

Community report

Torres (S)

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Torres (S)

COMPARISON

Regional Qld

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 Torres (S) were Torres Strait Islander, Australian Aboriginal and Australian.

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

Torres (S) – Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	6	0.2%	0.2%	4	0.1%	0.2%	+2	+0.1
Eurasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Asian, so described	—	—	0.1%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
African, so described	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	0.1%	—	—
European, so described	9	0.3%	0.1%	4	0.1%	0.1%	+5	+0.2
Caucasian, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	6	0.2%	0.0%	9	0.2%	0.0%	-3	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	6	0.2%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	542	15.8%	35.3%	1,073	29.7%	37.7%	-531	-13.9
Australian Aboriginal	767	22.4%	5.1%	438	12.1%	1.2%	+329	+10.3
Australian South Sea Islander	28	0.8%	0.2%	40	1.1%	0.2%	-12	-0.3

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Torres Strait Islander	2,194	64.1%	1.3%	1,402	38.8%	1.3%
Norfolk Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Maori	21	0.6%	1.0%	12	0.3%	0.3%
New Zealander	18	0.5%	1.2%	15	0.4%	0.4%
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	5	0.1%	0.0%	7	0.2%	0.2%
New Caledonian	6	0.2%	0.0%	3	0.1%	0.1%
Ni-Vanuatu	7	0.2%	0.0%	4	0.1%	0.1%
Papua New Guinean	112	3.3%	0.3%	111	3.1%	0.3%
Solomon Islander	5	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Micronesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
I-Kiribati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Nauruan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Micronesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Polynesian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	3	0.1%	0.1%
Cook Islander	7	0.2%	0.1%	13	0.4%	0.4%
Fijian	9	0.3%	0.1%	16	0.4%	0.4%
Niuean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Samoan	36	1.1%	0.2%	27	0.7%	0.7%
Tongan	8	0.2%	0.1%	3	0.1%	0.1%
Hawaiian	—	—	0.0%	4	0.1%	0.1%
Tahitian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%
Tokelauan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Tuvaluan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Pitcairn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polynesian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North-West European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
British, nfd	—	—	0.0%	4	0.1%	—
English	394	11.5%	39.6%	387	10.7%	39.6%
Scottish	136	4.0%	10.4%	133	3.7%	10.4%
Welsh	15	0.4%	0.6%	7	0.2%	0.6%
Channel Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Manx	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
British, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Irish	137	4.0%	10.9%	165	4.6%	10.9%
Western European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Austrian	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Dutch	28	0.8%	1.5%	16	0.4%	1.5%
Flemish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
French	5	0.1%	0.6%	8	0.2%	0.6%
German	60	1.8%	6.3%	63	1.7%	6.3%
Swiss	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Belgian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Frisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Luxembourg	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Western European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Northern European, nfd	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Danish	3	0.1%	0.5%	6	0.2%	0.5%
Finnish	—	—	0.2%	3	0.1%	0.1%
Icelandic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Norwegian	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Swedish	9	0.3%	0.2%	4	0.1%	0.1%
Northern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Basque	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Catalan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Italian	31	0.9%	3.2%	29	0.8%	2.8%
Maltese	8	0.2%	0.5%	3	0.1%	0.1%
Portuguese	—	—	0.2%	6	0.2%	0.2%
Spanish	—	—	0.5%	8	0.2%	0.2%
Gibraltarian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South Eastern European, nfd	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Albanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bosnian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Bulgarian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Croatian	6	0.2%	0.3%	—	—	—
Greek	9	0.3%	0.5%	8	0.2%	0.2%
Macedonian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Moldovan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Montenegrin	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Romanian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Roma Gypsy	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Serbian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Slovene	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Cypriot	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Vlach	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern European, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Belarusan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Czech	5	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	—
Estonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hungarian	—	—	0.3%	—	—	—
Latvian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Lithuanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Polish	9	0.3%	0.5%	5	0.1%	—
Russian	4	0.1%	0.3%	6	0.2%	—
Slovak	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ukrainian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Sorb/Wend	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eastern European, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Arab, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Algerian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Egyptian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Iraqi	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Jordanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kuwaiti	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Lebanese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Libyan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Moroccan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Palestinian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Saudi Arabian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Syrian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tunisian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Yemeni	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Emirati	—	—	—	—	—	—
Omani	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Arab, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Jewish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Dinka	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nuer	—	—	—	—	—	—
South Sudanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sudanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Berber	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Coptic	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Iranian	4	0.1%	0.1%	—	—	—
Kurdish	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Turkish	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Assyrian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Chaldean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nubian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Yezidi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South-East Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	—	—	—	—	—	—
Anglo-Burmese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Burmese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hmong	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Khmer (Cambodian)	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Lao	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Thai	10	0.3%	0.3%	3	0.1%	—
Vietnamese	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Karen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mon	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Chin	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Rohingya	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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Mainland South-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Filipino	27	0.8%	1.3%	28	0.8%	—
