



# Cultural diversity in Fairfield City

# Cultural diversity



# Fairfield population



Fairfield is the 4<sup>th</sup> biggest LGA in NSW by population

▣ Population 2011	187,768
▣ Population estimate 2016	205,579
▣ Population forecast 2026	243,651

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011.

Source: .id Small Area Forecast information, 2016

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# Born overseas (NESB)



Proportion of residents born overseas in a non-English speaking country, 2011

▣ Australia	16.4%
▣ New South Wales	18.6%
▣ Greater Sydney	26.3%
▣ Fairfield	50.1% = 94,022 people

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011.  
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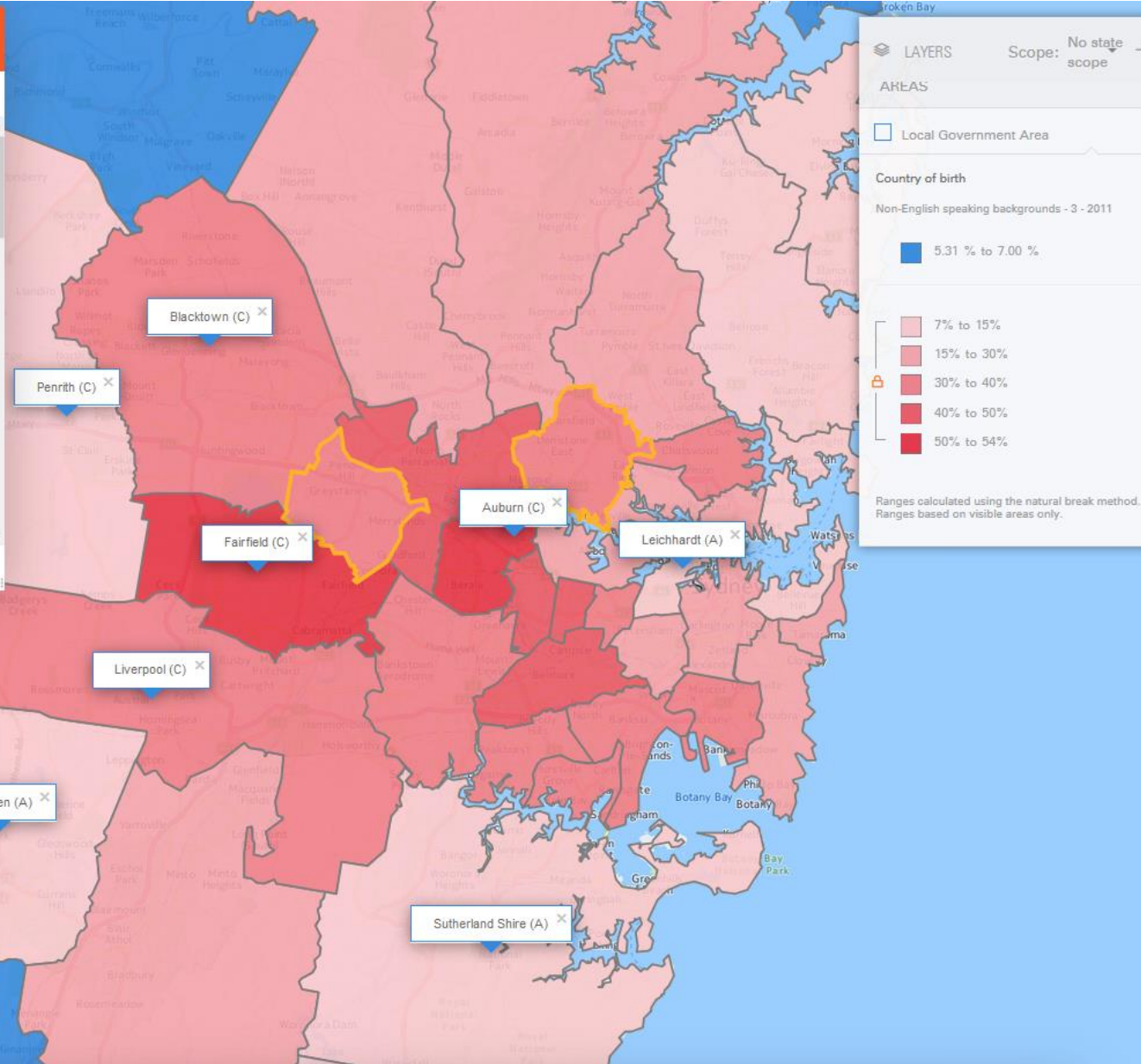
# Born overseas (NESB)

Non-English speaking backgrounds - 3 - 2011

Name	Number	Percentage
Auburn (C)	39,825	53.74
Fairfield (C)	93,801	50.09
Strathfield (A)	17,412	49.84
Burwood (A)	15,784	48.69
Canterbury (C)	61,710	45.04
Parramatta (C)	67,254	40.05
Holroyd (C)	38,620	39.16
Rockdale (C)	37,667	38.79
Ashfield (A)	15,642	38.06
Huratville (C)	29,311	37.44
Kogarah (C)	20,620	36.75
Ryde (C)	37,591	36.46

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

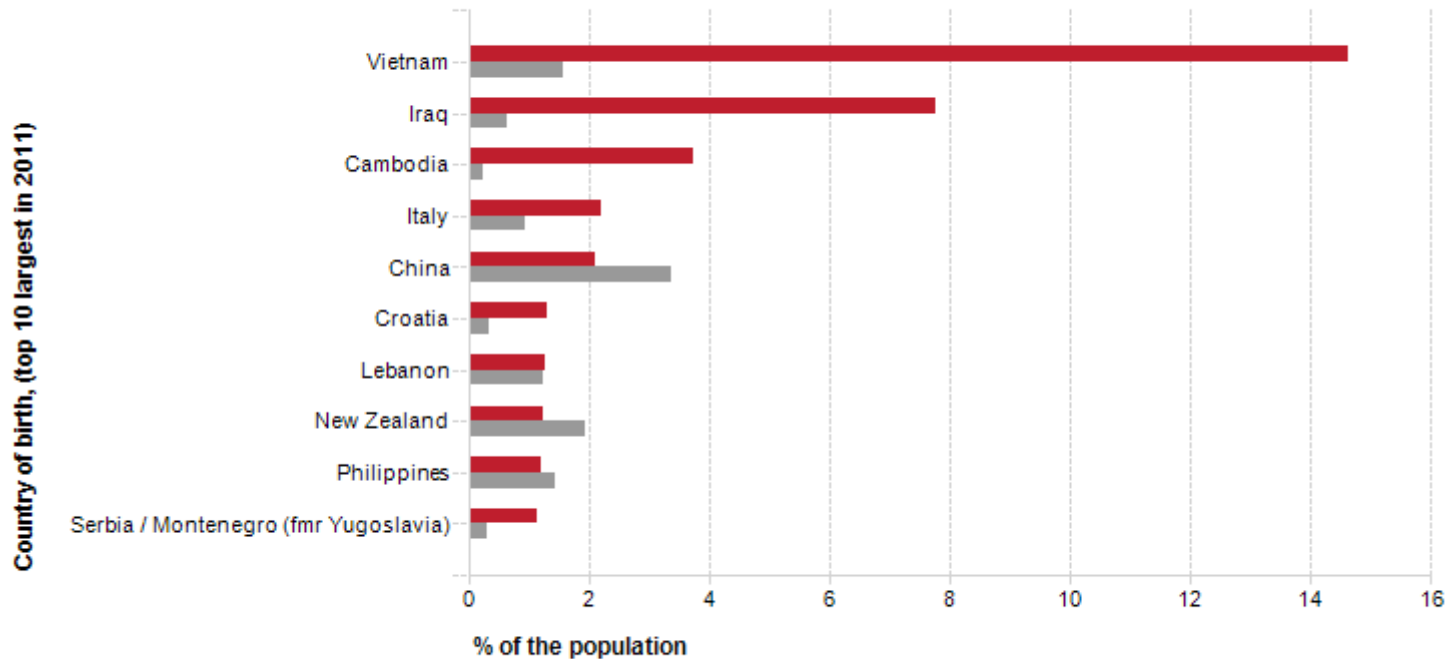
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# Top 10 countries of birth

