

Community report

Tweed (A)

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

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Tweed (A)

COMPARISON

Regional NSW

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 Tweed (A) were English, Australian and Irish.

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

Tweed (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	162	0.2%	0.2%	182	0.2%	0.2%	-20	0.0
Eurasian, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	0.0%	-1	0.0
Asian, so described	29	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	+19	0.0
African, so described	55	0.1%	0.1%	44	0.0%	0.1%	+11	+0.1
European, so described	72	0.1%	0.1%	52	0.1%	0.1%	+20	0.0
Caucasian, so described	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.0%	-3	0.0
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	22	0.0%	0.0%	30	0.0%	0.0%	-8	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–
Australian	35,863	36.8%	40.2%	36,075	39.5%	42.5%	-212	-2.7
Australian Aboriginal	3,994	4.1%	6.1%	504	0.6%	0.8%	+3,490	+3.5
Australian South Sea Islander	219	0.2%	0.0%	317	0.3%	0.0%	-98	-0.1

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Torres Strait Islander	492	0.5%	0.2%	55	0.1%	
Norfolk Islander	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	692	0.7%	0.4%	569	0.6%	
New Zealander	945	1.0%	0.6%	1,043	1.1%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	31	0.0%	0.0%	34	0.0%	
Papua New Guinean	88	0.1%	0.0%	53	0.1%	
Solomon Islander	21	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Nauruan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Cook Islander	44	0.0%	0.0%	31	0.0%	
Fijian	143	0.1%	0.1%	83	0.1%	
Niuean	16	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Samoan	140	0.1%	0.1%	92	0.1%	
Tongan	57	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.0%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Tahitian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Tuvaluan	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Pitcairn	8	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Polynesian, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
North-West European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
British, nfd	29	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
English	42,828	44.0%	40.9%	39,451	43.2%	4
Scottish	11,479	11.8%	10.7%	10,491	11.5%	1
Welsh	731	0.8%	0.7%	681	0.7%	
Channel Islander	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Manx	18	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
British, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	13,574	13.9%	11.8%	12,891	14.1%	1
Western European, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	195	0.2%	0.2%	165	0.2%	
Dutch	1,441	1.5%	1.4%	1,292	1.4%	
Flemish	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
French	709	0.7%	0.5%	615	0.7%	
German	4,304	4.4%	4.2%	3,949	4.3%	
Swiss	176	0.2%	0.1%	145	0.2%	
Belgian	57	0.1%	0.0%	58	0.1%	
Frisian	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Northern European, nfd	61	0.1%	0.0%	31	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Danish	347	0.4%	0.2%	347	0.4%	
Finnish	136	0.1%	0.1%	115	0.1%	
Icelandic	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Norwegian	158	0.2%	0.1%	138	0.2%	
Swedish	257	0.3%	0.2%	203	0.2%	
Northern European, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Catalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Italian	2,667	2.7%	2.8%	2,071	2.3%	
Maltese	440	0.5%	0.5%	366	0.4%	
Portuguese	172	0.2%	0.2%	107	0.1%	
Spanish	373	0.4%	0.4%	306	0.3%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	67	0.1%	0.1%	81	0.1%	
Albanian	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bosnian	16	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Bulgarian	16	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Croatian	297	0.3%	0.4%	197	0.2%	
Greek	506	0.5%	0.6%	467	0.5%	
Macedonian	38	0.0%	0.5%	24	0.0%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Romanian	49	0.1%	0.0%	39	0.0%	
Roma Gypsy	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Serbian	88	0.1%	0.2%	52	0.1%	
Slovene	41	0.0%	0.1%	38	0.0%	
Cypriot	41	0.0%	0.1%	46	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	46	0.0%	0.0%	22	0.0%	
Belarusan	7	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Czech	88	0.1%	0.1%	72	0.1%	
Estonian	29	0.0%	0.1%	44	0.0%	
Hungarian	218	0.2%	0.2%	199	0.2%	
Latvian	70	0.1%	0.1%	70	0.1%	
Lithuanian	76	0.1%	0.1%	46	0.1%	
Polish	551	0.6%	0.6%	406	0.4%	
Russian	258	0.3%	0.2%	190	0.2%	
Slovak	23	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Ukrainian	130	0.1%	0.2%	103	0.1%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	17	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Arab, nfd	16	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Algerian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Egyptian	21	0.0%	0.1%	33	0.0%	
Iraqi	8	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	164	0.2%	0.3%	122	0.1%	
Libyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Palestinian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tunisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Yemeni	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	–	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	49	0.1%	0.0%	36	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sudanese	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	–	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	24	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.0%	–
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Turkish	53	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.0%	–
Assyrian	5	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	46	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	–
South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	15	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	15	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	–
Lao	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	–
Thai	308	0.3%	0.2%	194	0.2%	–
Vietnamese	111	0.1%	0.2%	62	0.1%	–
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	823	0.8%	0.8%	614	0.7%	
Indonesian	124	0.1%	0.1%	81	0.1%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	38	0.0%	0.1%	51	0.1%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	10	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	–	–	–	
Balinese	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	11	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Chinese	810	0.8%	1.0%	751	0.8%	
Taiwanese	11	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	375	0.4%	0.1%	307	0.3%	
Korean	71	0.1%	0.1%	51	0.1%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Tibetan	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	11	0.0%	0.1%	13	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Anglo-Indian	9	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Indian	698	0.7%	0.8%	604	0.7%	
Malayali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nepalese	63	0.1%	0.2%	25	0.0%	
Pakistani	18	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Punjabi	88	0.1%	0.2%	33	0.0%	
Sikh	55	0.1%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Sinhalese	20	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Maldivian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	13	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	23	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Kashmiri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Parsi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	67	0.1%	0.1%	48	0.1%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	39	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Telugu	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Armenian	28	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	6	0.0%	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	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
North American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
African American	18	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
American	319	0.3%	0.3%	247	0.3%	
Canadian	230	0.2%	0.2%	177	0.2%	
French Canadian	13	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	36	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Bermudan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	25	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Argentinian	26	0.0%	0.0%	18	0.0%	
Bolivian	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Brazilian	303	0.3%	0.1%	128	0.1%	
Chilean	67	0.1%	0.1%	37	0.0%	
Colombian	46	0.0%	0.0%	19	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	25	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	
Uruguayan	40	0.0%	0.0%	29	0.0%	
Venezuelan	22	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	30	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	20	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Jamaican	30	0.0%	0.0%	20	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nec	13	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	12	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	3	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	5	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Igbo	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	6	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	10	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Kenyan	9	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Malawian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Mauritian	50	0.1%	0.0%	50	0.1%	
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	11	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	353	0.4%	0.3%	262	0.3%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	10	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zimbabwean	16	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional NSW %	Count	%	Regional
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.