

Community report

Penrith (C)

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

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Penrith (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, 23.3% (50,731) of people in Penrith (C) were born overseas, compared with 38.6% in Greater Sydney. A further 71.3% (155,153) 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

Penrith (C) - Overseas born (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	85	0.0%	0.1%	69	0.0%	0.1%	+16	0.0
At sea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceania and Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australia	155,153	71.3%	56.8%	141,880	72.4%	57.1%	+13,273	-1.1
Norfolk Island	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
New Zealand	4,227	1.9%	1.6%	3,864	2.0%	1.8%	+363	-0.1
New Caledonia	10	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	0.0%	-2	0.0
Papua New Guinea	79	0.0%	0.1%	86	0.0%	0.1%	-7	0.0
Solomon Islands	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Vanuatu	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Micronesia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Guam	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Kiribati	5	0.0%	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	115	0.1%	0.0%	79	0.0%	
Fiji	1,536	0.7%	0.7%	1,173	0.6%	
French Polynesia	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Niue	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Samoa	793	0.4%	0.2%	622	0.3%	
Samoa, American	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tokelau	79	0.0%	0.0%	83	0.0%	
Tonga	224	0.1%	0.1%	187	0.1%	
Tuvalu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wallis and Futuna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Antarctica, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
United Kingdom, Channel Islands and Isle of Man, nfd	27	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
England	5,498	2.5%	2.9%	6,120	3.1%	
Isle of Man	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Northern Ireland	289	0.1%	0.1%	322	0.2%	
Scotland	906	0.4%	0.3%	1,038	0.5%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Wales	162	0.1%	0.1%	170	0.1%	
Guernsey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jersey	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ireland	643	0.3%	0.4%	614	0.3%	
Austria	127	0.1%	0.1%	150	0.1%	
Belgium	40	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
France	112	0.1%	0.2%	105	0.1%	
Germany	708	0.3%	0.3%	823	0.4%	
Liechtenstein	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Monaco	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Netherlands	427	0.2%	0.2%	532	0.3%	
Switzerland	48	0.0%	0.1%	35	0.0%	
Northern Europe, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Denmark	47	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.0%	
Faroe Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finland	61	0.0%	0.0%	63	0.0%	
Greenland	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iceland	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Norway	8	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Sweden	32	0.0%	0.1%	29	0.0%	
Aland Islands	–	–	–	–	–	
Andorra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gibraltar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Italy	861	0.4%	0.7%	905	0.5%	
Malta	1,239	0.6%	0.2%	1,266	0.6%	
Portugal	114	0.1%	0.1%	111	0.1%	
San Marino	—	—	—	—	—	
Spain	111	0.1%	0.1%	114	0.1%	
South Eastern Europe, nfd	174	0.1%	0.1%	242	0.1%	
Albania	14	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	192	0.1%	0.1%	191	0.1%	
Bulgaria	21	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Croatia	555	0.3%	0.2%	580	0.3%	
Cyprus	212	0.1%	0.1%	212	0.1%	
North Macedonia	124	0.1%	0.2%	118	0.1%	
Greece	438	0.2%	0.5%	445	0.2%	
Moldova	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Romania	93	0.0%	0.1%	93	0.0%	
Slovenia	49	0.0%	0.0%	55	0.0%	
Montenegro	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Serbia	177	0.1%	0.2%	153	0.1%	
Kosovo	14	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Eastern Europe, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Belarus	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Czechia	56	0.0%	0.0%	62	0.0%	
Estonia	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hungary	134	0.1%	0.1%	176	0.1%	

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Latvia	16	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Lithuania	21	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Poland	312	0.1%	0.2%	362	0.2%	
Russian Federation	115	0.1%	0.2%	94	0.0%	
Slovakia	43	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Ukraine	69	0.0%	0.1%	64	0.0%	
North Africa and the Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Algeria	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Egypt	740	0.3%	0.4%	685	0.3%	
Libya	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Morocco	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Sudan	295	0.1%	0.1%	271	0.1%	
Tunisia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudan	163	0.1%	0.0%	163	0.1%	
Middle East, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahrain	16	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Gaza Strip and West Bank	29	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Iran	548	0.3%	0.5%	372	0.2%	
Iraq	663	0.3%	1.0%	470	0.2%	
Israel	33	0.0%	0.1%	34	0.0%	
Jordan	114	0.1%	0.1%	90	0.0%	
Kuwait	76	0.0%	0.1%	71	0.0%	

