

Community report

Strathfield (A)

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

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COMPARISON

Greater Sydney

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 Strathfield (A), accounting for 29.2% (13,277 people). This share was lower than Greater Sydney (57.3%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in Nepali, which increased by 1,850 people and 3.7 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

Strathfield (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	29	0.1%	0.1%	7	0.0%	0.0%	+22	+0.1
Non-verbal, so described	106	0.2%	0.1%	109	0.3%	0.2%	-3	-0.1
Swiss, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Cypriot, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
French Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Spanish Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—	—	—
Portuguese Creole, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Pidgin, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Celtic, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Gaelic (Scotland)	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—
Irish	—	—	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Welsh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Celtic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
English	13,277	29.2%	57.3%	11,783	29.2%	57.3%
German	34	0.1%	0.3%	31	0.1%	0.3%
Letzeburgish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yiddish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Dutch	9	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Afrikaans	4	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	0.1%
Scandinavian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Danish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%
Swedish	3	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	0.1%
Scandinavian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Finnish and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	0.0%
Finnish	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	0.0%
Southern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
French	54	0.1%	0.4%	72	0.2%	0.4%
Greek	554	1.2%	1.4%	603	1.5%	1.4%
Iberian Romance, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Portuguese	85	0.2%	0.5%	85	0.2%	0.5%

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Spanish	426	0.9%	1.2%	302	0.7%	
Iberian Romance, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	618	1.4%	1.0%	757	1.9%	
Maltese	13	0.0%	0.2%	19	0.0%	
Basque	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Latin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Southern European Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Baltic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Latvian	5	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Lithuanian	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Hungarian	25	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	
Belorussian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	149	0.3%	0.4%	154	0.4%	
Ukrainian	13	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
South Slavic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Bosnian	6	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Croatian	147	0.3%	0.3%	151	0.4%	
Macedonian	17	0.0%	0.4%	24	0.1%	
Serbian	69	0.2%	0.4%	73	0.2%	
Slovene	8	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	

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Czech	17	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Polish	72	0.2%	0.2%	88	0.2%	
Slovak	9	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aromunian (Macedo-Romanian)	–	–	–	–	–	
Romanian	22	0.0%	0.0%	25	0.1%	
Romany	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Eastern European Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kurdish	11	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Pashto	18	0.0%	0.1%	38	0.1%	
Balochi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dari	10	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Persian (excluding Dari)	70	0.2%	0.5%	64	0.2%	
Hazaraghi	16	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Iranic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arabic	2,339	5.1%	4.2%	2,029	5.0%	
Hebrew	9	0.0%	0.1%	12	0.0%	
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	27	0.1%	0.5%	32	0.1%	
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	–	–	0.2%	3	0.0%	

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Mandaean (Mandaic)	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Middle Eastern Semitic Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	172	0.4%	0.4%	107	0.3%	–
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Uygur	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkic, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Armenian	12	0.0%	0.2%	7	0.0%	–
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southwest and Central Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	20	0.0%	0.0%	61	0.2%	–
Kannada	231	0.5%	0.1%	208	0.5%	–
Malayalam	311	0.7%	0.3%	305	0.8%	–
Tamil	2,197	4.8%	0.7%	2,261	5.6%	–
Telugu	1,531	3.4%	0.4%	1,039	2.6%	–
Tulu	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Dravidian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indo-Aryan, nfd	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	–
Bengali	403	0.9%	0.7%	238	0.6%	–
Gujarati	200	0.4%	0.5%	269	0.7%	–
Hindi	1,393	3.1%	1.5%	1,369	3.4%	–

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Konkani	19	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Marathi	207	0.5%	0.2%	108	0.3%	
Nepali	3,046	6.7%	1.2%	1,196	3.0%	
Punjabi	351	0.8%	0.8%	281	0.7%	
Sindhi	8	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Sinhalese	117	0.3%	0.2%	82	0.2%	
Urdu	667	1.5%	0.8%	446	1.1%	
Assamese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	18	0.0%	0.0%	28	0.1%	
Fijian Hindustani	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Indo-Aryan, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Other Southern Asian Languages	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	83	0.2%	0.1%	103	0.3%	
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer	30	0.1%	0.2%	29	0.1%	
Vietnamese	1,147	2.5%	2.2%	881	2.2%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon–Khmer, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tai, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lao	14	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	–
Thai	286	0.6%	0.4%	214	0.5%	–
Tai, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	31	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	–
Bisaya	6	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Cebuano	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilokano	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Indonesian	306	0.7%	0.6%	223	0.6%	–
Malay	56	0.1%	0.1%	29	0.1%	–
Tetum	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Timorese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Tagalog	314	0.7%	0.9%	282	0.7%	–
Filipino	242	0.5%	0.5%	184	0.5%	–
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Bikol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pampangan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other Southeast Asian Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Chinese, nfd	51	0.1%	0.1%	67	0.2%	–
Cantonese	2,992	6.6%	2.8%	2,804	7.0%	–
Hakka	19	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Mandarin	4,716	10.4%	5.0%	4,036	10.0%	–
Wu	57	0.1%	0.1%	56	0.1%	–
Min Nan	134	0.3%	0.1%	98	0.2%	–
Chinese, nec	–	–	–	–	–	–
Japanese	97	0.2%	0.3%	90	0.2%	–
Korean	2,867	6.3%	1.1%	3,560	8.8%	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	–
Tibetan	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mongolian	73	0.2%	0.1%	25	0.1%	–
Other Eastern Asian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	–
Tiwi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Jawoyn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yolngu Matha, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Kuku Yalanji	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Guugu Yimidhirr	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Wik Mungkan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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Djabugay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yidiny	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Torres Strait Island Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Meriam Mir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gurindji	–	–	–	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bardi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yawuru	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bandjalang	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batjala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dhanggatti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gamilaraay	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gumbaynggir	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Kaurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kriol	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mangala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Muruwari	–	–	–	–	–	
Ngarrindjeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyamal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wajarri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Wiradjuri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yorta Yorta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dharawal	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yugambah	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
American Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	12	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Mauritian Creole	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	7	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Somali	4	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Swahili	11	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Yoruba	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Amharic	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Bemba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Ewe	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hausa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Krio	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Luganda	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Luo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shilluk	–	–	–	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrinya	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Tswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Xhosa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychelles Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Anuak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bassa	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dan (Gio-Dan)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulfulde	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kpelle	–	–	–	–	–	
Krahn	–	–	–	–	–	
Liberian (Liberian English)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mann	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Moro (Nuba Moro)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian	27	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.1%	
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori (Cook Island)	13	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Maori (New Zealand)	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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Samoan	26	0.1%	0.3%	40	0.1%	
Tongan	41	0.1%	0.2%	61	0.2%	
Rotuman	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yapese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norfolk-Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oceanian Pidgins and Creoles, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Motu (HiriMotu)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Auslan	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sign Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	2,554	5.6%	5.3%	2,660	6.6%	
Total	45,529	100.0%	100.0%	40,307	100.0%	100.0%

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.