

2006 Census QuickStats : Victoria 🛄 Quality Declaration

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PERSON CHARACTERISTICS (Place of usual residence)

PERSON CHARACTERISTICS () Selected Region % of total persons in Region



Total persons (excluding overseas visitors)	4,932,422	-	19,855,288	-
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Males	2,420,415	49.1%	9,799,252	49.4%
Females	2,512,007	50.9%	10,056,036	50.6%
Indigenous persons (comprises Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)	30,141	0.6%	455,031	2.3%

In the 2006 Census (held on 8th August 2006), there were 4,932,422 persons usually resident in Victoria: 49.1% were males and 50.9% were females. Of the total population in Victoria 0.6% were Indigenous persons, compared with 2.3% Indigenous persons in Australia.

AGE 🚺	Selected Region % of total persons in Region		Australia % of	total persons in Australia
Age groups:				
0-4 years	305,941	6.2%	1,260,405	6.3%
5-14 years	644,452	13.1%	2,676,807	13.5%
15-24 years	673,893	13.7%	2,704,276	13.6%
25-54 years	2,098,745	42.5%	8,376,751	42.2%
55-64 years	534,486	10.8%	2,192,675	11.0%
65 years and over	674,906	13.7%	2,644,374	13.3%
Median age of persons	37	-	37	-

In the 2006 Census 19.3% of the population usually resident in Victoria were children aged between 0-14 years, and 24.5% were persons aged 55 years and over. The median age of persons in Victoria was 37 years, compared with 37 years for persons in Australia. Back to top

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS	Selected Region % of	total persons in Region	Australia % of	total persons in Australia
Australian citizenship Persons born overseas Overseas visitors (excluded from all other classifications)	4,257,742 1,173,201 34,433	86.3% 23.8% 0.7%	17,095,569 4,416,037 206,358	86.1% 22.2% 1.0%

In the 2006 Census, 86.3% of persons usually resident in Victoria were Australian citizens, 23.8% were born overseas and 0.7% were overseas visitors.

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MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region % of total persons in Region		Australia % of total persons in Australia	
Australia	3,434,470	69.6%	14,072,944	70.9%
England	163,959	3.3%	856,939	4.3%
Italy	82,849	1.7%	199,121	1.0%
New Zealand	63,995	1.3%	389,463	2.0%
Viet Nam	58,878	1.2%	159,850	0.8%
China	56,561	1.1%	206,591	1.0%

In the 2006 Census, 69.6% of persons usually resident in Victoria stated they were born in Australia. Other common responses within Victoria were: England 3.3%, Italy 1.7%, New Zealand 1.3%, Viet Nam 1.2% and China 1.1%.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME 1 MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region % of total persons in Region		Australia % of total persons in Australia	
English only spoken at home	3,668,284	74.4%	15,581,333	78.5%
Italian	133,326	2.7%	316,890	1.6%
Greek	117,877	2.4%	252,220	1.3%
Vietnamese	72,163	1.5%	194,855	1.0%
Cantonese	66,853	1.4%	244,553	1.2%
Mandarin	64,377	1.3%	220,601	1.1%

In the 2006 Census, English was stated as the only language spoken at home by 74.4% of persons usually resident in Victoria. The most common languages other than English spoken at home were: Italian 2.7%, Greek 2.4%, Vietnamese 1.5%, Cantonese 1.4% and Mandarin 1.3%.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region % or	f total persons in Region	Australia % o	f total persons in Australia
Catholic	1,355,906	27.5%	5,126,882	25.8%
No Religion	1,007,411	20.4%	3,706,557	18.7%
Anglican	671,772	13.6%	3,718,248	18.7%
Uniting Church	274,056	5.6%	1,135,422	5.7%
Eastern Orthodox	224,038	4.5%	544,165	2.7%

In the 2006 Census, the most common responses for religious affiliation for persons usually resident in Victoria were Catholic 27.5%, No Religion 20.4%, Anglican 13.6%, Uniting Church 5.6% and Eastern Orthodox 4.5%.

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MARITAL STATUS (Population aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region% of persons aged 15 years and over in Region		Australia% of persons aged 15 years and over in Australia	
Married	1,991,757	50.0%	7,900,684	49.6%
Never married	1,331,297	33.4%	5,278,600	33.2%
Separated or divorced	418,759	10.5%	1,801,979	11.3%
Widowed	240,219	6.0%	936,813	5.9%

In the 2006 Census, 50.0% of persons aged 15 years and over usually resident in Victoria were married, 33.4% never married, 10.5% separated or divorced and 6.0% widowed.

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LABOUR FORCE (Population aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region t	% of persons in he labour force in Region	Australia t	% of persons in he labour force in Australia
Total labour force (includes employed and unemployed persons)	2,404,608	-	9,607,987	-
Employed full-time	1,445,456	60.1%	5,827,432	60.7%
Employed part-time	682,604	28.4%	2,685,193	27.9%
Employed away from work	82,497	3.4%	337,991	3.5%
Employed hours not stated	63,892	2.7%	253,567	2.6%
Unemployed Not in the labour force	130,159 1,330,368	5.4% -	503,804 5,271,116	5.2% -

During the week prior to the 2006 Census, 2,404,608 people aged 15 years and over who were usually resident in Victoria were in the labour force. Of these, 60.1% were employed full-time, 28.4% were employed part-time, 3.4% were employed but away from work, 2.7% were employed but did not state their hours worked and 5.4% were unemployed. There were 1,330,368 usual residents aged 15 years and over not in the labour force.

