

The Canada-Born Community in Victoria – 2016 Census (ranked 39)

Demographic characteristics

At the 2016 Census, there were 8,967 Canada-born persons in Victoria (20.8% of Australia’s total), ranked 39th among the overseas-born communities in Victoria. The Canada-born increased by 15.3% (1,192) from 7,775 persons in 2011. They are well distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with minor concentrations in the LGAs of Melbourne (5.7%), Port Phillip (5.2%), Boroondara (4.5%), Yarra (4.5%) and Bayside (4.2%). A significant proportion (17.2%) live in regional Victoria.

The Canada-born reflected a balanced age profile: 19.9% were aged 25 years and below; 43.8% were aged 26-44 years; 27.9% were aged 45-64 years; and 8.3% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 38 years, compared to 37 years for total Victoria. The gender ratio was 83 males to 100 females, compared to 96 males to 100 females for Victoria.

There were 7,181 persons identified with Canadian ancestry. Most of them were born in Australia (56.0%) and Canada (35.3%), with small numbers born in England, New Zealand and USA. Over a third (36.5%) of the Canada-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1996; 8.7% arrived in 1996-2000; 10.3% arrived in 2001-2005; 14.4% arrived in 2006- 2010; and 27.0% arrived in 2011-2016.

Most (85.7%) of the Canada-born population speak English only; 5.6% speak French. Nearly half (48.3%) of the Canada-born have no religion; 17.4% are Catholic and 6.8% are Anglican. Over half of the Canada-born (53.2%) have Australian citizenship, compared to 58.3% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria.

(See p.3 on economic characteristics).

Canada-born in Victoria and Australia: 2016, 2011 and 2006 Census

Location	2016 Census		2011 Census		2006 Census		Change 2011-2016		Change 2006-2011	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	% change
Metro Melbourne ^(a)	7,519	17.5	6,493	16.7	5,201	16.5	1,026	15.8	1,292	24.8
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	1,449	3.4	1,273	3.3	1,013	3.2	176	13.8	260	25.7
Total Victoria	8,967	20.8	7,775	20.0	6,213	19.7	1,192	15.3	1,562	25.1
Total Australia	43,053	100.0	38,871	100.0	31,614	100.0	4,182	10.8	7,257	23.0

^(a) Metro Melbourne is equivalent to ABS's Greater Capital Statistical Area.

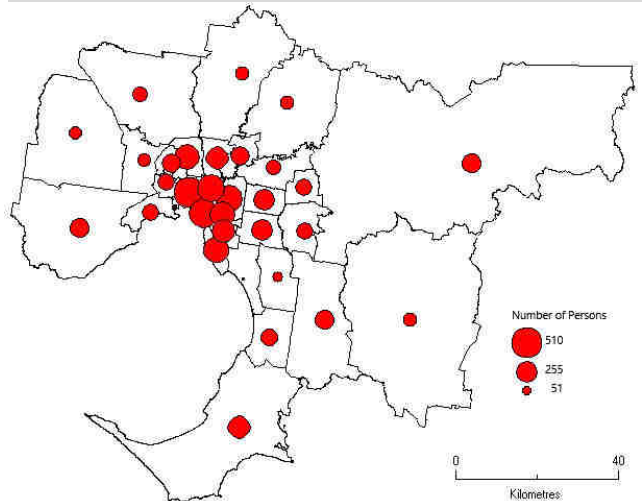
^(b) Includes "No Usual Address, Victoria" and "Offshore Areas and Migratory, Victoria".

Distribution of Canada-born, Top 5 LGAs: 2016 Census

Local Government Area (LGA)	2016 Census		2011 Census		Rank in 2011
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Melbourne (C)	509	5.7	393	5.1	3
Port Phillip (C)	465	5.2	395	5.1	1
Boroondara (C)	404	4.5	394	5.1	2
Yarra (C)	404	4.5	291	3.7	5
Bayside (C)	379	4.2	316	4.1	4
Rest of Melbourne	5,292	59.0	4,633	59.6	-
Rest of Reg Vic ^(a)	1,544	17.2	1,338	17.2	-
Total Victoria	8,967	100.0	7,775	100.0	-

^(a) Includes "Unincorporated Vic" and "No Usual Address Vic".

