

# Community report

## The Coorong (DC)

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

AREA

**The Coorong (DC)**

COMPARISON

**Regional SA**

POPULATION

**Persons**

GENERATED

**30 March 2026**

### 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

The Coorong (DC) | Regional SA comparison | Persons  
Community report section 1 of 1

## Key takeaway

In 2021, English was the most common language used at home among residents in The Coorong (DC), accounting for 86.8% (4,734 people). This share was lower than Regional SA (87.7%). Since 2016, the biggest change was in English, which decreased by 91 people and 3.1 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

The Coorong (DC) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	5	0.1%	0.1%	3	0.1%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Non-verbal, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Swiss, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–
French Creole, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–	–	–
Pidgin, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Gaelic (Scotland)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Irish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Welsh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
English	4,734	86.8%	87.7%	4,825	89.9%	87.9%	-91	-3.1
German	24	0.4%	0.2%	23	0.4%	0.3%	+1	0.0
Dutch	9	0.2%	0.1%	12	0.2%	0.1%	-3	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaans	4	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Danish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swedish	9	0.2%	0.0%	4	0.1%	
Estonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Finnish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Greek	4	0.1%	0.4%	3	0.1%	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Portuguese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Spanish	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Italian	–	–	0.3%	5	0.1%	
Maltese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Latvian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lithuanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hungarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Russian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukrainian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bulgarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Macedonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Serbian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Slovene	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czech	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Czechoslovakian, so described	–	–	–	–	–	
Albanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romany	–	–	–	–	–	
Iranic, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pashto	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Persian (excluding Dari)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazaraghi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Arabic	–	–	0.1%	9	0.2%	
Hebrew	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kannada	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malayalam	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Telugu	14	0.3%	0.0%	4	0.1%	
Indo-Aryan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hindi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Konkani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Marathi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Punjabi	16	0.3%	0.3%	5	0.1%	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sinhalese	4	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Urdu	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Dhivehi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oriya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Hindustani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chin Haka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Karen	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Burmese and Related Languages, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Khmer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Vietnamese	3	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Thai	3	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bisaya	9	0.2%	0.0%	—	—	
Cebuano	3	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Indonesian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Malay	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Tetum	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Timorese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tagalog	10	0.2%	0.2%	6	0.1%	
Filipino	10	0.2%	0.2%	13	0.2%	
Bikol	—	—	—	—	—	
Ilonggo (Hiligaynon)	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	
Southeast Asian Austronesian Languages, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Chinese, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Cantonese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hakka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mandarin	4	0.1%	0.3%	4	0.1%	
Wu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Min Nan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Japanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Korean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Mongolian	—	—	—	—	—	
Australian Indigenous Languages, nfd	—	—	0.1%	4	0.1%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Iwaidja	–	–	–	–	–	
Nungali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kalaw Kawaw Ya/Kalaw Lagaw Ya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yumplatok (Torres Strait Creole)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warlpiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Warumungu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Anmatyerr, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Arrernte, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern Arrernte	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western Arrarnta	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arrernte, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Antikarinya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kukatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luritja	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ngaanyatjarra	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitjantjatjara	–	–	0.5%	5	0.1%	
Wangkatha	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yankunytjatjara	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Adnymathanha	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Arabana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Diyari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kurna	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kriol	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Narungga	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ngarrindjeri	52	1.0%	0.0%	96	1.8%	
Nyungar	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paakantyi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mirning	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Aboriginal English, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other Australian Indigenous Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian Creole	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	–	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	5	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	–	–	–	
Amharic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bemba	3	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Harari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kikuyu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luganda	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Ndebele	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nyanja (Chichewa)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tswana	4	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kirundi (Rundi)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	–	–	–	
Lingala	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gilbertese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori (Cook Island)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori (New Zealand)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Niue	–	–	–	–	–	
Samoan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tongan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pacific Austronesian Languages, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bislama	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Norf'k-Pitcairn	–	–	–	–	–	
Solomon Islands Pijin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinea Languages, nfd	–	–	–	–	–	
Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian)	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Invented Languages	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional SA %	Count	%	Region
Sign Languages, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Auslan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Key Word Sign Australia	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Not stated	520	9.5%	6.9%	348	6.5%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,453</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,369</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Excludes languages spoken at home by fewer than 10 people.

Data basis: usual residence.