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Languages spoken by residents in the City of Monash¹.

- There is a total population of 156485 people living in the City of Monash. 62% (97712) of these speak English at home whilst 34% (52455) do not speak English at home.²
- One hundred and twenty one languages are spoken at home by people residing in Monash.
- The largest number of people speaking a language other than English speak Greek 11863, followed by Cantonese 6435, Italian 5512, Mandarin 5458, Vietnamese 1705, Sinhalese 1475, Tamil 1375, Polish 1120, Arabic 1016 and Indonesian 990.
- Within the largest 30 communities the oldest population in Monash is the German speaking population with 55% (533) of the community 60 years of age or more. Other communities with a 40% or more of their population aged 60 years plus are the Netherlandic speaking community with 51% (129) and Hungarian 42% (260). Across the English speaking population 22% (21722) are aged 60 years plus whilst across NESB communities 18% (9439) of the population is aged 60 years plus. The largest NESB population aged 60 years or over is the Greek community (2651) followed by the Italian community (2148).
- Within the largest 30 communities the youngest population in Monash is the Indonesian speaking community with 79% (787) of its population under 40 years of age. Other communities with 70% or more of their population under 40 years of age are, Korean 73% (460), Hindi 72% (665), Bengali 71% (259). Across the English speaking population 51% (50153) are aged under 40 years of age whilst across NESB communities 54% (28209) of the population is under 40 years of age. The largest NESB population under 40 years of age is the Greek community (6168) followed by the Cantonese community (3738).
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² A further 4% (6318) of responses were either not stated, non-verbal, auslan, and invented languages or not indicated.

Table 1 Top 30 languages spoken in the City of Monash

	Total	% of total NESB population	0-19yrs	% of 0-19 yrs as a % of total language population	20-39yrs	% of 20-39 yrs as a % of total language population	< 40 yrs	%of total < 40 yrs	40-59 yrs	% 40-59 yrs as a % of total language population	60+ yrs	% 60+ yrs as a % of total language population
English	97712		22888	23%	27265	28%	50153	51%	25837	26%	21722	22%
NESB	52455		10842	21%	17367	33%	28209	54%	14807	28%	9439	18%
Total	156485		36039	23%	46086	29%	82125	52%	41800	27%	32560	21%
Arabic	1016	2%	259	25%	305	30%	564	56%	316	31%	136	13%
Armenian	721	1%	141	20%	205	28%	346	48%	218	30%	157	22%
Bengali	366	1%	122	33%	137	37%	259	71%	104	28%	3	1%
Cantonese	6435	12%	1570	24%	2168	34%	3738	58%	2068	32%	629	10%
Chinese, nfd	404	1%	112	28%	117	29%	229	57%	138	34%	37	9%
Croatian	718	1%	109	15%	185	26%	294	41%	226	31%	198	28%
French	691	1%	68	10%	182	26%	250	36%	237	34%	204	30%
German	974	2%	71	7%	145	15%	216	22%	225	23%	533	55%
Greek	11863	23%	2019	17%	4149	35%	6168	52%	3044	26%	2651	22%
Hindi	919	2%	263	29%	402	44%	665	72%	205	22%	49	5%
Hokkien	416	1%	64	15%	129	31%	193	46%	189	45%	34	8%
Hungarian	612	1%	55	9%	103	17%	158	26%	194	32%	260	42%
Indonesian	990	2%	287	29%	500	51%	787	79%	161	16%	42	4%
Italian	5512	11%	520	9%	1449	26%	1969	36%	1395	25%	2148	39%
Japanese	413	1%	118	29%	168	41%	286	69%	106	26%	21	5%
Korean	631	1%	196	31%	264	42%	460	73%	135	21%	36	6%
Macedonian	254	0%	30	12%	84	33%	114	45%	78	31%	62	24%
Mandarin	5458	10%	1560	29%	1981	36%	3541	65%	1503	28%	414	8%
Netherlandic	251	0%	15	6%	43	17%	58	23%	64	25%	129	51%
Persian	550	1%	217	39%	166	30%	383	70%	136	25%	31	6%
Polish	1120	2%	212	19%	208	19%	420	38%	443	40%	257	23%
Russian	841	2%	221	26%	248	29%	469	56%	259	31%	113	13%
Serbian	434	1%	93	21%	113	26%	206	47%	145	33%	83	19%
Sinhalese	1475	3%	316	21%	612	41%	928	63%	461	31%	86	6%
Spanish	831	2%	174	21%	284	34%	458	55%	257	31%	116	14%
Tagalog	535	1%	105	20%	190	36%	295	55%	185	35%	55	10%
Tamil	1375	3%	366	27%	403	29%	769	56%	475	35%	131	10%
Telugu	266	1%	71	27%	106	40%	177	67%	70	26%	19	7%
Turkish	309	1%	73	24%	110	36%	183	59%	96	31%	30	10%
Vietnamese	1705	3%	494	29%	646	38%	1140	67%	446	26%	119	7%
Not stated etc	6318		2309	37%	1454	23%	3763	60%	1156	18%	1399	22%

