



Selected 2011 Census data on cultural and linguistic diversity in WA

Cocos-Keeling Local Government Area

According to the 2011 Census, the Cocos-Keeling LGA has a total population of **548** people:

- 9.3% were born overseas
- approximately 6.6% were born in a non-main English speaking (NMES) country
- 74.3% speak a language other than English at home.

Country of birth				
	2011		2006	
Australia-born	465	84.9%	513	89.8%
Overseas born	51	9.3%	41	7.2%
Birthplace not stated	32	5.8%	17	3.0%

Religion				
		2011	2006	
Religious affiliation (% of local population)	Islam	76.5%	75.7%	
	Christianity	10.4%	13.0%	
	No religion	8.0%	8.8%	
	Not stated	4.4%	2.5%	
	Buddhism	0.5%	0.0%	

Calculated using the following ABS 2011 Census data sets: QuickStats, Expanded Community, Basic Community and Time Series profiles.

The ABS uses varying counting and calculation methods to produce census data. For consistency, this factsheet uses the total population figure as a fixed variable in all but the ancestry section.

Ancestry is calculated as:
 (Total – Not Stated = Fixed Figure).

Percentages are calculated by dividing each variable by the fixed figure, consistent with ABS methodology.

Language				
	2011		2006	
Language other than English spoken at home	407	74.3%	402	70.4%
Main languages spoken ¹	Other	74.3%	Other	70.4%

Ancestry				
	2011		2006	
Both parents born overseas	72	25.0%	51	22.3%
Father only	37		37	
Mother only	17		20	

Top 5 countries of birth (% of local population)		Top 5 MES countries of birth		Top 5 NMES countries of birth	
		2011	2006	2011	2006
Malaysia	4.7%	England		Malaysia	Malaysia
Singapore	1.8%	New Zealand		Singapore	Singapore
United Kingdom	1.1%	South Africa			Netherlands
New Zealand	0.5%	United States			
South Africa	0.5%				

There may be some statistical variation in the top five languages and countries of birth as Census data sets only list the most common languages spoken at home and the top 50 countries of birth as reported in the 2006 Census.

¹ other than English and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages