

Community report

Port Macquarie-Hastings (A)

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

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Port Macquarie-Hastings (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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 Macquarie–Hastings (A) were English, Australian and Irish.

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 Macquarie-Hastings (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	188	0.2%	0.2%	206	0.3%	0.2%	-18	-0.1
Eurasian, so described	6	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Asian, so described	12	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0
African, so described	40	0.0%	0.1%	36	0.0%	0.1%	+4	0.0
European, so described	52	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.0%	0.1%	+16	+0.1
Caucasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	0.0%	-4	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	36,377	41.9%	40.2%	33,849	43.1%	42.5%	+2,528	-1.2
Australian Aboriginal	4,532	5.2%	6.1%	354	0.5%	0.8%	+4,178	+4.7
Australian South Sea Islander	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	+9	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Torres Strait Islander	114	0.1%	0.2%	6	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Maori	298	0.3%	0.4%	194	0.2%	
New Zealander	549	0.6%	0.6%	562	0.7%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Papua New Guinean	14	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	7	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Cook Islander	16	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Fijian	66	0.1%	0.1%	38	0.0%	
Niuean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoan	38	0.0%	0.1%	33	0.0%	
Tongan	34	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.0%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North-West European, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
British, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
English	39,250	45.2%	40.9%	35,264	44.9%	4
Scottish	9,802	11.3%	10.7%	8,473	10.8%	1
Welsh	580	0.7%	0.7%	512	0.7%	
Channel Islander	8	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Manx	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
British, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	11,124	12.8%	11.8%	10,282	13.1%	1
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	173	0.2%	0.2%	153	0.2%	
Dutch	1,272	1.5%	1.4%	1,050	1.3%	
Flemish	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
French	517	0.6%	0.5%	460	0.6%	
German	3,418	3.9%	4.2%	3,057	3.9%	
Swiss	158	0.2%	0.1%	96	0.1%	
Belgian	62	0.1%	0.0%	41	0.1%	
Frisian	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Luxembourg	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	49	0.1%	0.0%	21	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Danish	216	0.2%	0.2%	191	0.2%	
Finnish	100	0.1%	0.1%	77	0.1%	
Icelandic	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	111	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.1%	
Swedish	186	0.2%	0.2%	127	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	1,715	2.0%	2.8%	1,344	1.7%	
Maltese	479	0.6%	0.5%	394	0.5%	
Portuguese	62	0.1%	0.2%	48	0.1%	
Spanish	282	0.3%	0.4%	240	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	4	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	43	0.0%	0.1%	71	0.1%	
Albanian	11	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Bosnian	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bulgarian	15	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Croatian	209	0.2%	0.4%	134	0.2%	
Greek	365	0.4%	0.6%	301	0.4%	
Macedonian	35	0.0%	0.5%	31	0.0%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	39	0.0%	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Roma Gypsy	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	76	0.1%	0.2%	32	0.0%	
Slovene	31	0.0%	0.1%	30	0.0%	
Cypriot	22	0.0%	0.1%	19	0.0%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	26	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Czech	78	0.1%	0.1%	42	0.1%	
Estonian	45	0.1%	0.1%	31	0.0%	
Hungarian	203	0.2%	0.2%	206	0.3%	
Latvian	70	0.1%	0.1%	59	0.1%	
Lithuanian	62	0.1%	0.1%	38	0.0%	
Polish	432	0.5%	0.6%	307	0.4%	
Russian	181	0.2%	0.2%	148	0.2%	
Slovak	17	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Ukrainian	128	0.1%	0.2%	66	0.1%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	20	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Algerian	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Egyptian	70	0.1%	0.1%	45	0.1%	
Iraqi	14	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Jordanian	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Lebanese	170	0.2%	0.3%	129	0.2%	
Libyan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Moroccan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Palestinian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Syrian	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Tunisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Yemeni	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bahraini	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Emirati	—	—	—	—	—	
Omani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Arab, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Jewish	40	0.0%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bari	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Dinka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Nuer	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South Sudanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Sudanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	—	—	—	—	—	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranian	42	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	
Kurdish	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Turkish	52	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Assyrian	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	20	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	17	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Lao	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Thai	184	0.2%	0.2%	103	0.1%	
Vietnamese	130	0.1%	0.2%	86	0.1%	
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	563	0.6%	0.8%	328	0.4%	
Indonesian	67	0.1%	0.1%	47	0.1%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	35	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acehnese	–	–	–	–	–	
Balinese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Chinese	733	0.8%	1.0%	583	0.7%	
Taiwanese	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	101	0.1%	0.1%	72	0.1%	
Korean	86	0.1%	0.1%	56	0.1%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	17	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Anglo-Indian	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Bengali	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indian	499	0.6%	0.8%	326	0.4%	
Malayali	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nepalese	137	0.2%	0.2%	28	0.0%	
Pakistani	35	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Punjabi	50	0.1%	0.2%	14	0.0%	
Sikh	28	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Sinhalese	20	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	17	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Bhutanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	18	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	64	0.1%	0.1%	40	0.1%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	23	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Telugu	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nec	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Armenian	24	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
African American	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
American	223	0.3%	0.3%	197	0.3%	
Canadian	182	0.2%	0.2%	131	0.2%	
French Canadian	9	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Native North American Indian	40	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Bermudan	14	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	31	0.0%	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Argentinian	17	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Brazilian	57	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.0%	
Chilean	56	0.1%	0.1%	50	0.1%	
Colombian	25	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Peruvian	18	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Uruguayan	26	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguayan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	20	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Costa Rican	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Cuban	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Jamaican	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Afrikaner	13	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kenyan	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	29	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	327	0.4%	0.3%	213	0.3%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Zimbabwean	41	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
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.