## Birthplace, 2011

Fairfield City Greater Sydney



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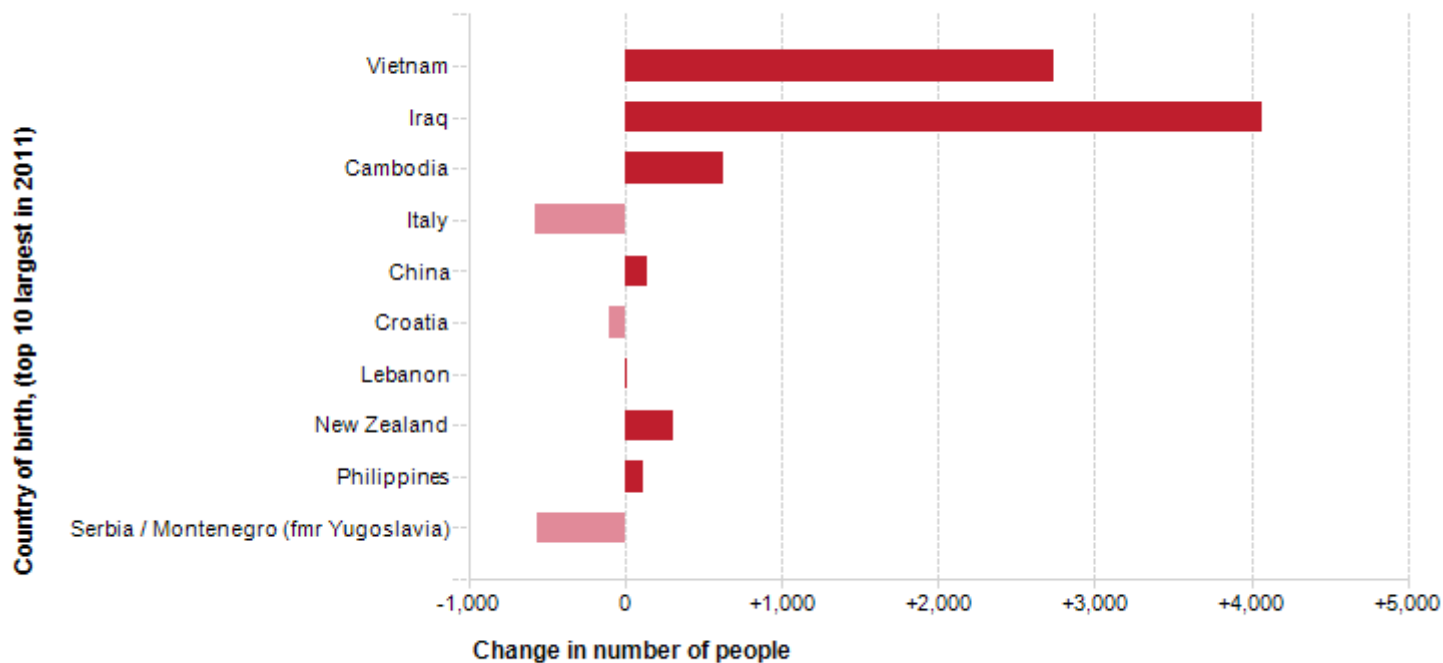
44 origin countries that have over 200 people living Fairfield

# Change in birthplace



## Change in birthplace, 2006 to 2011

Fairfield City



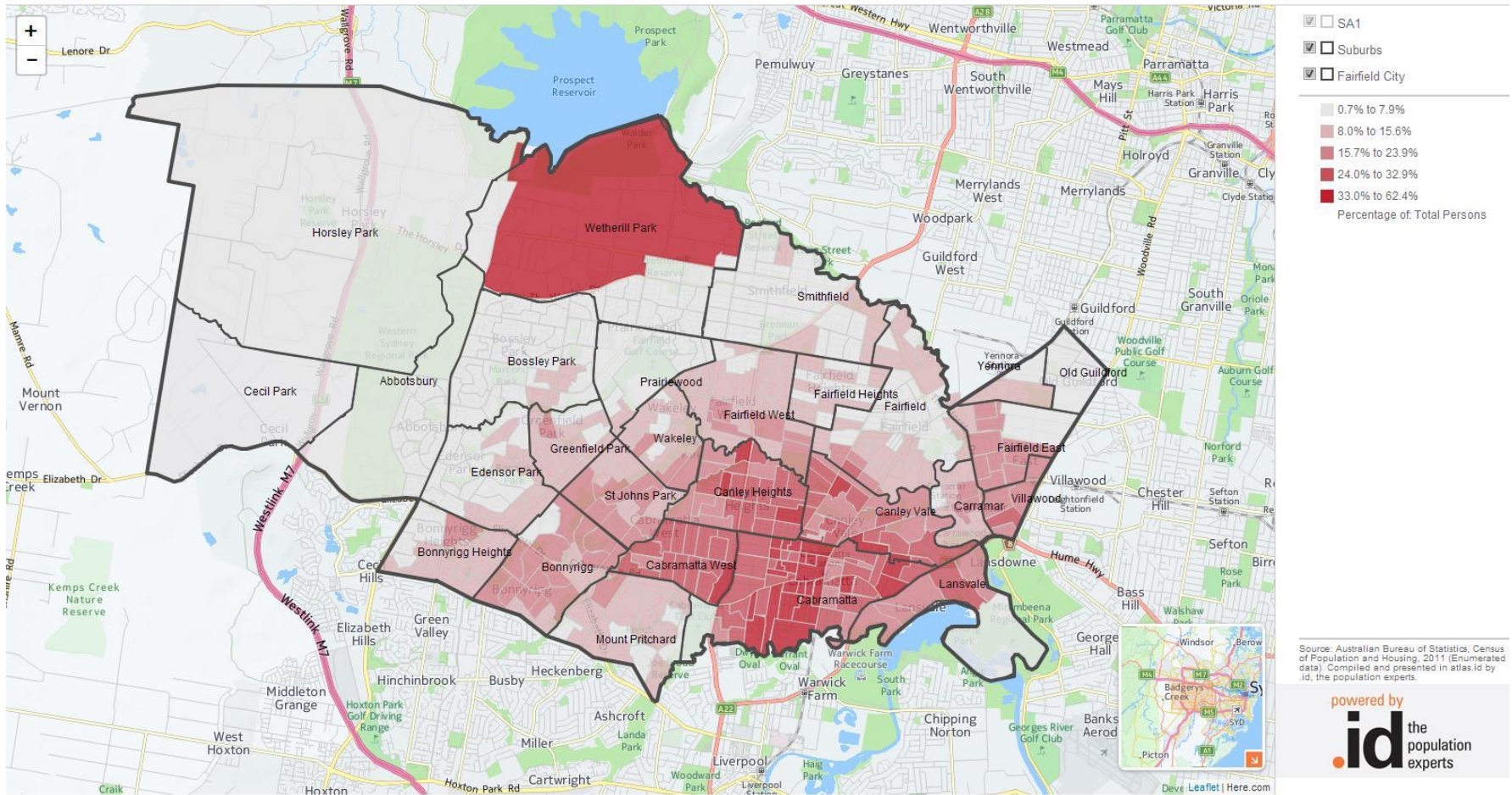
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# People born in Vietnam



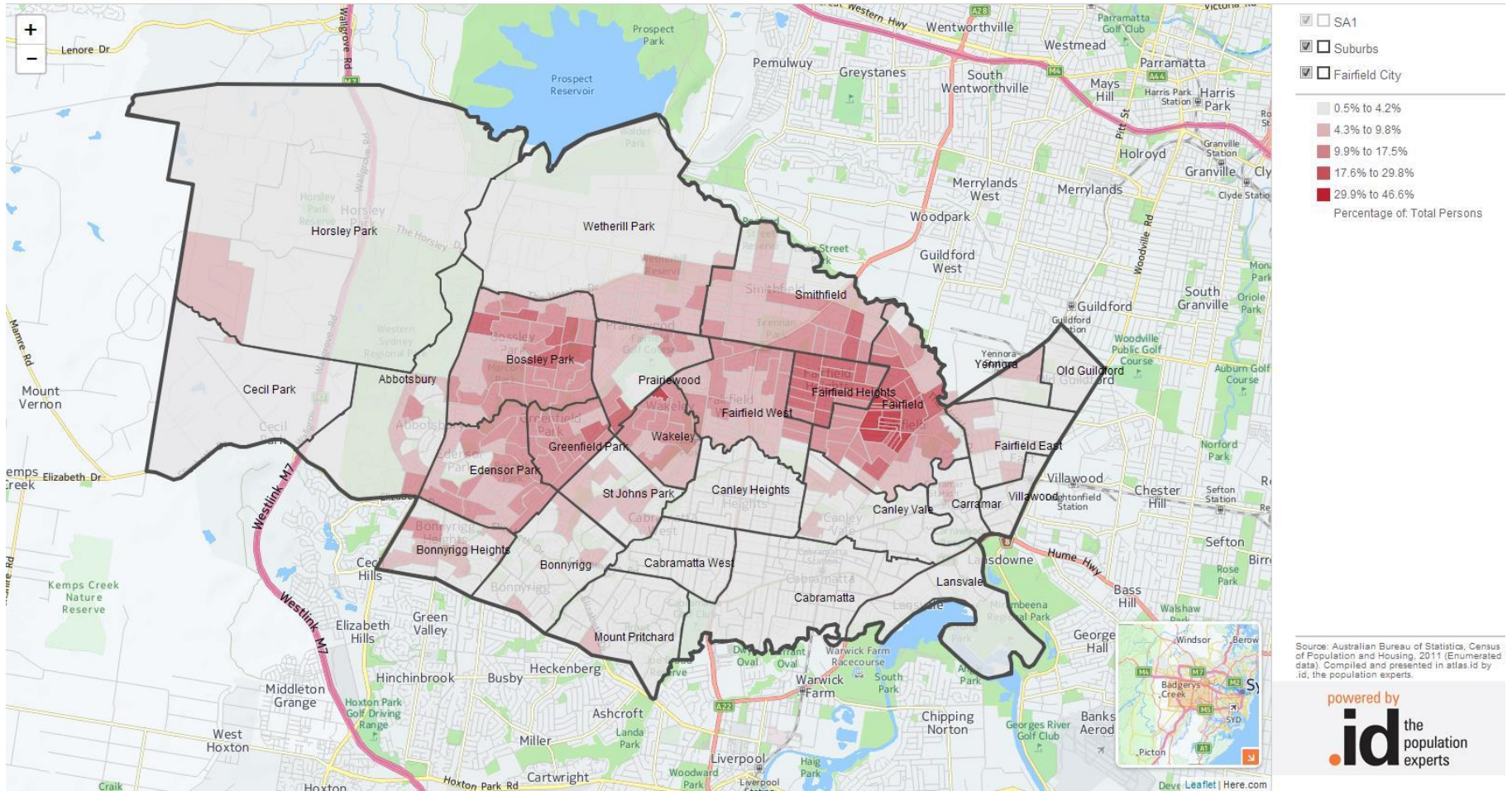
Fairfield City, People born in Vietnam, 2011, Enumerated, Persons





