

Community report

Port Adelaide Enfield (C)

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

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Port Adelaide Enfield (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Adelaide

POPULATION

Persons

GENERATED

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Included sections

1 selected topic will be included in this report.

01 Language used at home

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.

Language used at home

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Key takeaway

In 2021, English was the most common language used at home among residents in Port Adelaide Enfield (C), accounting for 59.8% (79,095 people). This share was lower than Greater Adelaide (74.8%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 4,139 people, while its share fell by 2 percentage points.

About this topic

Language used at home shows which languages people speak in their home life and whether English or another language is used most often. It is a key indicator of cultural diversity and language retention within communities.

This topic is useful for planning communication, multicultural services, and local engagement. It should be analysed together with proficiency in English and birthplace, because language alone does not show migration history or support needs.

Interpretation notes

- The Census records the language used most often at home, so it does not capture every language a person can speak.
- Language used at home is not a measure of English proficiency, literacy, or migration history on its own.

Language used at home - Ranked by size

Port Adelaide Enfield (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	112	0.1%	0.1%	78	0.1%	0.0%	+34	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	231	0.2%	0.1%	297	0.2%	0.2%	-66	0.0
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	0.0%	-12	0.0
French Creole, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Irish	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+6	0.0
Welsh	8	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	-2	0.0
Celtic, nec	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
English	79,095	59.8%	74.8%	74,956	61.8%	75.4%	+4,139	-2.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
German and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
German	362	0.3%	0.3%	417	0.3%	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	74	0.1%	0.1%	117	0.1%	–
Frisian	–	–	–	–	–	–
Afrikaans	136	0.1%	0.2%	101	0.1%	–
Danish	16	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	5	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Swedish	18	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	–
Estonian	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Finnish	11	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	–
French	153	0.1%	0.2%	142	0.1%	–
Greek	1,936	1.5%	1.5%	2,050	1.7%	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	196	0.1%	0.2%	118	0.1%	–
Spanish	721	0.5%	0.5%	560	0.5%	–
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Italian	1,750	1.3%	1.6%	2,104	1.7%	–
Maltese	87	0.1%	0.0%	112	0.1%	–
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Latvian	21	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Lithuanian	15	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Hungarian	109	0.1%	0.1%	120	0.1%	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Russian	476	0.4%	0.2%	517	0.4%	
Ukrainian	140	0.1%	0.1%	174	0.1%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	411	0.3%	0.1%	367	0.3%	
Bulgarian	16	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
Croatian	430	0.3%	0.2%	452	0.4%	
Macedonian	67	0.1%	0.0%	63	0.1%	
Serbian	646	0.5%	0.3%	700	0.6%	
Slovene	23	0.0%	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	24	0.0%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Czech	41	0.0%	0.0%	47	0.0%	
Polish	670	0.5%	0.4%	771	0.6%	
Slovak	20	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	139	0.1%	0.1%	114	0.1%	
Romanian	93	0.1%	0.1%	88	0.1%	
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Kurdish	90	0.1%	0.1%	86	0.1%	
Pashto	251	0.2%	0.1%	171	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Balochi	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Dari	715	0.5%	0.2%	909	0.7%	
Persian (excluding Dari)	728	0.5%	0.4%	670	0.6%	
Hazaraghi	1,958	1.5%	0.5%	1,205	1.0%	
Arabic	1,288	1.0%	0.8%	1,081	0.9%	
Hebrew	19	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Mandaean (Mandaic)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	—	—	—	—	—	
Turkic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Turkish	84	0.1%	0.1%	83	0.1%	
Azeri	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tatar	17	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Turkmen	19	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Uygur	119	0.1%	0.0%	86	0.1%	
Uzbek	11	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Turkic, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Armenian	10	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Georgian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	41	0.0%	0.0%	69	0.1%	
Kannada	92	0.1%	0.0%	80	0.1%	
Malayalam	902	0.7%	0.3%	681	0.6%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Tamil	493	0.4%	0.2%	427	0.4%	
Telugu	394	0.3%	0.2%	246	0.2%	
Tulu	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Dravidian, nec	—	—	—	3	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Bengali	524	0.4%	0.2%	426	0.4%	
Gujarati	3,337	2.5%	0.5%	1,681	1.4%	
Hindi	1,861	1.4%	0.7%	1,320	1.1%	
Konkani	28	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Marathi	197	0.1%	0.1%	136	0.1%	
Nepali	761	0.6%	0.7%	349	0.3%	
Punjabi	4,407	3.3%	1.4%	1,789	1.5%	
Sindhi	46	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Sinhalese	594	0.4%	0.3%	311	0.3%	
Urdu	813	0.6%	0.3%	451	0.4%	
Assamese	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Dhivehi	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Kashmiri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Oriya	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Fijian Hindustani	18	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Other Southern Asian Languages	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Southeast Asian Languages, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Burmese	39	0.0%	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Chin Haka	64	0.0%	0.1%	181	0.1%	
