

Community report

Norwood Payneham St Peters

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

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Norwood Payneham St Peters (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Adelaide

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Language used at home

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.

Language used at home

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Key takeaway

In 2021, English was the most common language used at home among residents in Norwood Payneham St Peters (C), accounting for 70.2% (26,290 people). This share was lower than Greater Adelaide (74.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 1,946 people and 1.3 percentage points.

About this topic

Language used at home shows which languages people speak in their home life and whether English or another language is used most often. It is a key indicator of cultural diversity and language retention within communities.

This topic is useful for planning communication, multicultural services, and local engagement. It should be analysed together with proficiency in English and birthplace, because language alone does not show migration history or support needs.

Interpretation notes

- The Census records the language used most often at home, so it does not capture every language a person can speak.
- Language used at home is not a measure of English proficiency, literacy, or migration history on its own.

Language used at home - Ranked by size

Norwood Payneham St Peters (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	21	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	57	0.2%	0.1%	65	0.2%	0.2%	-8	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Welsh	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Celtic, nec	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
English	26,290	70.2%	74.8%	24,344	68.9%	75.4%	+1,946	+1.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
German and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
German	137	0.4%	0.3%	185	0.5%	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	41	0.1%	0.1%	51	0.1%	–
Frisian	–	–	–	–	–	–
Afrikaans	25	0.1%	0.2%	36	0.1%	–
Danish	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swedish	7	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Estonian	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Finnish	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
French	102	0.3%	0.2%	115	0.3%	–
Greek	737	2.0%	1.5%	786	2.2%	–
Catalan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	84	0.2%	0.2%	53	0.1%	–
Spanish	304	0.8%	0.5%	199	0.6%	–
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Italian	1,866	5.0%	1.6%	2,308	6.5%	–
Maltese	12	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.1%	–
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latvian	8	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.1%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Lithuanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Hungarian	26	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.1%	
Belorussian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	88	0.2%	0.2%	84	0.2%	
Ukrainian	35	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.1%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	7	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Bulgarian	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Croatian	58	0.2%	0.2%	66	0.2%	
Macedonian	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Serbian	57	0.2%	0.3%	40	0.1%	
Slovene	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Czech	13	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Polish	69	0.2%	0.4%	105	0.3%	
Slovak	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	13	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Romanian	11	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kurdish	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Pashto	–	–	0.1%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	10	0.0%	0.2%	26	0.1%	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	188	0.5%	0.4%	215	0.6%	–
Hazaraghi	20	0.1%	0.5%	20	0.1%	–
Arabic	174	0.5%	0.8%	139	0.4%	–
Hebrew	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Turkic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	15	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Kannada	29	0.1%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Malayalam	101	0.3%	0.3%	94	0.3%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Tamil	115	0.3%	0.2%	90	0.3%	
Telugu	125	0.3%	0.2%	61	0.2%	
Tulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dravidian, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	71	0.2%	0.2%	63	0.2%	
Gujarati	125	0.3%	0.5%	99	0.3%	
Hindi	315	0.8%	0.7%	281	0.8%	
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marathi	38	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	
Nepali	236	0.6%	0.7%	160	0.5%	
Punjabi	464	1.2%	1.4%	251	0.7%	
Sindhi	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sinhalese	177	0.5%	0.3%	102	0.3%	
Urdu	183	0.5%	0.3%	97	0.3%	
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhivehi	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern Asian Languages	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	9	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Chin Haka	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	16	0.0%	0.3%	9	0.0%	–
Vietnamese	302	0.8%	1.5%	249	0.7%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lao	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Thai	80	0.2%	0.1%	63	0.2%	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Cebuano	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	55	0.1%	0.1%	45	0.1%	–
Malay	30	0.1%	0.1%	58	0.2%	–
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tagalog	84	0.2%	0.4%	100	0.3%	–
Filipino	78	0.2%	0.3%	57	0.2%	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	34	0.1%	0.0%	63	0.2%	–
Cantonese	456	1.2%	0.7%	389	1.1%	–
Hakka	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Mandarin	1,992	5.3%	2.2%	1,628	4.6%	–
Wu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Min Nan	26	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.1%	–
Chinese, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	102	0.3%	0.2%	110	0.3%	–
Korean	225	0.6%	0.3%	252	0.7%	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Tiwi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	–	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Warumungu	–	–	–	–	–	–
Alyawarr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Arrernte	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western Arrarnta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Kukatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luritja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Martu Wangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	–	–	–	–
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyikina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arabana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Diyari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Narungga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mirning	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Shona	13	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Somali	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Swahili	45	0.1%	0.2%	54	0.2%	–
Yoruba	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Amharic	17	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	10	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ga	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Seychelles Creole	–	–	–	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kpelle	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Loma (Lorma)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Fijian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Niue	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Tongan	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norfolk-Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Auslan	13	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Not stated	1,228	3.3%	3.8%	1,644	4.6%	–
Total	37,475	100.0%	100.0%	35,357	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.