

Community report

Port Phillip (C)

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

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Port Phillip (C)

COMPARISON

Greater Melbourne

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 Phillip (C) 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 Phillip (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	320	0.3%	0.3%	292	0.3%	0.3%	+28	0.0
Eurasian, so described	20	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%	+4	0.0
Asian, so described	41	0.0%	0.1%	45	0.0%	0.1%	-4	0.0
African, so described	179	0.2%	0.3%	134	0.1%	0.2%	+45	+0.1
European, so described	322	0.3%	0.1%	291	0.3%	0.1%	+31	0.0
Caucasian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	25	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	0.0%	+11	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	23,302	22.9%	23.4%	22,438	22.2%	24.0%	+864	+0.7
Australian Aboriginal	511	0.5%	0.7%	70	0.1%	0.1%	+441	+0.4
Australian South Sea Islander	9	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	0.0%	-2	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Torres Strait Islander	49	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	—
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Maori	453	0.4%	0.4%	384	0.4%	—
New Zealander	899	0.9%	0.6%	1,111	1.1%	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
New Caledonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ni-Vanuatu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Papua New Guinean	56	0.1%	0.0%	32	0.0%	—
Solomon Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
I-Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nauruan	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Micronesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	—
Cook Islander	15	0.0%	0.1%	17	0.0%	—
Fijian	78	0.1%	0.1%	67	0.1%	—
Niuean	6	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	—
Samoan	109	0.1%	0.4%	91	0.1%	—
Tongan	30	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.0%	—
Hawaiian	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—
Tahitian	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	—
Tokelauan	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
North-West European, nfd	15	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
British, nfd	58	0.1%	0.0%	84	0.1%	–
English	33,103	32.5%	25.6%	32,032	31.8%	25.6%
Scottish	10,792	10.6%	7.1%	10,242	10.2%	–
Welsh	807	0.8%	0.5%	750	0.7%	–
Channel Islander	7	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Manx	17	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
British, nec	20	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	14,325	14.1%	8.3%	14,297	14.2%	–
Western European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Austrian	389	0.4%	0.2%	353	0.3%	–
Dutch	1,692	1.7%	1.5%	1,553	1.5%	–
Flemish	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
French	1,508	1.5%	0.6%	1,359	1.3%	–
German	4,368	4.3%	2.9%	4,318	4.3%	–
Swiss	248	0.2%	0.1%	225	0.2%	–
Belgian	132	0.1%	0.0%	98	0.1%	–
Frisian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	85	0.1%	0.0%	37	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Danish	340	0.3%	0.2%	342	0.3%	
Finnish	168	0.2%	0.1%	165	0.2%	
Icelandic	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Norwegian	211	0.2%	0.1%	199	0.2%	
Swedish	341	0.3%	0.2%	330	0.3%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Catalan	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Italian	5,878	5.8%	6.6%	5,054	5.0%	
Maltese	710	0.7%	1.4%	620	0.6%	
Portuguese	375	0.4%	0.3%	293	0.3%	
Spanish	927	0.9%	0.5%	676	0.7%	
Gibraltarian	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Southern European, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	95	0.1%	0.1%	139	0.1%	
Albanian	220	0.2%	0.2%	164	0.2%	
Bosnian	145	0.1%	0.2%	111	0.1%	
Bulgarian	76	0.1%	0.0%	72	0.1%	
Croatian	808	0.8%	0.9%	631	0.6%	
Greek	4,298	4.2%	3.5%	3,995	4.0%	
Macedonian	386	0.4%	0.9%	290	0.3%	
Moldovan	18	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Montenegrin	44	0.0%	0.0%	45	0.0%	
Romanian	240	0.2%	0.2%	212	0.2%	
Roma Gypsy	12	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Serbian	509	0.5%	0.5%	356	0.4%	
Slovene	147	0.1%	0.1%	132	0.1%	
Cypriot	350	0.3%	0.3%	227	0.2%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	182	0.2%	0.1%	142	0.1%	
Belarusan	56	0.1%	0.0%	56	0.1%	
Czech	219	0.2%	0.1%	230	0.2%	
Estonian	73	0.1%	0.0%	75	0.1%	
Hungarian	607	0.6%	0.4%	634	0.6%	
Latvian	196	0.2%	0.1%	160	0.2%	
Lithuanian	177	0.2%	0.1%	170	0.2%	
Polish	2,047	2.0%	1.1%	2,017	2.0%	
Russian	1,255	1.2%	0.5%	1,345	1.3%	
Slovak	92	0.1%	0.1%	87	0.1%	
Ukrainian	549	0.5%	0.3%	502	0.5%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	75	0.1%	0.1%	54	0.1%	
Arab, nfd	70	0.1%	0.3%	77	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Algerian	31	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Egyptian	319	0.3%	0.4%	234	0.2%	
Iraqi	33	0.0%	0.3%	39	0.0%	
Jordanian	18	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	367	0.4%	1.0%	291	0.3%	
Libyan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	77	0.1%	0.0%	52	0.1%	
Palestinian	43	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	5	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Syrian	53	0.1%	0.2%	36	0.0%	
Tunisian	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Yemeni	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	–	–	–	
Arab, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Jewish	1,083	1.1%	0.3%	996	1.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	17	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sudanese	16	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Berber	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Iranian	413	0.4%	0.5%	323	0.3%	
Kurdish	25	0.0%	0.1%	16	0.0%	
Turkish	442	0.4%	0.8%	384	0.4%	
Assyrian	12	0.0%	0.2%	24	0.0%	
Chaldean	3	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	265	0.3%	0.1%	287	0.3%	
South-East Asian, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	47	0.0%	0.2%	43	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Khmer (Cambodian)	71	0.1%	0.5%	49	0.0%	
Lao	38	0.0%	0.1%	32	0.0%	
Thai	397	0.4%	0.4%	318	0.3%	
Vietnamese	721	0.7%	2.4%	537	0.5%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	933	0.9%	1.7%	624	0.6%	–
Indonesian	378	0.4%	0.4%	353	0.3%	–
Javanese	13	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	–
Madurese	–	–	–	–	–	–
Malay	363	0.4%	0.4%	303	0.3%	–
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	35	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Bruneian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Singaporean	75	0.1%	0.1%	42	0.0%	–
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	34	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Chinese	4,723	4.6%	8.3%	4,577	4.5%	–
Taiwanese	96	0.1%	0.1%	99	0.1%	–
Chinese Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	477	0.5%	0.3%	476	0.5%	–
Korean	406	0.4%	0.4%	332	0.3%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Mongolian	27	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Tibetan	24	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	102	0.1%	0.3%	98	0.1%	
Anglo-Indian	67	0.1%	0.1%	57	0.1%	
Bengali	29	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Burgher	17	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	53	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.0%	
Indian	2,613	2.6%	5.3%	2,563	2.5%	
Malayali	16	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Nepalese	245	0.2%	0.4%	155	0.2%	
Pakistani	119	0.1%	0.6%	75	0.1%	
Punjabi	69	0.1%	1.0%	30	0.0%	
Sikh	26	0.0%	0.5%	11	0.0%	
Sinhalese	121	0.1%	0.6%	42	0.0%	
Maldivian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	37	0.0%	0.2%	51	0.1%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	30	0.0%	0.1%	24	0.0%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Sri Lankan	432	0.4%	1.0%	424	0.4%	

