

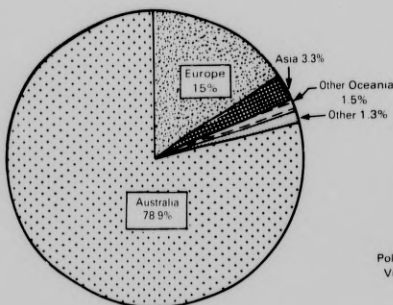


ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH AND SEX: AUSTRALIA, JUNE 1981 AND 1985

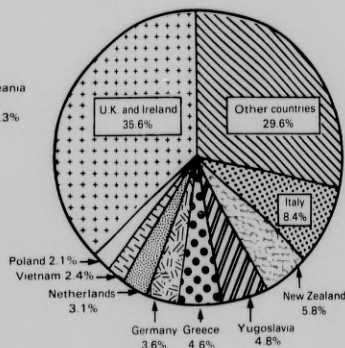
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POPULATION OF AUSTRALIA
BY BIRTHPLACE, 30 JUNE 1985



OVERSEAS-BORN POPULATION OF AUSTRALIA
BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH, 30 JUNE 1985



NOTE: Asia includes countries which are frequently regarded as 'Middle East' countries. For a full list of countries included in Asia, see Appendix to this publication.

At 30 June 1985, the estimated resident population of Australia of 15,751,500 comprised 12,421,900 Australian-born persons (78.9 per cent) and 3,329,600 overseas-born persons (21.1 per cent). The most common birthplace of overseas-born persons was the United Kingdom and Ireland, which accounted for 1,185,000 or 35.6 per cent of all overseas-born persons. The next most common birthplace was Italy with 279,900 persons or 8.4 per cent of the overseas-born. Other significant European countries of birth such as Yugoslavia, Greece and Germany each accounted for less than 5 per cent. Persons born in Asia (517,000) comprised 15.5 per cent of overseas-born persons. The major countries of birth of Asian-born persons were Vietnam (80,900), Lebanon (58,900) and India (48,900).

Between 30 June 1981 and 30 June 1985, the total population increased by 828,200, of which 26 per cent (218,700) was due to the increase in the overseas-born population. In terms of growth in this four year period, the total population grew by 5.6 per cent, the Australian-born population increased by 5.2 per cent, and the overseas-born population by 7.0 per cent. Significant increases occurred in the population born in the following countries: Vietnam increased by 86.2 per cent (37,400), Malaysia by 44.1 per cent (14,400), South Africa by 28.0 per cent (7,800), USA by 26.0 per cent (7,900), China by 24.9 per cent (6,700), Poland by 13.0 per cent (8,100), India by 11.9 per cent (5,200) and Lebanon by 11.7 per cent (6,200). The population born in the USSR decreased by 6.5 per cent (3,500) and Italy by 1.9 per cent (5,400) because of a larger number of deaths from a relatively aged population than the number gained through net migration. The net gain of the U.K. and Ireland-born population for the 1981-85 period reflected large gains in the years 1981-82 and 1982-83, compensated by losses in the years 1983-84 and 1984-85. The net losses of the U.K. and Ireland-born population in 1983-84 and 1984-85 were caused by reduced immigration from these countries rather than by an increase in their overseas departures or deaths. The increase in the Asian-born population, on the other hand, was contributed to by large gains through immigration.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains the estimated resident population of Australia classified by country of birth and sex at 30 June 1981 and 1985 (preliminary). It also provides, for countries of birth with at least 30,000 residents at 30 June 1985, the population size, annual percentage rates of growth, and the components of growth, viz., the number of deaths and net overseas migration for each financial year 1981 to 1985.

2. The estimated resident population is the official population estimates series compiled according to the place of usual residence of the population.

3. An explanation of the conceptual basis for population estimates is given in the ABS technical paper, *Methods and Procedures in the Compilation of Estimated Resident Population 1981 and in the Construction of the 1971-81 Time Series* (3103.0), issued on 11 March 1983. In this publication, compilation of the estimated resident population has been extended to classify the population by country of birth.

Method of estimation

4. For a description of the method used in estimating the resident population by country of birth as at 30 June of census years 1976 and 1981 and post-censal years 1982 and 1983, see a previous issue of this publication, *Estimated Resident Population by Country of Birth and Sex, Australia, June 1976, 1981, 1982, and 1983*, released on 12 April 1985.

5. The estimated resident overseas-born male and female populations as at 30 June 1985 were arrived at by adjusting 30 June 1984 estimates for migration and deaths, by country of birth and sex, which occurred in the financial year 1984-85. The births in Australia during the financial year were added to the Australian-born population.

6. Persons in migration and death statistics with country of birth not stated were distributed pro-rata between various countries of birth.

7. The grouping of countries into continents is based on 'United Nations' classification of world regions. Applying this classification, Asia includes countries which are frequently regarded as in the 'middle east'. The Appendix to this publication contains a detailed list of countries included in Asia.

Reliability of estimates

8. The estimated resident populations contained in this publication have been updated from estimates as at 30 June 1981 which are subject to sampling variability because the estimated rates of underenumeration were obtained from 1981 Census Post-enumeration Survey and the estimates of the number of residents temporarily overseas were obtained by sampling records of short-term

overseas arrivals. Estimates based on information obtained from a sample may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all units had been included. For a table showing standard errors of rates of underenumeration by sex for selected countries of birth, refer to the Appendix to a previous issue of this publication. Standard errors of estimates of short-term overseas arrivals, on which the numbers of residents temporarily overseas were based, are contained in Appendix B of *Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia* (3402.0).

9. In addition to sampling variability, the estimates may be affected by non-sampling errors, which may occur because of imperfections in census and migration data. Errors may also occur in the allocation to country of birth of those who did not state their country of birth.

Revisions

10. The estimates will be revised when the results of the 1986 Census are available.

Related publications

11. Other ABS publications which may be of interest to users of this publication include:

Births, Australia (3301.0)

Deaths, Australia (3302.0)

Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia (3404.0)

Estimated Resident Population by Sex and Age: States and Territories of Australia (3201.0)

Australian Demographic Statistics—issued quarterly (3101.0)

12. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- nil or rounded to zero
- p preliminary—figure subject to revision

13. The estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. The sums of components may not add to totals due to rounding.

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TABLE 1. ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH AND SEX, AUSTRALIA,
30 JUNE 1981 AND 30 JUNE 1985^a

Country of birth	30 June 1981			30 June 1985 <i>p</i>		
	Numbers ('000)			Numbers ('000)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Australia	5,831.4	5,980.9	11,812.3	6,134.6	6,287.2	12,421.9
Overseas						
Africa—						
Egypt	16.9	15.4	32.3	17.0	15.7	32.7
Mauritius	5.5	5.5	11.0	6.1	6.1	12.2
South Africa	13.8	14.2	28.0	17.9	18.0	35.8
Other	12.4	10.7	23.1	15.0	13.0	28.1
Total Africa	48.6	45.8	94.4	56.0	52.8	108.8
America—						
Argentina	4.3	4.2	8.5	4.9	4.7	9.6
Canada	8.8	8.5	17.3	9.8	9.6	19.4
Chile	7.4	7.3	14.6	8.8	8.8	17.6
Uruguay	4.9	4.9	9.7	5.2	5.2	10.4
USA	16.7	13.9	30.6	21.2	17.4	38.5
Other	7.3	7.5	14.9	8.9	9.2	18.1
Total America	49.3	46.3	95.6	58.8	54.8	113.6
Asia—						
Burma	3.7	4.0	7.7	3.8	4.1	7.9
China	13.4	13.5	26.8	16.4	17.1	33.5
Cyprus	12.7	12.0	24.7	13.1	12.5	25.6
Hong Kong	8.4	7.9	16.3	13.0	12.3	25.3
India	21.8	21.9	43.7	24.3	24.6	48.9
Indonesia	8.6	7.8	16.4	10.4	9.7	20.1
Israel	3.4	3.0	6.4	3.8	3.3	7.1
Japan	3.1	4.1	7.3	5.0	4.7	9.7
Kampuchea	1.9	1.8	3.7	6.4	6.3	12.8
Korea	2.2	2.2	4.4	3.2	3.8	7.0
Laos	2.9	2.8	5.6	3.6	3.5	7.1
Lebanon	28.3	24.4	52.7	31.2	27.7	58.9
Malaysia	16.4	16.2	32.5	23.5	23.4	46.9
Philippines	5.4	10.3	15.8	8.6	18.7	27.3
Singapore	5.9	6.5	12.4	7.6	8.3	16.0
Sri Lanka	8.9	9.0	17.9	11.0	11.2	22.2
Turkey	13.5	12.2	25.7	14.3	13.3	27.6
Vietnam	23.5	19.9	43.4	45.3	35.6	80.9
Other	11.0	11.1	22.1	16.4	16.0	32.4
Total Asia	195.1	190.5	385.6	261.0	256.0	517.0
Europe—						
Austria	13.0	10.9	23.9	12.7	10.8	23.5
Czechoslovakia	10.0	6.8	16.9	10.9	7.8	18.7
Finland	5.1	4.8	9.9	5.0	4.9	9.9
France	6.9	6.8	13.7	8.0	7.5	15.5
Germany	58.3	56.9	115.2	61.3	59.9	121.1
Greece	78.4	74.8	153.2	78.8	75.5	154.3
Hungary	16.6	12.7	29.3	16.4	12.8	29.2
Italy	155.0	130.2	285.3	151.4	128.4	279.9
Malta	32.3	27.6	59.9	32.2	27.9	60.1
Netherlands	54.1	46.5	100.5	54.6	47.6	102.2
Poland	34.6	27.5	62.1	37.9	32.3	70.2
Portugal	6.5	5.8	12.3	8.4	7.5	15.8
Spain	8.7	7.1	15.8	9.6	8.0	17.6
UK and Ireland	599.8	575.9	1,175.7	602.9	582.1	1,185.0
USSR	26.9	26.4	53.3	24.7	25.1	49.8
Yugoslavia	85.9	70.3	156.1	86.6	72.1	158.7
Other	22.3	16.2	38.5	25.0	18.6	43.6
Total Europe	1,214.5	1,107.1	2,321.6	1,226.4	1,128.8	2,355.2
Oceania(a)—						
Fiji	4.8	4.7	9.5	6.0	6.1	12.1
New Zealand	90.5	85.2	175.7	98.9	92.6	191.5
Papua New Guinea	9.5	9.7	19.2	10.2	10.6	20.8
Other	4.5	4.8	9.3	5.0	5.5	10.5
Total Oceania	109.3	104.4	213.7	120.1	114.8	234.9
Total Overseas	1,616.9	1,494.1	3,110.9	1,722.4	1,607.3	3,329.6
Total	7,448.3	7,475.0	14,923.3	7,857.0	7,894.5	15,751.5

(a) Excluding Australian-born.

TABLE 2. ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND PERCENTAGE RATE OF POPULATION CHANGE BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH(a), AUSTRALIA, 30 JUNE 1981 TO 30 JUNE 1985^p

