

At the 2011 Census, there were 5,857 Northern Ireland-born persons in Victoria (25.9% of Australia's total), increasing by 0.5% (28) from 8,829 persons in 2006. The Northern Ireland-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with minor concentrations in the local government areas of Greater Geelong (6.9%); Casey (6.3%); Mornington Peninsula (5.1%); Frankston (4.2%); and Knox (4.0%). Three-fifths (79.5%) of the Northern Ireland-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 5.3% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 13.2% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Northern Ireland-born community reflected an aging profile: 5.2% were aged 25 years and below; 19.2% were aged 26-44 years; 39.5% were aged 45-64 years; and 36.1% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 59 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 103 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

Almost one-quarter (23.0%) were Western Catholic; 19.9% were Presbyterian; 15.4% were Anglican; 7.4% were Uniting Church; 15.9% had no religion. Most (98.8%) spoke English only. Three-fifths (59.2%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Almost one-third (32.3%) of the Northern Ireland-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 4.8% received no income.

## Demographic Background

Persons born in Northern Ireland 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 <sup>(a)</sup>	4,429	19.6	4,400	20.7	4,525	20.8	29	0.7	-125	-2.8
Rest of Victoria <sup>(b)</sup>	1,428	6.3	1,429	6.7	1,462	6.7	-1	-0.1	-33	-2.3
<b>Total Victoria</b>	<b>5,857</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>5,829</b>	<b>27.4</b>	<b>5,987</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>-158</b>	<b>-2.6</b>
<b>Total Australia</b>	<b>22,594</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>21,296</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>21,746</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,298</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>-450</b>	<b>-2.1</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

<sup>(b)</sup> Includes 'No Usual Address, Victoria'.

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Greater Geelong	405	6.9	451	7.7	1
Casey	370	6.3	382	6.6	2
Mornington Peninsula	296	5.1	268	4.6	4
Frankston	245	4.2	276	4.7	3
Knox	237	4.0	254	4.4	5
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	3,283	56.0	3,226	55.3	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	1,022	17.4	974	16.7	
<b>Total Victoria</b>	<b>5,858</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,831</b>	<b>100.0</b>	

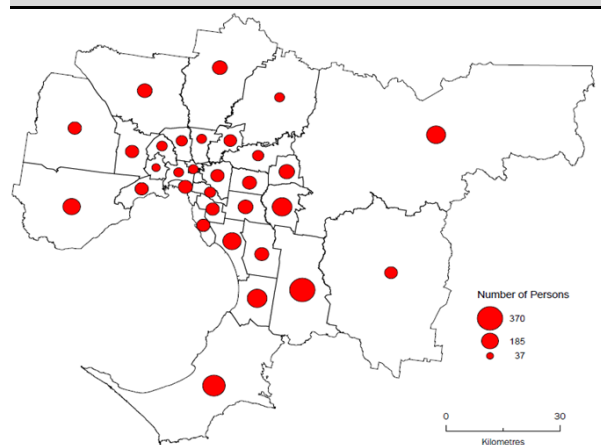
Year of Arrival of Northern Ireland-born: 2011

Year of Arrival <sup>(b)</sup>	Northern Ireland-born		Total OSB, Vic <sup>(a)</sup>	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	4,658	79.5	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	132	2.3	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	174	3.0	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	267	4.6	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	501	8.6	316,244	22.5
Not stated	127	2.2	60,867	4.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,859</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,405,334</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> OSB stands for Overseas-born.

<sup>(b)</sup> Records the year of arrival in Australia for people born overseas who intend staying in Australia for at least one year.

Distribution of Northern Ireland-Born in Melbourne, 2011



### Age Distribution of Northern Ireland-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	22	0.4	19	0.3	15.8
5-11	57	1.0	54	0.9	5.6
12-18	71	1.2	64	1.1	10.9
19-25	152	2.6	103	1.8	47.6
26-44	1,127	19.2	1,300	22.3	-13.3
45-54	1,011	17.3	1,031	17.7	-1.9
55-64	1,301	22.2	1,483	25.4	-12.3
65-74	1,266	21.6	1,001	17.2	26.5
75+	851	14.5	777	13.3	9.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,858</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,832</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0.4</b>
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>103</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>59</i>		<i>57</i>		

### Top 5 Religions of Northern Ireland-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	1,349	23.0	1,209	20.7	11.6
Presbyterian	1,168	19.9	1,255	21.5	-6.9
Anglican Church	901	15.4	967	16.6	-6.8
Uniting Church	431	7.4	510	8.7	-15.5
Baptist	197	3.4	195	3.3	1.0
Other religions	571	9.7	489	8.4	16.8
No religion	934	15.9	769	13.2	21.5
Not stated <sup>(a)</sup>	309	5.3	440	7.5	-29.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,860</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,834</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0.4</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> Includes 'Religious Belief, not further defined' and 'Not Defined'.

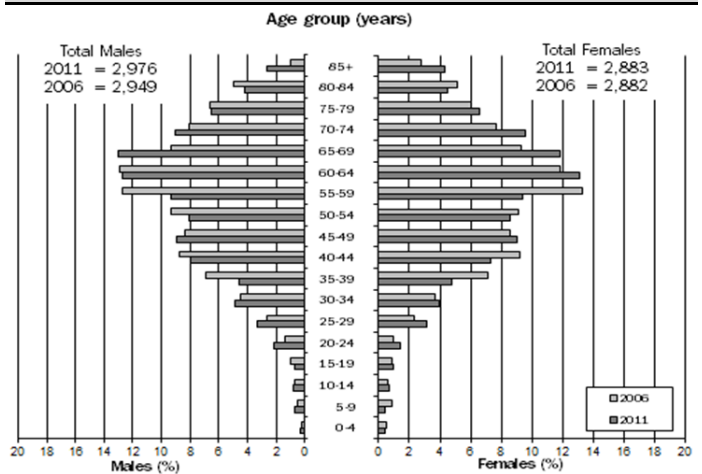
### Nthn Ireland-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	8	0.2	10	0.3	-20.0
5-11	25	0.7	26	0.8	-3.8
12-18	40	1.2	31	1.0	29.0
19-25	38	1.1	52	1.6	-26.9
26-44	517	14.9	646	20.0	-20.0
45-64	1,470	42.4	1,439	44.6	2.2
65-74	828	23.9	628	19.5	31.8
75+	543	15.7	396	12.3	37.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,469</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,228</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>7.5</b>

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](http://www.multicultural.vic.gov.au).

### Age and Gender Distribution of Northern Ireland-Born, 2011



### Proficiency in English of Northern Ireland-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	5,789	98.8	5,758	98.7	0.5
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	50	0.9	41	0.7	22.0
Well	6	0.1	3	0.1	100.0
Not well	-	-	-	-	-
Not at all	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated <sup>(a)</sup>	14	0.2	29	0.5	-51.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,859</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,831</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>

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

### Total Personal Income (Weekly), Northern Ireland-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) <sup>(a)</sup>	Northern Ireland-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	276	4.8	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	289	5.0	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	1,571	27.3	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	779	13.5	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	521	9.0	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	472	8.2	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	818	14.2	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	405	7.0	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	456	7.9	246,378	5.7
Not stated	172	3.0	334,647	7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,759</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,355,243</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> Applicable to persons aged 15 years and over.

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