

The Slovenia-Born Community in Victoria – 2016 Census (ranked 76)

Demographic characteristics

At the 2016 Census, there were 2,172 Slovenia-born persons in Victoria (39.2% of Australia’s total), ranked 76th among the overseas-born communities in Victoria. The Slovenia-born decreased by 10.8% (264) from 2,436 persons in 2011. They are distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with concentrations in Brimbank (9.6%), Hume (4.9%), Moonee Valley (4.6%) and Manningham (4.5%); 11.4% of the Slovenia-born live in regional Victoria and 7.2% live in the regional LGA of Greater Geelong.

The Slovenia-born reflected a significantly ageing profile: 2.9% were aged 25 years and under; 8.7% were aged 26-44; 18.7% were aged 45-64; and 69.9% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 73 years, compared to 37 years for total Victoria. The gender ratio was 90 males to 100 females, compared to 96 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

There were 7,042 persons identified with Slovene ancestry. Most of them were born in Australia (65.0%); 25.4% were born in Slovenia. Most (86.6%) of the Slovenia-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1996; 2.0% arrived in 1996-2000; 1.0% arrived in 2001-2005; 2.0% arrived in 2006-2010; and 4.4% arrived in 2011-2016.

Most of the Slovenia-born speak Slovene (52.9%), Italian (3.9%) and Croatian (3.5%); 30.8% speak English only. Three-quarters (77.4%) of the Slovenia-born are Catholic; 11.5% have no religion. Most (90.4%) of the Slovenia-born have Australian citizenship, compared to 58.3% for overseas-born in Victoria.

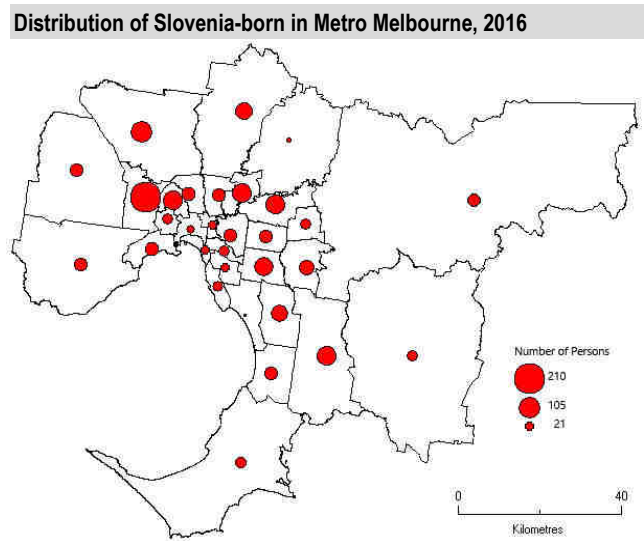
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Location	2016 Census		2011 Census		2006 Census		Change 2011-2016		Change 2006-2011	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	% change
Metro Melbourne ^(a)	1,778	32.0	1,994	32.7	2,046	32.9	-216	-10.8	-52	-2.5
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	386	6.9	445	7.3	463	7.4	-59	-13.3	-18	-3.9
Total Victoria	2,172	39.1	2,436	39.9	2,514	40.4	-264	-10.8	-78	-3.1
Total Australia	5,557	100.0	6,099	100.0	6,220	100.0	-542	-8.9	-121	-1.9

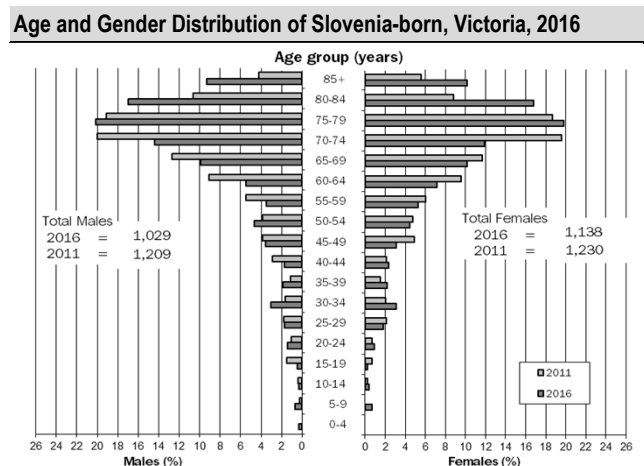
^(a) Metro Melbourne is equivalent to ABS's Greater Capital Statistical Area.
^(b) Includes "No Usual Address, Victoria" and "Offshore Areas and Migratory, Victoria".

