

Community report

Northern Areas (DC)

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Northern Areas (DC)

COMPARISON

Regional SA

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 Northern Areas (DC) were Australian, English and German.

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

Northern Areas (DC) – Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	8	0.2%	0.2%	6	0.1%	0.2%	+2	+0.1
Eurasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Asian, so described	—	—	0.0%	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—
African, so described	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.1%	—	—
European, so described	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.1%	—	—
Caucasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	2,111	46.3%	40.5%	2,116	46.8%	42.1%	-5	-0.5
Australian Aboriginal	132	2.9%	4.3%	12	0.3%	1.2%	+120	+2.6
Australian South Sea Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Torres Strait Islander	4	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Maori	3	0.1%	0.3%	5	0.1%	
New Zealander	22	0.5%	0.4%	11	0.2%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ni-Vanuatu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Papua New Guinean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Solomon Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
I-Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Polynesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cook Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Fijian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Niuean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Samoan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tongan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tahitian	—	—	—	—	—	
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pitcairn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Polynesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
North-West European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
British, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
English	1,950	42.8%	42.0%	1,939	42.9%	4

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Scottish	409	9.0%	9.2%	395	8.7%	
Welsh	40	0.9%	0.6%	21	0.5%	
Channel Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Manx	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
British, nec	8	0.2%	0.1%	—	—	
Irish	460	10.1%	7.7%	493	10.9%	
Western European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Austrian	5	0.1%	0.2%	—	—	
Dutch	52	1.1%	1.7%	47	1.0%	
Flemish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
French	12	0.3%	0.4%	16	0.4%	
German	477	10.5%	10.7%	495	10.9%	1
Swiss	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	
Belgian	9	0.2%	0.0%	3	0.1%	
Frisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Western European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Northern European, nfd	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Danish	11	0.2%	0.2%	6	0.1%	
Finnish	—	—	0.1%	5	0.1%	
Icelandic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Norwegian	4	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Swedish	3	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Northern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Basque	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Catalan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Italian	55	1.2%	2.2%	37	0.8%	
Maltese	6	0.1%	0.2%	3	0.1%	
Portuguese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Spanish	—	—	0.2%	3	0.1%	
Gibraltarian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South Eastern European, nfd	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	
Albanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bosnian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bulgarian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Croatian	5	0.1%	0.4%	3	0.1%	
Greek	13	0.3%	0.8%	—	—	
Macedonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Moldovan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Montenegrin	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Romanian	8	0.2%	0.1%	3	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Serbian	3	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Slovene	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Cypriot	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Eastern European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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Belarusan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Czech	4	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.1%	
Estonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hungarian	4	0.1%	0.2%	7	0.2%	
Latvian	4	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.1%	
Lithuanian	9	0.2%	0.1%	—	—	
Polish	34	0.7%	0.6%	21	0.5%	
Russian	4	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.1%	
Slovak	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ukrainian	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	
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	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Iraqi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Jordanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kuwaiti	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Lebanese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Moroccan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Palestinian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Syrian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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Tunisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Yemeni	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Arab, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Jewish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	
Dinka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South Sudanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sudanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Coptic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Iranian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kurdish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Turkish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Yezidi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South-East Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Burmese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Khmer (Cambodian)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Lao	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Thai	8	0.2%	0.2%	4	0.1%	
Vietnamese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Karen	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Mon	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Chin	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Rohingya	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	—	—	—	—	—	
Filipino	9	0.2%	0.9%	5	0.1%	
Indonesian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Javanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Malay	4	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.1%	
Timorese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Balinese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kadazan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Singaporean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Maritime South-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Chinese	24	0.5%	0.5%	15	0.3%	
Taiwanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Chinese Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Other North-East Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Japanese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Korean	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Mongolian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tibetan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Anglo-Indian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bengali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Gujarati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Indian	12	0.3%	0.4%	—	—	

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Malayali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Nepalese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pakistani	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Punjabi	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Sikh	3	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Sinhalese	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Bangladeshi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bhutanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Fijian Indian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sri Lankan	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	—	—	—	—	—	
Tamil, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Telugu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Afghan	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Armenian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Georgian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kazakh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Pathan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Uzbek	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Azeri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hazara	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
North American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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African American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
American	—	—	0.2%	4	0.1%	
Canadian	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	
French Canadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hispanic North American	—	—	—	—	—	
Native North American Indian	—	—	0.0%	3	0.1%	
South American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Argentinian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bolivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Brazilian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Chilean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Colombian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Guyanese	—	—	—	—	—	
Peruvian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Uruguayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Venezuelan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Paraguayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mexican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Salvadoran	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Costa Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cuban	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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Jamaican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Barbadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Puerto Rican	—	—	—	—	—	
Caribbean Islander, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central and West African, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	
Ghanaian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Nigerian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Yoruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Liberian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cameroonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Congolese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Igbo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Central and West African, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and East African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Afrikaner	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Angolan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Eritrean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ethiopian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Kenyan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Malawian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mauritian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mozambican	—	—	—	—	—	
Namibian	—	—	—	—	—	
Seychellois	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Somali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South African	—	—	0.2%	—	—	
Tanzanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ugandan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Zimbabwean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Batswana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Zulu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Burundian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Rwandan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Shona	—	—	—	—	—	
Swahili	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and East African, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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

Data basis: usual residence.