Sorb/Wend	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Arab, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Algerian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Egyptian	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.1%	—
Iraqi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Jordanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Lebanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arab, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jewish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	–	–	–	–
South Sudanese	7	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Burmese	12	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Khmer (Cambodian)	10	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	13	0.1%	0.3%	7	0.1%	0.1%
Vietnamese	15	0.1%	0.2%	14	0.1%	0.1%
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	202	1.8%	1.5%	208	1.9%	1.9%
Indonesian	26	0.2%	0.3%	17	0.2%	0.2%
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Malay	8	0.1%	0.2%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Sundanese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bruneian	6	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Singaporean	7	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese	70	0.6%	0.8%	51	0.5%	0.5%
Taiwanese	4	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–

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Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Korean	3	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nfd	6	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Indian	10	0.1%	0.0%	10	0.1%	–
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indian	78	0.7%	0.7%	84	0.8%	–
Malayali	8	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Nepalese	11	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Pakistani	23	0.2%	0.1%	–	–	–
Punjabi	–	–	0.1%	11	0.1%	–
Sikh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sinhalese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bangladeshi	7	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Indian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan	13	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional
Indian Tamil	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tamil, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Telugu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Afghan	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Armenian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kazakh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pathan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Uzbek	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Azeri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hazara	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Tatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Turkmen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
North American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
African American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
American	19	0.2%	0.3%	23	0.2%	
Canadian	4	0.0%	0.2%	5	0.0%	
French Canadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hispanic North American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Native North American Indian	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Bermudan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
North American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
South American, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Argentinian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bolivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Brazilian	3	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Chilean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Colombian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ecuadorian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guyanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Peruvian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Uruguayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Venezuelan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mexican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nicaraguan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Salvadoran	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Costa Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean Islander, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cuban	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Jamaican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Trinidadian Tobagonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Barbadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean Islander, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulani	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	7	0.1%	–
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaner	6	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Angolan	–	–	–	–	–	–
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kenyan	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian	11	0.1%	0.1%	17	0.2%	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South African	43	0.4%	0.8%	32	0.3%	–
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zimbabwean	10	0.1%	0.2%	12	0.1%	–
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swahili	–	–	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.