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Lebanon	865	0.4%	1.2%	721	0.4%	
Oman	15	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Qatar	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Saudi Arabia	67	0.0%	0.1%	36	0.0%	
Syria	170	0.1%	0.3%	104	0.1%	
Turkey	327	0.2%	0.3%	225	0.1%	
United Arab Emirates	128	0.1%	0.1%	88	0.0%	
Yemen	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Myanmar	148	0.1%	0.1%	82	0.0%	
Cambodia	151	0.1%	0.3%	92	0.0%	
Laos	27	0.0%	0.1%	23	0.0%	
Thailand	596	0.3%	0.5%	381	0.2%	
Vietnam	485	0.2%	1.8%	410	0.2%	
Maritime South-East Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Brunei Darussalam	17	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Indonesia	420	0.2%	0.7%	308	0.2%	
Malaysia	441	0.2%	0.7%	355	0.2%	
Philippines	5,111	2.3%	1.7%	3,803	1.9%	
Singapore	204	0.1%	0.3%	162	0.1%	
Timor-Leste	47	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
North-East Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	

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Chinese Asia (includes Mongolia), nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	1,578	0.7%	4.6%	1,233	0.6%	
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	172	0.1%	0.9%	171	0.1%	
Macau (SAR of China)	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Mongolia	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Taiwan	124	0.1%	0.2%	107	0.1%	
Japan	105	0.0%	0.2%	68	0.0%	
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Korea, Republic of (South)	550	0.3%	1.0%	320	0.2%	
Southern and Central Asia, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asia, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bangladesh	504	0.2%	0.5%	317	0.2%	
Bhutan	109	0.1%	0.0%	81	0.0%	
India	6,744	3.1%	3.6%	3,761	1.9%	
Maldives	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepal	845	0.4%	1.1%	337	0.2%	
Pakistan	1,016	0.5%	0.6%	662	0.3%	
Sri Lanka	1,037	0.5%	0.6%	822	0.4%	
Central Asia, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Afghanistan	544	0.3%	0.3%	320	0.2%	
Armenia	13	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Azerbaijan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Georgia	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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Kazakhstan	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kyrgyzstan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tajikistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmenistan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbekistan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Americas, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern America, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bermuda	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Canada	168	0.1%	0.2%	180	0.1%	
United States of America	375	0.2%	0.5%	332	0.2%	
South America, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Argentina	130	0.1%	0.1%	135	0.1%	
Bolivia	8	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Brazil	97	0.0%	0.4%	59	0.0%	
Chile	272	0.1%	0.2%	274	0.1%	
Colombia	78	0.0%	0.2%	63	0.0%	
Ecuador	30	0.0%	0.0%	40	0.0%	
Falkland Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyana	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Paraguay	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Peru	157	0.1%	0.1%	125	0.1%	
Suriname	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguay	186	0.1%	0.1%	191	0.1%	
Venezuela	18	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	

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Belize	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Costa Rica	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
El Salvador	89	0.0%	0.0%	79	0.0%	–
Guatemala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Honduras	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mexico	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	–
Nicaragua	21	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Panama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Caribbean, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anguilla	–	–	–	–	–	–
Antigua and Barbuda	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Aruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bahamas	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Barbados	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cayman Islands	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cuba	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Dominica	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dominican Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Grenada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guadeloupe	–	–	–	–	–	–
Haiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jamaica	11	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	–
Martinique	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Puerto Rico	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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St Kitts and Nevis	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Lucia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
St Vincent and the Grenadines	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidad and Tobago	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	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%	–	–	
Benin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burkina Faso	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroon	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Cabo Verde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central African Republic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chad	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congo, Republic of	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Congo, Democratic Republic of	26	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Cote d'Ivoire	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Equatorial Guinea	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gabon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gambia	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Ghana	183	0.1%	0.0%	105	0.1%	
Guinea	35	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Guinea-Bissau	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Liberia	85	0.0%	0.0%	43	0.0%	
Mali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritania	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niger	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigeria	297	0.1%	0.1%	127	0.1%	
Sao Tome and Principe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leone	70	0.0%	0.0%	52	0.0%	
Togo	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East Africa, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Angola	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Botswana	16	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Burundi	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Comoros	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Djibouti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrea	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Ethiopia	32	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Kenya	95	0.0%	0.1%	58	0.0%	
Lesotho	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madagascar	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Malawi	9	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Mauritius	252	0.1%	0.1%	240	0.1%	
Mozambique	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Namibia	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Reunion	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwanda	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
St Helena	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somalia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Africa	770	0.4%	0.8%	729	0.4%	
Eswatini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tanzania	12	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Uganda	38	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Zambia	22	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Zimbabwe	236	0.1%	0.1%	238	0.1%	
Southern and East Africa, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Not stated	11,716	5.4%	4.6%	11,788	6.0%	
Total	217,600	100.0%	100.0%	196,081	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes countries of birth with fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.