Local Government Area (LGA)	2016 Census		2011 Census		Rank in 2011
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Brimbank (C)	208	9.6	254	10.4	1
Greater Geelong (C)	157	7.2	184	7.6	2
Hume (C)	106	4.9	120	4.9	4
Moonee Valley (C)	99	4.6	130	5.3	3
Manningham (C)	98	4.5	108	4.4	5
Rest of Melbourne	1,246	57.4	1,331	54.6	-
Rest of Reg Vic ^(a)	248	11.4	303	12.4	-
Total Victoria	2,172	100.0	2,436	100.0	-

^(a) Includes "Unincorporated Vic" and "No Usual Address Vic".



Age group (years)	2016 Census		2011 Census		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	3	0.1	-	-	-
5-11	15	0.7	3	0.1	400.0
12-18	16	0.7	23	0.9	-30.4
19-25	31	1.4	39	1.6	-20.5
26-44	188	8.7	189	7.8	-0.5
45-54	170	7.8	210	8.6	-19.0
55-64	237	10.9	366	15.0	-35.2
65-74	508	23.4	787	32.3	-35.5
75+	1,010	46.5	822	33.7	22.9
Total Victoria	2,172	100.0	2,436	100.0	-10.8
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>73</i>		<i>71</i>		
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>90</i>		<i>98 males per 100 females</i>		



Top 5 Countries of Birth of Persons with Slovene Ancestry: 2016, 2011

Country of birth	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Slovenia	1,790	25.4	2,031	29.4	-11.9
Italy	131	1.9	125	1.8	4.8
Croatia	71	1.0	50	0.7	42.0
S E Europe, nfd	66	0.9	76	1.1	-13.2
Austria	50	0.7	52	0.8	-3.8
Australia	4,574	65.0	4,263	61.7	7.3
Other ^(a)	354	5.0	315	4.6	12.4
Total responses^(b)	7,042	100.0	6,912	100.0	1.9

^(a) Includes all other countries, and birthplace not stated.

^(b) Respondents have option of nominating several ancestries; only the 1st two responses were coded. This is the total of both 1st & 2nd responses.

This table is based on the ancestry with the most responses for Slovenia-born persons.

Top 5 Languages Spoken at Home, Slovenia-born: 2016, 2011

Language other than English	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Slovene	1,150	52.9	1,289	52.9	-10.8
Italian	85	3.9	136	5.6	-37.5
Croatian	76	3.5	103	4.2	-26.2
Serbian	37	1.7	40	1.6	-7.5
German	35	1.6	38	1.6	-7.9
Other languages ^(a)	85	3.9	85	3.5	-
English only	670	30.8	717	29.4	-6.6
Not stated	25	1.2	28	1.1	-10.7
Total Victoria	2,172	100.0	2,436	100.0	-10.8

^(a) Includes "Inadequately described" and "Non-verbal, so described".

Top 5 Religious affiliation, Slovenia-born: 2016, 2011

Religious affiliation ^(a)	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Catholic	1,682	77.4	2,013	82.6	-16.4
Eastern Orthodox	28	1.3	44	1.8	-36.4
Christian, nfd	27	1.2	16	0.7	68.8
Jehovah's Witnesses	22	1.0	18	0.7	22.2
Islam	22	1.0	31	1.3	-29.0
Other religions	63	2.9	74	3.0	-14.9
No religion ^(b)	249	11.5	184	7.6	35.3
Not stated	69	3.2	56	2.3	23.2
Total Victoria	2,172	100.0	2,436	100.0	-10.8

^(a) Religion based on 3 digit level of classification.

