

Victoria: Top 100 Languages other than English Spoken at Home, 2011, 2006 Census

Rank 2011	Language Spoken at Home	2011		2006	Change 2006-2011	
		Persons	As % of LOTE <sup>(a)</sup>	Persons	Persons	% Change
	English	3,874,862		3,668,284	206,578	5.6
1	Italian	124,856	10.1	133,327	-8,471	-6.4
2	Greek	116,802	9.5	117,873	-1,071	-0.9
3	Mandarin	103,742	8.4	64,374	39,368	61.2
4	Vietnamese	86,592	7.0	72,161	14,431	20.0
5	Cantonese	72,902	5.9	66,853	6,049	9.0
6	Arabic	68,437	5.5	55,931	12,506	22.4
7	Turkish	32,899	2.7	29,748	3,151	10.6
8	Hindi	32,704	2.6	18,181	14,523	79.9
9	Punjabi	31,068	2.5	8,202	22,866	278.8
10	Macedonian	30,945	2.5	30,771	174	0.6
11	Spanish	29,014	2.3	24,501	4,513	18.4
12	Sinhalese	28,163	2.3	16,921	11,242	66.4
13	Croatian	22,168	1.8	22,961	-793	-3.5
14	German	20,082	1.6	19,607	475	2.4
15	Maltese	18,176	1.5	19,020	-844	-4.4
16	Serbian	17,580	1.4	16,865	715	4.2
17	Tamil	17,452	1.4	11,096	6,356	57.3
18	Tagalog	16,534	1.3	11,284	5,250	46.5
19	Russian	16,503	1.3	14,339	2,164	15.1
20	Polish	16,475	1.3	17,787	-1,312	-7.4
21	French	16,283	1.3	11,864	4,419	37.2
22	Filipino	14,526	1.2	10,658	3,868	36.3
23	Indonesian	13,877	1.1	10,448	3,429	32.8
24	Khmer	11,841	1.0	9,981	1,860	18.6
25	Urdu	11,062	0.9	5,163	5,899	114.3
26	Korean	10,325	0.8	5,974	4,351	72.8
27	Assyrian <sup>(b)</sup>	9,876	0.8	7,051	2,825	40.1
28	Dutch	9,509	0.8	9,557	-48	-0.5
29	Gujarati	9,393	0.8	2,696	6,697	248.4
30	Malayalam	9,354	0.8	2,900	6,454	222.6
31	Japanese	8,552	0.7	6,536	2,016	30.8
32	Persian (excluding Dari)	8,062	0.7	4,804	3,258	67.8
33	Dari	7,764	0.6	4,563	3,201	70.2
34	Thai	7,637	0.6	5,003	2,634	52.6
35	Samoan	7,584	0.6	5,614	1,970	35.1
36	Hungarian	7,365	0.6	7,913	-548	-6.9
37	Telugu	7,254	0.6	3,112	4,142	133.1
38	Chinese, nfd	7,061	0.6	3,586	3,475	96.9
39	Bengali	6,902	0.6	3,943	2,959	75.0
40	Albanian	6,761	0.5	6,026	735	12.2
41	Bosnian	6,167	0.5	5,937	230	3.9
42	Somali	5,613	0.5	4,240	1,373	32.4
43	Hakka	5,571	0.5	4,933	638	12.9
44	Min Nan <sup>(c)</sup>	5,286	0.4	4,547	739	16.3
45	Portuguese	5,129	0.4	4,203	926	22.0
46	Romanian	5,021	0.4	4,542	479	10.5
47	Hebrew	4,922	0.4	3,855	1,067	27.7
48	Nepali	4,639	0.4	858	3,781	440.7
49	Afrikaans	4,438	0.4	2,538	1,900	74.9
50	Malay	4,317	0.3	2,669	1,648	61.7
51	Dinka	3,158	0.3	2,211	947	42.8
52	Karen	3,036	0.2	408	2,628	644.1
53	Ukrainian	3,033	0.2	3,509	-476	-13.6
54	Tongan	2,716	0.2	2,069	647	31.3
55	Hazaraghi	2,707	0.2			
56	Southern Asian Languages, nfd	2,687	0.2	2,117	570	26.9
57	Auslan	2,566	0.2	1,907	659	34.6
58	Amharic	2,380	0.2	1,539	841	54.6

