

Community report

Port Hedland (T)

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

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Port Hedland (T)

COMPARISON

Regional WA

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 Port Hedland (T) were Australian, English and Australian Aboriginal.

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

Port Hedland (T) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	30	0.2%	0.2%	58	0.4%	0.2%	-28	-0.2
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	34	0.2%	0.1%	12	0.1%	0.0%	+22	+0.1
African, so described	76	0.5%	0.2%	72	0.5%	0.2%	+4	0.0
European, so described	10	0.1%	0.1%	8	0.1%	0.1%	+2	0.0
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.1%	0.0%	-13	-0.1
Australian Peoples, nfd	55	0.4%	0.0%	43	0.3%	0.0%	+12	+0.1
Australian	4,439	28.3%	36.3%	5,607	38.8%	39.9%	-1,168	-10.5
Australian Aboriginal	2,650	16.9%	7.8%	514	3.6%	3.1%	+2,136	+13.3
Australian South Sea Islander	16	0.1%	0.0%	20	0.1%	0.0%	-4	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Torres Strait Islander	274	1.7%	0.3%	68	0.5%	0.3%
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Maori	484	3.1%	1.3%	393	2.7%	1.3%
New Zealander	252	1.6%	1.1%	240	1.7%	1.1%
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
New Caledonian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Papua New Guinean	31	0.2%	0.1%	26	0.2%	0.1%
Solomon Islander	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Polynesian, nfd	10	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Cook Islander	48	0.3%	0.1%	26	0.2%	0.1%
Fijian	48	0.3%	0.1%	32	0.2%	0.1%
Niuean	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Samoan	53	0.3%	0.1%	39	0.3%	0.1%
Tongan	92	0.6%	0.1%	57	0.4%	0.1%
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Tokelauan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	0.0%
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Pitcairn	–	–	–	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North–West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
British, nfd	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
English	4,326	27.6%	40.0%	4,020	27.8%	39.0%
Scottish	1,041	6.6%	9.0%	948	6.6%	9.0%
Welsh	53	0.3%	0.7%	64	0.4%	0.7%
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Manx	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
British, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	1,159	7.4%	8.6%	1,065	7.4%	8.6%
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Austrian	13	0.1%	0.1%	17	0.1%	0.1%
Dutch	225	1.4%	1.9%	197	1.4%	1.9%
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
French	62	0.4%	0.5%	62	0.4%	0.5%
German	457	2.9%	3.4%	433	3.0%	3.4%
Swiss	13	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	0.1%
Belgian	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Danish	23	0.1%	0.2%	24	0.2%	0.2%

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Finnish	3	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.1%
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	24	0.2%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	23	0.1%	0.2%	25	0.2%	0.2%
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern European, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Italian	344	2.2%	3.8%	285	2.0%	2.0%
Maltese	13	0.1%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.1%
Portuguese	20	0.1%	0.2%	26	0.2%	0.2%
Spanish	70	0.4%	0.3%	44	0.3%	0.3%
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South Eastern European, nfd	9	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%
Bosnian	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Croatian	66	0.4%	0.4%	63	0.4%	0.4%
Greek	51	0.3%	0.3%	55	0.4%	0.4%
Macedonian	19	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.2%	0.2%
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Montenegrin	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Romanian	4	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.1%	0.1%

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Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbian	18	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.1%	–
Slovene	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Cypriot	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Eastern European, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czech	13	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.1%	–
Estonian	6	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Hungarian	13	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	–
Latvian	5	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Lithuanian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Polish	53	0.3%	0.7%	68	0.5%	–
Russian	21	0.1%	0.2%	18	0.1%	–
Slovak	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ukrainian	12	0.1%	0.1%	21	0.1%	–
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Arab, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Egyptian	17	0.1%	0.0%	8	0.1%	–
Iraqi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Lebanese	10	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.1%	0.0%
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Syrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tunisian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arab, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jewish	–	–	0.0%	8	0.1%	0.0%
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	–	–	–	–
South Sudanese	9	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudanese	15	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	15	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Turkish	24	0.2%	0.0%	12	0.1%	0.0%
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South-East Asian, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Burmese	20	0.1%	0.1%	21	0.1%	0.1%
Khmer (Cambodian)	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.1%	0.1%
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	139	0.9%	0.3%	91	0.6%	0.3%
Vietnamese	33	0.2%	0.2%	28	0.2%	0.2%
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	525	3.3%	1.5%	418	2.9%	1.5%
Indonesian	166	1.1%	0.3%	133	0.9%	0.3%
Javanese	20	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.1%	0.0%
Malay	255	1.6%	0.2%	179	1.2%	0.2%
Sundanese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Singaporean	37	0.2%	0.0%	17	0.1%	0.0%
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Chinese	231	1.5%	0.8%	157	1.1%	0.8%
Taiwanese	3	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.1%	0.1%

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	22	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	–
Korean	22	0.1%	0.1%	30	0.2%	–
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nfd	28	0.2%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Anglo-Indian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Bengali	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Gujarati	13	0.1%	0.0%	9	0.1%	–
Indian	236	1.5%	0.7%	199	1.4%	–
Malayali	11	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Nepalese	5	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.1%	–
Pakistani	7	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.1%	–
Punjabi	14	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	–
Sikh	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Sinhalese	37	0.2%	0.0%	8	0.1%	–
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bangladeshi	–	–	0.0%	21	0.1%	–
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian Indian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sri Lankan	20	0.1%	0.1%	46	0.3%	–
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tamil, nfd	14	0.1%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Telugu	13	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Afghan	7	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.1%	–
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hazara	–	–	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
North American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African American	–	–	0.0%	10	0.1%	–
American	39	0.2%	0.3%	32	0.2%	–
Canadian	33	0.2%	0.2%	22	0.2%	–
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Native North American Indian	9	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
South American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Argentinian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	17	0.1%	0.1%	25	0.2%	
Chilean	8	0.1%	0.0%	14	0.1%	
Colombian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uruguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Cuban	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaican	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Akan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Fulani	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ghanaian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Nigerian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	9	0.1%	–
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaner	16	0.1%	0.1%	12	0.1%	–
Angolan	–	–	–	–	–	–
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ethiopian	9	0.1%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Kenyan	10	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mauritian	7	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.1%	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional WA %	Count	%	Regional WA %
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
South African	119	0.8%	0.8%	132	0.9%	–
Tanzanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambian	9	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Zimbabwean	61	0.4%	0.2%	59	0.4%	–
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Shona	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern and East African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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

Data basis: usual residence.