

Table 2.2

All States and Territories Compared

2006 Census

Key Facts	2006 Census									
	Australia	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	
Population	19,855,287	6,549,165	4,932,414	3,904,553	1,514,350	1,959,095	476,491	192,878	324,022	
Overseas Born (OSB)										
Total	4,416,029	1,555,833	1,173,244	699,326	307,721	531,765	50,578	26,526	70,360	
As a % of population	22.2	23.8	23.8	17.9	20.3	27.1	10.6	13.8	21.7	
Born in a Non-Main English Speaking Country ¹	2,740,709	1,101,070	854,019	307,571	162,408	234,050	20,369	14,947	45,709	
Born in a NIMESC as a % of population	13.8	16.8	17.3	7.9	10.7	11.9	4.3	7.7	14.1	
Born in a NIMESC as a % of OSB	62.1	70.8	72.8	44.0	52.8	44.0	40.3	56.3	65.0	
Born in a Main-English Speaking Country	1,675,320	454,763	319,225	391,755	145,313	297,715	30,209	11,579	24,651	
Born in a MESC as a % of population	8.4	6.9	6.5	10.0	9.6	15.2	6.3	6.0	7.6	
Born in a MESC as a % of OSB	37.9	29.2	27.2	56.0	47.2	56.0	59.7	43.7	35.0	
Australian Born										
Total	14,072,949	4,521,190	3,434,458	2,935,266	1,120,063	1,279,206	396,662	148,180	236,448	
As a % of population	70.9	69.0	69.6	75.2	74.0	65.3	83.2	76.8	73.0	
with both parents born overseas	1,586,390	574,201	482,932	190,376	118,151	172,301	14,094	9,097	24,993	
with both parents OSB as a % of population	8.0	8.8	9.8	4.9	7.8	8.8	3.0	4.7	7.7	
with one parent born overseas ²	2,056,650	631,590	496,137	406,730	165,824	259,369	38,566	17,275	40,944	
with one parent OSB as a % of population	10.4	9.6	10.1	10.4	11.0	13.2	8.1	9.0	12.6	
Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islanders										
Total	455,026	138,516	30,152	127,539	25,539	58,726	16,777	53,675	3,875	
As a % of population	2.3	2.1	0.6	3.3	1.7	3.0	3.5	27.8	1.2	
Language other than English (LOTE) Speakers										
Speak a Language other than English At Home	3,146,183	1,314,522	1,007,394	303,160	184,546	226,814	16,702	44,695	47,149	
LOTE Speakers as a % of population	15.8	20.1	20.4	7.8	12.2	11.6	3.5	23.2	14.6	
English Proficiency										
Speak English not well or not at all	561,414	241,155	186,720	47,946	32,775	34,996	2,216	9,413	5,716	
As a % of population	2.8	3.7	3.8	1.2	2.2	1.8	0.5	4.9	1.8	

1. NIMESC exclude people born in Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, United Kingdom and United States of America
 2. Includes people who had one parent born overseas and one parent with a not stated birthplace