



Birthplaces and languages spoken at home

The table below presents data on birthplaces of Western Australian residents and the languages other than English spoken by them at home (in alphabetical order) based on the 2021 Population and Housing Census data. Please note:

1. Languages are listed in order of highest number of speakers and are limited to up to 10 languages, where more than 10 languages other than English (LOTE) are spoken, and with a minimum threshold of 10+ speakers.
2. Birthplaces with English only speakers and less than 10 LOTE speakers are excluded.
3. However, the so-called main English-speaking countries (as classified by the Australian Bureau of Statistics) such as England, the Republic of Ireland, Scotland, New Zealand, South Africa, Canada, and the United States of America are not excluded as many non-English speakers are also recorded in the Census.
4. Languages that are not elsewhere defined (nec) or not further defined (nfd) and 'other' category of languages such as Other Southern Asian languages that are not further defined by (ABS) are excluded from the list. Further details of classifications of languages and the use of supplementary codes can be found on the ABS website.

| Birthplace | Population (2021) | Languages other than English Spoken at Home |
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| Afghanistan | 5,724 | Hazaraghi, Dari, Persian, Pashto, Arabic |
| Albania | 208 | Albanian, Italian |
| Algeria | 160 | Arabic, French |
| Angola | 91 | Portuguese |
| Argentina | 1,259 | Spanish, Italian |
| Armenia | 46 | Russian, Armenian |
| Austria | 1,238 | German, Croatian |
| Azerbaijan | 57 | Russian, Azeri |
| Bahrain | 267 | Arabic, Malayalam, Punjabi, Urdu |
| Bangladesh | 2,816 | Bengali |
| Belarus | 125 | Russian, Belorussian |
| Belgium | 968 | Dutch, French, German |
| Bhutan | 4,372 | Nepali, Hindi |
| Bolivia | 53 | Spanish |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | 2,964 | Bosnian, Serbian, Croatian, Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described |

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| Botswana | 341 | Tswana |
| Brazil | 4,607 | Portuguese, Spanish, Italian |
| Brunei Darussalam | 1,025 | Mandarin, Cantonese, Min Nan, Hakka, Malay |
| Bulgaria | 404 | Bulgarian, Turkish |
| Burkina Faso | 12 | French |
| Burundi | 406 | Kirundi (Rundi), Swahili, French |
| Cambodia | 1,489 | Khmer, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Cantonese, Min Nan |
| Cameroon | 69 | French |
| Canada | 6,285 | French, Cantonese, Spanish, Italian, German, Arabic, Polish, Mandarin, Greek, Japanese |
| Chile | 2,034 | Spanish |
| China | 28,415 | Mandarin, Cantonese, Min Nan, Wu, Korean, Hakka, Uygur, Tibetan |
| Colombia | 2,623 | Spanish |
| Congo, Democratic Republic of | 788 | Swahili, French, Lingala, Kinyarwanda (Rwanda) |
| Congo, Republic of | 237 | Swahili, French, Lingala, Kinyarwanda (Rwanda) |
| Cook Islands | 483 | Māori (Cook Island), Māori (New Zealand) |
| Costa Rica | 57 | Spanish |
| Cote d'Ivoire | 79 | French |
| Croatia | 4,502 | Croatian, Serbian, Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described, Italian, Bosnian |
| Cuba | 74 | Spanish |
| Curacao | 18 | Dutch |
| Cyprus | 473 | Greek, Turkish, Arabic |
| Czechia (Czech Republic) | 763 | German |
| Denmark | 1,131 | Danish |
| Djibouti | 24 | Somali |
| Dominican Republic | 30 | Spanish |
| Ecuador | 131 | Spanish |
| Egypt | 2,530 | Arabic, Greek, Italian, French, Amharic, Dinka |
| El Salvador | 1,201 | Spanish |

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| England | 196,885 | Gujarati, Malayalam, French, Spanish, Italian, German, Mandarin, Punjabi, Afrikaans, Auslan |
| Eritrea | 804 | Tigrinya, Arabic, Tigre, Italian, Amharic |
| Estonia | 623 | Estonian, Russian |
| Ethiopia | 1,852 | Amharic, Oromo, Tigrinya, Somali, Arabic, Nuer, Anuak |
| Fiji | 1,480 | Fijian, Hindi, Fijian Hindustani, Gujarati |
| Finland | 592 | Finnish, Swedish |
| France | 4,390 | French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese |
| French Polynesia | 26 | French |
| Gaza Strip and West Bank | 210 | Arabic |
| Germany | 11,366 | German, Polish, Bosnian, Italian, French, Croatian, Ukrainian, Dutch, Serbian, Spanish |
| Ghana | 958 | Akan, Ewe, Ga, Hausa, Dan (Gio-Dan) |
| Gibraltar | 101 | Spanish |
| Greece | 2,142 | Greek, Macedonian, Italian |
| Guatemala | 45 | Spanish |
| Guinea | 148 | Fulfulde, Mandinka, Krio, French |
| Honduras | 25 | Spanish |
| Hong Kong (SAR of China) | 6,535 | Cantonese, Mandarin, Vietnamese, French, Spanish |
| Hungary | 1,212 | Hungarian, German |
| Iceland | 106 | Icelandic |
| India | 61,088 | Punjabi, Hindi, Malayalam, Gujarati, Tamil, Telugu, Marathi, Kannada, Urdu, Bengali |
| Indonesia | 14,062 | Indonesian, Mandarin, Min Nan, Dutch, Balinese, Vietnamese, Malay, Cantonese |
| Iran | 6,440 | Persian (excluding Dari), Arabic, Dari, Kurdish, Hazaraghi, Azeri, Assyrian Neo-Aramaic, Turkish |
| Iraq | 3,637 | Arabic, Kurdish, Assyrian Neo-Aramaic, Turkish, Armenian |
| Ireland, Republic of | 18,147 | Malayalam, French, Spanish, Mandarin |
| Israel | 786 | Hebrew, Arabic, French |
| Italy | 18,175 | Italian, Spanish, Mandarin, German, French, Cantonese, Afrikaans, Portuguese, Croatian |
| Japan | 4,716 | Japanese, Korean, Mandarin |

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| Jordan | 597 | Arabic |
| Kazakhstan | 270 | Russian, German |
| Kenya | 6,340 | Swahili, Gujarati, Punjabi, Somali, Dinka, Oromo, Hindi, Urdu, Amharic, Kikuyu |
| Kiribati | 25 | Gilbertese |
| Korea, South | 6,429 | Korean, Japanese, Italian, French |
| Kosovo | 85 | Albanian, Bosnian |
| Kuwait | 562 | Arabic, Malayalam, Urdu |
| Kyrgyzstan | 85 | Russian |
| Laos | 254 | Lao, Vietnamese, Thai |
| Latvia | 253 | Latvian, Russian |
| Lebanon | 1,245 | Arabic, Armenian |
| Liberia | 594 | Mandinka, Loma (Lorma), Liberian, Dan (Gio-Dan), Krio |
| Libya | 350 | Arabic, Italian |
| Lithuania | 218 | Lithuanian, Russian |
| Luxembourg | 42 | Letzeburgish |
| Macau (SAR of China) | 175 | Cantonese, Mandarin |
| Madagascar | 52 | French |
| Malawi | 290 | Nyanja (Chichewa), Swahili, French |
| Malaysia | 32,282 | Mandarin, Cantonese, Malay, Min Nan, Tamil, Hakka, Punjabi, Vietnamese |
| Maldives | 153 | Dhivehi |
| Malta | 886 | Maltese |
| Mauritius | 5,208 | French, Mauritian Creole, Hindi |
| Mexico | 483 | Spanish |
| Moldova | 76 | Russian, Romanian |
| Mongolia | 291 | Mongolian |
| Montenegro | 162 | Serbian |
| Morocco | 197 | Arabic, French |
| Mozambique | 212 | Portuguese, Shona |
| Myanmar | 9,351 | Burmese, Karen, Chin Haka, Mandarin, Cantonese, Mon, Thai, Min Nan |
| Namibia | 421 | Afrikaans, German |

