

# Community report

## Warrnambool (C)

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

AREA

**Warrnambool (C)**

COMPARISON

**Regional Vic.**

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 Warrnambool (C) 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

Warrnambool (C) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	85	0.2%	0.2%	60	0.2%	0.2%	+25	0.0
Eurasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Asian, so described	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	0.0%	+4	0.0
African, so described	42	0.1%	0.1%	22	0.1%	0.1%	+20	0.0
European, so described	7	0.0%	0.1%	5	0.0%	0.0%	+2	0.0
Caucasian, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Creole, so described	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Oceanian, nfd	9	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%	+5	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	0.0%	–	–
Australian	13,885	39.2%	39.2%	13,721	40.8%	40.0%	+164	-1.6
Australian Aboriginal	707	2.0%	1.9%	65	0.2%	0.2%	+642	+1.8
Australian South Sea Islander	10	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	+1	0.0

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Torres Strait Islander	20	0.1%	0.1%	–	–	
Norfolk Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	150	0.4%	0.3%	131	0.4%	
New Zealander	170	0.5%	0.5%	190	0.6%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	11	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	21	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	5	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	–	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Cook Islander	4	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Fijian	25	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.1%	
Niuean	8	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Samoan	23	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
Tongan	7	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North-West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
British, nfd	8	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
English	14,582	41.2%	40.6%	13,361	39.7%	4
Scottish	4,470	12.6%	11.7%	3,944	11.7%	1
Welsh	161	0.5%	0.6%	175	0.5%	
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Manx	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
British, nec	10	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Irish	6,641	18.8%	12.9%	6,463	19.2%	1
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Austrian	29	0.1%	0.2%	27	0.1%	
Dutch	699	2.0%	2.3%	599	1.8%	
Flemish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
French	178	0.5%	0.4%	133	0.4%	
German	1,434	4.1%	4.6%	1,332	4.0%	
Swiss	36	0.1%	0.2%	33	0.1%	
Belgian	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Luxembourg	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Northern European, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Danish	51	0.1%	0.2%	37	0.1%	
Finnish	17	0.0%	0.1%	20	0.1%	
Icelandic	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Norwegian	40	0.1%	0.1%	38	0.1%	
Swedish	34	0.1%	0.2%	21	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	612	1.7%	3.9%	491	1.5%	
Maltese	102	0.3%	0.7%	79	0.2%	
Portuguese	14	0.0%	0.1%	14	0.0%	
Spanish	67	0.2%	0.3%	64	0.2%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	10	0.0%	0.1%	17	0.1%	
Albanian	–	–	0.1%	5	0.0%	
Bosnian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Bulgarian	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Croatian	47	0.1%	0.6%	29	0.1%	
Greek	133	0.4%	0.6%	141	0.4%	
Macedonian	11	0.0%	0.2%	8	0.0%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Montenegrin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Romanian	15	0.0%	0.1%	25	0.1%	
Roma Gypsy	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Serbian	9	0.0%	0.2%	–	–	
Slovene	4	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Cypriot	26	0.1%	0.1%	18	0.1%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Belarusan	–	–	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Czech	13	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Estonian	9	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Hungarian	30	0.1%	0.3%	24	0.1%	
Latvian	15	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Lithuanian	26	0.1%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Polish	116	0.3%	0.6%	75	0.2%	
Russian	45	0.1%	0.2%	37	0.1%	
Slovak	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ukrainian	48	0.1%	0.2%	21	0.1%	
Sorb/Wend	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	16	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nfd	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Algerian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Egyptian	23	0.1%	0.1%	27	0.1%	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Iraqi	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Jordanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	31	0.1%	0.1%	31	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	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	–	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Sudanese	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Sudanese	22	0.1%	0.0%	25	0.1%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Berber	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Iranian	3	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Kurdish	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Turkish	23	0.1%	0.1%	17	0.1%	
Assyrian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chaldean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandaean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
South-East Asian, nfd	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	–	–	–	
Burmese	11	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Khmer (Cambodian)	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Lao	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Thai	85	0.2%	0.2%	41	0.1%	
Vietnamese	106	0.3%	0.2%	11	0.0%	
Karen	–	–	0.2%	–	–	
Mon	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South-East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Filipino	290	0.8%	0.8%	153	0.5%	
Indonesian	60	0.2%	0.1%	39	0.1%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	19	0.1%	0.1%	13	0.0%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Timorese	36	0.1%	0.0%	–	–	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	475	1.3%	1.1%	455	1.4%	
Taiwanese	35	0.1%	0.0%	43	0.1%	
Chinese Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	49	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.1%	
Korean	41	0.1%	0.1%	97	0.3%	
Mongolian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tibetan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nfd	9	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Anglo–Indian	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Bengali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burgher	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Gujarati	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Indian	203	0.6%	1.0%	141	0.4%	
Malayali	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Nepalese	36	0.1%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Pakistani	17	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Punjabi	44	0.1%	0.2%	–	–	
Sikh	15	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Sinhalese	58	0.2%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
Maldivian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Bangladeshi	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Bhutanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fijian Indian	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Kashmiri	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Sindhi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sri Lankan	71	0.2%	0.1%	88	0.3%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	4	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Indian Tamil	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	8	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	
Telugu	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	4	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Armenian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kazakh	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Pathan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Uzbek	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Azeri	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Hazara	3	0.0%	0.1%	—	—	
Tajik	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Tatar	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Turkmen	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Uighur	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Kyrgyz	5	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Central Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	—	—	0.0%	4	0.0%	
North American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
African American	9	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
American	71	0.2%	0.2%	61	0.2%	
Canadian	32	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.1%	
French Canadian	5	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Native North American Indian	5	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Bermudan	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
North American, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
South American, nfd	—	—	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Argentinian	7	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Bolivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Brazilian	8	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Chilean	6	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Colombian	8	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Ecuadorian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	–	–	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Uruguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Venezuelan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Paraguayan	–	–	–	–	–	
South American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	12	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Nicaraguan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Costa Rican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Cuban	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jamaican	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Barbadian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nigerian	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.1%	9	0.0%	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	–	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afrikaner	14	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian	7	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Kenyan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	12	0.0%	0.1%	9	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Regional Vic. %	Count	%	Regiona
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Seychellois	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	111	0.3%	0.2%	66	0.2%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Zambian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zimbabwean	22	0.1%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Amhara	–	–	–	3	0.0%	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	6	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.