

At the 2011 Census, there were 11,601 Mauritius-born persons in Victoria (49.8% of Australia's total), increasing by 28.2% (2,552) from 9,049 persons in 2006. The Mauritius-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with distinct concentrations in the local government areas of Casey (26.8%); Greater Dandenong (14.1%); Monash (6.3%); Kingston (5.8%); and Knox (3.3%). Over half (55.3%) of the Mauritius-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 6.6% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 35.4% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The age profile of the Mauritius-born showed clusters in the young and mature adult age groups: 5.6% were aged 18 years and below; 10.2% were aged 19-25 years; 32.6% were aged 26-44 years; 36.2% were aged 45-64 years; and 15.5% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 45 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 99 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

Over two-thirds (70.4%) of the Mauritius-born were Western Catholic; 9.0% followed Hinduism; 4.6% had no religion. Three-quarters (76.8%) spoke a language other than English. Over two-thirds (69.2%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Over one-quarter (27.1%) of the Mauritius-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 9.3% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Mauritius 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)	11,218	48.2	8,831	48.6	8,069	47.6	2,387	27.0	762	9.4
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	383	1.6	218	1.2	208	1.2	165	75.7	10	4.8
Total Victoria	11,601	49.8	9,049	49.8	8,277	48.8	2,552	28.2	772	9.3
Total Australia	23,278	100.0	18,175	100.0	16,962	100.0	5,103	28.1	1,213	7.2

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

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

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Casey	3,113	26.8	2,455	27.1	1
Greater Dandenong	1,632	14.1	1,455	16.1	2
Monash	736	6.3	652	7.2	3
Kingston	670	5.8	648	7.2	4
Knox	381	3.3	389	4.3	5
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	4,688	40.4	3,236	35.8	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	379	3.3	216	2.4	
Total Victoria	11,599	100.0	9,051	100.0	

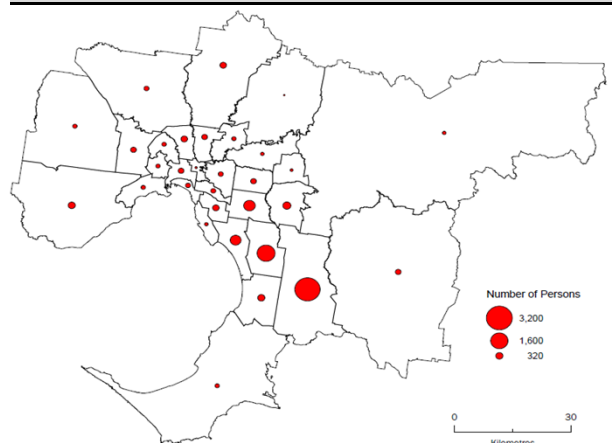
Year of Arrival of Mauritius-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Mauritius-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	6,413	55.3	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	312	2.7	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	457	3.9	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	1,088	9.4	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	3,013	26.0	316,244	22.5
Not stated	316	2.7	60,867	4.3
Total	11,599	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.

Distribution of Mauritius-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Age Distribution of Mauritius-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	52	0.4	30	0.3	73.3
5-11	301	2.6	105	1.2	186.7
12-18	298	2.6	179	2.0	66.5
19-25	1,179	10.2	1,121	12.4	5.2
26-44	3,783	32.6	2,712	30.0	39.5
45-54	2,292	19.8	2,058	22.7	11.4
55-64	1,898	16.4	1,453	16.1	30.6
65-74	1,013	8.7	818	9.0	23.8
75+	784	6.8	574	6.3	36.6
Total	11,600	100.0	9,050	100.0	28.2
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	99		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	45		46		

Top 5 Religions of Mauritius-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	8,169	70.4	7,053	77.9	15.8
Hinduism	1,047	9.0	468	5.2	123.7
Christian, nfd	274	2.4	162	1.8	69.1
Anglican Church	255	2.2	200	2.2	27.5
Islam	228	2.0	112	1.2	103.6
Other religions	746	6.4	538	5.9	38.7
No religion	532	4.6	282	3.1	88.7
Not stated ^(a)	349	3.0	234	2.6	49.1
Total	11,600	100.0	9,049	100.0	28.2

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

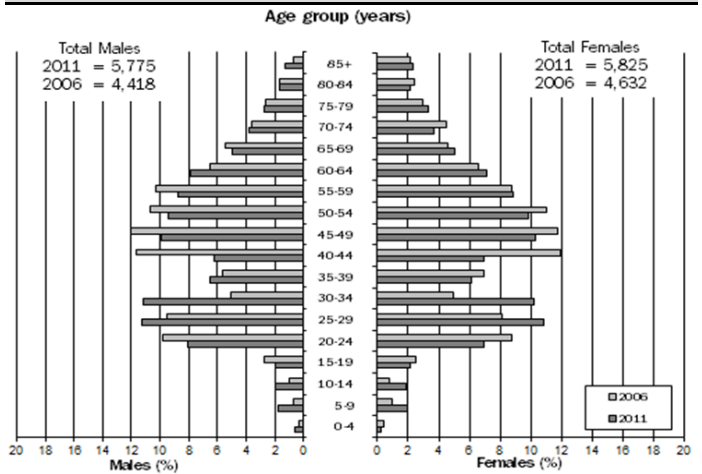
Mauritius-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	5	0.1	3	0.0	66.7
5-11	58	0.7	38	0.5	52.6
12-18	112	1.4	85	1.2	31.8
19-25	256	3.2	435	6.1	-41.1
26-44	2,101	26.2	2,045	28.5	2.7
45-64	3,827	47.7	3,266	45.6	17.2
65-74	960	12.0	762	10.6	26.0
75+	707	8.8	529	7.4	33.6
Total	8,026	100.0	7,163	100.0	12.0

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 Mauritius-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Mauritius-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	2,585	22.3	2,383	26.3	8.5
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	6,165	53.1	4,391	48.5	40.4
Well	2,448	21.1	1,870	20.7	30.9
Not well	274	2.4	264	2.9	3.8
Not at all	25	0.2	41	0.5	-39.0
Not stated ^(a)	103	0.9	102	1.1	1.0
Total	11,600	100.0	9,051	100.0	28.2

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

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

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Mauritius-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	1,037	9.3	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	614	5.5	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	2,398	21.6	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	1,361	12.2	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	1,522	13.7	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	1,267	11.4	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	1,587	14.3	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	544	4.9	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	335	3.0	246,378	5.7
Not stated	448	4.0	334,647	7.7
Total	11,113	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.