

At the 2011 Census, there were 5,115 Bangladesh-born persons in Victoria (18.4% of Australia's total), increasing by 69.9% (2,105) from 3,010 persons in 2006. The Bangladesh-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with concentrations in the local government areas of Wyndham (12.6%); Maribyrnong (10.6%); Monash (8.7%); Moreland (8.6%); and Brimbank (8.1%). Only 7% of the Bangladesh-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 16.2% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 74.5% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Bangladesh-born community reflected a relatively young age profile: 10.1% were aged 18 years and below; 14.9% were aged 19-25 years; 59.9% were aged 26-44 years; 14.0% were aged 45-64 years; and 10.0% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 31 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 130 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for the total Victorian population.

Over four-fifths (83.4%) of the Bangladesh-born followed Islam; 7.2% followed Hinduism; 2.8% had no religion. Most (92.4%) spoke a language other than English. Over half (51.8%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. One-fifth (20.7%) of the Bangladesh-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 19.1% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Bangladesh in Victoria and Australia: 2011, 2006 and 2001 Census

Location	2011 Census		2006 Census		2001 Census		Change 2006-2011		Change 2001-2006	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	% change
Metropolitan Melbourne ^(a)	4,808	17.3	2,779	17.3	1,328	14.6	2029	73.0	1451	109.3
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	307	1.1	231	1.4	87	1.0	76	32.9	144	165.5
Total Victoria	5,115	18.4	3,010	18.7	1,415	15.6	2105	69.9	1595	112.7
Total Australia	27,810	100.0	16,097	100.0	9,078	100.0	11713	72.8	7019	77.3

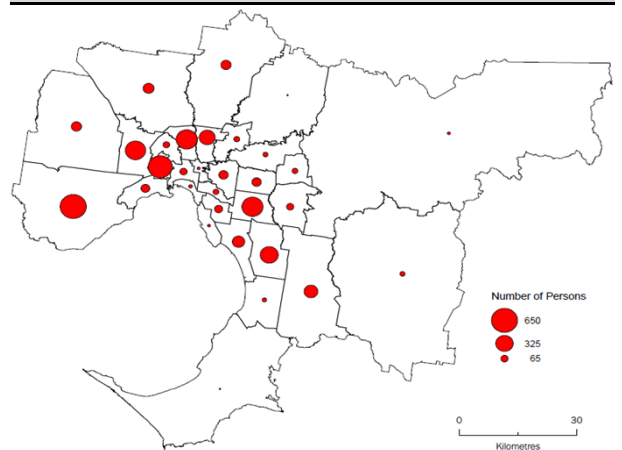
^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

^(b) Includes 'No Usual Address, Victoria'.

Distribution of Bangladesh-born, Top 5 Local Government Areas: 2011, 2006

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Wyndham	645	12.6	115	3.8	8
Maribyrnong	544	10.6	501	16.6	1
Monash	447	8.7	278	9.2	3
Moreland	440	8.6	320	10.6	2
Brimbank	415	8.1	170	5.6	6
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	2,317	45.3	1,393	46.3	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	307	6.0	233	7.7	
Total Victoria	5,115	100.0	3,010	100.0	

Distribution of Bangladesh-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Year of Arrival of Bangladesh-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Bangladesh-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	360	7.0	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	358	7.0	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	470	9.2	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	1,499	29.3	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	2,312	45.2	316,244	22.5
Not stated	116	2.3	60,867	4.3
Total	5,115	100.0	1,405,334	100.0

^(a) OSB stands for Overseas-born.

^(b) Records the year of arrival in Australia for people born overseas who intend staying in Australia for at least one year.

Age Distribution of Bangladesh-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	115	2.2	64	2.1	79.7
5-11	232	4.5	129	4.3	79.8
12-18	174	3.4	158	5.3	10.1
19-25	762	14.9	663	22.0	14.9
26-44	3,063	59.9	1,592	52.9	92.4
45-54	500	9.8	299	9.9	67.2
55-64	217	4.2	81	2.7	167.9
65-74	32	0.6	17	0.6	88.2
75+	19	0.4	6	0.2	216.7
Total	5,114	100.0	3,009	100.0	70.0
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>130</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>31</i>		<i>29</i>		

Top 5 Religions of Bangladesh-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Islam	4,264	83.4	2,452	81.5	73.9
Hinduism	370	7.2	202	6.7	83.2
Western Catholic	102	2.0	95	3.2	7.4
Buddhism	49	1.0	17	0.6	188.2
Baptist	34	0.7	21	0.7	61.9
Other religions	44	0.9	24	0.8	83.3
No religion	141	2.8	73	2.4	93.2
Not stated ^(a)	110	2.2	123	4.1	-10.6
Total	5,114	100.0	3,007	100.0	70.1

^(a) Includes 'Religious Belief, not further defined' and 'Not Defined'.

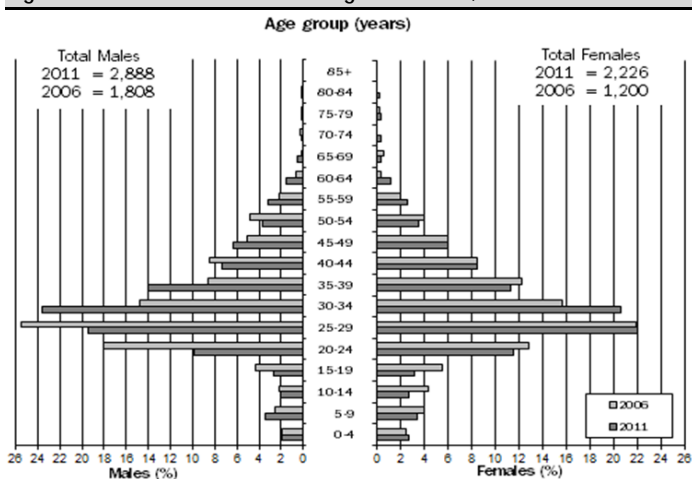
Bangladesh-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	19	0.7	9	0.7	111.1
5-11	97	3.7	52	4.1	86.5
12-18	103	3.9	109	8.5	-5.5
19-25	184	6.9	125	9.8	47.2
26-44	1,610	60.8	635	49.8	153.5
45-64	600	22.6	326	25.6	84.0
65-74	23	0.9	13	1.0	76.9
75+	14	0.5	6	0.5	133.3
Total	2,650	100.0	1,275	100.0	107.8

nfd = not further defined

For more detailed tables on a wider range of demographic and socio-economic data for this community from the 2011 Census, refer to the Community Profiles series available for free download from www.multicultural.vic.gov.au.

Age and Gender Distribution of Bangladesh-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Bangladesh-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	332	6.5	247	8.2	34.4
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	2,802	54.8	1,658	55.1	69.0
Well	1,659	32.4	937	31.1	77.1
Not well	221	4.3	120	4.0	84.2
Not at all	44	0.9	21	0.7	109.5
Not stated ^(a)	57	1.1	26	0.9	119.2
Total	5,115	100.0	3,009	100.0	70.0

^(a) Includes those who did not state a language and/or proficiency in English.

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Bangladesh-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Bangladesh-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	898	19.1	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	349	7.4	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	627	13.3	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	594	12.6	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	651	13.8	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	462	9.8	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	584	12.4	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	254	5.4	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	204	4.3	246,378	5.7
Not stated	82	1.7	334,647	7.7
Total	4,705	100.0	4,355,243	100.0

^(a) Applicable to persons aged 15 years and over.

Source of data: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2006, 2011.