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zomi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	37	0.0%	0.0%	58	0.0%	
Khmer	595	0.4%	0.3%	637	0.5%	
Vietnamese	6,962	5.3%	1.5%	6,222	5.1%	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lao	26	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Thai	233	0.2%	0.1%	227	0.2%	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bisaya	50	0.0%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Cebuano	42	0.0%	0.0%	33	0.0%	
Ilokano	17	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Indonesian	153	0.1%	0.1%	111	0.1%	
Malay	140	0.1%	0.1%	148	0.1%	
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tagalog	1,000	0.8%	0.4%	820	0.7%	
Filipino	659	0.5%	0.3%	562	0.5%	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Pampangan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	66	0.0%	0.0%	158	0.1%	–
Cantonese	1,562	1.2%	0.7%	1,553	1.3%	–
Hakka	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Mandarin	3,512	2.7%	2.2%	3,423	2.8%	–
Wu	16	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Min Nan	148	0.1%	0.1%	146	0.1%	–
Chinese, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	174	0.1%	0.2%	158	0.1%	–
Korean	416	0.3%	0.3%	423	0.3%	–
Tibetan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	32	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	–
Tiwi	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	–	–	–	–
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jaru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Warlpiri	12	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Warumungu	–	–	–	–	–	–
Alyawarr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Arrernte	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western Arrarnta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	7	0.0%	–
Kukatha	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Luritja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Martu Wangka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	–	6	0.0%	–
Pitjantjatjara	26	0.0%	0.0%	37	0.0%	–
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yankunytjatjara	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nyikina	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Adnymathanha	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Arabana	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Diyari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurna	21	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Narungga	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Ngarrindjeri	55	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Nyungar	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mirning	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	18	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	27	0.0%	0.0%	48	0.0%	
Shona	74	0.1%	0.0%	70	0.1%	
Somali	191	0.1%	0.0%	153	0.1%	
Swahili	266	0.2%	0.2%	210	0.2%	
Yoruba	26	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Zulu	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Amharic	146	0.1%	0.0%	89	0.1%	
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	168	0.1%	0.1%	192	0.2%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Ewe	12	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Ga	8	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	13	0.0%	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Kikuyu	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Krio	57	0.0%	0.0%	70	0.1%	
Luganda	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	3	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Nyanja (Chichewa)	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tigre	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tigrinya	42	0.0%	0.0%	58	0.0%	
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles Creole	–	–	–	–	–	
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	25	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Fulfulde	30	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	19	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Kirundi (Rundi)	58	0.0%	0.1%	52	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Kpelle	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Krahn	4	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	—
Liberian (Liberian English)	—	—	0.0%	12	0.0%	—
Loma (Lorma)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Madi	3	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	—
Mandinka	89	0.1%	0.0%	92	0.1%	—
Mann	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Lingala	—	—	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
African Languages, nec	25	0.0%	0.0%	84	0.1%	—
Fijian	36	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	—
Gilbertese	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	—
Maori (Cook Island)	—	—	0.0%	9	0.0%	—
Maori (New Zealand)	18	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	—
Niue	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Samoan	25	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	—
Tongan	25	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	—
Rotuman	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tuvaluan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bislama	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Norfolk-Pitcairn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Solomon Islands Pijin	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %	Count	%	Greater Adelaide %
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	3	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	–
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Sign Languages, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Auslan	154	0.1%	0.1%	115	0.1%	–
Key Word Sign Australia	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Not stated	6,373	4.8%	3.8%	7,108	5.9%	–
Total	132,372	100.0%	100.0%	121,234	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.