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Main non English speaking countries of birth in SA

Birthplace	Population in SA	
Italy	20707	10.1%
India	18740	9.2%
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	15932	7.8%
Vietnam	12025	5.9%
Germany	11409	5.6%
Greece	9757	4.8%
Philippines	8859	4.3%
Netherlands	7282	3.6%
Malaysia	6949	3.4%
South Africa	6211	3.0%
Poland	5552	2.7%
Korea, Republic of (South)	3401	1.7%
Afghanistan	3289	1.6%
Croatia	3132	1.5%
Iran	2823	1.4%
Cambodia	2786	1.4%
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	2746	1.3%
Sri Lanka	2671	1.3%
Thailand	2213	1.1%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2160	1.1%
Singapore	2105	1.0%
Indonesia	1946	1.0%
Malta	1570	0.8%
Austria	1518	0.7%
Lebanon	1456	0.7%
Other	47541	23.2%
Total	204780	100.0%

Main languages other than English spoken at home in SA

Language spoken at home	Population in SA	
Italian	33294	14.5%
Greek	25250	11.0%
Mandarin	16497	7.2%
Vietnamese	15969	7.0%
Cantonese	9000	3.9%
Arabic	7467	3.3%
German	7460	3.2%
Polish	6242	2.7%
Spanish	4908	2.1%
Punjabi	4426	1.9%
Hindi	4419	1.9%
Serbian	4282	1.9%
Tagalog	3818	1.7%
Khmer	3673	1.6%
Croatian	3437	1.5%
Russian	3118	1.4%
Dutch	3105	1.4%
Korean	3059	1.3%
Filipino	2974	1.3%
Persian (excluding Dari)	2900	1.3%
Gujarati	2399	1.0%
Dari	2247	1.0%
Malayalam	2193	1.0%
French	2139	0.9%
Pitjantjatjara	2136	0.9%
Other	53135	23.1%
Total	229547	100.0%

Main ancestries claimed by SA residents (1st & 2nd responses)

Ancestry	Population in SA	
English	608343	19.1%
Australian	551093	17.3%
Scottish	128047	4.0%
German	124632	3.9%
Irish	121245	3.8%
Italian	91892	2.9%
Greek	37677	1.2%
Chinese	37026	1.2%
Dutch	27375	0.9%
Indian	20834	0.7%
Polish	17978	0.6%
Vietnamese	15777	0.5%
Filipino	11516	0.4%
Welsh	11003	0.3%
Croatian	7705	0.2%
Australian Aboriginal	7686	0.2%
French	6651	0.2%
New Zealander	6524	0.2%
Maltese	6502	0.2%
Serbian	5665	0.2%
Russian	3729	0.1%
Hungarian	3202	0.1%
Ukrainian	2906	0.1%
Lebanese	3407	0.1%
South African	3067	0.1%
Other	1322656	41.5%
Total	3184138	100.0%

Top 10 Christian religions in SA

Christian religion	Population in SA
Western Catholic	317048
Anglican Church of Australia	200376
Uniting Church	142430
Lutheran	71426
Greek Orthodox	36765
Baptist	27177
Presbyterian	19864
Pentecostal	14421
Jehovah's Witnesses	6300
Salvation Army	5080

Top 10 non-Christian religions in SA

Non-Christian religion	Population in SA
Buddhism	28996
Islam	19511
Hinduism	13618
Sikhism	5290
Paganism	1527
Baha'i	1523
Australian Aboriginal Traditional	1122
Judaism	1087
Spiritualism	937
Wiccan/Witchcraft	790

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Humanitarian entrants arrived 2011/12

Gender		
No. of Female Arrivals	724	36.5%
No. of Male Arrivals	1259	63.5%
Total No. of Arrivals	1983	100.0%
Age Group		
0-4	163	8.2%
5-12	275	13.9%
13-17	239	12.1%
18+	1306	65.9%
Country of Origin		
Afghanistan	607	30.6%
Bhutan	304	15.3%
Myanmar/Burma	238	12.0%
Iran	165	8.3%
Eritrea	113	5.7%
Ethiopia	86	4.3%
DR Congo	72	3.6%
Stateless	72	3.6%
Iraq	59	3.0%
Burundi	31	1.6%
Pakistan	28	1.4%
China	25	1.3%
Liberia	25	1.3%
Uzbekistan	24	1.2%
Somalia	20	1.0%
Sri Lanka	19	1.0%
Rwanda	14	0.7%
Sudan	9	0.5%
Zimbabwe	8	0.4%
Egypt	7	0.4%