# People born in Iraq

Fairfield City, People born in Iraq, 2011, Enumerated, Persons



# Language other than English spoken at home

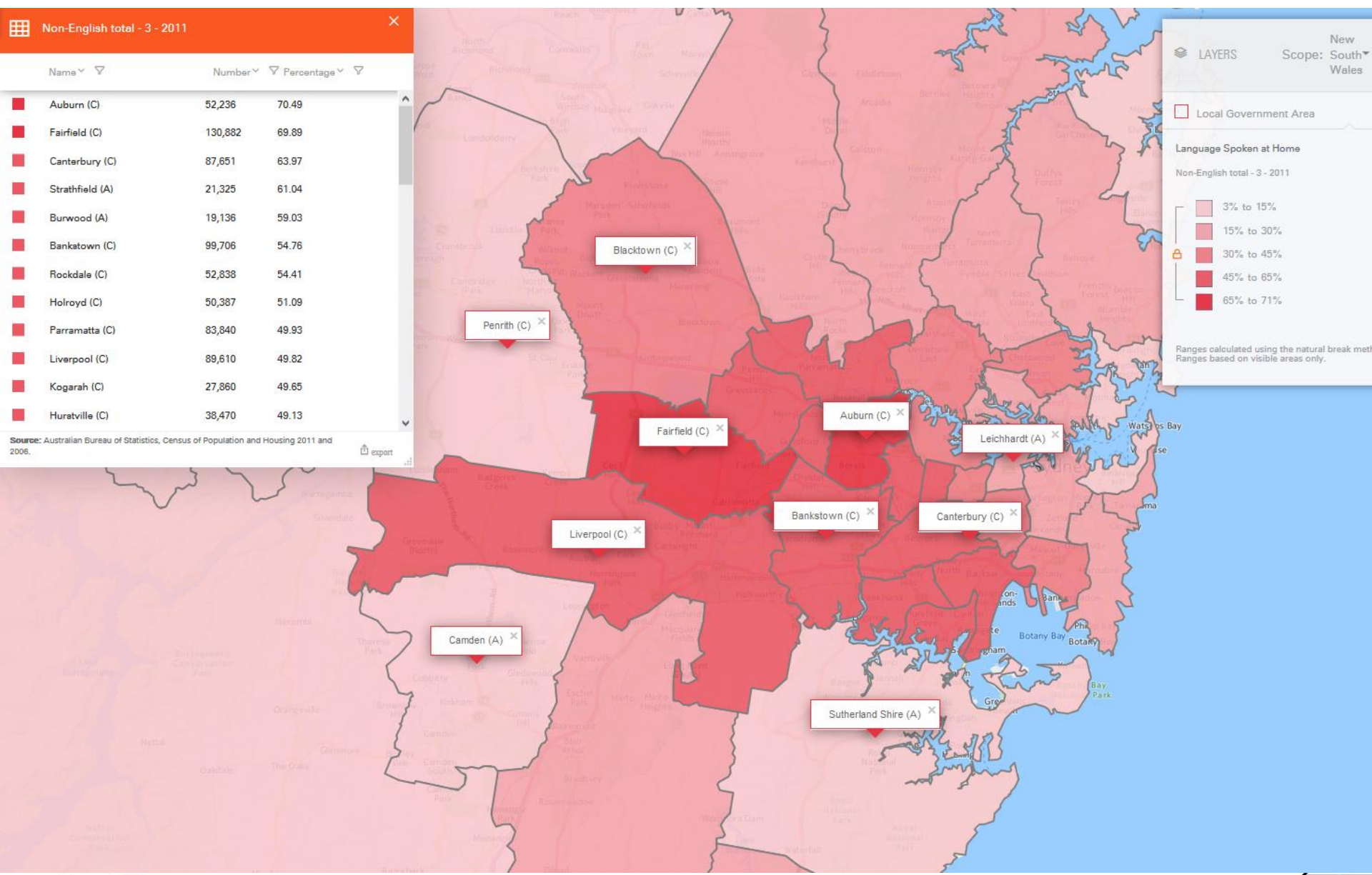


Proportion of residents who speak a language other than English at home, 2011

▾ Australia	19.2%
▾ New South Wales	22.5%
▾ Greater Sydney	32.5%
▾ Fairfield	69.9% = 131,164 people

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# Language other than English spoken at home

