

# Community report

## Port Augusta (C)

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

AREA

**Port Augusta (C)**

COMPARISON

**Regional SA**

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 Augusta (C), accounting for 81.1% (11,202 people). This share was lower than Regional SA (87.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which decreased by 275 people and 2.2 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 Augusta (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	19	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.0%	+13	+0.1
Non-verbal, so described	12	0.1%	0.0%	13	0.1%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Swiss, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–
French Creole, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–
Pidgin, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Gaelic (Scotland)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Irish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Welsh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
English	11,202	81.1%	87.7%	11,477	83.3%	87.9%	-275	-2.2
German	19	0.1%	0.2%	23	0.2%	0.3%	-4	-0.1
Dutch	7	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	0.1%	-3	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaans	11	0.1%	0.2%	11	0.1%	
Danish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swedish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finnish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French	10	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	
Greek	10	0.1%	0.4%	4	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Portuguese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Spanish	7	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Italian	48	0.3%	0.3%	64	0.5%	
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hungarian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Russian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Macedonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Serbian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Polish	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	–	–	–	
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romany	–	–	–	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Persian (excluding Dari)	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hazaraghi	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Arabic	11	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Hebrew	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kannada	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Malayalam	18	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.1%	

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Tamil	17	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Telugu	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	4	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.2%	
Gujarati	13	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hindi	27	0.2%	0.1%	21	0.2%	
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marathi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepali	17	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.1%	
Punjabi	126	0.9%	0.3%	71	0.5%	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sinhalese	17	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	
Urdu	12	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Khmer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Vietnamese	33	0.2%	0.1%	15	0.1%	
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Thai	7	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bisaya	9	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Cebuano	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Indonesian	9	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Malay	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Tetum	37	0.3%	0.0%	—	—	
Timorese	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Tagalog	12	0.1%	0.2%	19	0.1%	
Filipino	11	0.1%	0.2%	7	0.1%	
Bikol	—	—	—	—	—	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Chinese, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cantonese	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.1%	
Hakka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mandarin	38	0.3%	0.3%	32	0.2%	
Wu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Min Nan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Japanese	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Korean	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Mongolian	—	—	—	—	—	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	30	0.2%	0.1%	31	0.2%	

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Iwaidja	–	–	–	–	–	
Nungali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warlpiri	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Arrernte	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western Arrarnta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Antikarinya	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kukatha	10	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Luritja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitjantjatjara	54	0.4%	0.5%	45	0.3%	
Wangkatha	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Yankunytjatjara	30	0.2%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Adnymathanha	95	0.7%	0.1%	41	0.3%	
Arabana	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Diyari	12	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Kurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kriol	–	–	–	–	–	

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Narungga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ngarrindjeri	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mirning	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	15	0.1%	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	–	–	–	
Shona	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.1%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	10	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	–	5	0.0%	
Amharic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luganda	–	–	–	–	–	

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Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyanja (Chichewa)	7	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	–	–	–	
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori (New Zealand)	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Niue	–	–	–	–	–	
Samoan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tongan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bislama	36	0.3%	0.0%	–	–	
Norf'k-Pitcairn	–	–	–	–	–	
Solomon Islands Pijin	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	–	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Auslan	8	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	1,666	12.1%	6.9%	1,727	12.5%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,805</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13,775</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.