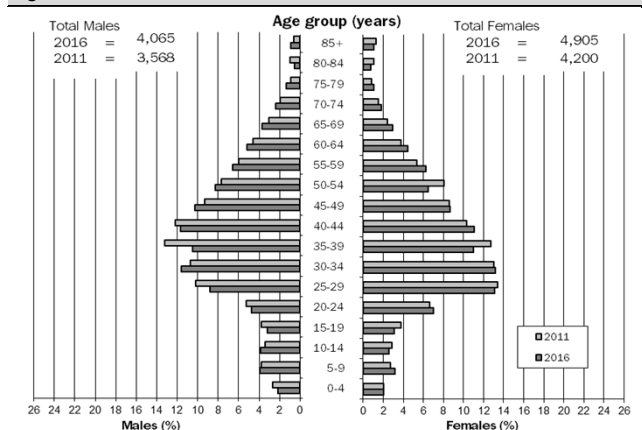
Distribution of Canada-born in Metro Melbourne, 2016



Age Distribution of Canada-born: 2016, 2011 Census

Age group (years)	2016 Census		2011 Census		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	185	2.1	177	2.3	4.5
5-11	441	4.9	352	4.5	25.3
12-18	383	4.3	369	4.7	3.8
19-25	775	8.6	668	8.6	16.0
26-44	3,931	43.8	3,580	46.0	9.8
45-54	1,499	16.7	1,296	16.7	15.7
55-64	1,004	11.2	760	9.8	32.1
65-74	487	5.4	338	4.3	44.1
75+	259	2.9	222	2.9	16.7
Total Victoria	8,967	100.0	7,775	100.0	15.3
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>38</i>		<i>37</i>		
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>83</i>		<i>85 males per 100 females</i>		

Age and Gender Distribution of Canada-born, Victoria, 2016



Top 5 Countries of Birth of Persons with Canadian Ancestry: 2016, 2011

Country of birth	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Canada	2,534	35.3	2,627	38.6	-3.5
England	138	1.9	148	2.2	-6.8
New Zealand	106	1.5	88	1.3	20.5
United States of Ameri	89	1.2	89	1.3	0.0
Scotland	24	0.3	29	0.4	-17.2
Australia	4,023	56.0	3,577	52.6	12.5
Other ^(a)	237	3.3	247	3.6	-4.0
Total responses^(b)	7,181	100.0	6,805	100.0	5.5

^(a) Includes all other countries, and birthplace not stated.

^(b) Respondents have option of nominating several ancestries; only the 1st two responses were coded. This is the total of both 1st & 2nd responses.

This table is based on the ancestry most related to Canada-born persons.

Top 5 Languages Spoken at Home, Canada-born: 2016, 2011

Language other than English	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
French	503	5.6	365	4.7	37.8
Cantonese	95	1.1	80	1.0	18.8
Mandarin	65	0.7	37	0.5	75.7
Italian	55	0.6	55	0.7	-
Greek	46	0.5	46	0.6	-
Other languages ^(a)	447	5.0	378	4.9	18.3
English only	7,681	85.7	6,780	87.2	13.3
Not stated	45	0.5	34	0.4	32.4
Total Victoria	8,967	100.0	7,775	100.0	15.3

^(a) Includes "Inadequately described" and "Non-verbal, so described".

Top 5 Religious affiliation, Canada-born: 2016, 2011

Religious affiliation ^(a)	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Catholic	1,562	17.4	1,565	20.1	-0.2
Anglican	614	6.8	744	9.6	-17.5
Uniting Church	328	3.7	461	5.9	-28.9
Christian, nfd	254	2.8	202	2.6	25.7
Judaism	181	2.0	160	2.1	13.1
Other religions	1,250	13.9	1,354	17.4	-7.7
No religion ^(b)	4,333	48.3	2,881	37.1	50.4
Not stated	437	4.9	408	5.2	7.1
Total Victoria	8,967	100.0	7,775	100.0	15.3

^(a) Religion based on 3 digit level of classification.

