

Community report

Parramatta (C)

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

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Parramatta (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

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 Parramatta (C) were Chinese, English and Australian.

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

Parramatta (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	886	0.3%	0.3%	510	0.2%	0.2%	+376	+0.1
Eurasian, so described	45	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	0.0%	+23	0.0
Asian, so described	625	0.2%	0.2%	385	0.2%	0.1%	+240	0.0
African, so described	524	0.2%	0.2%	428	0.2%	0.2%	+96	0.0
European, so described	164	0.1%	0.1%	136	0.1%	0.1%	+28	0.0
Caucasian, so described	18	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Creole, so described	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	79	0.0%	0.0%	112	0.0%	0.1%	-33	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	35,559	13.9%	22.3%	36,273	16.0%	23.5%	-714	-2.1
Australian Aboriginal	1,754	0.7%	1.6%	220	0.1%	0.2%	+1,534	+0.6
Australian South Sea Islander	9	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%	-7	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Torres Strait Islander	191	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	965	0.4%	0.5%	847	0.4%	
New Zealander	1,048	0.4%	0.7%	1,289	0.6%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	58	0.0%	0.0%	58	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	14	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
I-Kiribati	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	47	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Cook Islander	191	0.1%	0.1%	166	0.1%	
Fijian	885	0.3%	0.4%	681	0.3%	
Niuean	67	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Samoan	606	0.2%	0.6%	525	0.2%	
Tongan	746	0.3%	0.4%	527	0.2%	
Hawaiian	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Tahitian	12	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tokelauan	22	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Tuvaluan	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Pitcairn	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
North–West European, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
British, nfd	65	0.0%	0.0%	80	0.0%	
English	36,891	14.4%	23.8%	37,786	16.7%	23.8%
Scottish	9,367	3.6%	6.0%	9,782	4.3%	
Welsh	683	0.3%	0.5%	689	0.3%	
Channel Islander	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Manx	11	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
British, nec	23	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Irish	11,599	4.5%	7.7%	13,294	5.9%	
Western European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Austrian	306	0.1%	0.2%	282	0.1%	
Dutch	1,343	0.5%	0.9%	1,312	0.6%	
Flemish	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
French	839	0.3%	0.7%	812	0.4%	
German	3,444	1.3%	2.3%	3,644	1.6%	
Swiss	238	0.1%	0.1%	202	0.1%	
Belgian	104	0.0%	0.1%	94	0.0%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	60	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Danish	276	0.1%	0.2%	265	0.1%	
Finnish	148	0.1%	0.1%	142	0.1%	
Icelandic	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Norwegian	125	0.0%	0.1%	121	0.1%	
Swedish	231	0.1%	0.2%	273	0.1%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	24	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Catalan	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Italian	6,460	2.5%	4.3%	5,970	2.6%	
Maltese	1,462	0.6%	1.2%	1,320	0.6%	
Portuguese	637	0.2%	0.5%	546	0.2%	
Spanish	1,297	0.5%	0.8%	1,319	0.6%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	136	0.1%	0.1%	199	0.1%	
Albanian	72	0.0%	0.0%	78	0.0%	
Bosnian	198	0.1%	0.1%	148	0.1%	
Bulgarian	78	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	
Croatian	1,286	0.5%	0.8%	1,085	0.5%	
Greek	2,554	1.0%	2.4%	2,382	1.1%	
Macedonian	260	0.1%	0.6%	224	0.1%	
Moldovan	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Montenegrin	43	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Romanian	240	0.1%	0.1%	225	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	787	0.3%	0.6%	627	0.3%	
Slovene	140	0.1%	0.1%	109	0.0%	
Cypriot	284	0.1%	0.3%	197	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	93	0.0%	0.1%	55	0.0%	
Belarusan	45	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Czech	237	0.1%	0.2%	216	0.1%	
Estonian	97	0.0%	0.1%	96	0.0%	
Hungarian	609	0.2%	0.4%	548	0.2%	
Latvian	144	0.1%	0.1%	145	0.1%	
Lithuanian	115	0.0%	0.1%	90	0.0%	
Polish	1,373	0.5%	0.8%	1,349	0.6%	
Russian	1,069	0.4%	0.6%	1,016	0.4%	
Slovak	125	0.0%	0.1%	104	0.0%	
Ukrainian	443	0.2%	0.2%	363	0.2%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	529	0.2%	0.2%	150	0.1%	
Arab, nfd	1,298	0.5%	0.6%	763	0.3%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Algerian	30	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Egyptian	1,044	0.4%	0.5%	798	0.4%	
Iraqi	399	0.2%	0.6%	354	0.2%	
Jordanian	196	0.1%	0.1%	195	0.1%	
Kuwaiti	3	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Lebanese	9,091	3.5%	3.3%	8,184	3.6%	
Libyan	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Moroccan	57	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Palestinian	395	0.2%	0.2%	280	0.1%	
Saudi Arabian	88	0.0%	0.0%	68	0.0%	
Syrian	509	0.2%	0.3%	335	0.1%	
Tunisian	19	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Yemeni	18	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	21	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Jewish	127	0.0%	0.2%	76	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	9	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
South Sudanese	34	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Sudanese	92	0.0%	0.1%	85	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	18	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Coptic	23	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Iranian	3,790	1.5%	0.6%	3,021	1.3%	
Kurdish	293	0.1%	0.1%	331	0.1%	
Turkish	1,464	0.6%	0.6%	1,124	0.5%	
Assyrian	312	0.1%	0.6%	254	0.1%	
Chaldean	51	0.0%	0.2%	32	0.0%	
Mandaean	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	–	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	31	0.0%	0.1%	35	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	108	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	471	0.2%	0.1%	378	0.2%	
Hmong	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	325	0.1%	0.3%	194	0.1%	
Lao	151	0.1%	0.2%	92	0.0%	
Thai	1,140	0.4%	0.6%	783	0.3%	

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Vietnamese	2,558	1.0%	2.3%	1,578	0.7%	
Karen	9	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Mon	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	6,733	2.6%	2.5%	4,811	2.1%	
Indonesian	1,398	0.5%	0.6%	1,050	0.5%	
Javanese	6	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Malay	815	0.3%	0.2%	574	0.3%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Timorese	50	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Acehnese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	15	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Singaporean	153	0.1%	0.0%	99	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	41	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
North–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	57,353	22.3%	10.6%	45,184	20.0%	
Taiwanese	631	0.2%	0.1%	356	0.2%	
Chinese Asian, nec	18	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	939	0.4%	0.4%	707	0.3%	

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Korean	15,235	5.9%	1.3%	11,770	5.2%	
Mongolian	526	0.2%	0.1%	87	0.0%	
Tibetan	25	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nfd	2,139	0.8%	0.3%	1,041	0.5%	
Anglo-Indian	100	0.0%	0.0%	79	0.0%	
Bengali	541	0.2%	0.2%	346	0.2%	
Burgher	31	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Gujarati	902	0.4%	0.1%	352	0.2%	
Indian	28,867	11.2%	4.5%	27,839	12.3%	
Malayali	447	0.2%	0.1%	65	0.0%	
Nepalese	4,532	1.8%	1.3%	1,438	0.6%	
Pakistani	2,685	1.0%	0.7%	1,555	0.7%	
Punjabi	1,604	0.6%	0.4%	778	0.3%	
Sikh	655	0.3%	0.2%	210	0.1%	
Sinhalese	986	0.4%	0.2%	458	0.2%	
Maldivian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Bangladeshi	1,115	0.4%	0.5%	954	0.4%	
Bhutanese	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Fijian Indian	329	0.1%	0.2%	264	0.1%	
Kashmiri	53	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Parsi	11	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Sindhi	55	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Sri Lankan	1,617	0.6%	0.4%	2,661	1.2%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	378	0.1%	0.1%	534	0.2%	
Indian Tamil	70	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Tamil, nfd	3,823	1.5%	0.5%	1,089	0.5%	
Telugu	1,347	0.5%	0.1%	163	0.1%	
Southern Asian, nec	494	0.2%	0.1%	98	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	1,135	0.4%	0.3%	1,180	0.5%	
Armenian	1,424	0.6%	0.3%	966	0.4%	
Georgian	26	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Kazakh	16	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Pathan	70	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Uzbek	28	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Azeri	66	0.0%	0.0%	53	0.0%	
Hazara	230	0.1%	0.1%	131	0.1%	
Tajik	35	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Tatar	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Turkmen	11	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Uighur	41	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Kyrgyz	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central Asian, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	130	0.1%	0.1%	103	0.0%	
North American, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
African American	35	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
American	421	0.2%	0.3%	407	0.2%	
Canadian	196	0.1%	0.2%	206	0.1%	
French Canadian	17	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	56	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	26	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	224	0.1%	0.1%	163	0.1%	
Argentinian	171	0.1%	0.1%	151	0.1%	
Bolivian	16	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Brazilian	363	0.1%	0.3%	170	0.1%	
Chilean	537	0.2%	0.3%	498	0.2%	
Colombian	416	0.2%	0.2%	246	0.1%	
Ecuadorian	54	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Guyanese	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Peruvian	351	0.1%	0.1%	269	0.1%	
Uruguayan	194	0.1%	0.1%	180	0.1%	
Venezuelan	61	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Paraguayan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	25	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Mexican	109	0.0%	0.1%	78	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	5	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Salvadoran	39	0.0%	0.0%	38	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Costa Rican	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Guatemalan	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Mayan	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central American, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	15	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Cuban	17	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Jamaican	26	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Barbadian	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Puerto Rican	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Caribbean Islander, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Central and West African, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Akan	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Fulani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Ghanaian	162	0.1%	0.1%	128	0.1%	
Nigerian	132	0.1%	0.1%	111	0.0%	
Yoruba	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ivorean	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Liberian	16	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Sierra Leonean	86	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Acholi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cameroonian	3	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Congolese	17	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	42	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	31	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Afrikaner	27	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Angolan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	19	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ethiopian	87	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Kenyan	118	0.0%	0.0%	85	0.0%	
Malawian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mauritian	299	0.1%	0.2%	259	0.1%	
Mozambican	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Seychellois	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Somali	54	0.0%	0.0%	51	0.0%	
South African	714	0.3%	0.6%	663	0.3%	
Tanzanian	17	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ugandan	45	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Zambian	19	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Zimbabwean	159	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	–	–	–	
Zulu	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Burundian	4	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	23	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	25	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Swazilander	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	19	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.