

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 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, 53.3% (136,801) of people in Parramatta (C) were born overseas, compared with 38.6% in Greater Sydney. A further 42.4% (108,805) 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

Parramatta (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	154	0.1%	0.1%	171	0.1%	0.1%	-17	0.0
At sea	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Oceania and Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	108,805	42.4%	56.8%	101,055	44.7%	57.1%	+7,750	-2.3
Norfolk Island	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	3,056	1.2%	1.6%	3,170	1.4%	1.8%	-114	-0.2
New Caledonia	20	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Papua New Guinea	127	0.0%	0.1%	125	0.1%	0.1%	+2	-0.1
Solomon Islands	24	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	0.0%	-4	0.0
Vanuatu	13	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	0.0%	-7	0.0
Micronesia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Marshall Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesia, Federated States of	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern Mariana Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesia (excludes Hawaii), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Cook Islands	48	0.0%	0.0%	68	0.0%	
Fiji	1,364	0.5%	0.7%	1,324	0.6%	
French Polynesia	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Niue	11	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Samoa	145	0.1%	0.2%	139	0.1%	
Samoa, American	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tonga	183	0.1%	0.1%	159	0.1%	
Tuvalu	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Wallis and Futuna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	43	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
England	3,278	1.3%	2.9%	3,576	1.6%	
Isle of Man	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	111	0.0%	0.1%	133	0.1%	
Scotland	404	0.2%	0.3%	487	0.2%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Wales	90	0.0%	0.1%	107	0.0%	
Guernsey	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ireland	454	0.2%	0.4%	470	0.2%	
Austria	118	0.0%	0.1%	135	0.1%	
Belgium	57	0.0%	0.0%	55	0.0%	
France	215	0.1%	0.2%	167	0.1%	
Germany	498	0.2%	0.3%	552	0.2%	
Liechtenstein	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	219	0.1%	0.2%	296	0.1%	
Switzerland	87	0.0%	0.1%	87	0.0%	
Northern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Denmark	52	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Faroe Islands	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Finland	60	0.0%	0.0%	57	0.0%	
Greenland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Norway	22	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Sweden	42	0.0%	0.1%	41	0.0%	
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Andorra	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Italy	960	0.4%	0.7%	966	0.4%	
Malta	275	0.1%	0.2%	322	0.1%	
Portugal	128	0.0%	0.1%	113	0.0%	
San Marino	—	—	—	—	—	
Spain	120	0.0%	0.1%	112	0.0%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	171	0.1%	0.1%	209	0.1%	
Albania	16	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	217	0.1%	0.1%	181	0.1%	
Bulgaria	48	0.0%	0.0%	41	0.0%	
Croatia	329	0.1%	0.2%	342	0.2%	
Cyprus	96	0.0%	0.1%	106	0.0%	
North Macedonia	76	0.0%	0.2%	85	0.0%	
Greece	483	0.2%	0.5%	514	0.2%	
Moldova	14	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Romania	157	0.1%	0.1%	159	0.1%	
Slovenia	33	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Montenegro	28	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Serbia	213	0.1%	0.2%	185	0.1%	
Kosovo	6	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	54	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Belarus	25	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Czechia	73	0.0%	0.0%	80	0.0%	
Estonia	21	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Hungary	131	0.1%	0.1%	155	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Latvia	35	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Lithuania	48	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	
Poland	516	0.2%	0.2%	526	0.2%	
Russian Federation	338	0.1%	0.2%	299	0.1%	
Slovakia	60	0.0%	0.0%	55	0.0%	
Ukraine	140	0.1%	0.1%	107	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Algeria	27	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Egypt	682	0.3%	0.4%	564	0.2%	
Libya	31	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Morocco	39	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Sudan	114	0.0%	0.1%	112	0.0%	
Tunisia	11	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
South Sudan	24	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Middle East, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Bahrain	64	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	82	0.0%	0.0%	64	0.0%	
Iran	3,525	1.4%	0.5%	2,878	1.3%	
Iraq	664	0.3%	1.0%	575	0.3%	
Israel	63	0.0%	0.1%	63	0.0%	
Jordan	274	0.1%	0.1%	211	0.1%	
Kuwait	173	0.1%	0.1%	151	0.1%	