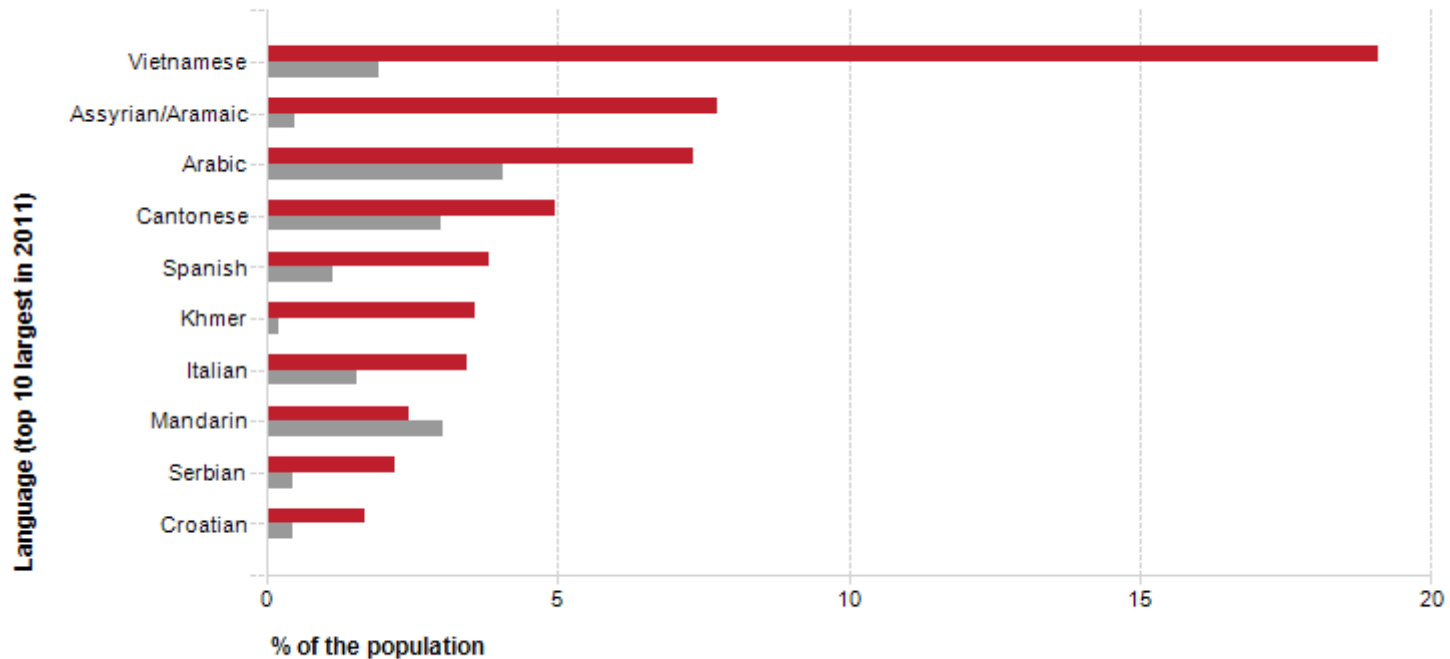


# Top 10 languages spoken



## Language spoken at home, 2011

Fairfield City Greater Sydney



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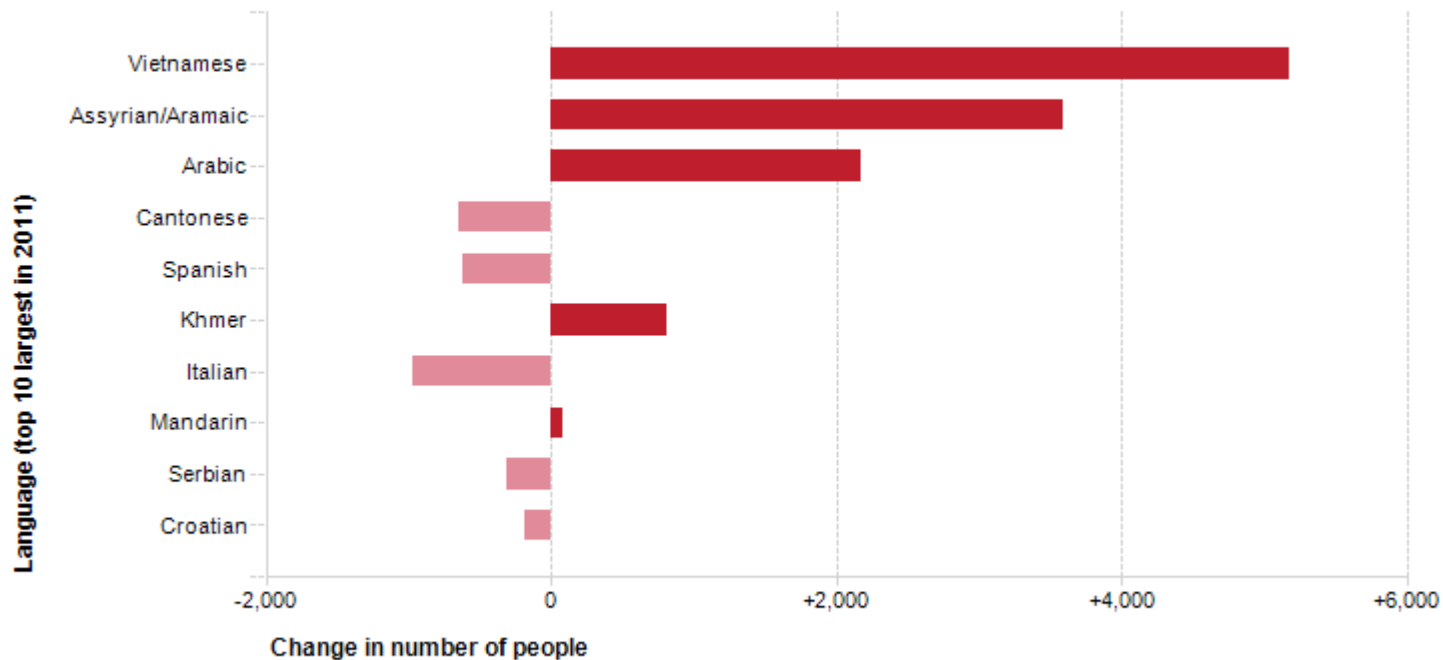
36 languages spoken at home by more than 200 people living Fairfield  
47% of all Assyrian/Aramaic speakers in Australia were in Fairfield (14,656)

# Change in languages



## Change in language spoken at home, 2006 to 2011

Fairfield City



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# Proficiency in spoken English



Proportion of residents who reported difficulty speaking English, 2011

▣ Australia	3.3%
▣ New South Wales	3.9%
▣ Greater Sydney	5.8%
▣ Fairfield	20.4% = 38,287 people

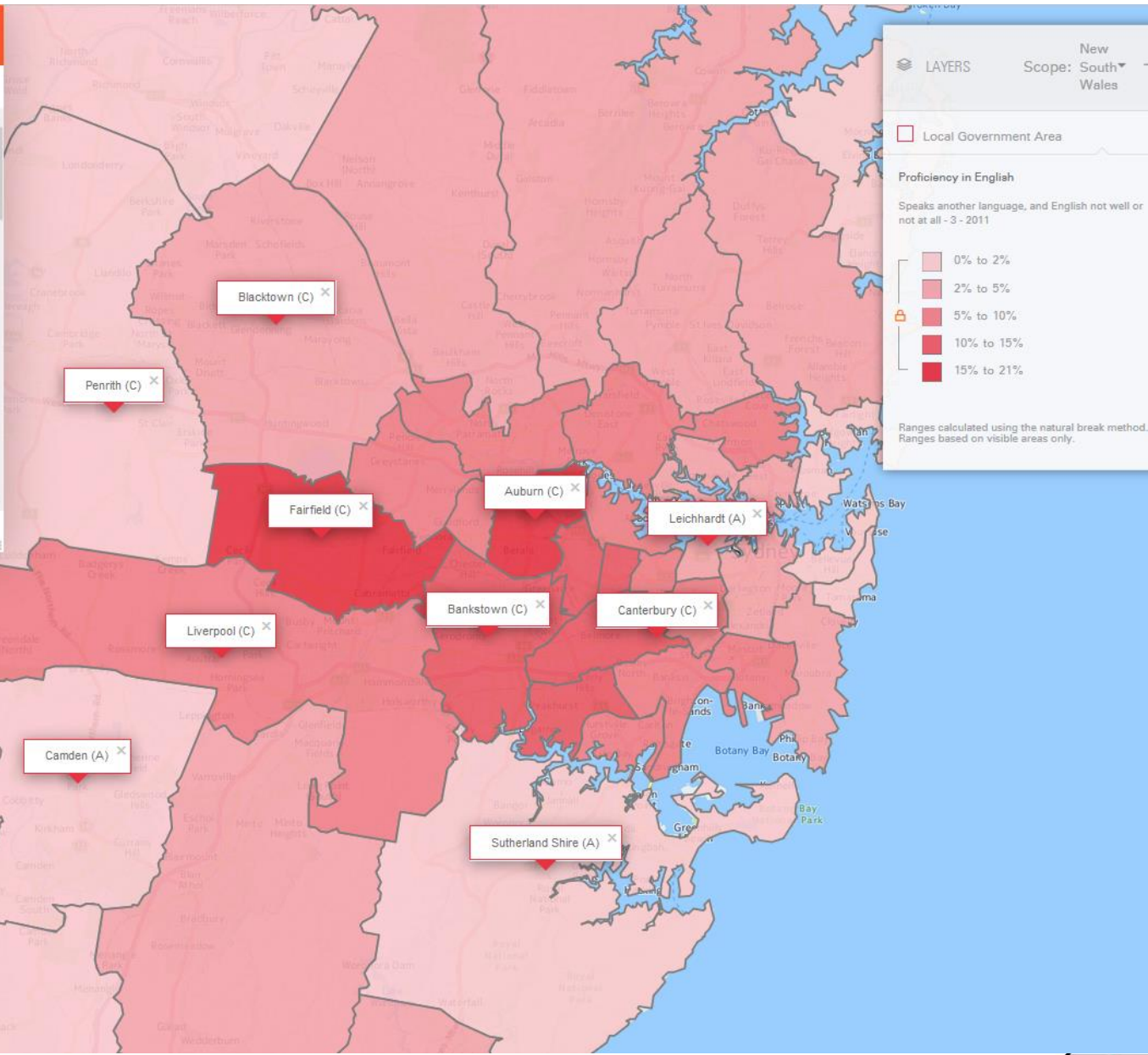
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# Proficiency in spoken English

Speaks another language, and English not well or not at all - 3 - 2011

Name	Number	Percentage
Fairfield (C)	38,244	20.42
Auburn (C)	13,757	18.56
Canterbury (C)	20,169	14.72
Burwood (A)	3,884	11.98
Strathfield (A)	3,845	11.00
Bankstown (C)	19,971	10.97
Huratville (C)	7,931	10.13
Kogarah (C)	5,022	8.95
Farramatta (C)	15,017	8.94
Rookdale (C)	8,522	8.78
Ashfield (A)	3,598	8.75
Liverpool (C)	15,737	8.75

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing 2011 and 2006. [export](#)



**LAYERS** Scope: South Wales

Local Government Area

**Proficiency in English**  
Speaks another language, and English not well or not at all - 3 - 2011

- 0% to 2%
- 2% to 5%
- 5% to 10%
- 10% to 15%
- 15% to 21%

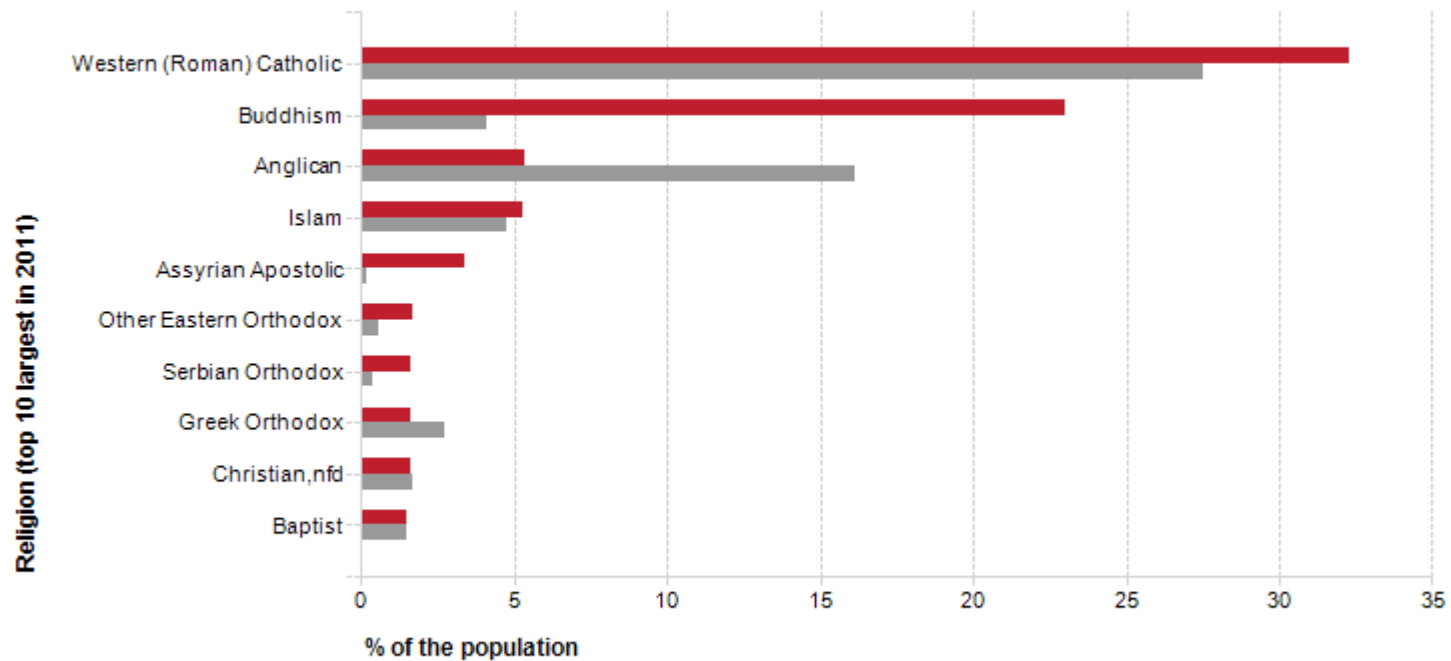
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# Top 10 religions