Country of birth	('000 persons)					Percentage rate of change			
	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985 p	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85 p
Australia	11,812.3	11,970.1	12,119.2	12,271.4	12,421.9	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2
Overseas									
Africa—									
Egypt	32.3	32.3	32.4	32.5	32.7	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.5
South Africa	28.0	31.1	33.5	34.6	35.8	11.2	7.6	3.5	3.4
Other	34.1	36.0	37.5	39.1	40.3	5.6	4.2	4.1	3.1
Total Africa	94.4	99.5	103.4	106.2	108.8	5.4	3.9	2.7	2.4
America—									
USA	30.6	33.3	35.5	37.1	38.5	8.9	6.5	4.4	4.0
Other	65.0	67.4	69.4	71.1	75.1	3.7	2.9	2.5	5.6
Total America	95.6	100.7	104.8	108.2	113.6	5.3	4.1	3.2	5.1
Asia—									
China	26.8	28.1	29.1	30.6	33.5	4.9	3.5	5.1	9.4
India	43.7	45.0	46.3	47.4	48.9	2.9	3.0	2.4	3.2
Lebanon	52.7	53.9	54.6	56.3	58.9	2.2	1.4	3.0	4.6
Malaysia	32.5	36.4	40.5	43.7	46.9	12.0	11.2	7.8	7.4
Vietnam	43.4	54.5	63.1	72.5	80.9	25.4	15.8	14.9	11.6
Other	186.4	202.6	216.9	231.0	248.0	8.7	7.0	6.5	7.4
Total Asia	385.6	420.5	450.5	481.4	517.0	9.0	7.1	6.9	7.4
Europe—									
Germany	115.2	117.8	120.8	121.1	121.1	2.3	2.5	0.3	0.0
Greece	153.2	154.3	154.1	154.1	154.3	0.7	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Italy	285.3	284.9	283.2	281.5	279.9	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
Malta	59.9	60.5	60.3	60.2	60.1	1.0	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1
Netherlands	100.5	102.5	103.3	102.7	102.2	2.0	0.8	-0.6	-0.4
Poland	62.1	66.9	69.8	70.1	70.2	7.7	4.3	0.4	0.2
UK and Ireland	1,175.7	1,199.1	1,203.2	1,192.8	1,185.0	2.0	0.3	-0.9	-0.6
USSR	53.3	52.7	51.8	50.9	49.8	-1.1	-1.8	-1.7	-2.1
Yugoslavia	156.1	157.3	157.6	158.0	158.7	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.5
Other	160.3	165.9	170.3	171.8	173.8	3.5	2.7	0.8	1.2
Total Europe	2,321.6	2,361.8	2,374.4	2,363.1	2,355.2	1.7	0.5	-0.5	-0.3
Oceania(b)—									
New Zealand	175.7	185.8	185.0	183.4	191.5	5.7	-0.4	-0.8	4.4
Other	38.0	40.1	41.2	42.2	43.4	5.5	2.9	2.3	3.0
Total Oceania	213.7	225.8	226.2	225.6	234.9	5.7	0.2	-0.3	4.1
Total Overseas	3,110.9	3,208.3	3,259.4	3,284.5	3,329.6	3.1	1.6	0.8	1.4
Total	14,923.3	15,178.4	15,378.6	15,555.9	15,751.5	1.7	1.3	1.2	1.3

(a) Countries of birth with 30,000 or more Australian residents as at 30 June 1985. (b) Excluding Australian-born.

TABLE 3. COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH(a), AUSTRALIA, 30 JUNE 1981 TO 30 JUNE 1985 p