^(b) No Religion, so described.

Year of Arrival of Slovenia-born: 2016

Year of arrival ^(a)	Slovenia-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(c)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1996	1,880	86.6	716,865	42.7
1996 - 2000	43	2.0	104,975	6.2
2001 - 2005	21	1.0	149,043	8.9
2006 - 2010	44	2.0	269,729	16.1
2011 - 2016 ^(b)	96	4.4	381,130	22.7
Not stated	82	3.8	58,517	3.5
Total Victoria	2,172	100.0	1,680,256	100.0

^(a) Records the year of arrival in Australia for people born overseas

who intend staying in Australia for at least one year.

^(b) Arrivals up to 9 Aug 2016.

^(c) OSB stands for Overseas-born.

Proficiency in English of Slovenia-born: 2016, 2011

Proficiency in English	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	670	30.8	717	29.4	-6.6
<i>Speaks other languages and speaks English</i>					
Very well	708	32.6	697	28.6	1.6
Well	653	30.1	870	35.7	-24.9
Not well	99	4.6	121	5.0	-18.2
Not at all	7	0.3	3	0.1	133.3
Not stated ^(a)	28	1.3	22	0.9	27.3
Total Victoria	2,172	100.0	2,436	100.0	-10.8

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

Slovenia-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2016, 2011

Age group (years)	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	-	-	-	-	-
5-11	8	0.4	-	-	-
12-18	13	0.7	15	0.7	-13.3
19-25	22	1.1	33	1.4	-33.3
26-44	118	6.0	145	6.3	-18.6
45-64	375	19.1	557	24.2	-32.7
65-74	479	24.4	761	33.0	-37.1
75+	962	49.0	786	34.1	22.4
Total	1,964	100.0	2,304	100.0	-14.8
% of Slovenia-born with Australian citizenship, 2016:					90.4%
% of Overseas-born with Australian citizenship, 2016:					58.3%

Economic characteristics

The education levels of the Slovenia-born are significantly lower than for total Victoria: 2.2% have a postgraduate degree; 6.4% have a bachelor degree; and 5.9% have an advanced diploma or diploma, compared to 5.4%, 16.5% and 9.2%.

The labour force participation rate of the Slovenia-born at 25.3% is lower than that of total Victoria at 60.5%. The unemployment rate for the Slovenia-born at 4.2% is lower than for total Victoria at 6.6%.

The occupational patterns of the Slovenia-born are fairly similar to those for total Victoria. Less of the Slovenia-born are professionals (20.2%) and sales workers (6.9%), compared to 23.3% and 9.7% for total Victoria. More of them are machinery operators & drivers (8.3%) and labourers (12.1%), compared to 5.8% and 9.0%.

The employment patterns of the Slovenia-born are also similar to those of total Victoria. More of the Slovenia-born are employed in manufacturing (13.5%) and construction (11.5%), compared to 7.8% and 8.3% for Victoria. Less of them are employed in wholesale & retail trade (11.3%) and education & training (6.5%), compared to 13.4% and 8.6% for Victoria.

The weekly personal income distribution pattern for the Slovenia-born is lower than for total Victoria. Less of the Slovenia-born receive \$800-\$1,249 (10.1%), \$1,250-\$1,999 (5.9%) and \$2,000 or more (3.1%), compared to 16.7%, 13.6% and 7.5% for Victoria. More of them receive \$1-\$399 (36.5%) and \$400-\$799 (31.4%), compared to 20.1% and 23.1% for Victoria.

