

Community report

Woollahra (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 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 Woollahra (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

Woollahra (A) - Total persons (Usual residence)

Category	2021			2016			Change	
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	pp
Inadequately described	149	0.3%	0.3%	89	0.2%	0.2%	+60	+0.1
Eurasian, so described	15	0.0%	0.0%	15	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0
Asian, so described	13	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	0.1%	+10	0.0
African, so described	54	0.1%	0.2%	41	0.1%	0.2%	+13	0.0
European, so described	472	0.9%	0.1%	379	0.7%	0.1%	+93	+0.2
Caucasian, so described	4	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	0.0%	-5	0.0
Creole, so described	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Oceanian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	0.1%	-3	0.0
Australian Peoples, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—
Australian	13,041	24.4%	22.3%	12,810	23.6%	23.5%	+231	+0.8
Australian Aboriginal	184	0.3%	1.6%	22	0.0%	0.2%	+162	+0.3
Australian South Sea Islander	—	—	0.0%	—	—	0.0%	—	—

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Torres Strait Islander	27	0.1%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Norfolk Islander	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
New Zealand Peoples, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maori	124	0.2%	0.5%	109	0.2%	
New Zealander	538	1.0%	0.7%	614	1.1%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
New Caledonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ni-Vanuatu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Papua New Guinean	16	0.0%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Solomon Islander	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Melanesian and Papuan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
I-Kiribati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nauruan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Micronesian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Polynesian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Cook Islander	3	0.0%	0.1%	4	0.0%	
Fijian	55	0.1%	0.4%	44	0.1%	
Niuean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Samoan	37	0.1%	0.6%	30	0.1%	
Tongan	34	0.1%	0.4%	9	0.0%	
Hawaiian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tahitian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tokelauan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
Tuvaluan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Pitcairn	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Polynesian, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
North-West European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
British, nfd	44	0.1%	0.0%	44	0.1%	–
English	18,043	33.7%	23.8%	18,018	33.2%	23.8%
Scottish	5,346	10.0%	6.0%	5,473	10.1%	6.0%
Welsh	369	0.7%	0.5%	378	0.7%	0.5%
Channel Islander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Manx	4	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
British, nec	15	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Irish	6,883	12.9%	7.7%	7,215	13.3%	7.7%
Western European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	–
Austrian	392	0.7%	0.2%	387	0.7%	0.2%
Dutch	641	1.2%	0.9%	596	1.1%	0.9%
Flemish	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	0.0%
French	816	1.5%	0.7%	859	1.6%	0.7%
German	2,282	4.3%	2.3%	2,298	4.2%	2.3%
Swiss	128	0.2%	0.1%	132	0.2%	0.1%
Belgian	86	0.2%	0.1%	69	0.1%	0.1%
Frisian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Luxembourg	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Western European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Northern European, nfd	38	0.1%	0.0%	18	0.0%	–

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Danish	190	0.4%	0.2%	191	0.4%	
Finnish	64	0.1%	0.1%	74	0.1%	
Icelandic	6	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Norwegian	90	0.2%	0.1%	96	0.2%	
Swedish	223	0.4%	0.2%	210	0.4%	
Northern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and Eastern European, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	
Southern European, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Basque	4	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Catalan	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Italian	2,326	4.3%	4.3%	2,011	3.7%	
Maltese	206	0.4%	1.2%	184	0.3%	
Portuguese	258	0.5%	0.5%	223	0.4%	
Spanish	432	0.8%	0.8%	427	0.8%	
Gibraltarian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nfd	38	0.1%	0.1%	68	0.1%	
Albanian	10	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Bosnian	29	0.1%	0.1%	20	0.0%	
Bulgarian	58	0.1%	0.0%	34	0.1%	
Croatian	360	0.7%	0.8%	277	0.5%	
Greek	1,803	3.4%	2.4%	1,723	3.2%	
Macedonian	88	0.2%	0.6%	81	0.1%	
Moldovan	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	

