

Community report

Sorell (M)

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

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Sorell (M)

COMPARISON

Greater Hobart

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 Sorell (M), accounting for 90.4% (15,123 people). This share was higher than Greater Hobart (82.6%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which increased by 1,885 people, while its share fell by 1.6 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

Sorell (M) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Hobart %	Count	%	Greater Hobart %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	4	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	0.1%	+1	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	7	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.1%	0.1%	-2	-0.1
Swiss, so described	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Welsh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
English	15,123	90.4%	82.6%	13,238	92.0%	86.5%	+1,885	-1.6
German	46	0.3%	0.3%	44	0.3%	0.4%	+2	0.0
Yiddish	—	—	—	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Dutch	30	0.2%	0.1%	24	0.2%	0.2%	+6	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Hobart %	Count	%	Greater H
Afrikaans	33	0.2%	0.1%	8	0.1%	
Danish	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swedish	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finnish	13	0.1%	0.0%	12	0.1%	
French	7	0.0%	0.2%	16	0.1%	
Greek	28	0.2%	0.4%	24	0.2%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Portuguese	12	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Spanish	28	0.2%	0.4%	24	0.2%	
Italian	10	0.1%	0.2%	17	0.1%	
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuanian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hungarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	10	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Macedonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Hobart %	Count	%	Greater H
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czech	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Polish	4	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	–
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	–	–	–	–
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Romanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Persian (excluding Dari)	–	–	0.1%	–	–	–
Hazaraghi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Arabic	13	0.1%	0.3%	–	–	–
Hebrew	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	–	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Southern Asian Languages, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kannada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malayalam	12	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Tamil	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	16	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Gujarati	5	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Hindi	16	0.1%	0.4%	3	0.0%	
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marathi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepali	53	0.3%	1.8%	3	0.0%	
Punjabi	34	0.2%	0.7%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sinhalese	12	0.1%	0.3%	–	–	
Urdu	24	0.1%	0.4%	–	–	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indo-Aryan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	

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Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Vietnamese	10	0.1%	0.4%	–	–	–
Mon-Khmer, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Thai	21	0.1%	0.1%	11	0.1%	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Cebuano	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	19	0.1%	0.1%	5	0.0%	–
Malay	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tagalog	11	0.1%	0.2%	13	0.1%	–
Filipino	12	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.0%	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Cantonese	5	0.0%	0.5%	4	0.0%	–
Hakka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandarin	56	0.3%	2.6%	18	0.1%	–
Wu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Min Nan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Japanese	7	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Korean	9	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Garrwa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	9	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Amharic	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Harari	–	–	–	–	–	
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Krio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luganda	–	–	–	–	–	–
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nuer	–	–	–	–	–	–
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tigrinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Madi	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Fijian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Maori (New Zealand)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Samoan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tongan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Auslan	15	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	974	5.8%	4.6%	882	6.1%	
Total	16,735	100.0%	100.0%	14,388	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.