Country of birth of overseas-born	(' 000 persons)											
	1981-82			1982-83			1983-84			1984-85 p		
	Net overseas		Net Deaths migration change(b)	Net overseas		Net Deaths migration change(b)	Net overseas		Net Deaths migration change(b)	Net overseas		Net Deaths migration change
	Deaths	migration		Deaths	migration		Deaths	migration		Deaths	migration	
Africa—												
Egypt	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2
South Africa	0.2	3.3	3.1	0.2	2.6	2.4	0.2	1.4	1.2	0.2	1.4	1.2
Other	0.1	2.0	1.9	0.1	1.6	1.5	0.1	1.6	1.5	0.1	1.3	1.2
Total Africa	0.6	5.6	5.1	0.5	4.5	3.9	0.5	3.3	2.8	0.6	3.2	2.6
America—												
USA	0.2	2.9	2.7	0.2	2.3	2.2	0.2	1.8	1.6	0.2	1.7	1.5
Other	0.2	2.5	2.4	0.2	2.2	1.9	0.2	2.0	1.8	0.2	4.2	4.0
Total America	0.3	5.4	5.1	0.4	4.5	4.1	0.4	3.7	3.3	0.4	5.8	5.5
Asia—												
China	0.2	1.5	1.3	0.2	1.3	1.0	0.3	1.7	1.5	0.3	3.2	2.9
India	0.4	1.6	1.3	0.3	1.7	1.3	0.4	1.5	1.1	0.4	1.9	1.5
Lebanon	0.1	1.3	1.2	0.1	0.9	0.7	0.1	1.8	1.7	0.1	2.7	2.6
Malaysia	0.1	3.9	3.9	0.1	4.2	4.1	0.1	3.2	3.1	0.1	3.3	3.2
Vietnam	0.0	11.1	11.0	0.1	8.7	8.6	0.1	9.5	9.4	0.1	8.5	8.4
Other	0.7	16.8	16.2	0.7	15.0	14.3	0.7	14.8	14.1	0.8	17.8	17.0
Total Asia	1.5	36.2	34.8	1.5	31.6	30.0	1.6	32.5	30.9	1.7	37.4	35.6
Europe—												
Germany	0.8	3.3	2.6	0.8	3.8	3.0	0.8	1.1	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.0
Greece	0.7	1.7	1.1	0.7	0.6	-0.2	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.8	0.9	0.2
Italy	1.9	1.4	-0.4	2.0	0.4	-1.7	2.1	0.3	-1.8	2.3	0.7	-1.6
Malta	0.3	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.3	-0.1
Netherlands	0.6	2.6	2.0	0.6	1.5	0.8	0.7	0.1	-0.6	0.8	0.3	-0.5
Poland	1.0	5.8	4.8	1.1	4.0	2.9	1.1	1.4	0.3	1.1	1.2	0.1
UK and Ireland	14.2	37.2	23.4	14.6	19.0	4.1	14.2	3.8	-10.4	14.7	7.0	-7.7
USSR	1.0	0.4	-0.6	1.1	0.2	-0.9	1.1	0.2	-0.9	1.1	0.1	-1.0
Yugoslavia	0.8	1.8	1.1	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.3	0.8	1.6	0.8
Other	1.4	6.9	5.6	1.3	5.9	4.5	1.3	2.8	1.4	1.3	3.3	2.0
Total Europe	22.7	62.0	40.2	23.5	36.7	12.6	23.1	11.6	-11.4	24.1	16.3	-7.8
Oceania—												
New Zealand	0.9	10.9	10.0	0.9	0.2	-0.8	0.9	-0.6	-1.5	0.9	8.9	8.0
Other	0.2	2.3	2.1	0.2	1.3	1.2	0.2	1.1	0.9	0.2	1.5	1.3
Total Oceania	1.1	13.2	12.1	1.1	1.5	0.4	1.1	0.5	-0.6	1.1	10.4	9.3
Total	26.2	122.4	97.4	26.9	78.9	51.1	26.8	51.7	25.1	27.9	73.1	45.2

(a) Countries of birth with 30,000 or more Australian residents as at 30 June 1985. (b) Includes an adjustment for category jumping.

APPENDIX

COUNTRIES INCLUDED IN ASIA

(Source: Based on United Nations Demographic Year Book, 1983, p. 42-43)

Afghanistan
 Bahrain
 Bangladesh
 Bhutan
 Brunei
 Burma
 China
 Taiwan Province
 Cyprus
 East Timor
 Hong Kong
 India
 Indonesia
 Iran
 Iraq
 Israel
 Japan
 Jordan
 Kampuchea
 Korea, Democratic People's Republic of
 Korea, Republic of
 Kuwait

Laos
 Lebanon
 Macau
 Malaysia
 Maldives
 Mongolia
 Nepal
 Oman
 Pakistan
 Philippines
 Qatar
 Saudi Arabia
 Singapore
 Sri Lanka
 Syria
 Thailand
 Turkey
 United Arab Emirates
 Vietnam
 Yemen, Arab Republic of
 Yemen, Democratic Republic of