Category	2021			2016		
	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Montenegrin	11	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Romanian	200	0.4%	0.1%	210	0.4%	
Roma Gypsy	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Serbian	201	0.4%	0.6%	145	0.3%	
Slovene	68	0.1%	0.1%	49	0.1%	
Cypriot	143	0.3%	0.3%	91	0.2%	
Vlach	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South Eastern European, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nfd	442	0.8%	0.1%	232	0.4%	
Belarusan	12	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Czech	190	0.4%	0.2%	237	0.4%	
Estonian	54	0.1%	0.1%	52	0.1%	
Hungarian	1,023	1.9%	0.4%	1,057	1.9%	
Latvian	159	0.3%	0.1%	141	0.3%	
Lithuanian	587	1.1%	0.1%	471	0.9%	
Polish	1,476	2.8%	0.8%	1,451	2.7%	
Russian	991	1.9%	0.6%	1,026	1.9%	
Slovak	105	0.2%	0.1%	106	0.2%	
Ukrainian	272	0.5%	0.2%	264	0.5%	
Sorb/Wend	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eastern European, nec	11	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	80	0.1%	0.2%	45	0.1%	
Arab, nfd	43	0.1%	0.6%	18	0.0%	

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Algerian	10	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Egyptian	156	0.3%	0.5%	124	0.2%	
Iraqi	94	0.2%	0.6%	79	0.1%	
Jordanian	6	0.0%	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Kuwaiti	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Lebanese	607	1.1%	3.3%	518	1.0%	
Libyan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Moroccan	32	0.1%	0.0%	43	0.1%	
Palestinian	10	0.0%	0.2%	16	0.0%	
Saudi Arabian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Syrian	18	0.0%	0.3%	25	0.0%	
Tunisian	9	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Yemeni	7	0.0%	0.0%	11	0.0%	
Bahraini	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Emirati	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Omani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Qatari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Arab, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Jewish	1,130	2.1%	0.2%	801	1.5%	
Peoples of the Sudan, nfd	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bari	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Darfur	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Dinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Nuer	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sydney %
South Sudanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Sudanese	6	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	–
Peoples of the Sudan, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nfd	13	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Berber	6	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Coptic	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Iranian	241	0.5%	0.6%	216	0.4%	–
Kurdish	11	0.0%	0.1%	7	0.0%	–
Turkish	146	0.3%	0.6%	117	0.2%	–
Assyrian	19	0.0%	0.6%	25	0.0%	–
Chaldean	–	–	0.2%	–	–	–
Mandaean	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Nubian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Yezidi	–	–	–	–	–	–
Other North African and Middle Eastern, nec	405	0.8%	0.1%	377	0.7%	–
South-East Asian, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	–
Mainland South-East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Anglo-Burmese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Burmese	23	0.0%	0.1%	21	0.0%	–
Hmong	–	–	0.0%	–	–	–
Khmer (Cambodian)	17	0.0%	0.3%	8	0.0%	–
Lao	15	0.0%	0.2%	13	0.0%	–
Thai	168	0.3%	0.6%	126	0.2%	–

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Vietnamese	261	0.5%	2.3%	205	0.4%	
Karen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mon	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Chin	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Rohingya	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mainland South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Maritime South–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Filipino	350	0.7%	2.5%	369	0.7%	
Indonesian	112	0.2%	0.6%	122	0.2%	
Javanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Malay	96	0.2%	0.2%	83	0.2%	
Sundanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Timorese	6	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Acehnese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Balinese	7	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Bruneian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Kadazan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Singaporean	41	0.1%	0.0%	29	0.1%	
Maritime South–East Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
North–East Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Chinese	3,091	5.8%	10.6%	2,395	4.4%	10.6%
Taiwanese	45	0.1%	0.1%	24	0.0%	
Chinese Asian, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Japanese	257	0.5%	0.4%	240	0.4%	

