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THE TAIWAN-BORN COMMUNITY IN VICTORIA: 2011 CENSUS

At the 2011 Census, there were 5,686 Taiwan-born persons in Victoria (19.9% of Australia's total), increasing by 18.1% (873) from 4,813 persons in 2006. The Taiwan-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with concentrations in the local government areas of Boroondara (12.7%); Manningham (12.0%); Monash (11.5%); Melbourne (11.0%); and Whitehorse (10.9%). Over one-fifth (21.8%) of the Taiwan-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 30.7% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 42.9% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Taiwan-born community reflected a relatively young age profile: 7.9% were aged 18 years and below; 17.6% were aged 19-25 years; 47.5% were aged 26-44 years; 24.2% were aged 45-64 years; and 2.8% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 31 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 73 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for Victoria.

Over one-third (35.3%) were Buddhist; small proportions followed a variety of Christian faiths; 39.3% had no religion. Most (93.6%) spoke a language other than English; 18.4% assessed themselves as speaking English not well or not at all. Almost two-thirds (63.9%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. One-quarter (24.3%) of the Taiwan-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 23.7% received no income.

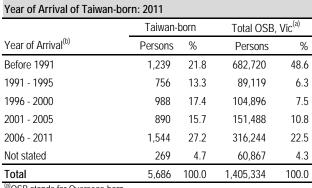
Demographic Background

Persons born in Taiwan in Victoria and Australia: 2011, 2006 and 2001 Census										
	2011 Ce	ensus	2006 Cer	nsus	2001 Cer	nsus	Change 2	2006-2011	Change 2	2001-2006
Location	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	% change
Metropolitan Melbourne ^(a)	5,348	18.7	4,659	19.1	4,259	19.0	689	14.8	400	9.4
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	338	1.2	154	0.6	108	0.5	184	119.5	46	42.6
Total Victoria	5,686	19.9	4,813	19.8	4,367	19.5	873	18.1	446	10.2
Total Australia	28,628	100.0	24,367	100.0	22,418	100.0	4,261	17.5	1,949	8.7

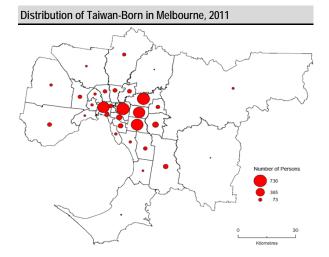
⁽a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

⁽b) Includes 'No Usual Address, Victoria'.

Distribution of Taiwan-born, Top 5 Local Government Areas: 2011, 2006							
	2011 Census		2006 Cen	ISUS	Rank in		
Local Government Area	Persons %		Persons	%	2006		
Boroondara	723	12.7	826	17.2	1		
Manningham	682	12.0	603	12.5	3		
Monash	655	11.5	607	12.6	2		
Melbourne	623	11.0	555	11.5	4		
Whitehorse	618	10.9	527	10.9	5		
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	2,049	36.0	1,541	32.0			
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	336	5.9	155	3.2			
Total Victoria	5,686	100.0	4,814	100.0			



⁽a) OSB stands for Overseas-born.





⁽b) Records the year of arrival in Australia for people born overseas who intend staying in Australia for at least one year.

Age Distribution of Taiwan-born: 2011, 2006						
Age group (years)	2011 C	ensus	2006 C	2006-2011		
	Persons	%	Persons	%	% change	
0-4	60	1.1	39	8.0	53.8	
5-11	122	2.1	138	2.9	-11.6	
12-18	269	4.7	416	8.6	-35.3	
19-25	1,003	17.6	1,244	25.8	-19.4	
26-44	2,700	47.5	1,825	37.9	47.9	
45-54	710	12.5	742	15.4	-4.3	
55-64	665	11.7	313	6.5	112.5	
65-74	107	1.9	57	1.2	87.7	
75+	50	0.9	39	8.0	28.2	
Total	5,686	100.0	4,813	100.0	18.1	
Sex Ratio	73	males per 100 females				
Median Age	32		29			

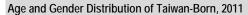
Top 5 Religions of Taiwan-born: 2011, 2006							
	2011 Census		2006 C	2006-2011			
Religion	Persons %		Persons	%	% change		
Buddhism	2,006	35.3	1,900	39.5	5.6		
Christian, nfd	185	3.3	185	3.8	0.0		
Baptist	180	3.2	139	2.9	29.5		
Western Catholic	178	3.1	188	3.9	-5.3		
Presbyterian	114	2.0	101	2.1	12.9		
Other religions	471	8.3	342	7.1	37.7		
No religion	2,238	39.3	1,652	34.3	35.5		
Not stated ^(a)	317	5.6	305	6.3	3.9		
Total	5,689	100.0	4,812	100.0	18.2		

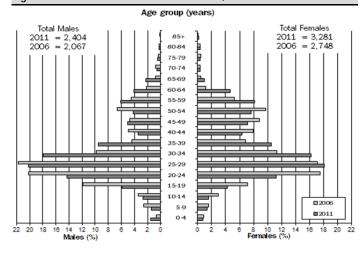
 $[\]ensuremath{^{(a)}}$ Includes 'Religious Belief, not further defined' and 'Not Defined'.

Taiwan-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006							
Age group (years)	2011 Ce	ensus	2006 Ce	2006-2011			
	Persons	%	Persons	%	% change		
0-4	40	1.1	23	0.8	73.9		
5-11	78	2.1	70	2.3	11.4		
12-18	145	4.0	224	7.4	-35.3		
19-25	382	10.5	642	21.3	-40.5		
26-44	1,698	46.7	1,101	36.5	54.2		
45-64	1,158	31.8	887	29.4	30.6		
65-74	95	2.6	37	1.2	156.8		
75+	40	1.1	30	1.0	33.3		
Total	3,636	100.0	3,014	100.0	20.6		

nfd = not further defined

For more detailed tables on a wider range of demographic and socio-economic data for this community from the 2011 Census, refer to the Community Profiles series available for free download from www.multicultural.vic.gov.au.





Proficiency in English of Taiwan-born: 2011, 2006								
	2011 Census		2006 Cei	2006-2011				
Proficiency in English	Persons	rsons % Persons		%	% change			
Speaks English only	326	5.7	280	5.8	16.4			
Speaks other language								
and speaks English								
Very well	2,118	37.3	1,561	32.4	35.7			
Well	2,157	37.9	1,942	40.3	11.1			
Not well	943	16.6	881	18.3	7.0			
Not at all	103	1.8	112	2.3	-8.0			
Not stated ^(a)	37	0.7	39	8.0	-5.1			
Total	5,684	100.0	4,815	100.0	18.0			

 $[\]ensuremath{^{\text{(a)}}}$ Includes those who did not state a language and/or proficiency in English.

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Taiwan-born: 2011							
Total personal	Taiwan-	born	Tot Vic pop				
income (weekly) ^(a)	Persons %		Persons	%			
Negative/Nil	1,286	23.7	377,766	8.7			
\$1-199	614	11.3	341,700	7.8			
\$200-\$399	704	13.0	882,992	20.3			
\$400-\$599	522	9.6	504,498	11.6			
\$600-\$799	543	10.0	459,629	10.6			
\$800-\$999	421	7.8	367,453	8.4			
\$1,000-\$1,499	668	12.3	584,245	13.4			
\$1,500-\$1,999	299	5.5	255,935	5.9			
\$2,000 or more	251	4.6	246,378	5.7			
Not stated	123	2.3	334,647	7.7			
Total	5,431	100.0	4,355,243	100.0			

⁽a) Applicable to persons aged 15 years and over.

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