



Selected 2011 Census data on cultural and linguistic diversity in WA

Collie Local Government Area

According to the 2011 Census, the Collie LGA has a total population of **9,128** people:

- 14.5% were born overseas
- approximately 4.5% were born in a non-main English speaking (NMES) country
- 3.9% speak a language other than English at home.

Country of birth				
	2011		2006	
Australia-born	7,239	79.3%	6,902	80.1%
Overseas born	1,323	14.5%	1,032	12.0%
Birthplace not stated	566	6.2%	680	7.9%

Religion				
		2011	2006	
Religious affiliation (% of local population)	Christianity	57.5%	57.9%	
	No religion	29.9%	27.3%	
	Not stated	10.6%	13.4%	
	Other affiliation	0.8%	0.6%	
	Buddhism	0.5%	0.4%	

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	353	3.9%	288	3.3%
Main languages spoken ¹	Italian	0.8%	Italian	1.0%
	Polish	0.4%	Polish	0.6%
	Korean	0.2%	German	0.2%
	Mandarin	0.2%	Japanese	0.2%
	Filipino	0.1%	Dutch	0.1%

Ancestry				
	2011		2006	
Both parents born overseas	1,786	34.9%	1,498	30.1%
Father only	693		690	
Mother only	473		453	

Top 5 countries of birth (% of local population)		Top 5 MES countries of birth		Top 5 NMES countries of birth	
		2011	2006	2011	2006
United Kingdom	5.4%	England	England	Germany	Italy
New Zealand	3.2%	New Zealand	New Zealand	Italy	Germany
Germany	0.6%	Scotland	Scotland	Philippines	Poland
Italy	0.6%	South Africa	Wales	Poland	Netherlands
Philippines	0.5%	Ireland	South Africa	India	Philippines

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