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Lebanon	2,905	1.1%	1.2%	2,683	1.2%	
Oman	40	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Qatar	82	0.0%	0.0%	40	0.0%	
Saudi Arabia	495	0.2%	0.1%	254	0.1%	
Syria	579	0.2%	0.3%	267	0.1%	
Turkey	669	0.3%	0.3%	519	0.2%	
United Arab Emirates	414	0.2%	0.1%	194	0.1%	
Yemen	28	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mainland South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	428	0.2%	0.1%	394	0.2%	
Cambodia	212	0.1%	0.3%	174	0.1%	
Laos	80	0.0%	0.1%	59	0.0%	
Thailand	970	0.4%	0.5%	725	0.3%	
Vietnam	1,977	0.8%	1.8%	1,504	0.7%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Brunei Darussalam	31	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Indonesia	1,740	0.7%	0.7%	1,420	0.6%	
Malaysia	2,953	1.2%	0.7%	2,298	1.0%	
Philippines	4,901	1.9%	1.7%	3,640	1.6%	
Singapore	917	0.4%	0.3%	726	0.3%	
Timor-Leste	63	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.0%	
North-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	

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Chinese Asia (includes Mongolia), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	28,932	11.3%	4.6%	23,242	10.3%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	5,779	2.3%	0.9%	4,984	2.2%	
Macau (SAR of China)	135	0.1%	0.0%	112	0.0%	
Mongolia	391	0.2%	0.1%	60	0.0%	
Taiwan	1,357	0.5%	0.2%	1,021	0.5%	
Japan	554	0.2%	0.2%	460	0.2%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Korea, Republic of (South)	11,074	4.3%	1.0%	8,882	3.9%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern Asia, nfd	24	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Bangladesh	1,301	0.5%	0.5%	1,066	0.5%	
Bhutan	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
India	29,100	11.3%	3.6%	24,033	10.6%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	4,320	1.7%	1.1%	1,203	0.5%	
Pakistan	2,533	1.0%	0.6%	1,558	0.7%	
Sri Lanka	3,254	1.3%	0.6%	3,356	1.5%	
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Afghanistan	928	0.4%	0.3%	913	0.4%	
Armenia	96	0.0%	0.0%	73	0.0%	
Azerbaijan	18	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Georgia	14	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

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Kazakhstan	26	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Kyrgyzstan	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	31	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Americas, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bermuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Canada	343	0.1%	0.2%	325	0.1%	
United States of America	809	0.3%	0.5%	727	0.3%	
South America, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Argentina	188	0.1%	0.1%	198	0.1%	
Bolivia	14	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Brazil	436	0.2%	0.4%	210	0.1%	
Chile	414	0.2%	0.2%	399	0.2%	
Colombia	422	0.2%	0.2%	225	0.1%	
Ecuador	36	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyana	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Paraguay	13	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Peru	271	0.1%	0.1%	254	0.1%	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Uruguay	145	0.1%	0.1%	143	0.1%	
Venezuela	87	0.0%	0.0%	80	0.0%	

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Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rica	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
El Salvador	44	0.0%	0.0%	46	0.0%	
Guatemala	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mexico	99	0.0%	0.0%	60	0.0%	
Nicaragua	7	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Panama	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anguilla	–	–	–	–	–	
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahamas	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Barbados	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cayman Islands	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Cuba	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Grenada	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Guadeloupe	–	–	–	–	–	
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaica	10	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Martinique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rico	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	11	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Virgin Islands, British	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Virgin Islands, United States	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Curacao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sint Maarten (Dutch part)	–	–	–	–	–	
Central and West Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Benin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burkina Faso	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroon	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cabo Verde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central African Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chad	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Republic of	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	23	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Cote d'Ivoire	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Equatorial Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gambia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghana	118	0.0%	0.0%	94	0.0%	
Guinea	14	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Guinea-Bissau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Liberia	18	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Mali	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	236	0.1%	0.1%	148	0.1%	
Sao Tome and Principe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegal	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leone	74	0.0%	0.0%	67	0.0%	
Togo	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Angola	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Botswana	17	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Burundi	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Comoros	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djibouti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopia	67	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Kenya	178	0.1%	0.1%	174	0.1%	
Lesotho	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Malawi	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Mauritius	219	0.1%	0.1%	230	0.1%	
Mozambique	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Namibia	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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Reunion	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Rwanda	16	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Somalia	21	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
South Africa	983	0.4%	0.8%	917	0.4%	
Eswatini	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tanzania	45	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Uganda	61	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Zambia	34	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	277	0.1%	0.1%	235	0.1%	
Southern and East Africa, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Not stated	11,073	4.3%	4.6%	12,888	5.7%	
Total	256,679	100.0%	100.0%	226,116	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.