^(b) No Religion, so described.

Year of Arrival of Canada-born: 2016

Year of arrival ^(a)	Canada-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(c)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1996	3,271	36.5	716,865	42.7
1996 - 2000	779	8.7	104,975	6.2
2001 - 2005	927	10.3	149,043	8.9
2006 - 2010	1,293	14.4	269,729	16.1
2011 - 2016 ^(b)	2,417	27.0	381,130	22.7
Not stated	274	3.1	58,517	3.5
Total Victoria	8,967	100.0	1,680,256	100.0

^(a) Records the year of arrival in Australia for people born overseas

who intend staying in Australia for at least one year.

^(b) Arrivals up to 9 Aug 2016.

^(c) OSB stands for Overseas-born.

Proficiency in English of Canada-born: 2016, 2011

Proficiency in English	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	7,681	85.7	6,780	87.2	13.3
<i>Speaks other languages and speaks English</i>					
Very well	1,130	12.6	857	11.0	31.9
Well	89	1.0	73	0.9	21.9
Not well	21	0.2	22	0.3	-4.5
Not at all	9	0.1	5	0.1	80.0
Not stated ^(a)	37	0.4	28	0.4	32.1
Total Victoria	8,967	100.0	7,775	100.0	15.3

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

Canada-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2016, 2011

Age group (years)	2016		2011		2011-16 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	123	2.6	93	2.2	32.3
5-11	270	5.7	204	4.9	32.4
12-18	251	5.3	268	6.4	-6.3
19-25	334	7.0	282	6.7	18.4
26-44	1,635	34.3	1,633	39.0	0.1
45-64	1,623	34.0	1,297	31.0	25.1
65-74	356	7.5	254	6.1	40.2
75+	181	3.8	151	3.6	19.9
Total	4,771	100.0	4,186	100.0	14.0

% of Canada-born with Australian citizenship, 2016: 53.2%

% of Overseas-born with Australian Citizenship, 2016: 58.3%

Economic characteristics

The educational levels of the Canada-born are higher than for total Victoria: 33.3% have a bachelor degree and 15.0% have a postgraduate degree, compared to 16.5% and 5.4% for Victoria. Less than a quarter (23.2%) of the Canada-born have school education only (38.7% for total Victoria).

The labour force participation rate of the Canada-born at 78.0% is higher than total Victoria at 60.5%. Their unemployment rate at 5.0% is lower than total Victoria at 6.6%.

The occupational patterns of the Canada-born are fairly different from those for total Victoria: 41.6% work as professionals and 16.4% are managers, compared to 23.3% and 13.5% for Victoria. Less of the Canada-born are technicians and trade workers (7.6%) and labourers (3.4%), compared to Victoria (13.1% and 9.0%).

The industry of employment patterns of the Canada-born are also different from total Victoria. They are mainly employed in professional, scientific, technical and administration (16.2%), education and training (16.9%) and healthcare and social assistance (14.3%), compared to 11.4%, 8.6% and 12.5% for Victoria. Less of them are employed in wholesale and retail trade (9.4%) and transport, postal and warehousing (2.4%), compared to 13.4% and 4.8% for Victoria.

The Canada-born receive higher levels of weekly personal income compared to total Victoria: 12.8% receive \$1-\$399 and 18.1% receive \$400-\$799 (20.1% and 23.1% for Victoria). More than half (58.1%) receive \$800 or more, compared to 37.8% for Victoria.

