

At the 2011 Census, there were 1,730 United Arab Emirates (UAE)-born persons in Victoria (35.3% of Australia's total), increasing by 74.4% (738) from 992 persons in 2006. The UAE-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with slight concentrations in the local government areas of Casey (12.6%); Monash (9.8%); and Melbourne (6.8%). Only 6.9% of the UAE-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 10.5% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 78.7% had arrived between 2000 and 2011.

The UAE-born community reflected a relatively young age profile: 54.3% were aged 18 years and below; 23.0% were aged 19-25 years; and 22.5% were aged 26-44 years. The median age was 17 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 117 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

Almost one-third (31.6%) of the UAE-born followed Islam; 28.9% were Western Catholic; 7.6% followed Hinduism; 5.7% had no religion. Over half (51.2%) spoke a language other than English. Over half (53.1%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Less than one-fifth (17.8%) of the UAE-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 25.9% received no income.

Demographic Background

Location	2011 Census		2006 Census		2001 Census		Change 2006-2011		Change 2001-2006	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	% change
Metropolitan Melbourne ^(a)	1,652	33.7	955	32.1	381	26.1	697	73.0	574	150.7
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	78	1.6	37	1.2	12	0.8	41	110.8	25	208.3
Total Victoria	1,730	35.3	992	33.3	393	26.9	738	74.4	599	152.4
Total Australia	4,903	100.0	2,976	100.0	1,459	100.0	1,927	64.8	1,517	104.0

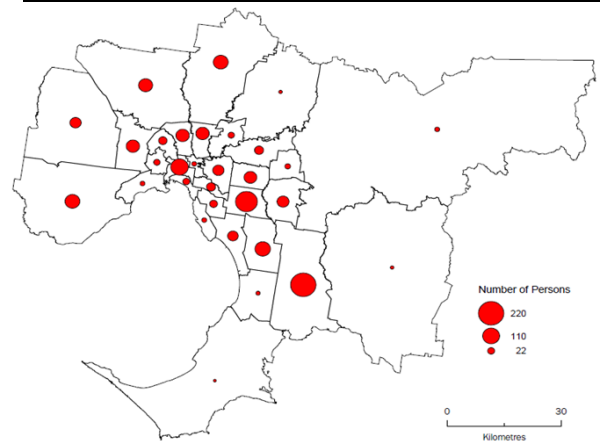
^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

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

Distribution of United Arab Emirates-born, Top 5 Local Government Areas: 2011, 2006

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Casey	218	12.6	105	10.6	3
Monash	169	9.8	106	10.7	2
Melbourne	118	6.8	107	10.8	1
Greater Dandenong	96	5.6	68	6.9	4
Wyndham	89	5.1	32	3.2	12
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	964	55.8	536	54.1	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	75	4.3	37	3.7	
Total Victoria	1,729	100.0	991	100.0	

Distribution of United Arab Emirates-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Year of Arrival of United Arab Emirates-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	United Arab Emirates-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	120	6.9	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	52	3.0	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	130	7.5	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	394	22.8	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	966	55.9	316,244	22.5
Not stated	66	3.8	60,867	4.3
Total	1,728	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 United Arab Emirates-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	169	9.8	128	12.9	32.0
5-11	463	26.8	220	22.2	110.5
12-18	305	17.7	186	18.7	64.0
19-25	398	23.0	334	33.6	19.2
26-44	389	22.5	122	12.3	218.9
45-54	-	-	-	-	-
55-64	4	0.2	3	0.3	33.3
65-74	-	-	-	-	-
75+	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1,728	100.0	993	100.0	74.0
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>119</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>17</i>		<i>18</i>		

Top 5 Religions of United Arab Emirates-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Islam	546	31.6	336	33.8	62.5
Western Catholic	499	28.9	297	29.9	68.0
Hinduism	132	7.6	88	8.9	50.0
Buddhism	73	4.2	38	3.8	92.1
Anglican Church	68	3.9	39	3.9	74.4
Other religions	278	16.1	125	12.6	122.4
No religion	98	5.7	36	3.6	172.2
Not stated ^(a)	35	2.0	35	3.5	0.0
Total	1,729	100.0	994	100.0	73.9

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

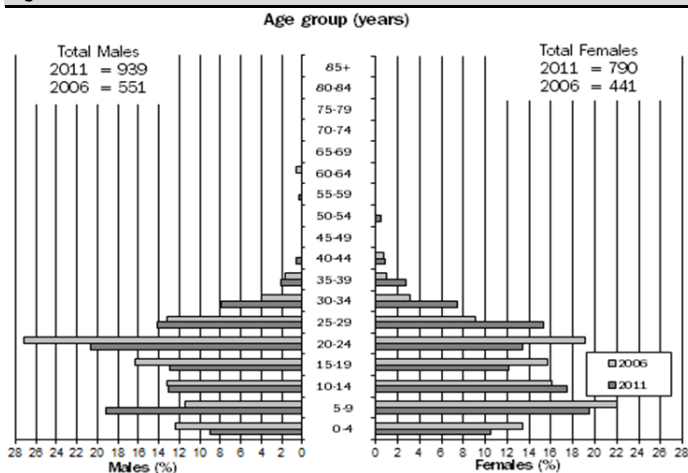
United Arab Emirates-born with Australian Citizenship by Age

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	76	8.3	37	8.9	105.4
5-11	246	26.8	99	23.7	148.5
12-18	220	23.9	108	25.8	103.7
19-25	140	15.2	122	29.2	14.8
26-44	233	25.4	52	12.4	348.1
45-64	4	0.4	-	-	-
65-74	-	-	-	-	-
75+	-	-	-	-	-
Total	919	100.0	418	100.0	119.9

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 United Arab Emirates-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of United Arab Emirates-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	828	47.9	433	43.7	91.2
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	625	36.1	342	34.5	82.7
Well	206	11.9	147	14.8	40.1
Not well	38	2.2	40	4.0	-5.0
Not at all	17	1.0	23	2.3	-26.1
Not stated ^(a)	15	0.9	6	0.6	150.0
Total	1,729	100.0	991	100.0	74.5

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

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

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	United Arab Emirates-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	249	25.9	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	88	9.1	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	84	8.7	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	77	8.0	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	112	11.6	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	92	9.6	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	145	15.1	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	45	4.7	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	29	3.0	246,378	5.7
Not stated	42	4.4	334,647	7.7
Total	963	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.