Indonesian	15	0.4%	0.2%	9	0.2%	—
Javanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Malay	21	0.6%	0.1%	58	1.6%	—
Sundanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Timorese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Balinese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bruneian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kadazan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Singaporean	3	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
Maritime South-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Chinese	59	1.7%	1.6%	75	2.1%	—
Taiwanese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Chinese Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Japanese	45	1.3%	0.5%	58	1.6%	—
Korean	—	—	0.3%	—	—	—
Mongolian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tibetan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Other North-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Anglo-Indian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bengali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Burgher	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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Gujarati	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indian	17	0.5%	1.0%	11	0.3%	—
Malayali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nepalese	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Pakistani	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Punjabi	—	—	0.2%	—	—	—
Sikh	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Sinhalese	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Maldivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bangladeshi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bhutanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Fijian Indian	—	—	0.0%	3	0.1%	—
Kashmiri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Parsi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sindhi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sri Lankan	—	—	0.1%	3	0.1%	—
Sri Lankan Tamil	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Indian Tamil	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tamil, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Telugu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Afghan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Armenian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Georgian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kazakh	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Pathan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Uzbek	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Azeri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hazara	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tajik	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Turkmen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Uighur	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kyrgyz	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
African American	4	0.1%	0.0%	—	—	—
American	4	0.1%	0.3%	3	0.1%	—
Canadian	8	0.2%	0.2%	3	0.1%	—
French Canadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Hispanic North American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Native North American Indian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Bermudan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
North American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Argentinian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Bolivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Brazilian	—	—	0.2%	4	0.1%	—
Chilean	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Colombian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Ecuadorian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guyanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Peruvian	—	—	0.0%	4	0.1%	—
Uruguayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Venezuelan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Paraguayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mexican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nicaraguan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Salvadoran	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Costa Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Guatemalan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean Islander, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cuban	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Jamaican	6	0.2%	0.0%	3	0.1%	—
Trinidadian Tobagonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Barbadian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Puerto Rican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Caribbean Islander, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central and West African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Akan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Fulani	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ghanaian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Nigerian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Yoruba	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ivorean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Liberian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Sierra Leonean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Acholi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Cameroonian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Congolese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Igbo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Krahn	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mandinka	—	—	—	—	—	—
Senegalese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Themne	—	—	—	—	—	—
Togolese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Central and West African, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Southern and East African, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Afrikaner	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

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	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional Qld %
Angolan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Eritrean	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ethiopian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Kenyan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Malawian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Mauritian	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Mozambican	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Namibian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Oromo	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Seychellois	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Somali	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
South African	6	0.2%	0.6%	7	0.2%	—
Tanzanian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Ugandan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Zambian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Zimbabwean	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—
Amhara	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Batswana	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Masai	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tigrayan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Tigre	—	—	—	—	—	—
Zulu	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Burundian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—
Madi	—	—	0.0%	—	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Qld %	Count	%	Regional
Ogaden	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Rwandan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Shona	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Swahili	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Swazilander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and East African, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	

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

Data basis: usual residence.