

# Community report

## Rockdale (C)

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

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**Rockdale (C)**

COMPARISON

**Greater Sydney**

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

Detailed insight for Ancestry in Rockdale (C) is not yet available for the current filters.

## 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

Rockdale (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	–	–	0.3%	224	0.2%	0.2%	–	–
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	16	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	–	–	0.2%	181	0.2%	0.1%	–	–
African, so described	–	–	0.2%	151	0.1%	0.2%	–	–
European, so described	–	–	0.1%	92	0.1%	0.1%	–	–
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	29	0.0%	0.1%	–	–
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	–	–	22.3%	14,500	13.3%	23.5%	–	–
Australian Aboriginal	–	–	1.6%	150	0.1%	0.2%	–	–
Australian South Sea Islander	–	–	0.0%	30	0.0%	0.0%	–	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Torres Strait Islander	–	–	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Maori	–	–	0.5%	819	0.7%	
New Zealander	–	–	0.7%	568	0.5%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Papua New Guinean	–	–	0.0%	40	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Polynesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Cook Islander	–	–	0.1%	118	0.1%	
Fijian	–	–	0.4%	411	0.4%	
Niuean	–	–	0.0%	42	0.0%	
Samoan	–	–	0.6%	330	0.3%	
Tongan	–	–	0.4%	288	0.3%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	12	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
North-West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
British, nfd	–	–	0.0%	26	0.0%	–
English	–	–	23.8%	14,789	13.5%	23.8%
Scottish	–	–	6.0%	3,590	3.3%	–
Welsh	–	–	0.5%	257	0.2%	–
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Manx	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	–
British, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	–	–	7.7%	5,659	5.2%	–
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Austrian	–	–	0.2%	130	0.1%	–
Dutch	–	–	0.9%	423	0.4%	–
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
French	–	–	0.7%	476	0.4%	–
German	–	–	2.3%	1,653	1.5%	–
Swiss	–	–	0.1%	67	0.1%	–
Belgian	–	–	0.1%	42	0.0%	–
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	12	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Danish	–	–	0.2%	121	0.1%	
Finnish	–	–	0.1%	54	0.0%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	–	–	0.1%	55	0.1%	
Swedish	–	–	0.2%	97	0.1%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	–	–	4.3%	4,935	4.5%	
Maltese	–	–	1.2%	1,050	1.0%	
Portuguese	–	–	0.5%	1,136	1.0%	
Spanish	–	–	0.8%	1,412	1.3%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.1%	186	0.2%	
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	49	0.0%	
Bosnian	–	–	0.1%	165	0.2%	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	84	0.1%	
Croatian	–	–	0.8%	929	0.8%	
Greek	–	–	2.4%	11,239	10.3%	
Macedonian	–	–	0.6%	5,351	4.9%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	34	0.0%	
Romanian	–	–	0.1%	125	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Serbian	–	–	0.6%	922	0.8%	
Slovene	–	–	0.1%	109	0.1%	
Cypriot	–	–	0.3%	679	0.6%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	–	–	0.1%	37	0.0%	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Czech	–	–	0.2%	208	0.2%	
Estonian	–	–	0.1%	30	0.0%	
Hungarian	–	–	0.4%	365	0.3%	
Latvian	–	–	0.1%	47	0.0%	
Lithuanian	–	–	0.1%	79	0.1%	
Polish	–	–	0.8%	593	0.5%	
Russian	–	–	0.6%	734	0.7%	
Slovak	–	–	0.1%	160	0.1%	
Ukrainian	–	–	0.2%	267	0.2%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.2%	99	0.1%	
Arab, nfd	–	–	0.6%	651	0.6%	

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Algerian	–	–	0.0%	23	0.0%	
Egyptian	–	–	0.5%	1,741	1.6%	
Iraqi	–	–	0.6%	142	0.1%	
Jordanian	–	–	0.1%	89	0.1%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Lebanese	–	–	3.3%	7,457	6.8%	
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Moroccan	–	–	0.0%	26	0.0%	
Palestinian	–	–	0.2%	168	0.2%	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Syrian	–	–	0.3%	164	0.1%	
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	–	–	0.2%	83	0.1%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Sudanese	–	–	0.1%	24	0.0%	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Berber	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	51	0.0%	–
Iranian	–	–	0.6%	275	0.3%	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.1%	32	0.0%	–
Turkish	–	–	0.6%	606	0.6%	–
Assyrian	–	–	0.6%	151	0.1%	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.2%	4	0.0%	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	–	–	0.1%	13	0.0%	–
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	–	–	0.1%	61	0.1%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	–	–	0.3%	81	0.1%	–
Lao	–	–	0.2%	62	0.1%	–
Thai	–	–	0.6%	875	0.8%	–

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Vietnamese	–	–	2.3%	1,415	1.3%	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Filipino	–	–	2.5%	2,607	2.4%	–
Indonesian	–	–	0.6%	878	0.8%	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Malay	–	–	0.2%	183	0.2%	–
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	30	0.0%	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Singaporean	–	–	0.0%	52	0.0%	–
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	15	0.0%	–
North–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese	–	–	10.6%	15,083	13.8%	10.6%
Taiwanese	–	–	0.1%	131	0.1%	–
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Japanese	–	–	0.4%	550	0.5%	–

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Korean	–	–	1.3%	452	0.4%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.1%	642	0.6%	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nfd	–	–	0.3%	140	0.1%	
Anglo-Indian	–	–	0.0%	35	0.0%	
Bengali	–	–	0.2%	387	0.4%	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Indian	–	–	4.5%	2,798	2.6%	
Malayali	–	–	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Nepalese	–	–	1.3%	4,112	3.8%	
Pakistani	–	–	0.7%	296	0.3%	
Punjabi	–	–	0.4%	37	0.0%	
Sikh	–	–	0.2%	10	0.0%	
Sinhalese	–	–	0.2%	26	0.0%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	–	–	0.5%	1,812	1.7%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	–	–	0.2%	105	0.1%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Sri Lankan	–	–	0.4%	122	0.1%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	–	–	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	–	–	0.5%	17	0.0%	
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.1%	51	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	–	–	0.3%	35	0.0%	
Armenian	–	–	0.3%	141	0.1%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hazara	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	–	–	0.1%	68	0.1%	
North American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African American	–	–	0.0%	13	0.0%	

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American	–	–	0.3%	153	0.1%	
Canadian	–	–	0.2%	73	0.1%	
French Canadian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	–	–	0.0%	44	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South American, nfd	–	–	0.1%	197	0.2%	
Argentinian	–	–	0.1%	147	0.1%	
Bolivian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Brazilian	–	–	0.3%	624	0.6%	
Chilean	–	–	0.3%	455	0.4%	
Colombian	–	–	0.2%	490	0.4%	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	75	0.1%	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	–	–	0.1%	190	0.2%	
Uruguayan	–	–	0.1%	168	0.2%	
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	24	0.0%	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	–	–	0.1%	56	0.1%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	23	0.0%	

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Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	–	–	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Jamaican	–	–	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nec	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	–	–	0.1%	36	0.0%	
Nigerian	–	–	0.1%	30	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Ethiopian	–	–	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Kenyan	–	–	0.0%	25	0.0%	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	–	–	0.2%	132	0.1%	
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
South African	–	–	0.6%	217	0.2%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	–	–	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Zimbabwean	–	–	0.1%	41	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	–	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.