## Religion, 2011

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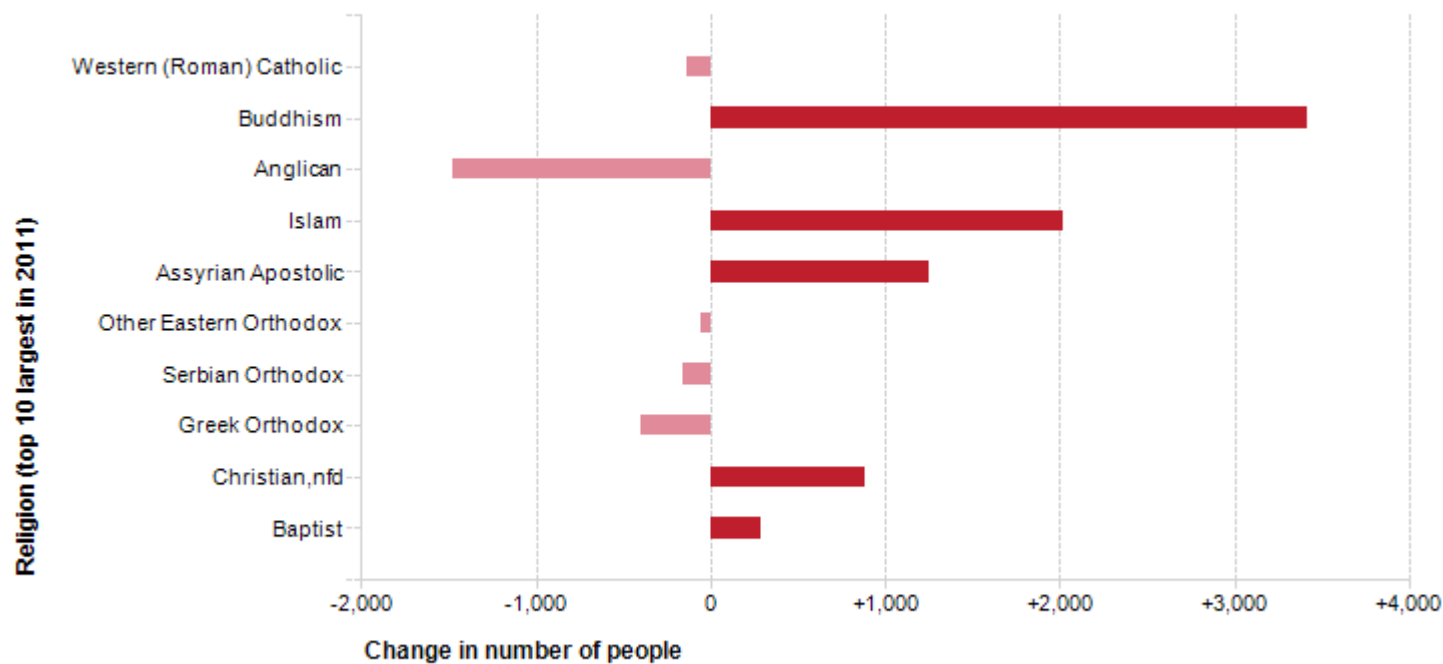


# Change in religions



## Change in religion, 2006 to 2011

Fairfield City



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# Arrivals – 2006-2011



# Arrived between 2006-2011



Proportion of overseas-born residents who arrived in Australia between 2006 and 2011

▣ Australia	21.7%
▣ New South Wales	19.2%
▣ Greater Sydney	20.1%
▣ Fairfield	12.6% = 12,478 people

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011.  
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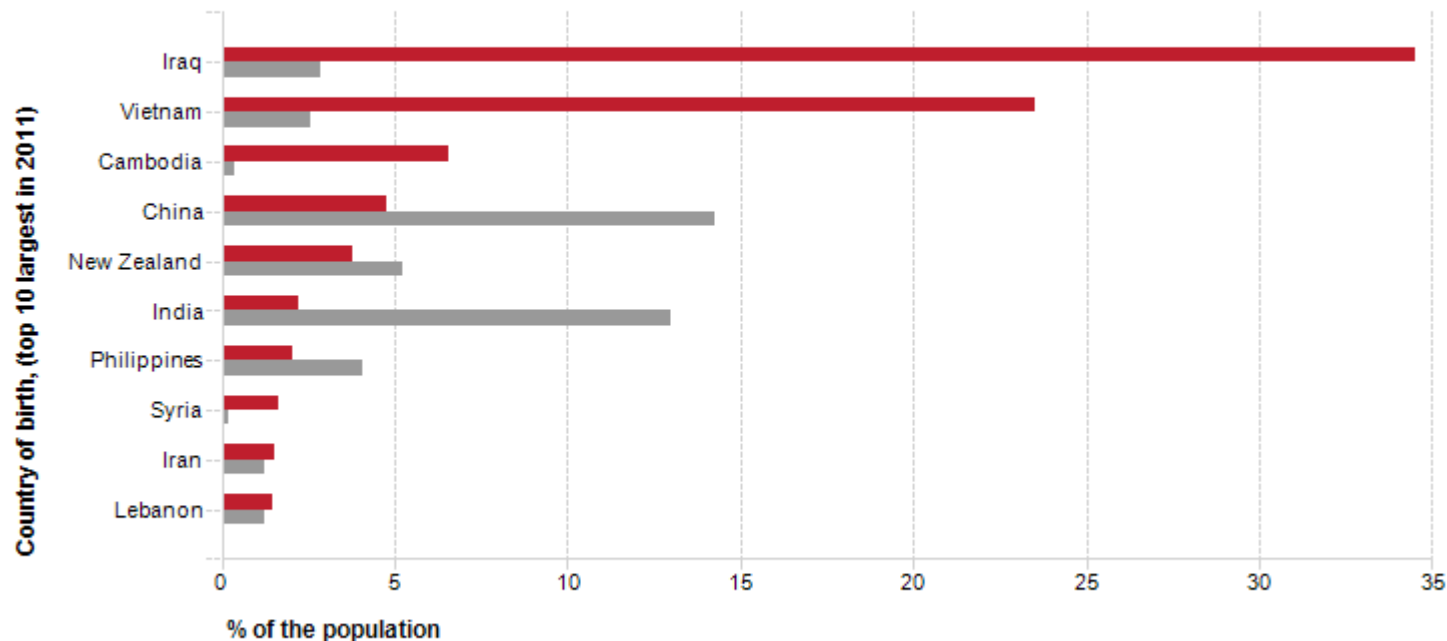
# Birthplace of arrivals between 2006 and 2011



## Birthplace, 2011

Recent arrivals

Fairfield City Greater Sydney



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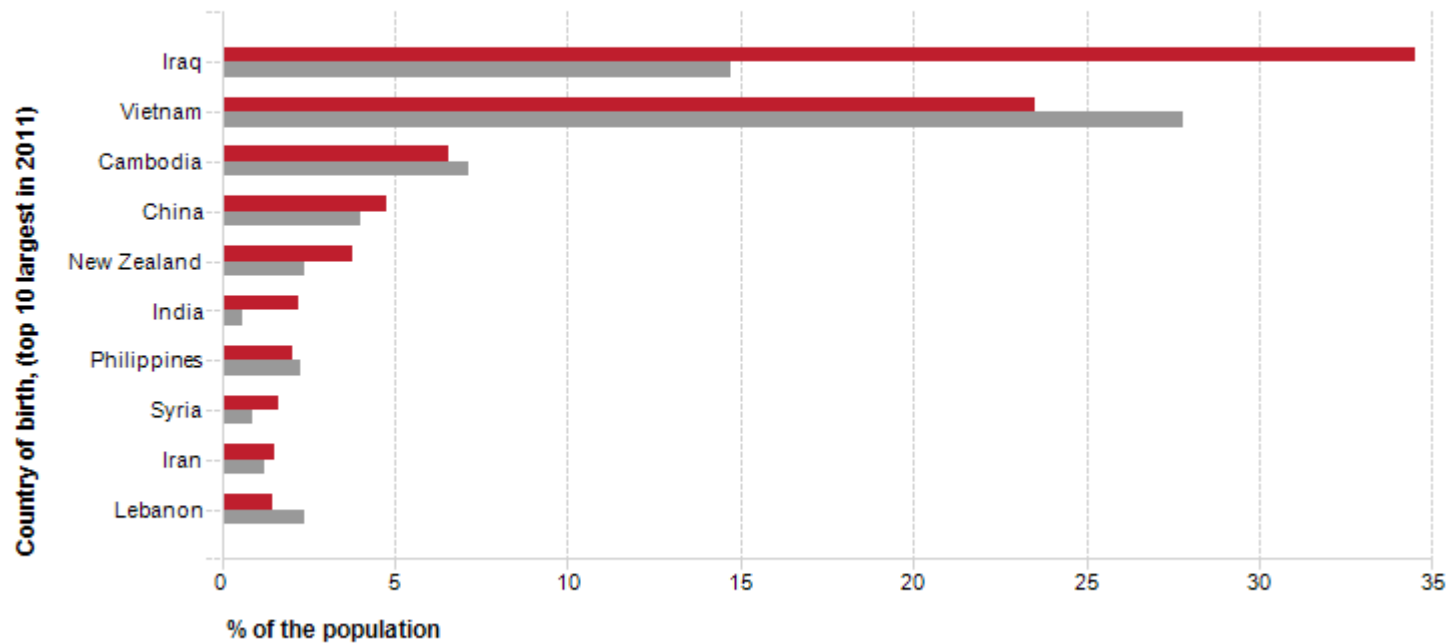
95.5% from non-English speaking background countries  
204 Syrian-born arrived between 2006 and 2011