Highest level of educational attainment, Slovenia-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Highest level of educational attainment ^(a)	Slovenia-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change
Postgraduate Degree	47	2.2	30	1.2	17	56.7	260,039	5.4	170,382	3.9	89,657	52.6
Grad Dip & Grad Cert	20	0.9	15	0.6	5	33.3	119,226	2.5	95,352	2.2	23,874	25.0
Bachelor Degree	138	6.4	116	4.8	22	19.0	798,270	16.5	641,219	14.7	157,051	24.5
Advanced Dip & Diploma	127	5.9	110	4.5	17	15.5	447,023	9.2	364,758	8.4	82,265	22.6
Certificate	452	21.1	501	20.7	-49	-9.8	698,036	14.4	614,689	14.1	83,347	13.6
School Education only ^(b)	989	46.1	1,185	48.8	-196	-16.5	1,877,183	38.7	1,876,620	43.1	563	0.0
No Educ Attainment ^(c)	34	1.6	22	0.9	12	54.5	48,920	1.0	41,809	1.0	7,111	17.0
Not stated etc ^(d)	332	15.5	442	18.2	-110	-24.9	597,010	12.3	550,419	12.6	46,591	8.5
Victoria	2,146	100.0	2,426	100.0	-280	-11.5	4,845,710	100.0	4,355,243	100.0	490,467	11.3

^(a)This variable is applicable to persons aged 15 years and over.

^(b)Includes persons who completed school to between Year 8 or below, and Year 12 level.

^(c)Includes persons whose qualification is out of scope of this variable.

^(d)Includes "Inadequately described".

Labour force participation, Slovenia-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Labour force participation ^(a)	Slovenia-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change
<i>In the labour force</i>	543	25.0	634	26.0	-91	-14.4	2,929,590	49.4	2,675,478	50.0	254,112	9.5
Employed	520	23.9	605	24.8	-85	-14.0	2,736,125	46.2	2,530,635	47.3	205,490	8.1
Unemployed	23	1.1	29	1.2	-6	-20.7	193,465	3.3	144,843	2.7	48,622	33.6
<i>Not in the labour force</i>	1,516	69.8	1,657	68.0	-141	-8.5	1,610,130	27.2	1,451,593	27.1	158,537	10.9
<i>Not stated</i>	86	4.0	141	5.8	-55	-39.0	305,978	5.2	228,176	4.3	77,802	34.1
<i>Not applicable</i> ^(b)	25	1.2	16	0.7	9	56.3	1,080,919	18.2	998,793	18.7	82,126	8.2
Victoria	2,172	100.0	2,436	100.0	-264	-10.8	5,926,624	100.0	5,354,039	100.0	572,585	10.7
<i>Participation rate</i> ^(c)	25.3%		26.2%				60.5%		61.4%			
<i>Unemployment rate</i> ^(d)	4.2%		4.6%				6.6%		5.4%			

^(a)This variable is applicable to persons 15 years and over.

^(b)Persons aged under 15 years.

^(c)The participation rate represents the labour force (total employed and unemployed who are actively looking for work) expressed as a % of the civilian population aged 15 years and over, in the same age group.

^(d)The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a % of the labour force.

Occupation, Slovenia-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Occupation ^(a)	Slovenia-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%
Managers	64	12.3	75	12.4	-11	-14.7	369,921	13.5	332,931	13.2	36,990	11.1
Professionals	105	20.2	93	15.4	12	12.9	636,220	23.3	564,779	22.3	71,441	12.6
Technicians and trades workers	77	14.8	117	19.3	-40	-34.2	358,749	13.1	350,757	13.9	7,992	2.3
Community&personal serv. wkrs	53	10.2	57	9.4	-4	-7.0	289,348	10.6	234,380	9.3	54,968	23.5
Clerical & administrative workers	69	13.3	76	12.6	-7	-9.2	363,216	13.3	364,497	14.4	-1,281	-0.4
Sales workers	36	6.9	37	6.1	-1	-2.7	265,142	9.7	245,335	9.7	19,807	8.1
Machinery operators & drivers	43	8.3	51	8.4	-8	-15.7	159,193	5.8	154,542	6.1	4,651	3.0
Labourers	63	12.1	80	13.2	-17	-21.3	247,428	9.0	227,184	9.0	20,244	8.9
Not stated ^(b)	11	2.1	23	3.8	-12	-52.2	46,924	1.7	56,224	2.2	-9,300	-16.5
Victoria	520	100.0	605	100.0	-85	-14.0	2,736,125	100.0	2,530,635	100.0	205,490	8.1

^(a)This variable is applicable to employed persons aged 15 years and over.

