

At the 2011 Census, there were 24,446 South Africa-born persons in Victoria (16.8% of Australia's total), increasing by 26.3% (5,098) from 19,348 persons in 2006. The South Africa-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with concentrations in the local government areas of Glen Eira (12.4%); Casey (7.9%); Manningham (5.7%); Knox (4.7%); and Kingston (4.3%). Over one-third (35.7%) of the South Africa-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 19.5% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 42.1% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The South Africa-born community reflected a balanced age profile: 14.0% were aged 18 years and below; 8.1% were aged 19-25 years; 36.9% were aged 26-44 years; 30.3% were aged 45-64 years; and 10.6% 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 95 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

The South-Africa-born followed a variety of religions: 15.3% were Anglican; 14.2% were Western Catholic; 14.1% followed Judaism; 14.7% had no religion. One-fifth (20.4%) spoke a language other than English. Over two-thirds (70.3%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Less than one-fifth (18.3%) of the South Africa-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 10.8% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in South Africa 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)	21,634	14.9	17,316	16.6	14,252	17.9	4,318	24.9	3,064	21.5
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	2,812	1.9	2,032	2.0	1,440	1.8	780	38.4	592	41.1
Total Victoria	24,446	16.8	19,348	18.6	15,692	19.8	5,098	26.3	3,656	23.3
Total Australia	145,683	100.0	104,129	100.0	79,425	100.0	41,554	39.9	24,704	31.1

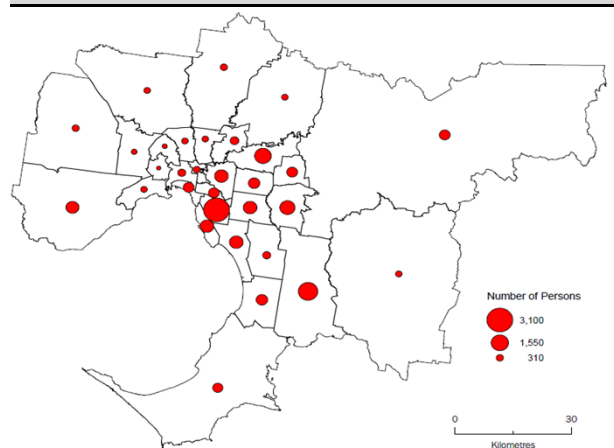
^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

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

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Glen Eira	3,027	12.4	2,554	13.2	1
Casey	1,932	7.9	1,448	7.5	2
Manningham	1,405	5.7	1,248	6.4	3
Knox	1,157	4.7	1,064	5.5	4
Kingston	1,055	4.3	808	4.2	8
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	13,061	53.4	10,197	52.7	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	2,810	11.5	2,030	10.5	
Total Victoria	24,447	100.0	19,349	100.0	

Distribution of South Africa-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Year of Arrival of South Africa-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	South Africa-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	8,729	35.7	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	1,154	4.7	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	3,621	14.8	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	4,388	17.9	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	5,924	24.2	316,244	22.5
Not stated	630	2.6	60,867	4.3
Total	24,446	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 South Africa-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	228	0.9	183	0.9	24.6
5-11	1,124	4.6	1,223	6.3	-8.1
12-18	2,078	8.5	1,561	8.1	33.1
19-25	1,984	8.1	1,711	8.8	16.0
26-44	9,026	36.9	7,171	37.1	25.9
45-54	4,327	17.7	3,374	17.4	28.2
55-64	3,082	12.6	2,359	12.2	30.6
65-74	1,635	6.7	1,047	5.4	56.2
75+	963	3.9	718	3.7	34.1
Total	24,447	100.0	19,347	100.0	26.4
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>95</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>40</i>		<i>39</i>		

Top 5 Religions of South Africa-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Anglican Church	3,731	15.3	3,290	17.0	13.4
Western Catholic	3,475	14.2	2,912	15.1	19.3
Judaism	3,452	14.1	3,030	15.7	13.9
Uniting Church	1,440	5.9	1,201	6.2	19.9
Christian, nfd	1,420	5.8	733	3.8	93.7
Other religions	6,272	25.7	4,739	24.5	32.3
No religion	3,596	14.7	2,246	11.6	60.1
Not stated ^(a)	1,061	4.3	1,193	6.2	-11.1
Total	24,447	100.0	19,344	100.0	26.4

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

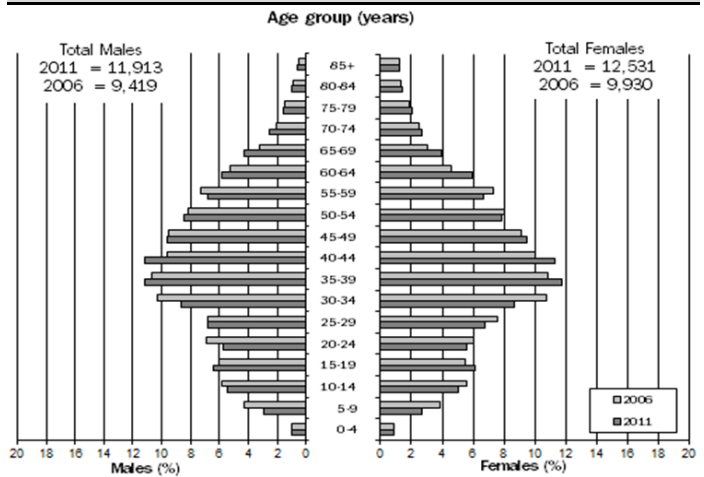
South Africa-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	25	0.1	25	0.2	0.0
5-11	406	2.4	535	3.9	-24.1
12-18	1,295	7.5	881	6.5	47.0
19-25	1,423	8.3	1,252	9.2	13.7
26-44	5,752	33.5	4,649	34.2	23.7
45-64	6,035	35.1	4,773	35.1	26.4
65-74	1,440	8.4	913	6.7	57.7
75+	816	4.7	576	4.2	41.7
Total	17,192	100.0	13,604	100.0	26.4

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 South Africa-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of South Africa-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	19,367	79.2	16,072	83.1	20.5
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	4,559	18.6	2,871	14.8	58.8
Well	379	1.6	271	1.4	39.9
Not well	41	0.2	44	0.2	-6.8
Not at all	4	0.0	14	0.1	-71.4
Not stated ^(a)	96	0.4	77	0.4	24.7
Total	24,446	100.0	19,349	100.0	26.3

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

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

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	South Africa-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	2,407	10.8	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	1,456	6.5	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	2,636	11.8	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	1,835	8.2	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	1,828	8.2	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	1,894	8.5	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	3,905	17.5	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	2,169	9.7	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	3,518	15.8	246,378	5.7
Not stated	608	2.7	334,647	7.7
Total	22,256	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.