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59	Pashto	2,374	0.2	1,299	1,075	82.8
60	Marathi	2,357	0.2	1,049	1,308	124.7
61	Kannada	2,340	0.2	1,185	1,155	97.5
62	Burmese	2,316	0.2	841	1,475	175.4
63	Lao	1,997	0.2	1,934	63	3.3
64	Serbo-Croatian/Yugoslavian, so described	1,987	0.2	2,924	-937	-32.0
65	Armenian	1,935	0.2	1,971	-36	-1.8
66	Mauritian Creole	1,886	0.2	391	1,495	382.4
67	Slovene	1,844	0.1	1,917	-73	-3.8
68	Slovak	1,631	0.1	1,615	16	1.0
69	Czech	1,610	0.1	1,649	-39	-2.4
70	Swedish	1,561	0.1	1,237	324	26.2
71	Shona	1,548	0.1	563	985	175.0
72	Yiddish	1,502	0.1	1,574	-72	-4.6
73	Oromo	1,452	0.1	826	626	75.8
74	Maori (New Zealand)	1,413	0.1	1,089	324	29.8
75	Tigrinya	1,409	0.1	889	520	58.5
76	Swahili	1,398	0.1	716	682	95.3
77	French Creole, nfd	1,384	0.1	1,082	302	27.9
78	Maori (Cook Island)	1,339	0.1	1,141	198	17.4
79	Latvian	1,278	0.1	1,474	-196	-13.3
80	Nuer	1,191	0.1	895	296	33.1
81	Danish	1,111	0.1	909	202	22.2
82	Kurdish	952	0.1	701	251	35.8
83	Finnish	918	0.1	802	116	14.5
84	Fijian	879	0.1	691	188	27.2
85	Lithuanian	677	0.1	737	-60	-8.1
86	Burmese and Related Languages, nec	628	0.1	10	618	6180.0
87	Chin Haka	625	0.1	169	456	269.8
88	African Languages, nec	621	0.1	617	4	0.6
89	Konkani	614	0.0	317	297	93.7
90	Hmong	606	0.0	470	136	28.9
91	Bulgarian	559	0.0	522	37	7.1
92	Burmese and Related Languages, nfd	522	0.0	0	522	
93	Wu	518	0.0	444	74	16.7
94	Norwegian	502	0.0	388	114	29.4
95	Bisaya	486	0.0	269	217	80.7
96	Harari	484	0.0	334	150	44.9
97	Total Australian Indigenous Languages	480	0.0	1145	-665	-58.1
98	African Languages, nfd	479	0.0	503	-24	-4.8
99	Irish	405	0.0	185	220	118.9
100	Yoruba	397	0.0	176	221	125.6
	Other Languages	9486	0.8	8894	592	6.7
	Inadequately described	2,191	0.2	2,294	-103	-4.5
	Non-verbal, so described	6,072	0.5	7,321	-1,249	-17.1
	<b>Total speaking LOTE<sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>1,235,432</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,007,435</b>	<b>227,997</b>	<b>22.6</b>
	LOTE speakers as % of tot Vic pop		23.1			
	Speaks English only	3,874,862	72.4	3,668,284	206,578	5.6
	Not stated	243,745	4.6	256,703	-12,958	-5.0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5,354,039</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,932,422</b>	<b>421,617</b>	<b>8.5</b>

Cells in this table have been randomly adjusted to avoid the release of confidential data.

<sup>(a)</sup>LOTE = Language other than English

<sup>(b)</sup>In 2011, the following languages were combined to match the 2006 category of Assyrian:

Assyrian Neo-Aramaic, Chaldean Neo-Aramaic and Mandaean (Mandaic)

<sup>(c)</sup>In 2011, Min Nan is a combination of the previously shown languages of Hokkien and Teochew.