Highest level of educational attainment, Canada-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Highest level of educational attainment ^(a)	Canada-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change
Postgraduate Degree	1,229	15.0	905	12.8	324	35.8	260,039	5.4	170,382	3.9	89,657	52.6
Grad Dip & Grad Cert	332	4.1	292	4.1	40	13.7	119,226	2.5	95,352	2.2	23,874	25.0
Bachelor Degree	2,724	33.3	2,231	31.4	493	22.1	798,270	16.5	641,219	14.7	157,051	24.5
Advanced Dip & Diploma	934	11.4	821	11.6	113	13.8	447,023	9.2	364,758	8.4	82,265	22.6
Certificate	656	8.0	544	7.7	112	20.6	698,036	14.4	614,689	14.1	83,347	13.6
School Education only ^(b)	1,900	23.2	1,853	26.1	47	2.5	1,877,183	38.7	1,876,620	43.1	563	0.0
No Educ Attainment ^(c)	4	0.0	9	0.1	-5	-55.6	48,920	1.0	41,809	1.0	7,111	17.0
Not stated etc ^(d)	398	4.9	448	6.3	-50	-11.2	597,010	12.3	550,419	12.6	46,591	8.5
Victoria	8,183	100.0	7,096	100.0	1,087	15.3	4,845,710	100.0	4,355,243	100.0	490,467	11.3

^(a)This variable is applicable to persons aged 15 years and over.

^(b)Includes persons who completed school to between Year 8 or below, and Year 12 level.

^(c)Includes persons whose qualification is out of scope of this variable.

^(d)Includes "Inadequately described".

Labour force participation, Canada-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Labour force participation ^(a)	Canada-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change
<i>In the labour force</i>	6,377	71.1	5,465	70.3	912	16.7	2,929,590	49.4	2,675,478	50.0	254,112	9.5
Employed	6,061	67.6	5,224	67.2	837	16.0	2,736,125	46.2	2,530,635	47.3	205,490	8.1
Unemployed	316	3.5	241	3.1	75	31.1	193,465	3.3	144,843	2.7	48,622	33.6
<i>Not in the labour force</i>	1,762	19.6	1,579	20.3	183	11.6	1,610,130	27.2	1,451,593	27.1	158,537	10.9
<i>Not stated</i>	46	0.5	52	0.7	-6	-11.5	305,978	5.2	228,176	4.3	77,802	34.1
<i>Not applicable</i> ^(b)	788	8.8	671	8.6	117	17.4	1,080,919	18.2	998,793	18.7	82,126	8.2
Victoria	8,967	100.0	7,775	100.0	1,192	15.3	5,926,624	100.0	5,354,039	100.0	572,585	10.7
<i>Participation rate</i> ^(c)	78.0%		76.9%				60.5%		61.4%			
<i>Unemployment rate</i> ^(d)	5.0%		4.4%				6.6%		5.4%			

^(a)This variable is applicable to persons 15 years and over.

^(b)Persons aged under 15 years.

^(c)The participation rate represents the labour force (total employed and unemployed who are actively looking for work) expressed as a % of the civilian population aged 15 years and over, in the same age group.

^(d)The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a % of the labour force.

Occupation, Canada-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Occupation ^(a)	Canada-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%
Managers	997	16.4	803	15.4	194	24.2	369,921	13.5	332,931	13.2	36,990	11.1
Professionals	2,522	41.6	2,097	40.1	425	20.3	636,220	23.3	564,779	22.3	71,441	12.6
Technicians and trades workers	458	7.6	403	7.7	55	13.6	358,749	13.1	350,757	13.9	7,992	2.3
Community&personal serv. wkrs	600	9.9	451	8.6	149	33.0	289,348	10.6	234,380	9.3	54,968	23.5
Clerical & administrative workers	694	11.5	683	13.1	11	1.6	363,216	13.3	364,497	14.4	-1,281	-0.4
Sales workers	362	6.0	395	7.6	-33	-8.4	265,142	9.7	245,335	9.7	19,807	8.1
Machinery operators & drivers	127	2.1	117	2.2	10	8.5	159,193	5.8	154,542	6.1	4,651	3.0
Labourers	209	3.4	193	3.7	16	8.3	247,428	9.0	227,184	9.0	20,244	8.9
Not stated ^(b)	89	1.5	90	1.7	-1	-1.1	46,924	1.7	56,224	2.2	-9,300	-16.5
Victoria	6,061	100.0	5,224	100.0	837	16.0	2,736,125	100.0	2,530,635	100.0	205,490	8.1

^(a)This variable is applicable to employed persons aged 15 years and over.

^(b)Includes "Inadequately described".

