



Selected 2011 Census data on cultural and linguistic diversity in WA

Roebourne Local Government Area

According to the 2011 Census, the Roebourne LGA has a total population of **22,900** people:

- 20.6% were born overseas
- 9.2% were born in a non-main English speaking (NMES) country
- 12.2% speak a language other than English at home.

Country of birth				
	2011		2006	
Australia-born	13,570	59.3%	11,732	71.4%
Overseas born	4,712	20.6%	2,370	14.4%
Birthplace not stated	4,618	20.1%	2,318	14.1%

Religion				
		2011	2006	
Religious affiliation (% of local population)	Christianity	57.4%	55.8%	
	No religion	27.2%	31.4%	
	Buddhism	1.9%	0.7%	
	Hinduism	0.8%	0.5%	
	Islam	0.7%	0.2%	

Calculated using the following ABS 2011 Census data sets: QuickStats, Expanded Community, Basic Community and Time Series profiles.

The ABS uses varying counting and calculation methods to produce census data. For consistency, this factsheet uses the total population figure as a fixed variable in all but the ancestry section.

Ancestry is calculated as:
 (Total – Not Stated = Fixed Figure).

Percentages are calculated by dividing each variable by the fixed figure, consistent with ABS methodology.

Language				
	2011		2006	
Language other than English spoken at home	2,797	12.2%	1,300	7.1%
Main languages spoken ¹	Mandarin	1.3%	Mandarin	2.5%
	Tagalog	0.9%	Filipino	1.0%
	Filipino	0.7%	Thai	0.4%
	Thai	0.4%	Tagalog	0.3%

Ancestry				
	2011		2006	
Both parents born overseas	5,410	43.2%	3,777	38.0%
Father only	1,276		1,247	
Mother only	1,047		975	

Top 5 countries of birth (% of local population)		Top 5 MES countries of birth		Top 5 NMES countries of birth	
		2011	2006	2011	2006
United Kingdom	6.4%	England	England	Philippines	Philippines
New Zealand	5.3%	New Zealand	New Zealand	China	India
Philippines	1.8%	South Africa	South Africa	India	Thailand
China	1.2%		Scotland	Thailand	Netherlands
South Africa	1.1%		Ireland	Malaysia	Macedonia

There may be some statistical variation in the top five languages and countries of birth as Census data sets only list the most common languages spoken at home and the top 50 countries of birth as reported in the 2006 Census.

¹ other than English and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages