

# Community report

## Playford (C)

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

AREA

**Playford (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Adelaide**

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 Playford (C) were English, Australian and Scottish.

## 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

Playford (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	327	0.3%	0.3%	259	0.3%	0.2%	+68	0.0
Eurasian, so described	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	82	0.1%	0.1%	37	0.0%	0.1%	+45	+0.1
African, so described	652	0.7%	0.3%	399	0.4%	0.2%	+253	+0.3
European, so described	58	0.1%	0.1%	56	0.1%	0.1%	+2	0.0
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	–	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
Australian	35,263	35.6%	30.2%	33,015	36.9%	30.9%	+2,248	-1.3
Australian Aboriginal	3,919	4.0%	1.6%	499	0.6%	0.3%	+3,420	+3.4
Australian South Sea Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Torres Strait Islander	195	0.2%	0.1%	9	0.0%	0.0%	+186	+0.2

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Norfolk Islander	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Maori	285	0.3%	0.2%	226	0.3%	—
New Zealander	387	0.4%	0.4%	388	0.4%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Ni-Vanuatu	16	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Papua New Guinean	17	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	—
Solomon Islander	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	—
I-Kiribati	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Cook Islander	44	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	—
Fijian	87	0.1%	0.1%	65	0.1%	—
Niuean	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Samoan	45	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	—
Tongan	31	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	—
Hawaiian	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tuvaluan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Pitcairn	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
North-West European, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
British, nfd	28	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	—
English	41,234	41.6%	36.8%	38,648	43.2%	36.8%
Scottish	7,557	7.6%	8.2%	7,336	8.2%	—
Welsh	660	0.7%	0.8%	652	0.7%	—
Channel Islander	11	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Manx	10	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	—
British, nec	32	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Irish	6,103	6.2%	7.6%	6,223	7.0%	—
Western European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Austrian	175	0.2%	0.2%	149	0.2%	—
Dutch	1,638	1.7%	1.7%	1,466	1.6%	—
Flemish	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
French	301	0.3%	0.5%	290	0.3%	—
German	5,681	5.7%	6.7%	5,255	5.9%	—
Swiss	28	0.0%	0.1%	33	0.0%	—
Belgian	34	0.0%	0.1%	27	0.0%	—
Frisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Western European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Northern European, nfd	27	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	—
Danish	131	0.1%	0.2%	109	0.1%	—
Finnish	90	0.1%	0.1%	70	0.1%	—
Icelandic	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Norwegian	82	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Swedish	87	0.1%	0.2%	88	0.1%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	3,926	4.0%	6.8%	3,423	3.8%	
Maltese	517	0.5%	0.5%	414	0.5%	
Portuguese	74	0.1%	0.2%	60	0.1%	
Spanish	275	0.3%	0.4%	255	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	74	0.1%	0.1%	115	0.1%	
Albanian	15	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.0%	
Bosnian	57	0.1%	0.2%	33	0.0%	
Bulgarian	52	0.1%	0.1%	55	0.1%	
Croatian	335	0.3%	0.6%	237	0.3%	
Greek	952	1.0%	2.7%	884	1.0%	
Macedonian	84	0.1%	0.1%	60	0.1%	
Moldovan	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Montenegrin	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Romanian	256	0.3%	0.1%	254	0.3%	
Roma Gypsy	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Serbian	268	0.3%	0.5%	233	0.3%	
Slovene	72	0.1%	0.1%	46	0.1%	
Cypriot	39	0.0%	0.2%	24	0.0%	
South Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Eastern European, nfd	25	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Belarusan	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Czech	57	0.1%	0.1%	53	0.1%	
Estonian	13	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Hungarian	265	0.3%	0.4%	252	0.3%	
Latvian	66	0.1%	0.2%	65	0.1%	
Lithuanian	49	0.0%	0.1%	45	0.1%	
Polish	730	0.7%	1.3%	631	0.7%	
Russian	423	0.4%	0.5%	341	0.4%	
Slovak	34	0.0%	0.1%	22	0.0%	
Ukrainian	154	0.2%	0.4%	159	0.2%	
Sorb/Wend	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	9	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	119	0.1%	0.2%	79	0.1%	
Algerian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Egyptian	39	0.0%	0.1%	26	0.0%	
Iraqi	91	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Jordanian	18	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lebanese	149	0.2%	0.4%	138	0.2%	–
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moroccan	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Palestinian	26	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Saudi Arabian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian	161	0.2%	0.1%	162	0.2%	–
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bahraini	–	–	–	–	–	–
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	–
Arab, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Jewish	22	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dinka	168	0.2%	0.0%	137	0.2%	–
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
South Sudanese	750	0.8%	0.1%	495	0.6%	–
Sudanese	307	0.3%	0.1%	354	0.4%	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	92	0.1%	0.4%	50	0.1%	–
Kurdish	86	0.1%	0.1%	105	0.1%	–
Turkish	135	0.1%	0.1%	82	0.1%	–
Assyrian	15	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
South-East Asian, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	299	0.3%	0.1%	79	0.1%	–
Hmong	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	630	0.6%	0.4%	547	0.6%	–
Lao	151	0.2%	0.1%	117	0.1%	–
Thai	218	0.2%	0.2%	134	0.1%	–
Vietnamese	981	1.0%	1.6%	868	1.0%	–
Karen	24	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Chin	255	0.3%	0.1%	110	0.1%	–