# Changing face of Fairfield's overseas born pop

## Birthplace, 2011

Recent arrivals

Fairfield City Fairfield City - Total overseas born



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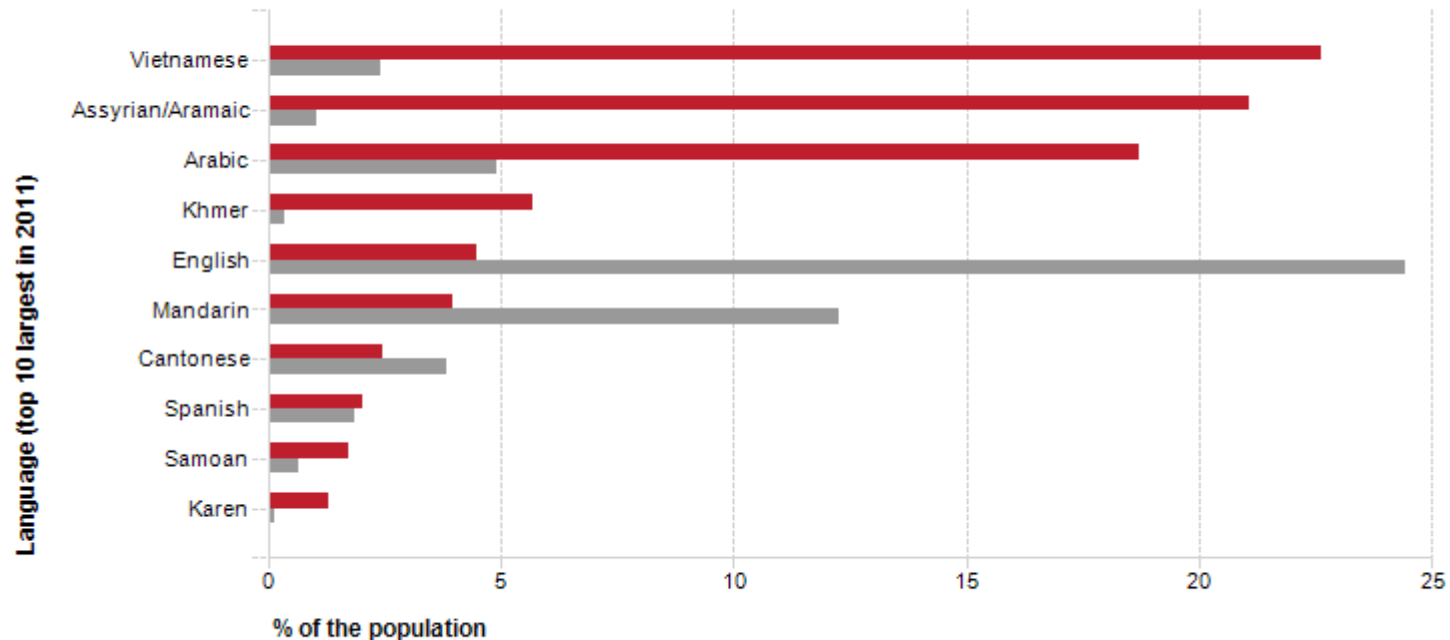
# Language of arrivals between 2006 and 2011



## Language spoken at home, 2011

Recent arrivals

Fairfield City Greater Sydney



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# Unemployment



Unemployment rate, 2011

Greater Sydney	5.7%
Fairfield - all	9.7%
Fairfield - overseas born	10.2%
Fairfield – recent arrivals	20.8%
Greater Sydney – recent arrivals	11.0%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011.  
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# No qualifications



Proportion of the adult population with no qualifications, 2011

Greater Sydney	40.5%
Fairfield - all	60.3%
Fairfield - overseas born	64.4%
Fairfield – recent arrivals	67.2%
Greater Sydney – recent arrivals	33.4%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011.  
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# Household size



Proportion of people living in households with six or more people, 2011

▣ Fairfield - all	19.4%
▣ Fairfield - overseas born	19.2%
▣ Fairfield – recent arrivals	30.3%
▣ Greater Sydney – recent arrivals	12.1%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, [Census of Population and Housing](#) 2006 and 2011.  
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# Arrivals – post 2011



# Humanitarian arrivals into Australia



<b>Humanitarian arrivals in 2014</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>% of total humanitarian arrivals</b>
Iraq	2,403	20.1%
Afghanistan	1,889	15.8%
Syria	1,837	15.4%
Burma	1,293	10.8%
Iran	770	6.4%
Thailand	434	3.6%
Pakistan	385	3.2%
Bhutan	315	2.6%
Eritrea	280	2.3%
Nepal	224	1.9%
DR Congo	217	1.8%
Others	1,923	16.0%

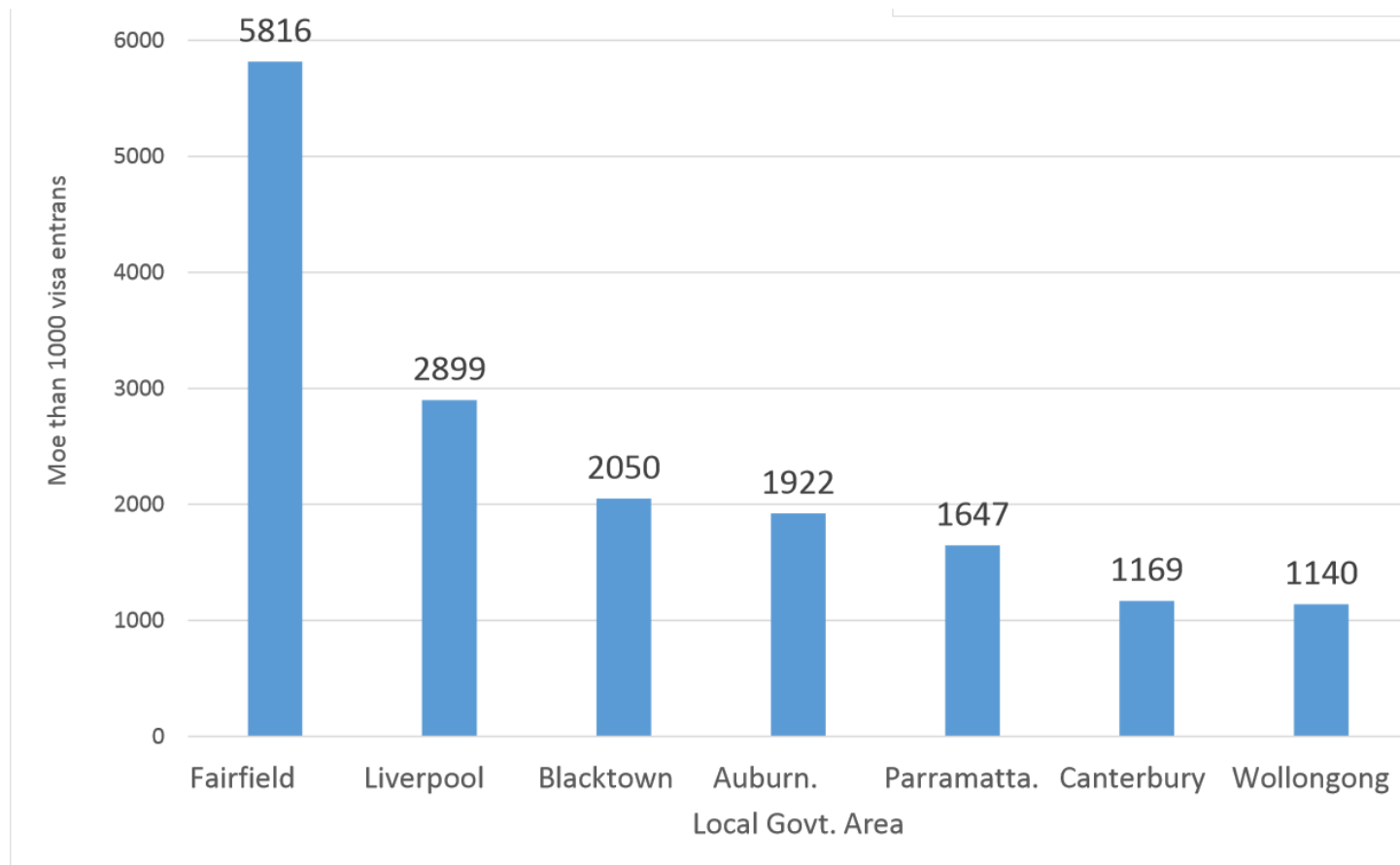
Source: Department of Immigration, Settlement Reporting System