OCCUPATION (Employed persons aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Region	Australia	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Australia
Professionals	472,306	20.8%	1,806,010	19.8%
Clerical and	337,418	14.8%	1,365,805	15.0%
Administrative Workers				
Technicians and	319,191	14.0%	1,309,258	14.4%
Trades Workers				
Managers	306,324	13.5%	1,202,267	13.2%
Sales Workers	230,375	10.1%	896,208	9.8%
Labourers	224,543	9.9%	952,520	10.5%

Community and Personal Service	190,485	8.4%	801,906	8.8%
Workers Machinery Operators And Drivers	149,222	6.6%	604,616	6.6%

In the 2006 Census, the most common responses for occupation for employed persons usually resident in Victoria were Professionals 20.8%, Clerical and Administrative Workers 14.8%, Technicians and Trades Workers 14.0%, Managers 13.5% and Sales Workers 10.1%.

INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYMENT (Employed persons aged 15 years and over)				
MAIN RESPONSES IN SELECTED REGION	Selected Region	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Region	Australia	% of employed persons aged 15 years and over in Australia
School Education	99,965	4.4%	414,214	4.5%
Cafes, Restaurants and Takeaway Food Services	83,325	3.7%	328,521	3.6%
Hospitals	81,852	3.6%	303,923	3.3%
Supermarket and Grocery Stores	57,984	2.5%	218,821	2.4%
Legal and Accounting Services	48,219	2.1%	185,423	2.0%

In the 2006 Census, the most common industries of employment for persons aged 15 years and over usually resident in Victoria were School Education 4.4%, Cafes, Restaurants and Takeaway Food Services 3.7%, Hospitals 3.6%, Supermarket and Grocery Stores 2.5% and Legal and Accounting Services 2.1%.

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INCOME (Population aged 15 years and over)	Selected Region		Australia	
Median individual income (\$/weekly)	456	-	466	-
Median household income (\$/weekly)	1,022	-	1,027	-
Median family income (\$/weekly)	1,170	-	1,171	-

In Victoria, the median weekly individual income for persons aged 15 years and over who were usual residents was \$456, compared with \$466 in Australia. The median weekly household income was \$1,022, compared with \$1,027 in Australia. The median weekly

family income was \$1,170, compared with \$1,171 in Australia.

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FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS

FAMILY CHARACTERISTICS	Selected Region	% of total families in Region	Australia	% of total families in Australia
Total families	1,294,387	-	5,219,165	_
Couple families with children	606,516	46.9%	2,362,582	45.3%
Couple families without children	464,895	35.9%	1,943,643	37.2%
One parent families Other families	199,004 23,972	15.4% 1.9%	823,254 89,686	15.8% 1.7%

In the 2006 Census, there were 1,294,387 families in Victoria: 46.9% were couple families with children, 35.9% were couple families without children, 15.4% were one parent families and 1.9% were other families.

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DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS

DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS - PRIVATE DWELLINGS (Includes Visitor only and other not classifiable households)	Selected Region	% of total occupied private dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total occupied private dwellings in Australia
Total private dwellings (includes unoccupied private dwellings)	2,085,113	-	8,426,559	-
Occupied private dwellings:	1,869,384	-	7,596,183	-
Separate house Semi-detached, row	1,429,127 172,684	76.4% 9.2%	5,685,387 702,550	74.8% 9.2%
or terrace house, townhouse etc				
Flat, unit or apartment Other dwellings Not stated	251,246 15,892 435	13.4% 0.9% 0.0%	1,076,315 127,337 4,594	14.2% 1.7% 0.1%

In the 2006 Census there were 1,869,384 occupied private dwellings counted in Victoria: 76.4% were separate houses, 9.2% were semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses etc, 13.4% were flats, units or apartments and 0.9% were other dwellings.

DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS	Selected Region		Australia	
Median rent (\$/weekly)	185	-	190	-
Median housing loan repayment (\$/monthly)	1,252	-	1,300	-
Average household size	2.6	-	2.6	-
Average number of persons per bedroom	1.1	-	1.1	-

In Victoria, the median weekly rent was \$185, compared to \$190 in Australia. The median monthly housing loan repayment was \$1,252, compared to \$1,300 in Australia. The average household size was 2.6 and the average number of persons per bedroom was 1.1.

TENURE TYPE - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS	Selected Region	% of total occupied private dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total occupied private dwellings in Australia
Fully owned Being purchased (includes being purchased under rent/buy scheme)	648,924 634,800	34.7% 34.0%	2,478,264 2,448,205	32.6% 32.2%
Rented (includes rent-free)	447,074	23.9%	2,063,947	27.2%
Other tenure type Not stated	12,472 126,114	0.7% 6.7%	65,715 540,050	0.9% 7.1%

In Victoria, 34.7% of occupied private dwellings were fully owned, 34.0% were being purchased and 23.9% were rented.

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HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS	Selected Region	% of total occupied private dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total occupied private dwellings in Australia
Family household	1,273,494	68.1%	5,122,760	67.4%
Lone person household	436,458	23.3%	1,740,481	22.9%
Group household	71,710	3.8%	280,856	3.7%

In the 2006 Census in Victoria, 68.1% of occupied private dwellings were family households, 23.3% were lone person households and 3.8% were group households.

LANDLORD TYPE - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS BEING RENTED (including rent free accommodation)	Selected Region	% of total rented dwellings in Region	Australia	% of total rented dwellings in Australia
Real estate agent	255,124	57.1%	1,043,198	50.5%
State or Territory	54,972	12.3%	306,697	14.9%
housing authority				
Other landlord type	123,828	27.7%	652,012	31.6%
Landlord type not stated	13,150	2.9%	62,037	3.0%

In Victoria, of the occupied private dwellings being rented, 57.1% were rented from a real estate agent, 12.3% were rented from a State or Territory housing authority and 27.7% were rented from other landlord type. In comparison, in Australia 50.5% were rented from a real estate agent and 14.9% from a state or territory housing authority.

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