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Korean	189	0.4%	1.3%	179	0.3%	
Mongolian	6	0.0%	0.1%	6	0.0%	
Tibetan	5	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Other North-East Asian, nec	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern and Central Asian, nfd	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Southern Asian, nfd	10	0.0%	0.3%	4	0.0%	
Anglo-Indian	15	0.0%	0.0%	17	0.0%	
Bengali	13	0.0%	0.2%	3	0.0%	
Burgher	4	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	
Gujarati	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Indian	726	1.4%	4.5%	574	1.1%	
Malayali	—	—	0.1%	—	—	
Nepalese	21	0.0%	1.3%	17	0.0%	
Pakistani	34	0.1%	0.7%	32	0.1%	
Punjabi	6	0.0%	0.4%	—	—	
Sikh	—	—	0.2%	—	—	
Sinhalese	29	0.1%	0.2%	9	0.0%	
Maldivian	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Bangladeshi	22	0.0%	0.5%	18	0.0%	
Bhutanese	—	—	0.0%	—	—	
Fijian Indian	7	0.0%	0.2%	12	0.0%	
Kashmiri	—	—	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Parsi	—	—	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Sindhi	3	0.0%	0.0%	—	—	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Sri Lankan	124	0.2%	0.4%	149	0.3%	
Sri Lankan Tamil	5	0.0%	0.1%	–	–	
Indian Tamil	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Tamil, nfd	26	0.0%	0.5%	3	0.0%	
Telugu	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Southern Asian, nec	–	–	0.1%	3	0.0%	
Central Asian, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Afghan	4	0.0%	0.3%	4	0.0%	
Armenian	57	0.1%	0.3%	56	0.1%	
Georgian	–	–	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Kazakh	5	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Pathan	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Uzbek	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Azeri	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Hazara	–	–	0.1%	–	–	
Tajik	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tatar	–	–	0.0%	5	0.0%	
Turkmen	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Uighur	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Kyrgyz	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central Asian, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peoples of the Americas, nfd	30	0.1%	0.1%	23	0.0%	
North American, nfd	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
African American	10	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
American	409	0.8%	0.3%	444	0.8%	
Canadian	159	0.3%	0.2%	149	0.3%	
French Canadian	3	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Hispanic North American	14	0.0%	0.0%	8	0.0%	
Native North American Indian	5	0.0%	0.0%	14	0.0%	
Bermudan	5	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
North American, nec	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nfd	56	0.1%	0.1%	33	0.1%	
Argentinian	59	0.1%	0.1%	41	0.1%	
Bolivian	11	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Brazilian	183	0.3%	0.3%	153	0.3%	
Chilean	100	0.2%	0.3%	89	0.2%	
Colombian	150	0.3%	0.2%	118	0.2%	
Ecuadorian	8	0.0%	0.0%	6	0.0%	
Guyanese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Peruvian	61	0.1%	0.1%	40	0.1%	
Uruguayan	22	0.0%	0.1%	15	0.0%	
Venezuelan	23	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Paraguayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South American, nec	9	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Central American, nfd	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Mexican	69	0.1%	0.1%	55	0.1%	
Nicaraguan	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Salvadoran	–	–	0.0%	–	–	

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Costa Rican	3	0.0%	0.0%	4	0.0%	
Guatemalan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central American, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Caribbean Islander, nfd	12	0.0%	0.0%	16	0.0%	
Cuban	10	0.0%	0.0%	10	0.0%	
Jamaican	28	0.1%	0.0%	21	0.0%	
Trinidadian Tobagonian	3	0.0%	0.0%	7	0.0%	
Barbadian	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Puerto Rican	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Caribbean Islander, nec	4	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sub-Saharan African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Akan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Fulani	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ghanaian	13	0.0%	0.1%	10	0.0%	
Nigerian	12	0.0%	0.1%	11	0.0%	
Yoruba	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ivorean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Liberian	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Sierra Leonean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Acholi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Cameroonian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Congolese	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Gio	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Igbo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mandinka	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Senegalese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Themne	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Togolese	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Central and West African, nec	3	0.0%	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Southern and East African, nfd	–	–	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Afrikaner	13	0.0%	0.0%	13	0.0%	
Angolan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Eritrean	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ethiopian	–	–	0.0%	3	0.0%	
Kenyan	7	0.0%	0.0%	9	0.0%	
Malawian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Mauritian	39	0.1%	0.2%	28	0.1%	
Mozambican	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Namibian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Oromo	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Seychellois	3	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Somali	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
South African	1,540	2.9%	0.6%	1,567	2.9%	
Tanzanian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ugandan	8	0.0%	0.0%	–	–	
Zambian	13	0.0%	0.0%	12	0.0%	

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	Count	%	Greater Sydney %	Count	%	Greater Sy
Zimbabwean	34	0.1%	0.1%	36	0.1%	
Amhara	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Batswana	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Masai	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigrayan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Tigre	–	–	–	–	–	
Zulu	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Burundian	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Madi	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Ogaden	–	–	–	–	–	
Rwandan	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Shona	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swahili	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Swazilander	–	–	0.0%	–	–	
Southern and East African, nec	5	0.0%	0.0%	5	0.0%	

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

Data basis: usual residence.