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	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Sri Lankan Tamil	14	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	127	0.1%	0.5%	30	0.0%	
Telugu	40	0.0%	0.2%	7	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	24	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	36	0.0%	0.4%	31	0.0%	
Armenian	66	0.1%	0.1%	65	0.1%	
Georgian	26	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Kazakh	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Uzbek	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Azeri	11	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hazara	8	0.0%	0.4%	3	0.0%	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	9	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	124	0.1%	0.1%	40	0.0%	
North American, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African American	34	0.0%	0.0%	27	0.0%	
American	659	0.6%	0.3%	631	0.6%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Canadian	292	0.3%	0.1%	230	0.2%	
French Canadian	22	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	51	0.1%	0.0%	32	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	31	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Bermudan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	57	0.1%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Argentinian	152	0.1%	0.1%	99	0.1%	
Bolivian	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Brazilian	408	0.4%	0.1%	250	0.2%	
Chilean	249	0.2%	0.2%	181	0.2%	
Colombian	681	0.7%	0.2%	309	0.3%	
Ecuadorian	16	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Guyanese	11	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Peruvian	63	0.1%	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Uruguayan	39	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Venezuelan	51	0.1%	0.0%	63	0.1%	
Paraguayan	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
South American, nec	22	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	174	0.2%	0.1%	117	0.1%	
Nicaraguan	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Salvadoran	20	0.0%	0.1%	18	0.0%	
Costa Rican	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Guatemalan	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	38	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Cuban	17	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Jamaican	46	0.0%	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	14	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Barbadian	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Puerto Rican	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	20	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Nigerian	22	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	23	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Krahn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Senegalese	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Themne	–	–	–	–	–	–
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Central and West African, nec	18	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Southern and East African, nfd	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Afrikaner	22	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	–
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eritrean	53	0.1%	0.1%	39	0.0%	–
Ethiopian	109	0.1%	0.2%	66	0.1%	–
Kenyan	32	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Malawian	3	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
Mauritian	238	0.2%	0.3%	202	0.2%	–
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Oromo	19	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	–
Seychellois	19	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	–
Somali	46	0.0%	0.2%	53	0.1%	–
South African	608	0.6%	0.5%	497	0.5%	–
Tanzanian	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Ugandan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Zambian	12	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %	Count	%	Greater Melbourne %
Zimbabwean	66	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.0%	
Amhara	6	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Batswana	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hutu	–	–	–	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Burundian	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.