

At the 2011 Census, there were 2,536 Papua New Guinea-born persons in Victoria (9.5% of Australia's total), increasing by 7.5% (177) from 2,359 persons in 2006. The Papua New Guinea-born were fairly well distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with minor concentrations in the local government areas of Greater Geelong (4.2%); Boroondara (3.9%); Whitehorse (3.6%); Brimbank (3.4%); and Mornington Peninsula (3.4%). Almost three-quarters (71.1%) of the Papua New Guinea-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 6.0% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 16.6% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Papua New Guinea-born community reflected a balanced age profile: 12.1% were aged 25 years and below; 57.5% were aged 26-44 years; 27.4% were aged 45-64 years; and 3.0% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 40 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 79 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

One-fifth of the Papua New Guinea-born (22.8%) were Western Catholic; 11.6% were Anglican; 8.7% were Uniting Church; 4.9% were Christian not further defined; 4.7% were Baptist; 23.9% had no religion. Four-fifths (83.0%) spoke English only. Four-fifths (79.7%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Almost one-fifth (19.7%) of the Papua New Guinea-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 9.2% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Papua New Guinea 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)	1,939	7.2	1,867	7.8	1,746	7.4	72	3.9	121	6.9
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	597	2.2	492	2.0	446	1.9	105	21.3	46	10.3
Total Victoria	2,536	9.5	2,359	9.8	2,192	9.3	177	7.5	167	7.6
Total Australia	26,788	100.0	24,023	100.0	23,616	100.0	2,765	11.5	407	1.7

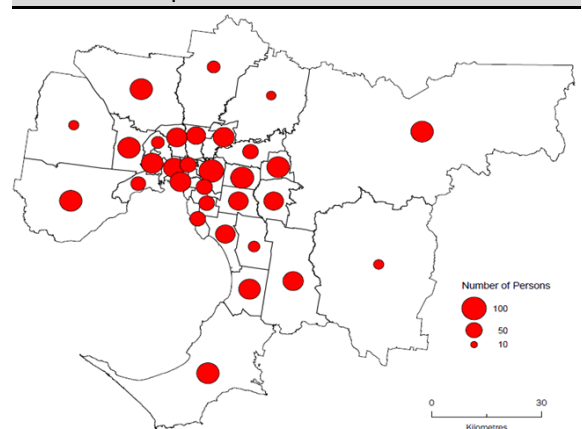
^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

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

Distribution of Papua New Guinea-born, Top 5 Local Government Areas: 2011, 2006

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Greater Geelong	106	4.2	88	3.7	4
Boroondara	100	3.9	110	4.7	1
Whitehorse	92	3.6	97	4.1	2
Brimbank	87	3.4	48	2.0	26
Mornington Peninsula	86	3.4	81	3.4	5
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	1,571	61.9	1,528	64.8	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	494	19.5	406	17.2	
Total Victoria	2,536	100.0	2,358	100.0	

Distribution of Papua New Guinea-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Year of Arrival of Papua New Guinea-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Papua New Guinea-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	1,801	71.1	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	81	3.2	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	70	2.8	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	107	4.2	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	315	12.4	316,244	22.5
Not stated	160	6.3	60,867	4.3
Total	2,534	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 Papua New Guinea-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	11	0.4	17	0.7	-35.3
5-11	80	3.2	90	3.8	-11.1
12-18	79	3.1	94	4.0	-16.0
19-25	136	5.4	175	7.4	-22.3
26-44	1,459	57.5	1,468	62.3	-0.6
45-54	487	19.2	342	14.5	42.4
55-64	209	8.2	104	4.4	101.0
65-74	46	1.8	48	2.0	-4.2
75+	30	1.2	20	0.8	50.0
Total	2,537	100.0	2,358	100.0	7.6
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>79</i>	<i>males per 100 females</i>			
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>35</i>			

Top 5 Religions of Papua New Guinea-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	577	22.8	548	23.2	5.3
Anglican Church	293	11.6	298	12.6	-1.7
Uniting Church	220	8.7	202	8.6	8.9
Christian, nfd	123	4.9	89	3.8	38.2
Baptist	118	4.7	129	5.5	-8.5
Other religions	459	18.1	415	17.6	10.6
No religion	606	23.9	502	21.3	20.7
Not stated ^(a)	139	5.5	175	7.4	-20.6
Total	2,535	100.0	2,358	100.0	7.5

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

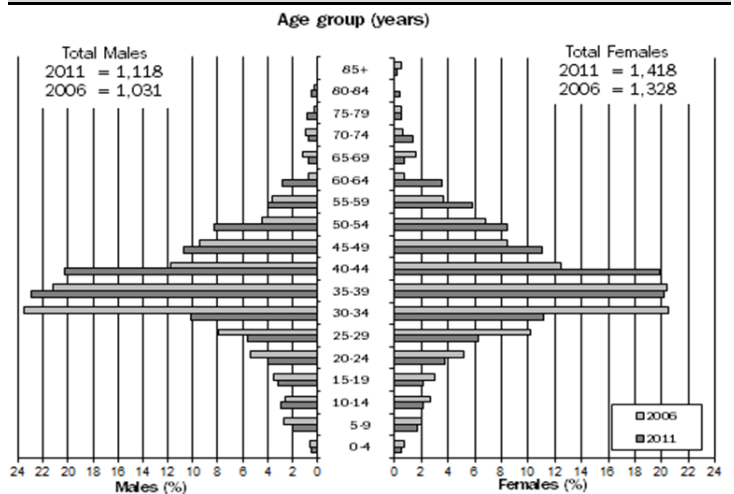
Papua New Guinea-born with Australian Citizenship by Age

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	3	0.1	-	-	-
5-11	13	0.6	26	1.4	-50.0
12-18	29	1.4	46	2.4	-37.0
19-25	88	4.4	120	6.3	-26.7
26-44	1,205	59.6	1,271	66.5	-5.2
45-64	613	30.3	382	20.0	60.5
65-74	42	2.1	48	2.5	-12.5
75+	29	1.4	18	0.9	61.1
Total	2,022	100.0	1,911	100.0	5.8

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 Papua New Guinea-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Papua New Guinea-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	2,104	83.0	2,029	86.0	3.7
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	314	12.4	230	9.8	36.5
Well	93	3.7	71	3.0	31.0
Not well	11	0.4	11	0.5	0.0
Not at all	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated ^(a)	14	0.6	17	0.7	-17.6
Total	2,536	100.0	2,358	100.0	7.5

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

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Papua New Guinea-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Papua New Guinea-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	222	9.2	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	156	6.5	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	318	13.2	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	274	11.3	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	215	8.9	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	238	9.9	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	424	17.5	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	252	10.4	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	270	11.2	246,378	5.7
Not stated	47	1.9	334,647	7.7
Total	2,416	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.