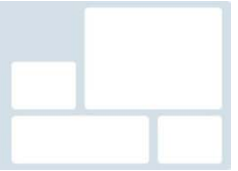


THE LEBANON-BORN COMMUNITY IN VICTORIA: 2011 CENSUS



At the 2011 Census, there were 15,867 Lebanon-born persons in Victoria (20.8% of Australia's total), increasing by 6.2% (922) from 14,945 persons in 2006. The Lebanon-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with distinct concentrations in the local government areas of Hume (18.6%); Moreland (17.5%); Whittlesea (9.3%); Darebin (8.0%); and Hobsons Bay (6.1%). Almost two-thirds (63.9%) of the Lebanon-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 13.7% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 16.7% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Lebanon-born age profile showed a concentration in the young and mature adult age groups: 8.9% were aged 25 years and below; 36.1% were aged 26-44 years; 41.4% were aged 45-64 years; and 13.5% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 46 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio of the Lebanon-born was 108 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

Almost half (47.2%) followed Islam; 17.3% were Western Catholic; 7.6% were Greek Orthodox; 7.4% were Maronite Catholic; 3.6% were Antiochian Orthodox; 2.5% had no religion. Most (91.6%) spoke a language other than English; 19.9% assessed themselves as speaking English not well or not at all. A large majority (87.8%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Almost half (47.8%) of the Lebanon-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 10.3% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Lebanon 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)	15,535	20.3	14,639	19.6	13,907	19.5	896	6.1	732	5.3
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	332	0.4	306	0.4	261	0.4	26	8.5	45	17.2
Total Victoria	15,867	20.8	14,945	20.0	14,168	19.9	922	6.2	777	5.5
Total Australia	76,449	100.0	74,849	100.0	71,349	100.0	1,600	2.1	3,500	4.9

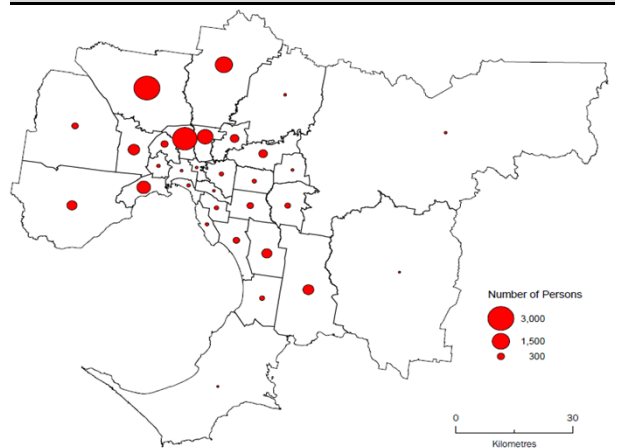
^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

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

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Hume	2,947	18.6	2,399	16.1	2
Moreland	2,782	17.5	2,836	19.0	1
Whittlesea	1,473	9.3	1,217	8.1	4
Darebin	1,274	8.0	1,402	9.4	3
Hobsons Bay	970	6.1	943	6.3	5
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	6,091	38.4	5,839	39.1	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	331	2.1	310	2.1	
Total Victoria	15,868	100.0	14,946	100.0	

Distribution of Lebanon-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Year of Arrival of Lebanon-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Lebanon-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	10,145	63.9	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	1,120	7.1	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	1,051	6.6	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	1,172	7.4	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	1,477	9.3	316,244	22.5
Not stated	906	5.7	60,867	4.3
Total	15,871	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 Lebanon-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	57	0.4	77	0.5	-26.0
5-11	212	1.3	237	1.6	-10.5
12-18	338	2.1	275	1.8	22.9
19-25	817	5.1	1,061	7.1	-23.0
26-44	5,730	36.1	6,221	41.6	-7.9
45-54	3,842	24.2	3,312	22.2	16.0
55-64	2,731	17.2	2,134	14.3	28.0
65-74	1,370	8.6	1,048	7.0	30.7
75+	771	4.9	580	3.9	32.9
Total	15,868	100.0	14,945	100.0	6.2
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>108</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>46</i>		<i>43</i>		

Top 5 Religions of Lebanon-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Islam	7,485	47.2	6,357	42.5	17.7
Western Catholic	2,748	17.3	3,168	21.2	-13.3
Greek Orthodox	1,203	7.6	1,232	8.2	-2.4
Maronite Catholic	1,178	7.4	950	6.4	24.0
Antiochian Orthodox	564	3.6	659	4.4	-14.4
Other religions	1,740	11.0	1,654	11.1	5.2
No religion	390	2.5	259	1.7	50.6
Not stated ^(a)	563	3.5	666	4.5	-15.5
Total	15,871	100.0	14,945	100.0	6.2

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

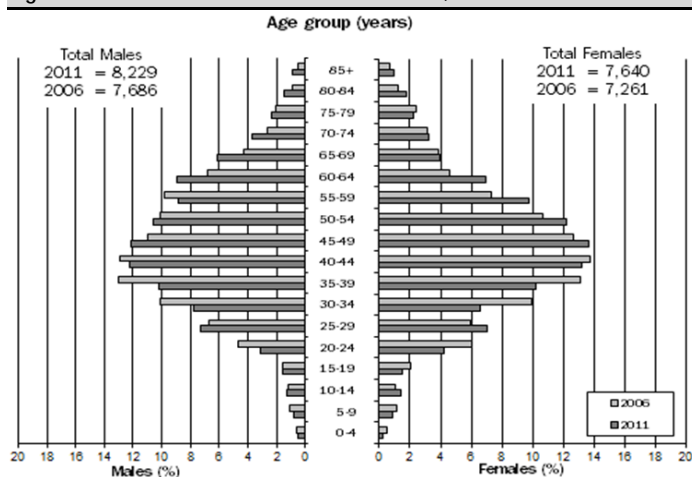
Lebanon-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	39	0.3	52	0.4	-25.0
5-11	168	1.2	192	1.4	-12.5
12-18	284	2.0	234	1.8	21.4
19-25	352	2.5	621	4.6	-43.3
26-44	4,686	33.6	5,460	40.9	-14.2
45-64	6,345	45.5	5,252	39.3	20.8
65-74	1,325	9.5	1,006	7.5	31.7
75+	734	5.3	543	4.1	35.2
Total	13,933	100.0	13,360	100.0	4.3

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 Lebanon-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Lebanon-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	1,146	7.2	1,108	7.4	3.4
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	6,113	38.5	5,835	39.0	4.8
Well	5,274	33.2	4,785	32.0	10.2
Not well	2,716	17.1	2,591	17.3	4.8
Not at all	437	2.8	479	3.2	-8.8
Not stated ^(a)	183	1.2	149	1.0	22.8
Total	15,869	100.0	14,947	100.0	6.2

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

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

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Lebanon-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	1,591	10.3	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	1,418	9.2	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	5,969	38.6	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	1,804	11.7	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	1,203	7.8	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	817	5.3	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	1,041	6.7	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	342	2.2	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	358	2.3	246,378	5.7
Not stated	920	5.9	334,647	7.7
Total	15,463	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.