Rohingya	106	0.1%	0.0%	28	0.0%	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	69	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Filipino	1,346	1.4%	1.3%	854	1.0%	
Indonesian	191	0.2%	0.2%	112	0.1%	
Javanese	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Malay	101	0.1%	0.2%	58	0.1%	
Sundanese	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Timorese	8	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Acehnese	—	—	—	—	—	
Balinese	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bruneian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Kadazan	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Singaporean	10	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Maritime South-East Asian, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Chinese	674	0.7%	4.1%	585	0.7%	
Taiwanese	31	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Other North-East Asian, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Japanese	24	0.0%	0.2%	33	0.0%	
Korean	50	0.1%	0.3%	27	0.0%	
Mongolian	8	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tibetan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nfd	72	0.1%	0.2%	13	0.0%	
Anglo-Indian	13	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Bengali	25	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Gujarati	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Indian	864	0.9%	3.0%	610	0.7%	–
Malayali	28	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	–
Nepalese	799	0.8%	0.6%	296	0.3%	–
Pakistani	193	0.2%	0.3%	73	0.1%	–
Punjabi	204	0.2%	0.7%	31	0.0%	–
Sikh	113	0.1%	0.4%	18	0.0%	–
Sinhalese	21	0.0%	0.2%	6	0.0%	–
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bangladeshi	123	0.1%	0.1%	50	0.1%	–
Bhutanese	838	0.8%	0.2%	542	0.6%	–
Fijian Indian	29	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sindhi	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan	59	0.1%	0.2%	79	0.1%	–
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Indian Tamil	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Tamil, nfd	50	0.1%	0.2%	44	0.0%	–
Telugu	8	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Central Asian, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Afghan	728	0.7%	0.4%	799	0.9%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Armenian	39	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kazakh	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Pathan	59	0.1%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Uzbek	9	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	1,239	1.2%	0.5%	409	0.5%	
Tajik	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	17	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	40	0.0%	0.0%	38	0.0%	
North American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African American	21	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
American	161	0.2%	0.2%	166	0.2%	
Canadian	100	0.1%	0.2%	71	0.1%	
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hispanic North American	9	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	32	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	15	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Argentinian	13	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	12	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Chilean	104	0.1%	0.1%	80	0.1%	
Colombian	14	0.0%	0.1%	17	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	8	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Uruguayan	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Venezuelan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mexican	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	104	0.1%	0.1%	78	0.1%	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mayan	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Cuban	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaican	18	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Barbadian	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Puerto Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean Islander, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central and West African, nfd	30	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Akan	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Fulani	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Ghanaian	57	0.1%	0.0%	17	0.0%	—
Nigerian	78	0.1%	0.0%	38	0.0%	—
Yoruba	23	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	—
Ivorean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Liberian	136	0.1%	0.0%	72	0.1%	—
Sierra Leonean	18	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	—
Acholi	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	—
Cameroonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Congolese	676	0.7%	0.1%	357	0.4%	—
Gio	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Igbo	19	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Krahn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mandinka	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Senegalese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Themne	—	—	—	—	—	—
Togolese	10	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Central and West African, nec	31	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	—

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Southern and East African, nfd	19	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Afrikaner	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	46	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Ethiopian	29	0.0%	0.1%	27	0.0%	
Kenyan	80	0.1%	0.1%	50	0.1%	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	30	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Mozambican	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	3	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
South African	201	0.2%	0.4%	163	0.2%	
Tanzanian	22	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Ugandan	54	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Zambian	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Zimbabwean	125	0.1%	0.1%	88	0.1%	
Amhara	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	–	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Burundian	708	0.7%	0.1%	597	0.7%	
Madi	15	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Rwandan	70	0.1%	0.0%	64	0.1%	
Shona	15	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	21	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Swazilander	–	–	–	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.