^(b)Includes "Inadequately described".

Industry of Employment, Slovenia-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Industry of employment ^(a)	Slovenia-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%
Agri, forestry, fishing & mining	12	2.3	8	1.3	4	50.0	70,052	2.6	66,176	2.6	3,876	5.9
Manufacturing	70	13.5	97	16.0	-27	-27.8	212,723	7.8	271,051	10.7	-58,328	-21.5
Electr, gas, water & waste	3	0.6	3	0.5	-	-	30,808	1.1	27,630	1.1	3,178	11.5
Construction	60	11.5	84	13.9	-24	-28.6	228,149	8.3	210,972	8.3	17,177	8.1
Wholesale & retail trade	59	11.3	62	10.2	-3	-4.8	367,953	13.4	387,813	15.3	-19,860	-5.1
Accommod & Food services	25	4.8	26	4.3	-1	-3.8	180,825	6.6	153,898	6.1	26,927	17.5
Transp, postal & warehousing	31	6.0	37	6.1	-6	-16.2	130,069	4.8	118,214	4.7	11,855	10.0
Information, Media & Telecomm	8	1.5	3	0.5	5	166.7	52,200	1.9	50,091	2.0	2,109	4.2
Finance & Insurance	15	2.9	27	4.5	-12	-44.4	106,669	3.9	104,701	4.1	1,968	1.9
Rental, Hiring & Real Estate	7	1.3	6	1.0	1	16.7	43,013	1.6	35,046	1.4	7,967	22.7
Prof, Scientific, Tech & Admin	67	12.9	72	11.9	-5	-6.9	310,711	11.4	279,422	11.0	31,289	11.2
Public Admin & Safety	24	4.6	29	4.8	-5	-17.2	144,321	5.3	134,949	5.3	9,372	6.9
Education & Training	34	6.5	28	4.6	6	21.4	236,276	8.6	202,317	8.0	33,959	16.8
Health Care & Soc Assistance	66	12.7	69	11.4	-3	-4.3	341,999	12.5	292,417	11.6	49,582	17.0
Arts, Recreation & Other serv	37	7.1	33	5.5	4	12.1	151,019	5.5	134,750	5.3	16,269	12.1
Inadeq Described/Not Stated	24	4.6	17	2.8	7	41.2	129,326	4.7	61,173	2.4	68,153	111.4
Victoria	520	100.0	605	100.0	-85	-14.0	2,736,125	100.0	2,530,635	100.0	205,490	8.1

^(a)This variable is applicable to employed persons aged 15 and over.

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Slovenia-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Total personal income, weekly ^(a)	Slovenia-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative income	12	0.6	12	0.5	-	-	27,122	0.6	26,342	0.6	780	3.0
Nil income	132	6.2	111	4.6	21	18.9	467,934	9.7	351,430	8.1	116,504	33.2
\$1-399	783	36.5	1,342	55.3	-559	-41.7	975,345	20.1	1,224,693	28.1	-249,348	-20.4
\$400-\$799	674	31.4	462	19.0	212	45.9	1,118,244	23.1	964,124	22.1	154,120	16.0
\$800-\$1,249	216	10.1	193	8.0	23	11.9	811,256	16.7	715,662	16.4	95,594	13.4
\$1,250-\$1,999	127	5.9	118	4.9	9	7.6	658,020	13.6	491,972	11.3	166,048	33.8
\$2,000 or more	66	3.1	35	1.4	31	88.6	364,675	7.5	246,379	5.7	118,296	48.0
Not stated	140	6.5	153	6.3	-13	-8.5	423,108	8.7	334,649	7.7	88,459	26.4
Victoria	2,146	100.0	2,426	100.0	-280	-11.5	4,845,710	100.0	4,355,243	100.0	490,467	11.3

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

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Source of data: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Census of Population and Housing, 2016, 2011, 2006*.