Country of Birth of residents in the City of Monash³

- People from over 150 countries have settled in the City of Monash.
- The largest number of people born outside of Australia or England were born in the Greece 5322, followed by China 4615, Malaysia 3750, Italy 3562, Sri Lanka 3406 and India 3064.
- 41% (63773) of the total population were born outside of Australia and 38% (58832) of the total population was born outside of Australia and England.
- Within the 30 largest communities the oldest community in Monash is the Hungarian born community with 62% (270) of the population over 60 years of age. Other communities with more than 40% of its population aged 60 years or more are: Italian 58% (2060), German (48%) 551, Greek 43% (2315) and Netherlandic 43% (253). 18% (17026) of the Australian born population is aged 60 years or more. The largest number of people aged 60 years or over were born in Greece (2315) and Italy (2060).
- Within the 30 largest communities the youngest community in Monash is the Indonesian born community where 74% (810) of the population is aged under 40 years. Other communities with more than 60% of their population aged less than 40 years of age are: Sth Korean 70% (411), Taiwan 66% (370), Singapore 63% (474) and Hong Kong 62% (1319). 60% (56073) of the Australian born population is aged less than 40 years. The largest number of people aged under 40 years were born in China (2339) and Malaysia (1933).

³All figures are sourced from the ABS Census 2001

Table 2 Top 30 Country of Births in the City of Monash⁴

	0-19yrs	% of 0-19 yrs as a % of total COB population	20-39yrs	% of 20-39 yrs as a % of total COB population	<40 yrs	% of total < 40 yrs	40-59 yrs	% 40-59 yrs as a % of total COB population	60+ yrs	% 60+ yrs as a % of total COB population	Total
Australia	27550	30%	28523	31%	56073	60%	19608	21%	17026	18%	92707
China	718	16%	1621	35%	2339	51%	1570	34%	706	15%	4615
Croatia	26	5%	58	11%	84	15%	235	43%	226	41%	545
Cyprus	6	1%	64	15%	70	16%	225	51%	143	33%	438
Egypt	24	3%	78	9%	102	12%	386	46%	351	42%	839
England	292	6%	939	19%	1231	25%	1869	38%	1841	37%	4941
Germany	62	5%	135	12%	197	17%	400	35%	551	48%	1148
Greece	60	1%	523	10%	583	11%	2424	46%	2315	43%	5322
Hong Kong	464	22%	855	40%	1319	62%	698	33%	105	5%	2122
Hungary	0	0%	35	8%	35	8%	132	30%	270	62%	437
India	478	16%	1190	39%	1668	54%	992	32%	404	13%	3064
Indonesia	253	23%	557	51%	810	74%	202	19%	77	7%	1089
Ireland	29	7%	80	18%	109	25%	141	32%	189	43%	439
Italy	22	1%	186	5%	208	6%	1294	36%	2060	58%	3562
Malaysia	511	14%	1422	38%	1933	52%	1488	40%	329	9%	3750
Mauritius	41	7%	164	28%	205	35%	224	39%	150	26%	579
Netherlands	18	3%	58	10%	76	13%	254	44%	253	43%	583
New Zealand	461	22%	799	37%	1260	59%	681	32%	196	9%	2137
Philippines	139	20%	257	37%	396	56%	260	37%	46	7%	702
Poland	61	6%	191	19%	252	24%	428	41%	352	34%	1032
Scotland	27	3%	130	13%	157	16%	393	40%	434	44%	984
Singapore	153	20%	321	43%	474	63%	232	31%	49	6%	755
South Africa	182	21%	271	31%	453	52%	318	37%	97	11%	868
Sri Lanka	418	12%	1169	34%	1587	47%	1278	38%	541	16%	3406
Sth Korea	141	24%	270	46%	411	70%	141	24%	39	7%	591
Taiwan	142	25%	228	41%	370	66%	163	29%	24	4%	557
Turkey	19	4%	115	27%	134	32%	166	39%	124	29%	424
USA	109	27%	138	34%	247	62%	115	29%	39	10%	401
Vietnam	69	4%	847	50%	916	54%	662	39%	121	7%	1699
Yugoslavia FR	32	6%	82	15%	114	21%	235	43%	202	37%	551
Not stated etc	2381	31%	1953	26%	4334	57%	1679	22%	1570	21%	7583
Total	36067	23%	46047	29%	82114	52%	41744	27%	32622	21%	156480

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