# Where do humanitarian arrivals go?

Arrivals since Census 2011 (to May 2015) ranked by % of all arrivals who are in the humanitarian stream

LGA	Humanitarian	% Humanitarian
Glenorchy Tas	669	71.7%
Launceston Tas	728	55.8%
Mount Gambier SA	187	55.2%
Fairfield NSW	4,873	52.0%
Playford SA	665	47.5%
Plantagenet WA	33	46.5%
Tatiara SA	71	45.8%
Coffs Harbour NSW	552	45.5%
Naracoorte and Lucindale SA	91	41.7%
Maroondah Vic	1,140	41.6%
Katanning WA	44	41.1%
Grant SA	9	40.9%
Hume Vic	2,754	40.4%
Mildura Vic	267	39.3%
Leeton NSW	35	35.4%
Logan Qld	1,786	34.1%
Liverpool NSW	2,186	33.7%
Clarence NSW	110	31.5%
Salisbury SA	1,461	30.6%
Toowoomba Qld	689	29.3%
Greater Shepparton Vic	401	28.2%
Wollongong NSW	923	27.8%

# LGAs with more than 1000 Humanitarian arrivals – 2010-2015



# Fairfield arrivals between 2011 and 2016

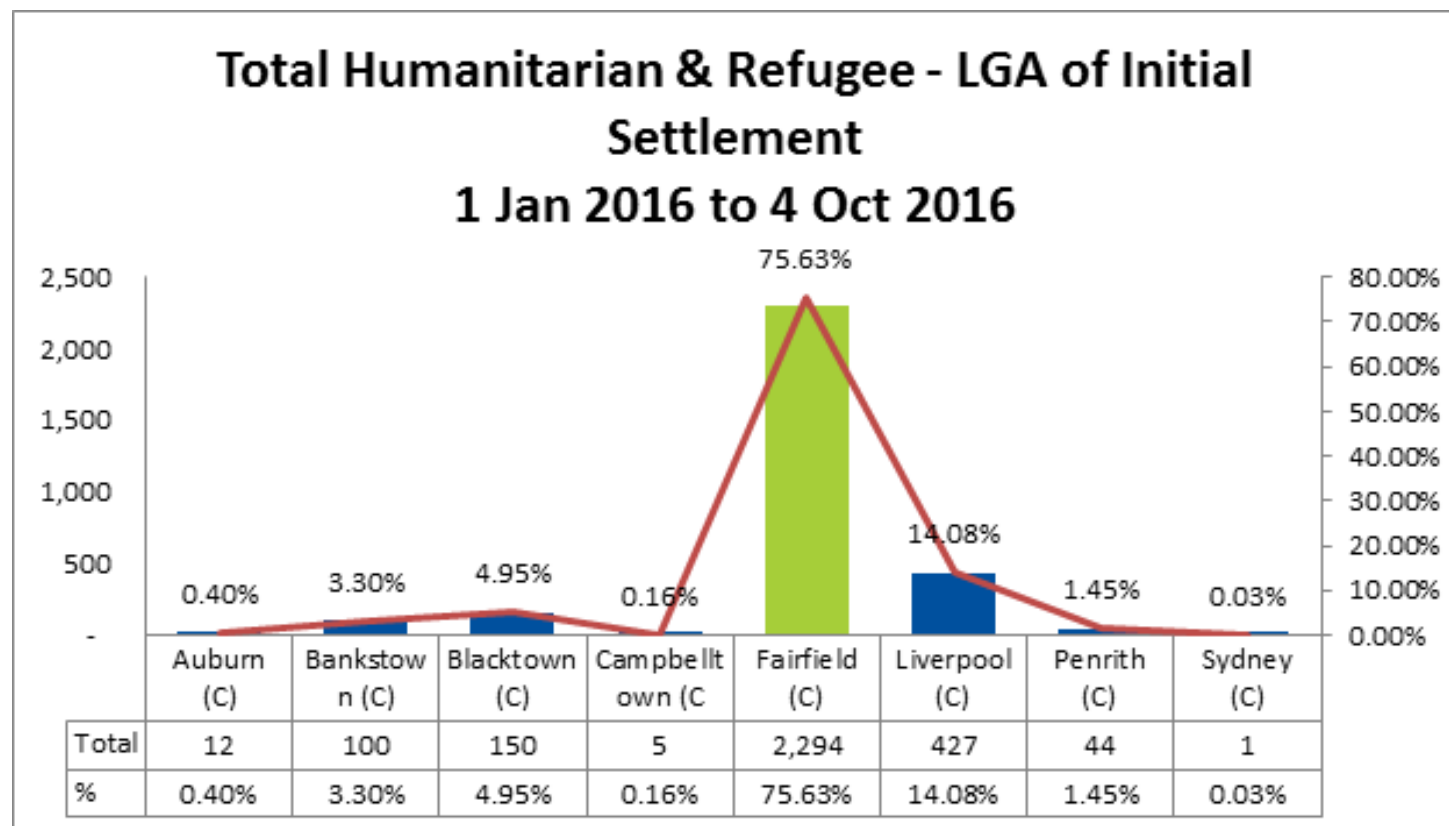


Number of settlers with a Date of Arrival between 09 August 2011 and 30 June 2016 (Fairfield Only)

▾ Total new arrivals	12,731
▾ Humanitarian stream	6,652 – 10% of all Humanitarian arrivals to Australia
▾ Family stream	5,182
▾ Skilled stream	895

Source: Australian Department of Social Services, Settlement Database, 2016

# Humanitarian intake



# Birthplace of new arrivals



Top 10 countries of birth of new settlers with a Date of Arrival between 09 August 2011 and 30 June 2016 (Fairfield Only)

↓ Iraq	5,185 (31% of Australia) (mainly humanitarian)
↓ Vietnam	2,781 (12%) (mainly family stream)
↓ Syria	1,451 (23%) (mainly humanitarian)
↓ Cambodia	598 (15%) (mainly family stream)
↓ China	405 (0.3%)
↓ Philippines	237
↓ Iran	232
↓ Lebanon	185
↓ India	151

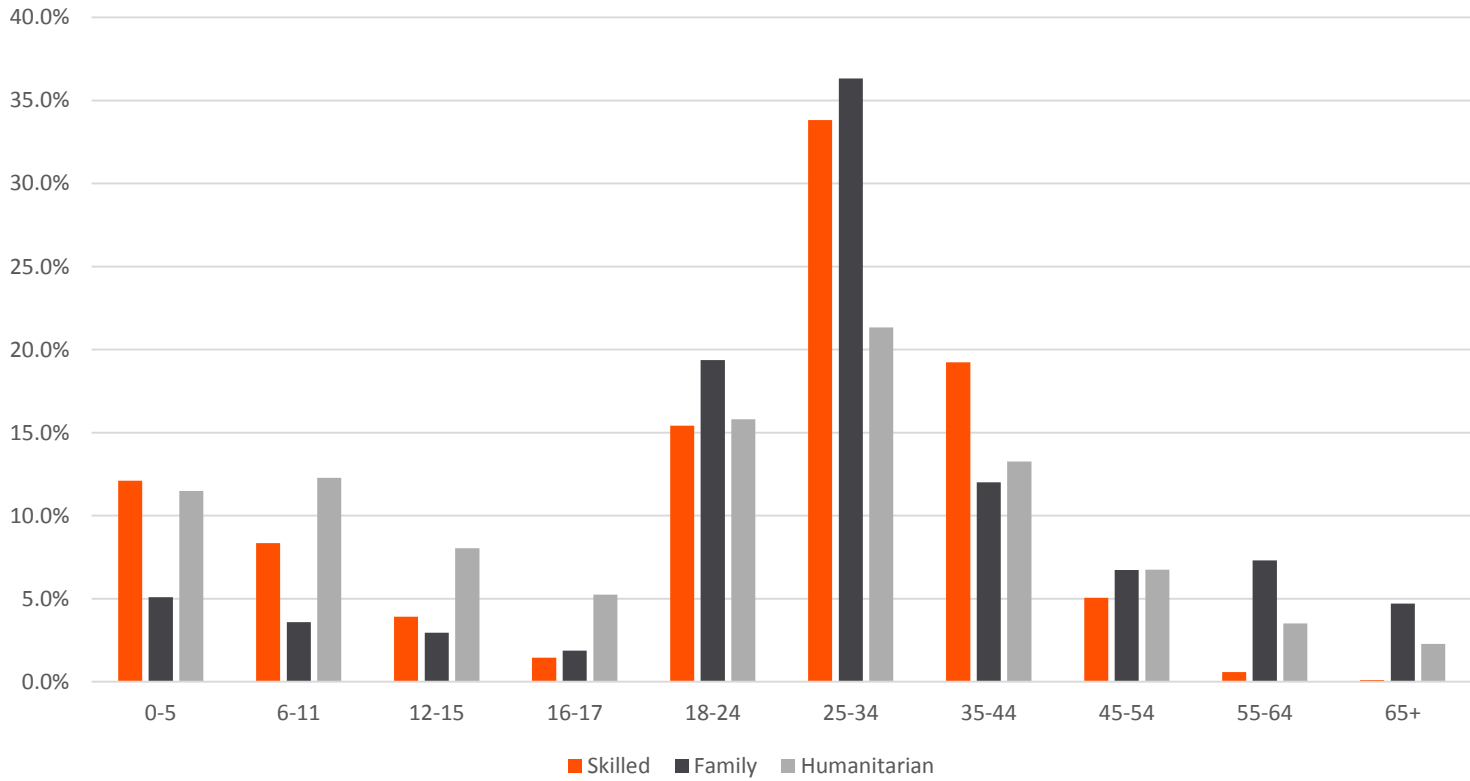
Source: Australian Department of Social Services, Settlement Database, 2016



