

At the 2011 Census, there were 1,119 South Sudan-born persons in Victoria (32.1% of Australia's total). This is the first census that South Sudan has been listed as a separate country, so there are no previous census data for comparison. The South Sudan-born were mainly distributed in the local government areas of Brimbank (17.7%); Greater Dandenong (13.3%); Casey (12.4%); Melton (10.3%); and Yarra (6.0%). Only 0.3% of the South Sudan-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 3.9% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 92.0% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The South Sudan-born community reflected a relatively young age profile: 28.7% were aged 18 years and below; 16.5% were aged 19-25 years; 43.3% were aged 26-44 years; 11.0% were aged 45-64 years; and 0.6% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 27 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 115 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

Almost half (47.2%) were Western Catholic; 24.5% were Anglican; 13.7% were Presbyterian; 1.0% had no religion. Most (94.7%) spoke a language other than English; 16.0% assessed themselves as speaking English not well or not at all. Almost three-quarters (71.1%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Over half (53.2%) of the South Sudan-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 11.1% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in South Sudan 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)	1,003	28.8	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	116	3.3	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-
Total Victoria	1,119	32.1	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-
Total Australia	3,485	100.0	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-	n.a	-

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

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

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Brimbank	198	17.7	n.a	-	
Greater Dandenong	149	13.3	n.a	-	
Casey	138	12.4	n.a	-	
Melton	115	10.3	n.a	-	
Yarra	67	6.0	n.a	-	
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	335	30.0	n.a	-	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	115	10.3	n.a	-	
Total Victoria	1,117	100.0	n.a	-	

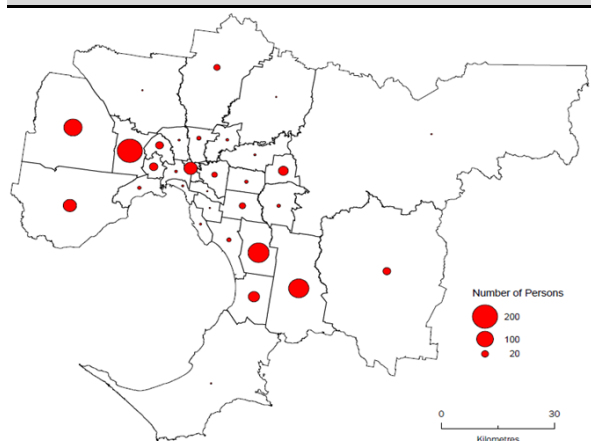
Year of Arrival of South Sudan-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	South Sudan-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	3	0.3	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	3	0.3	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	40	3.6	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	711	63.6	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	318	28.4	316,244	22.5
Not stated	43	3.8	60,867	4.3
Total	1,118	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 South Sudan-Born in Melbourne, 2011



n.a = Data for South Sudan not available prior to 2011.

Age Distribution of South Sudan-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	19	1.7	n.a	-	-
5-11	106	9.5	n.a	-	-
12-18	196	17.5	n.a	-	-
19-25	185	16.5	n.a	-	-
26-44	485	43.3	n.a	-	-
45-54	95	8.5	n.a	-	-
55-64	28	2.5	n.a	-	-
65-74	3	0.3	n.a	-	-
75+	3	0.3	n.a	-	-
Total	1,120	100.0	n.a	-	-
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>115</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>27</i>		<i>n.a</i>		

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

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	528	47.2	n.a	-	-
Anglican Church	274	24.5	n.a	-	-
Presbyterian	153	13.7	n.a	-	-
Uniting Church	29	2.6	n.a	-	-
Seventh-day Advent	27	2.4	n.a	-	-
Other religions	73	6.5	n.a	-	-
No religion	11	1.0	n.a	-	-
Not stated ^(a)	23	2.1	n.a	-	-
Total	1,118	100.0	n.a	-	-

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

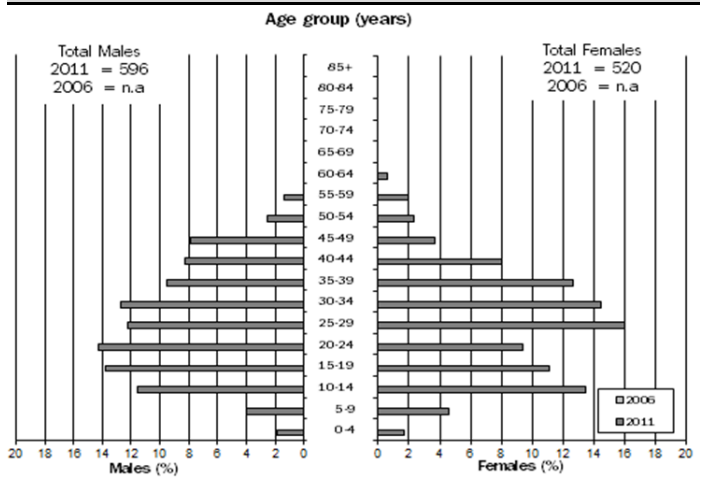
South Sudan-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	6	0.8	n.a	-	-
5-11	68	8.5	n.a	-	-
12-18	132	16.6	n.a	-	-
19-25	126	15.8	n.a	-	-
26-44	365	45.9	n.a	-	-
45-64	96	12.1	n.a	-	-
65-74	-	-	n.a	-	-
75+	3	0.4	n.a	-	-
Total	796	100.0	n.a	-	-

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 Sudan-Born, 2011



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

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	24	2.1	n.a	-	-
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	484	43.3	n.a	-	-
Well	395	35.4	n.a	-	-
Not well	146	13.1	n.a	-	-
Not at all	32	2.9	n.a	-	-
Not stated ^(a)	36	3.2	n.a	-	-
Total	1,117	100.0	n.a	-	-

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

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

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	South Sudan-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	101	11.1	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	229	25.1	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	257	28.1	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	87	9.5	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	89	9.7	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	24	2.6	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	32	3.5	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	3	0.3	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	8	0.9	246,378	5.7
Not stated	83	9.1	334,647	7.7
Total	913	100.0	4,355,243	100.0

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

n.a = Data for South Sudan not available prior to 2011.

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