Industry of Employment, Canada-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Industry of employment ^(a)	Canada-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%
Agri, forestry, fishing & mining	94	1.6	79	1.5	15	19.0	70,052	2.6	66,176	2.6	3,876	5.9
Manufacturing	317	5.2	366	7.0	-49	-13.4	212,723	7.8	271,051	10.7	-58,328	-21.5
Electr, gas, water & waste	60	1.0	54	1.0	6	11.1	30,808	1.1	27,630	1.1	3,178	11.5
Construction	247	4.1	243	4.7	4	1.6	228,149	8.3	210,972	8.3	17,177	8.1
Wholesale & retail trade	567	9.4	598	11.4	-31	-5.2	367,953	13.4	387,813	15.3	-19,860	-5.1
Accommod & Food services	345	5.7	275	5.3	70	25.5	180,825	6.6	153,898	6.1	26,927	17.5
Transp, postal & warehousing	144	2.4	132	2.5	12	9.1	130,069	4.8	118,214	4.7	11,855	10.0
Information, Media & Telecomm	180	3.0	146	2.8	34	23.3	52,200	1.9	50,091	2.0	2,109	4.2
Finance & Insurance	278	4.6	270	5.2	8	3.0	106,669	3.9	104,701	4.1	1,968	1.9
Rental, Hiring & Real Estate	88	1.5	66	1.3	22	33.3	43,013	1.6	35,046	1.4	7,967	22.7
Prof, Scientific, Tech & Admin	980	16.2	849	16.3	131	15.4	310,711	11.4	279,422	11.0	31,289	11.2
Public Admin & Safety	321	5.3	301	5.8	20	6.6	144,321	5.3	134,949	5.3	9,372	6.9
Education & Training	1,023	16.9	830	15.9	193	23.3	236,276	8.6	202,317	8.0	33,959	16.8
Health Care & Soc Assistance	866	14.3	688	13.2	178	25.9	341,999	12.5	292,417	11.6	49,582	17.0
Arts, Recreation & Other serv	313	5.2	248	4.7	65	26.2	151,019	5.5	134,750	5.3	16,269	12.1
Inadeq Described/Not Stated	227	3.7	76	1.5	151	198.7	129,326	4.7	61,173	2.4	68,153	111.4
Victoria	6,061	100.0	5,224	100.0	837	16.0	2,736,125	100.0	2,530,635	100.0	205,490	8.1

^(a)This variable is applicable to employed persons aged 15 and over.

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Canada-born and Total Victoria: 2016, 2011

Total personal income, weekly ^(a)	Canada-born						Total Victoria					
	2016		2011		Change 2011-2016		2016		2011		Change 2011-2016	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative income	34	0.4	32	0.5	2	6.3	27,122	0.6	26,342	0.6	780	3.0
Nil income	703	8.6	592	8.3	111	18.8	467,934	9.7	351,430	8.1	116,504	33.2
\$1-399	1,049	12.8	1,247	17.6	-198	-15.9	975,345	20.1	1,224,693	28.1	-249,348	-20.4
\$400-\$799	1,481	18.1	1,294	18.2	187	14.5	1,118,244	23.1	964,124	22.1	154,120	16.0
\$800-\$1,249	1,554	19.0	1,469	20.7	85	5.8	811,256	16.7	715,662	16.4	95,594	13.4
\$1,250-\$1,999	1,808	22.1	1,417	20.0	391	27.6	658,020	13.6	491,972	11.3	166,048	33.8
\$2,000 or more	1,392	17.0	920	13.0	472	51.3	364,675	7.5	246,379	5.7	118,296	48.0
Not stated	159	1.9	129	1.8	30	23.3	423,108	8.7	334,649	7.7	88,459	26.4
Victoria	8,183	100.0	7,096	100.0	1,087	15.3	4,845,710	100.0	4,355,243	100.0	490,467	11.3

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

This fact sheet is available for free download at www.multicultural.vic.gov.au, which also contains the Community Profiles series for birthplace groups, with more detailed tables on a wider range of demographic and socio-economic data.

Source of data: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Census of Population and Housing, 2016, 2011, 2006*.