

At the 2011 Census, there were 10,191 South Korea-born persons in Victoria (13.7% of Australia's total), increasing by 61.4% (3,877) from 6,314 persons in 2006. The South Korea-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with distinct concentrations in the local government areas of Monash (19.6%); Melbourne (14.0%); Whitehorse (8.5%); Boroondara (6.7%); and Glen Eira (6.4%). Only 9.6% of the South Korea-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 13.6% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 70.7% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The South Korea-born community reflected a relatively young age profile: 18.0% were aged 18 years and below; 16.6% were aged 19-25 years; 50.5% were aged 26-44 years; 12.6% were aged 45-64 years; and 2.4% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 30 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 81 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

One-fifth (20.7%) of the South Korea-born were Western Catholic; 15.7% were Uniting Church; 11.7% were Presbyterian; 6.8% followed Buddhism; 4.1% were Baptist; 29.2% had no religion. A large majority (87.4%) spoke a language other than English; 25.0% assessed themselves as speaking English not well or not at all. Over one-quarter (29.3%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Almost one-quarter (23.1%) of the South Korea-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 32.7% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Korea (South) 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)	9,803	13.2	5,979	11.3	3,329	8.6	3,824	64.0	2,650	79.6
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	388	0.5	335	0.6	201	0.5	53	15.8	134	66.7
Total Victoria	10,191	13.7	6,314	12.0	3,530	9.1	3,877	61.4	2,784	78.9
Total Australia	74,536	100.0	52,762	100.0	38,900	100.0	21,774	41.3	13,862	35.6

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

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

Distribution of Korea (South)-born, Top 5 Local Government Areas: 2011, 2006

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Monash	1,998	19.6	1,014	16.1	1
Melbourne	1,430	14.0	958	15.2	2
Whitehorse	871	8.5	617	9.8	3
Boroondara	678	6.7	505	8.0	4
Glen Eira	652	6.4	433	6.9	6
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	4,176	41.0	2,451	38.8	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	388	3.8	336	5.3	
Total Victoria	10,193	100.0	6,314	100.0	

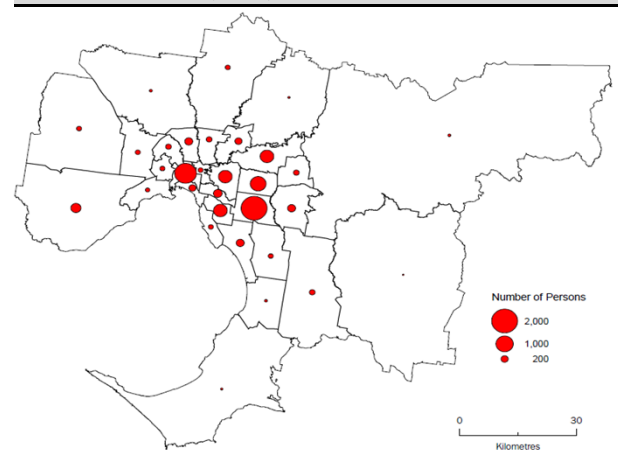
Year of Arrival of Korea (South)-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Korea (South)-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	980	9.6	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	370	3.6	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	1,017	10.0	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	2,228	21.9	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	4,975	48.8	316,244	22.5
Not stated	621	6.1	60,867	4.3
Total	10,191	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 Korea (South)-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Note: Birthplace refers to Korea, Republic of (South)

Age Distribution of Korea (South)-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	220	2.2	194	3.1	13.4
5-11	665	6.5	529	8.4	25.7
12-18	950	9.3	821	13.0	15.7
19-25	1,688	16.6	1,368	21.7	23.4
26-44	5,147	50.5	2,489	39.4	106.8
45-54	934	9.2	563	8.9	65.9
55-64	346	3.4	197	3.1	75.6
65-74	181	1.8	104	1.6	74.0
75+	61	0.6	47	0.7	29.8
Total	10,192	100.0	6,312	100.0	61.5
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>81</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>30</i>		<i>27</i>		

Top 5 Religions of Korea (South)-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	2,109	20.7	1,364	21.6	54.6
Uniting Church	1,605	15.7	1,277	20.2	25.7
Presbyterian	1,192	11.7	657	10.4	81.4
Buddhism	698	6.8	505	8.0	38.2
Baptist	422	4.1	279	4.4	51.3
Other religions	876	8.6	540	8.6	62.2
No religion	2,978	29.2	1,416	22.4	110.3
Not stated ^(a)	312	3.1	276	4.4	13.0
Total	10,192	100.0	6,314	100.0	61.4

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

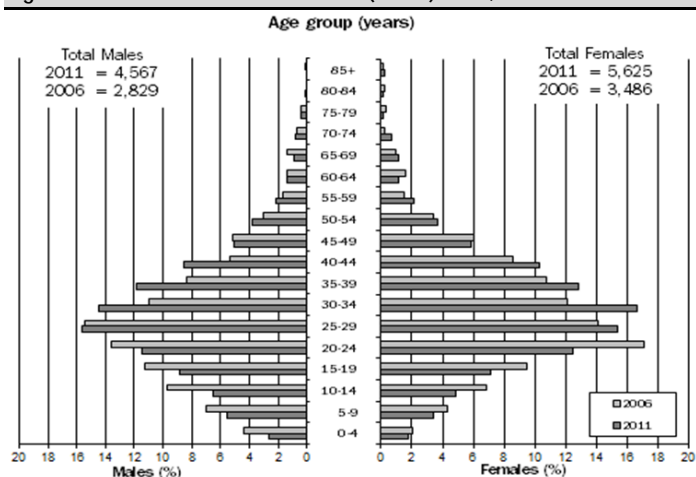
Korea (South)-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	54	1.8	61	3.6	-11.5
5-11	227	7.6	157	9.3	44.6
12-18	305	10.2	166	9.8	83.7
19-25	401	13.4	296	17.5	35.5
26-44	1,172	39.1	504	29.8	132.5
45-64	660	22.0	410	24.2	61.0
65-74	133	4.4	75	4.4	77.3
75+	43	1.4	22	1.3	95.5
Total	2,995	100.0	1,691	100.0	77.1

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 Korea (South)-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Korea (South)-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	1,144	11.2	856	13.6	33.6
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	2,491	24.4	1,300	20.6	91.6
Well	3,878	38.0	2,235	35.4	73.5
Not well	2,324	22.8	1,651	26.1	40.8
Not at all	225	2.2	161	2.5	39.8
Not stated ^(a)	131	1.3	112	1.8	17.0
Total	10,193	100.0	6,315	100.0	61.4

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

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Korea (South)-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Korea (South)-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	2,927	32.7	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	722	8.1	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	1,340	15.0	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	902	10.1	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	908	10.1	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	700	7.8	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	816	9.1	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	262	2.9	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	168	1.9	246,378	5.7
Not stated	215	2.4	334,647	7.7
Total	8,960	100.0	4,355,243	100.0

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

Note: Birthplace refers to Korea, Republic of (South)
Source of data: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2006, 2011.