

Community report

Palmerston (C)

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

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COMPARISON

Greater Darwin

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Birthplace

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.

Birthplace

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Key takeaway

In 2021, 22.1% (8,209) of people in Palmerston (C) were born overseas, compared with 27.8% in Greater Darwin. A further 69.2% (25,742) of people were born in Australia.

About this topic

Birthplace records the country in which a person was born. It is a core measure of migration history and cultural diversity and helps distinguish Australia-born and overseas-born populations.

This topic is useful for understanding settlement patterns and the likely language, service, and support needs of different communities. It should be interpreted together with ancestry, language used at home, and religion for a fuller view of cultural diversity.

Interpretation notes

- Country of birth measures birthplace only; it does not capture ancestry, ethnicity, or current citizenship on its own.
- Use birthplace with ancestry and language when interpreting cultural background, because many cultural groups include both Australia-born and overseas-born people.

Birthplace - Ranked by size

Palmerston (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Darwin %	Count	%	Greater Darwin %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	18	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.1%	+12	0.0
Australia	25,742	69.2%	63.8%	23,846	70.6%	62.7%	+1,896	-1.4
Norfolk Island	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
New Zealand	687	1.8%	1.7%	825	2.4%	2.1%	-138	-0.6
New Caledonia	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Papua New Guinea	127	0.3%	0.3%	139	0.4%	0.3%	-12	-0.1
Solomon Islands	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Vanuatu	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Nauru	—	—	—	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Cook Islands	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Fiji	75	0.2%	0.2%	57	0.2%	0.2%	+18	0.0

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French Polynesia	5	0.0%	—	—	—	
Niue	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Samoa	14	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tokelau	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tonga	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
England	839	2.3%	2.7%	846	2.5%	
Isle of Man	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Northern Ireland	28	0.1%	0.1%	26	0.1%	
Scotland	89	0.2%	0.3%	109	0.3%	
Wales	21	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	
Guernsey	—	—	—	—	—	
Jersey	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ireland	127	0.3%	0.4%	99	0.3%	
Austria	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Belgium	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
France	35	0.1%	0.2%	26	0.1%	
Germany	119	0.3%	0.4%	118	0.3%	
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Netherlands	49	0.1%	0.2%	51	0.2%	
Switzerland	9	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Denmark	17	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Finland	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

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Norway	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Sweden	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Gibraltar	–	–	–	–	–	
Italy	21	0.1%	0.3%	18	0.1%	
Malta	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Portugal	29	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	
Spain	16	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Albania	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bulgaria	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Croatia	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Cyprus	11	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
North Macedonia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Greece	107	0.3%	0.8%	81	0.2%	
Romania	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Slovenia	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Montenegro	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kosovo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Europe, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Belarus	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechia	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Estonia	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	

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Hungary	17	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.1%	
Latvia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuania	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Poland	18	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Russian Federation	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Slovakia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukraine	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Algeria	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egypt	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Libya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Morocco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudan	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Tunisia	–	–	–	–	–	
South Sudan	34	0.1%	0.1%	21	0.1%	
Bahrain	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	–	–	–	–	–	
Iran	9	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	
Iraq	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Israel	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jordan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwait	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Lebanon	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Oman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Saudi Arabia	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Syria	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkey	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	
United Arab Emirates	17	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Yemen	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	18	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.1%	
Cambodia	60	0.2%	0.1%	65	0.2%	
Laos	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Thailand	227	0.6%	0.7%	178	0.5%	
Vietnam	218	0.6%	0.8%	129	0.4%	
Brunei Darussalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indonesia	255	0.7%	0.9%	181	0.5%	
Malaysia	94	0.3%	0.5%	98	0.3%	
Philippines	1,710	4.6%	3.8%	1,362	4.0%	
Singapore	47	0.1%	0.2%	37	0.1%	
Timor-Leste	142	0.4%	0.7%	129	0.4%	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	144	0.4%	1.0%	67	0.2%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	26	0.1%	0.2%	18	0.1%	
Macau (SAR of China)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Taiwan	78	0.2%	0.3%	57	0.2%	
Japan	16	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.1%	
Korea, Republic of (South)	63	0.2%	0.2%	48	0.1%	
Southern Asia, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Bangladesh	102	0.3%	0.5%	91	0.3%	
Bhutan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
India	745	2.0%	2.7%	538	1.6%	
Nepal	224	0.6%	1.8%	96	0.3%	
Pakistan	130	0.3%	0.4%	66	0.2%	
Sri Lanka	150	0.4%	0.8%	92	0.3%	
Afghanistan	9	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Azerbaijan	–	–	–	5	0.0%	
Kazakhstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	–	–	–	
Uzbekistan	–	–	–	–	–	
Canada	41	0.1%	0.2%	41	0.1%	
United States of America	78	0.2%	0.3%	90	0.3%	
South America, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Argentina	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bolivia	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Brazil	25	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Chile	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Colombia	18	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Ecuador	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Falkland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Guyana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peru	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Uruguay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Venezuela	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
El Salvador	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Mexico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dominican Republic	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Jamaica	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Trinidad and Tobago	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Cameroon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congo, Republic of	9	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Congo, Democratic Republic of	39	0.1%	0.1%	32	0.1%	–
Cote d'Ivoire	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ghana	26	0.1%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberia	12	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.1%	–
Nigeria	133	0.4%	0.2%	43	0.1%	–
Senegal	–	–	–	–	–	–
Sierra Leone	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Togo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	–	3	0.0%	–
Botswana	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Burundi	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kenya	66	0.2%	0.1%	29	0.1%	–

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Lesotho	–	–	–	–	–	
Madagascar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	15	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Mauritius	15	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Mozambique	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Namibia	–	–	–	–	–	
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Seychelles	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Africa	206	0.6%	0.5%	196	0.6%	
Eswatini	–	–	–	–	–	
Tanzania	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uganda	22	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Zambia	24	0.1%	0.0%	17	0.1%	
Zimbabwe	210	0.6%	0.3%	134	0.4%	
Not stated	3,254	8.7%	8.4%	3,092	9.2%	
Total	37,205	100.0%	100.0%	33,765	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.