# Age of recent migrants



Age of Migrants by Visa Stream - 2006-2015



Source: Department of Immigration, Settlement reporting

# Syrian population



# Syrian population in Australia

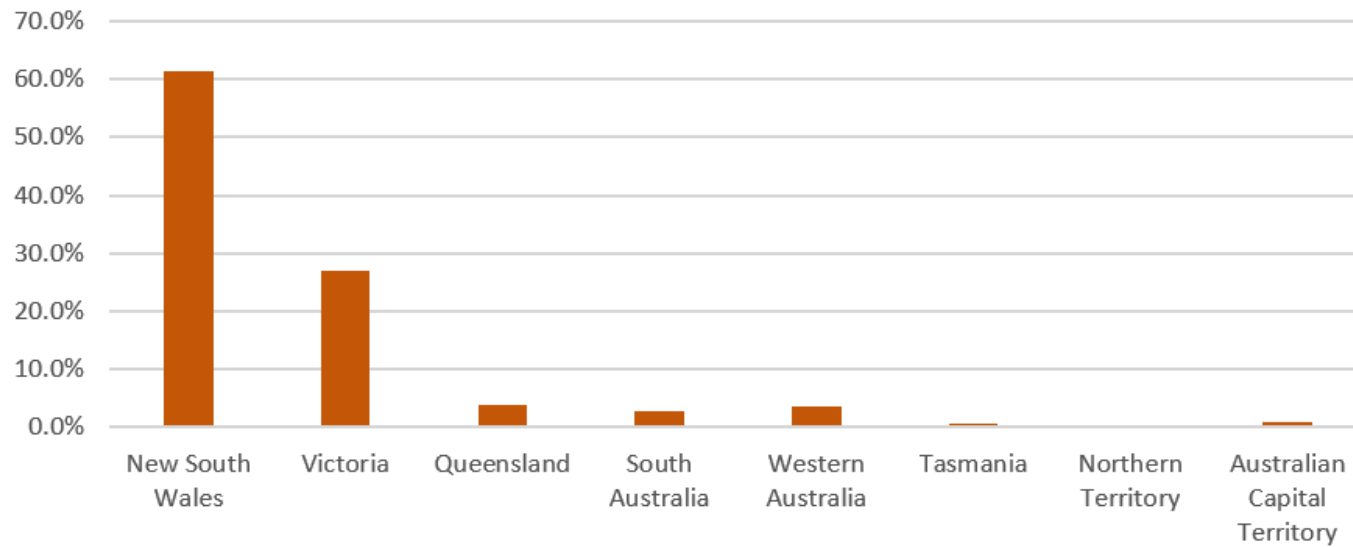


- ▣ Syrian-born population (2006) 6,956
- ▣ Syrian-born population (2011) 8,713 (30% increase)
- ▣ 2011-2016 arrivals 6,442 (82% humanitarian intake)
- ▣ 2011-2016 arrivals (Fairfield) 1,455 (22% of total intake)
- ▣ Very small migrant group compared to the size of others in Australia and Fairfield

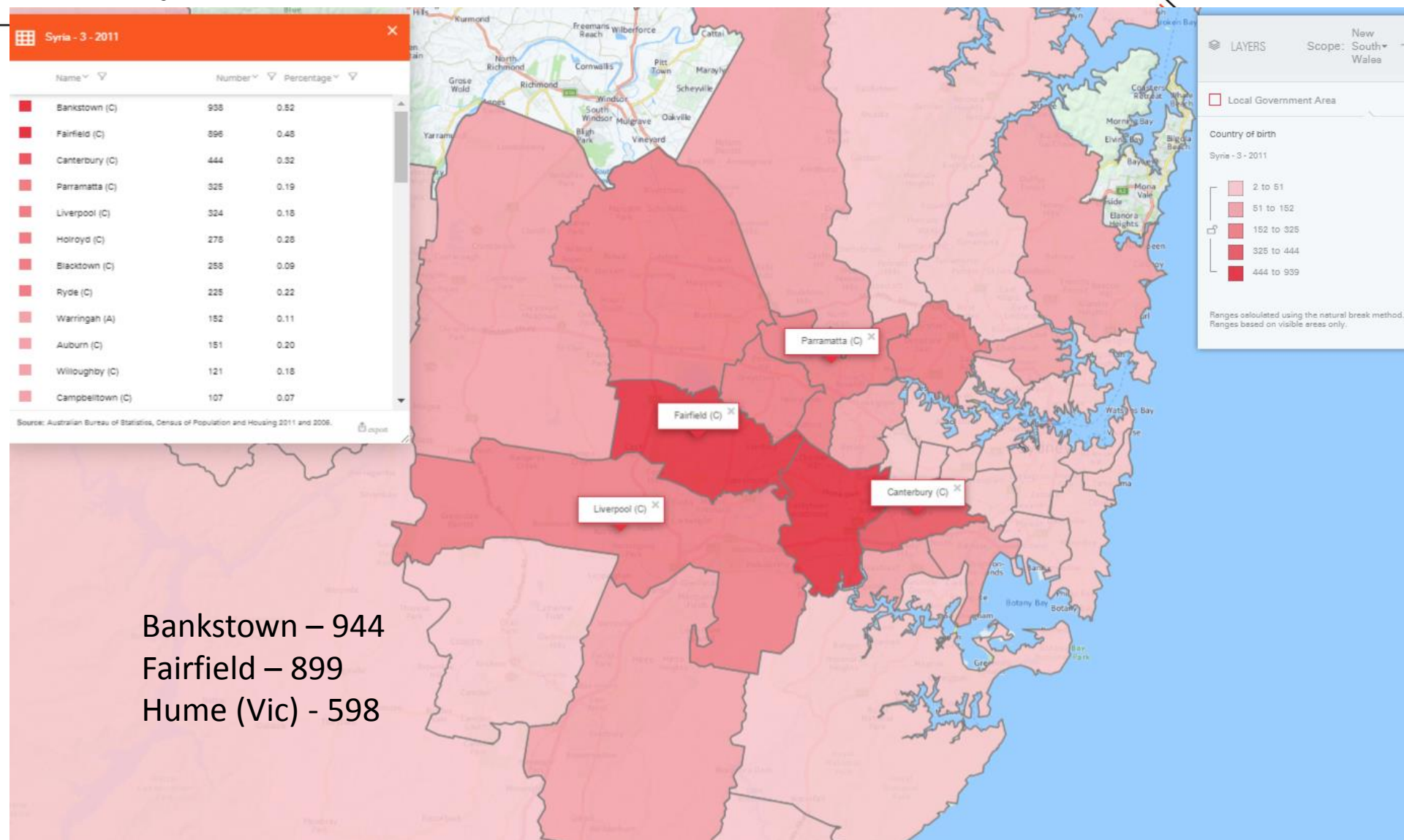
# Concentrated in NSW



Born in Syria, 2011 Census



# Syrian-born population, 2011



Bankstown – 944  
 Fairfield – 899  
 Hume (Vic) - 598

# Syrians in Australia

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- ▣ Over 50% Christian religions, 35% Muslim
- ▣ Relatively high education levels (14% have a degree, compared to 18.8% nationally)
- ▣ Older than other migrant groups (peak ages 40-50s) and fewer children
- ▣ This may change with the new wave of migrants coming in



# Effect of refugees on society



- ▣ Important part of Australia's migration story
- ▣ Often very driven and loyal to their new country
- ▣ Need support initially, but work hard and contribute a lot to the economy in future years
- ▣ **Refugees are more likely than any other migrant category to start their own business (ABS, 2016)**
- ▣ Provide a cushion against the ageing population and invigorate our aging workforce
- ▣ Contribute to our strong multicultural community

# More resources





# Build your own supporting evidence



Fairfield City Council subscribes to .id's online demographic resources

- ▾ Community profiles – <http://profile.id.com.au/Fairfield>
- ▾ Social atlas – <http://atlas.id.com.au>
- ▾ Population forecasts – <http://forecast.id.com.au>

Legal Aid NSW – subscribes to .id Placemaker

- ▾ Location of Legal Aid offices
- ▾ Crime statistics
- ▾ Demographic characteristics

# Census 2016

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- ▣ 96% households responded nationally
- ▣ May not represent a point in time as strongly as previously
- ▣ Observed less multicultural support
- ▣ April 2017 – State level information release
- ▣ June 2017 – Local area information – 1<sup>st</sup> release
- ▣ October 2017 – Local area information – 2<sup>nd</sup> release



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