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| Nepal | 4,449 | Nepali, Hindi |
| Netherlands | 8,833 | Dutch, German, Afrikaans, French, Italian |
| New Caledonia | 42 | Spanish, French |
| New Zealand (NZ) | 75,591 | Maori (NZ), Samoan, Somali, Tongan, Mandarin, Hindi, Punjabi, Maori (Cook Island), Malayalam, Urdu |
| Nicaragua | 51 | Spanish |
| Nigeria | 1,689 | Yoruba, Igbu, Hausa, Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian) |
| Niue | 52 | Niue |
| North Macedonia | 3,433 | Macedonian, Albanian, Serbian, Turkish, Greek |
| Norway | 511 | Norwegian |
| Oman | 192 | Malayalam, Arabic, Urdu, Tagalog |
| Pakistan | 7,615 | Urdu, Hazaraghi, Pashto, Punjabi, Dari, Sindhi, Balochi, Persian, Hindi |
| Panama | 33 | Spanish |
| Papua New Guinea | 1,942 | Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian), Motu |
| Paraguay | 44 | Spanish |
| Peru | 853 | Spanish |
| Philippines | 37,524 | Tagalog, Filipino, Bisaya, Cebuano, Ilonggo, Mandarin, Pampangan, Cantonese, Min Nan |
| Poland | 5,608 | Polish, German, Italian, Macedonian, Ukrainian |
| Puerto Rico | 22 | Spanish |
| Qatar | 311 | Arabic, Urdu, Malayalam, Sinhalese, Tagalog |
| Reunion | 60 | French |
| Romania | 1,952 | Romanian, Hungarian, Italian, German, Greek |
| Russian Federation | 2,083 | Russian, German, Spanish |
| Rwanda | 159 | Kinyarwanda (Rwanda), French, Kirundi (Rundi), Swahili |
| Samoa | 583 | Samoan |
| Saudi Arabia | 1,078 | Arabic, Urdu, Malayalam, Tagalog, Hindi, Filipino |
| Scotland | 26,146 | French, Spanish, Italian, German, Arabic, Polish, Cantonese, Mandarin |
| Senegal | 65 | French, Fulfulde |
| Serbia | 2,215 | Serbian, Croatian, Bosnian, Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian so described, Macedonian |

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| Seychelles | 770 | French, Seychelles Creole, Mauritanian Creole |
| Sierra Leone | 523 | Krio, Fulfulde |
| Singapore | 15,995 | Mandarin, Malay, Cantonese, Tamil, Min Nan, Punjabi, Indonesian, Malayalam, Nepali |
| Slovakia | 460 | Slovak, Czech |
| Slovenia | 315 | Slovene, Serbian, Italian, Croatian, Bosnian |
| Solomon Islands | 103 | Tok Pisin (Neomelanesian), Solomon Islands Pijin |
| Somalia | 1,288 | Somali, Arabic |
| South Africa | 44,889 | Afrikaans, Portuguese, German, Greek, Zulu, Gujarati, Italian, Shona, French, Dutch |
| South Sudan | 1,323 | Dinka, Arabic, Bari, Acholi, Nuer, Madi |
| Spain | 1,635 | Spanish, Catalan, Italian, German, French |
| Sri Lanka | 9,158 | Sinhalese, Tamil |
| Sudan | 2,075 | Arabic, Dinka, Tigrinya, Acholi, Bari, Neo-Aramaic, Madi, Moro (Nuba Moro) |
| Suriname | 23 | Dutch |
| Sweden | 1,184 | Swedish |
| Switzerland | 1,955 | German, French, Italian |
| Syria | 1,003 | Arabic, Kurdish, Assyrian Neo-Aramaic, Armenian |
| Taiwan | 4,008 | Mandarin, Min Nan |
| Tajikistan | 18 | Russian |
| Tanzania | 925 | Swahili, Kirundi (Rundi), Gujarati, Punjabi |
| Thailand | 10,003 | Thai, Karen, Khmer, Burmese, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Lao, Cantonese, Min Nan |
| Timor-Leste | 433 | Portuguese, Tetum, Hakka, Indonesian, Timorese |
| Togo | 68 | Ewe, French |
| Tokelau | 15 | Tokelauan |
| Tonga | 458 | Tongan |
| Trinidad and Tobago | 455 | Spanish |
| Tunisia | 72 | Arabic, French |
| Türkiye | 1,452 | Turkish, Kurdish, Arabic, German, Greek |
| Turkmenistan | 18 | Russian |
| Uganda | 730 | Luganda, Bari, Madi, Acholi, Gujarati, Dinka, Swahili |

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| Ukraine | 839 | Russian, Ukrainian, Arabic, Italian |
| United Arab Emirates | 1,474 | Arabic, Malayalam, Urdu, Hindi, Sinhalese, Tamil, Tagalog, Persian, Punjabi |
| United States of America | 10,336 | Spanish, Mandarin, Arabic, French, Italian, Indonesian, Vietnamese, German, Portuguese, Hindi |
| Uruguay | 245 | Spanish |
| Uzbekistan | 163 | Russian, Uzbek |
| Vanuatu | 412 | Bislama, French |
| Venezuela | 723 | Spanish, Italian, Portuguese |
| Vietnam | 18,080 | Vietnamese, Cantonese, Mandarin, Min Nan, Khmer, French |
| Yemen | 111 | Arabic |
| Zambia | 2,614 | Bemba, Nyanja (Chichewa), Gujarati, Afrikaans, Tongan, Shona, Swahili |
| Zimbabwe | 12,736 | Shona, Ndebele, Afrikaans, Zulu, Gujarati, Portuguese, Greek, Italian, Dutch |