Main birthplaces of new arrivals 2006-2010

Birthplace	Arrivals 2006-2010	
India	12533	17.7%
England	9624	13.6%
China (excludes SARs and Taiw	9138	12.9%
Philippines	3316	4.7%
Malaysia	2388	3.4%
South Africa	2257	3.2%
New Zealand	1904	2.7%
Afghanistan	1738	2.5%
Korea, Republic of (South)	1692	2.4%
Vietnam	1549	2.2%
Sri Lanka	1184	1.7%
Scotland	1015	1.4%
Iran	984	1.4%
United States of America	908	1.3%
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	870	1.2%
Bangladesh	855	1.2%
Nepal	821	1.2%
Pakistan	735	1.0%
Indonesia	675	1.0%
Thailand	604	0.9%
Singapore	592	0.8%
Bhutan	561	0.8%
Saudi Arabia	537	0.8%
Germany	531	0.8%
Burma (Republic of the Union o	511	0.7%
Ireland	506	0.7%
Zimbabwe	493	0.7%
Kenya	477	0.7%
Canada	472	0.7%
Other	11180	15.8%
Total	70650	100.0%

Councils with most migrants from non English speaking countries

Council	Born in non English speaking countries	
Port Adelaide Enfield	25771	12.6%
Salisbury	22606	11.0%
Charles Sturt	21266	10.4%
West Torrens	12600	6.2%
Campbelltown	12505	6.1%
Marion	11281	5.5%
Onkaparinga	10232	5.0%
Tea Tree Gully	9546	4.7%
Mitcham	7547	3.7%
Burnside	7455	3.6%
Norwood Payneham St Peters	7384	3.6%
Adelaide	6191	3.0%
Playford	6010	2.9%
Unley	5550	2.7%
Prospect	3993	1.9%
Holdfast Bay	3125	1.5%
Adelaide Hills	2389	1.2%
Whyalla	1371	0.7%
Mount Gambier	1336	0.7%
Murray Bridge	1324	0.6%
Other	25298	12.4%
Total	204780	100.0%

Councils with most new arrivals 2006-2010

Council	Arrived 2006-2010	
Port Adelaide Enfield	9404	13.3%
Salisbury	6412	9.1%
Charles Sturt	5739	8.1%
Onkaparinga	5278	7.5%
Marion	5017	7.1%
West Torrens	4995	7.1%
Adelaide	3762	5.3%
Campbelltown	3444	4.9%
Tea Tree Gully	3011	4.3%
Mitcham	2973	4.2%
Norwood Payneham St Peters	2831	4.0%
Burnside	2544	3.6%
Playford	2132	3.0%
Unley	2128	3.0%
Holdfast Bay	1916	2.7%
Prospect	1635	2.3%
Murray Bridge	650	0.9%
Mount Barker	622	0.9%
Adelaide Hills	547	0.8%
Whyalla	510	0.7%
Other	5100	7.2%
Total	70650	100.0%

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Gender composition of South Australia's largest communities by birthplace

Birthplace	Male	Female	Total	% male	% female
Australia	577875	592915	1170790	49.4%	50.6%
England	49860	52821	102681	48.6%	51.4%
Italy	10399	10311	20710	50.2%	49.8%
India	10462	8279	18741	55.8%	44.2%
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	7239	8694	15933	45.4%	54.6%
Scotland	6719	7183	13902	48.3%	51.7%
New Zealand	6621	6226	12847	51.5%	48.5%
Vietnam	5567	6460	12027	46.3%	53.7%
Germany	5355	6053	11408	46.9%	53.1%
Greece	4804	4953	9757	49.2%	50.8%
Philippines	3105	5753	8858	35.1%	64.9%
Netherlands	3570	3712	7282	49.0%	51.0%
Malaysia	3096	3852	6948	44.6%	55.4%
South Africa	2975	3234	6209	47.9%	52.1%
Poland	2465	3084	5549	44.4%	55.6%
United States of America	1998	2033	4031	49.6%	50.4%
Ireland	1807	1671	3478	52.0%	48.0%
Korea, Republic of (South)	1536	1860	3396	45.2%	54.8%
Afghanistan	1973	1314	3287	60.0%	40.0%
Croatia	1637	1494	3131	52.3%	47.7%
Wales	1523	1520	3043	50.0%	50.0%
Iran	1511	1313	2824	53.5%	46.5%
Cambodia	1316	1468	2784	47.3%	52.7%
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	1351	1394	2745	49.2%	50.8%
Sri Lanka	1336	1334	2670	50.0%	50.0%
Thailand	775	1436	2211	35.1%	64.9%
Northern Ireland	1065	1099	2164	49.2%	50.8%
Canada	1058	1105	2163	48.9%	51.1%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1053	1107	2160	48.8%	51.3%
Singapore	941	1161	2102	44.8%	55.2%
Indonesia	838	1108	1946	43.1%	56.9%
Malta	786	783	1569	50.1%	49.9%
Austria	738	780	1518	48.6%	51.4%
Lebanon	749	708	1457	51.4%	48.6%
Sudan	704	710	1414	49.8%	50.2%
Japan	443	942	1385	32.0%	68.0%
Hungary	706	659	1365	51.7%	48.3%
Pakistan	785	573	1358	57.8%	42.2%
Serbia	688	665	1353	50.8%	49.2%
Cyprus	663	669	1332	49.8%	50.2%
Iraq	744	574	1318	56.4%	43.6%
Bangladesh	704	583	1287	54.7%	45.3%
Russian Federation	454	792	1246	36.4%	63.6%
Zimbabwe	597	641	1238	48.2%	51.8%
France	580	651	1231	47.1%	52.9%
Egypt	661	569	1230	53.7%	46.3%
Kenya	580	583	1163	49.9%	50.1%
Fiji	541	616	1157	46.8%	53.2%
Ukraine	424	651	1075	39.4%	60.6%
Romania	508	557	1065	47.7%	52.3%
Nepal	551	488	1039	53.0%	47.0%
Papua New Guinea	457	475	932	49.0%	51.0%
Taiwan	360	572	932	38.6%	61.4%
Saudi Arabia	485	319	804	60.3%	39.7%
El Salvador	375	405	780	48.1%	51.9%
Chile	370	400	770	48.1%	51.9%
Burma (Republic of the Union of My	348	375	723	48.1%	51.9%
Spain	364	359	723	50.3%	49.7%

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Largest communities 65 years and over by birthplace

Birthplace	65+	%
Australia	149520	12.8%
England	33303	32.4%
Italy	13070	63.1%
Greece	6145	63.0%
Germany	5380	47.2%
Scotland	5007	36.0%
Netherlands	3310	45.5%
Poland	1935	34.9%
New Zealand	1381	10.7%
Croatia	1342	42.8%
Ireland	1188	34.1%
India	1065	5.7%
Vietnam	1005	8.4%
Wales	997	32.8%
South Eastern Europe, nfd	921	42.6%
Hungary	824	60.4%
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	804	5.0%
Northern Ireland	788	36.4%
Malta	774	49.3%
Austria	774	51.0%
Ukraine	647	60.2%
Cyprus	612	45.8%
Latvia	601	89.3%
Malaysia	539	7.8%
South Africa	504	8.1%
Philippines	474	5.4%
United States of America	447	11.1%
Egypt	412	33.4%
Serbia	396	29.3%
Lithuania	316	88.3%
Russian Federation	312	25.0%
Slovenia	307	71.6%
Lebanon	296	20.3%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	275	12.7%
France	263	21.4%
Cambodia	261	9.4%
Sri Lanka	222	8.3%
Spain	222	30.7%
Canada	199	9.2%
Iran	196	6.9%
Czech Republic	195	36.4%
Eastern Europe, nfd	191	47.4%
Denmark	189	33.9%
Romania	188	17.7%
Indonesia	181	9.3%
Estonia	181	88.7%
Finland	165	34.5%
Turkey	138	22.2%
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	134	34.9%
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	128	4.7%
Switzerland	118	21.3%
Singapore	116	5.5%
Belgium	114	26.3%
Fiji	108	9.3%
Chile	105	13.6%
Bulgaria	103	29.3%
Other	18160	16.2%
Total	257548	16.1%

Largest communities under 20 years by birthplace

Birthplace	0-19	%
Australia	343477	29.3%
England	6183	6.0%
India	2804	15.0%
China (excludes SARs and Taiwan)	2014	12.6%
Philippines	1588	17.9%
New Zealand	1528	11.9%
South Africa	1505	24.2%
Afghanistan	1164	35.4%
Korea, Republic of (South)	1002	29.5%
Malaysia	778	11.2%
United States of America	757	18.8%
Vietnam	668	5.6%
Scotland	599	4.3%
Kenya	541	46.5%
Iran	528	18.7%
Sri Lanka	475	17.8%
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	473	17.2%
Sudan	421	29.7%
Thailand	412	18.6%
Indonesia	364	18.7%
Pakistan	349	25.7%
Iraq	324	24.5%
Nepal	320	30.8%
Tanzania	310	68.0%
Germany	302	2.6%
Singapore	300	14.3%
Saudi Arabia	271	33.7%
Japan	260	18.8%
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	253	46.5%
Bangladesh	245	19.1%
Canada	241	11.2%
Zimbabwe	235	18.9%
Ireland	210	6.0%
Wales	194	6.4%
Ethiopia	187	32.1%
Russian Federation	185	14.8%
Uganda	155	66.0%
Burma (Republic of the Union)	154	21.2%
Cambodia	153	5.5%
Taiwan	151	16.2%
Netherlands	148	2.0%
Egypt	132	10.7%
Burundi	132	26.9%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	127	5.9%
Serbia	119	8.8%
Italy	117	0.6%
Guinea	115	94.3%
Fiji	109	9.4%
Poland	107	1.9%
Liberia	106	19.6%
United Arab Emirates	106	61.6%
Greece	90	0.9%
Congo, Republic of	89	43.0%
South Sudan	84	21.6%
Ghana	81	37.9%
Sierra Leone	81	38.8%
Other	16363	14.6%
Total	390186	24.4%