

At the 2011 Census, there were 4,961 Timor-Leste-born persons in Victoria (53.8% of Australia's total), decreasing by 1.1% (53) from 5,014 persons in 2006. The Timor-Leste-born were distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with distinct concentrations in Brimbank (19.2%); Casey (16.9%); Greater Dandenong (9.1%); Yarra (8.9%); and Melton (8.9%). Over half (57.7%) of the Timor-Leste-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 35.7% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 3.1% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Timor-Leste-born community reflected a mature age profile: 8.0% were aged 25 years and below; 38.7% were aged 26-44 years; 40.4% were aged 45-64 years; and 12.9% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 46 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 98 males to 100 females, similar to that for total Victoria.

Almost half (47.4%) were Western Catholic; 24.7% followed Buddhism; 2.2% were Christian not further defined; 15.6% had no religion. Most (93.1%) spoke a language other than English; 35.0% assessed themselves as speaking English not well or not at all. Most (94.5%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. One-third (34.0%) of the Timor-Leste-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 8.6% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Timor-Leste in Victoria and Australia: 2011, 2006 and 2001 Census

Location	2011 Census		2006 Census		2001 Census		Change 2006-2011		Change 2001-2006	
	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	%	Persons	% change	Persons	% change
Metropolitan Melbourne ^(a)	4,849	52.6	4,882	52.4	4,909	52.3	-33	-0.7	-27	-0.6
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	112	1.2	132	1.4	105	1.1	-20	-15.2	27	25.7
Total Victoria	4,961	53.8	5,014	53.8	5,014	53.4	-53	-1.1	0	0.0
Total Australia	9,223	100.0	9,316	100.0	9,389	100.0	-93	-1.0	-73	-0.8

^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

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

Distribution of Timor-Leste-born, Top 5 Local Government Areas: 2011, 2006

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Brimbank	953	19.2	955	19.1	1
Casey	838	16.9	849	16.9	2
Greater Dandenong	453	9.1	524	10.5	3
Yarra	441	8.9	502	10.0	4
Melton	440	8.9	331	6.6	6
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	1,722	34.7	1,720	34.3	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	117	2.4	132	2.6	
Total Victoria	4,964	100.0	5,013	100.0	

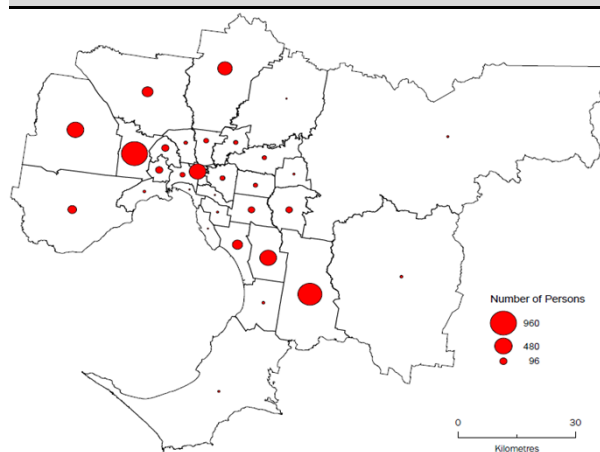
Year of Arrival of Timor-Leste-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Timor-Leste-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	2,866	57.7	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	1,556	31.3	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	221	4.4	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	59	1.2	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	93	1.9	316,244	22.5
Not stated	173	3.5	60,867	4.3
Total	4,968	100.0	1,405,334	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.

Distribution of Timor-Leste-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Age Distribution of Timor-Leste-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	-	-	3	0.1	-100.0
5-11	15	0.3	26	0.5	-42.3
12-18	79	1.6	229	4.6	-65.5
19-25	301	6.1	397	7.9	-24.2
26-44	1,923	38.7	2,355	46.9	-18.3
45-54	1,279	25.8	970	19.3	31.9
55-64	726	14.6	525	10.5	38.3
65-74	376	7.6	305	6.1	23.3
75+	265	5.3	206	4.1	28.6
Total	4,964	100.0	5,016	100.0	-1.0
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>98</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>46</i>		<i>41</i>		

Top 5 Religions of Timor-Leste-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	2,355	47.4	2,370	47.3	-0.6
Buddhism	1,229	24.7	1,355	27.0	-9.3
Christian, nfd	109	2.2	104	2.1	4.8
Anglican Church	40	0.8	31	0.6	29.0
Uniting Church	35	0.7	48	1.0	-27.1
Other religions	182	3.7	172	3.4	5.8
No religion	775	15.6	663	13.2	16.9
Not stated ^(a)	241	4.9	270	5.4	-10.7
Total	4,966	100.0	5,013	100.0	-0.9

^(a) Includes 'Religious Belief, not further defined' and 'Not Defined'.

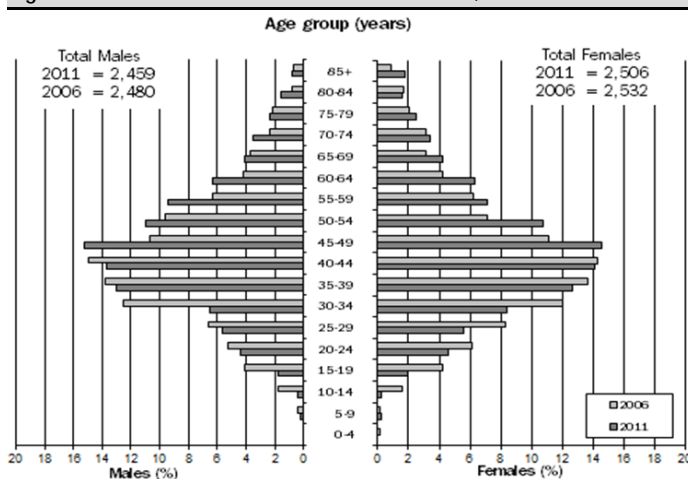
Timor-Leste-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	-	-	-	-	-
5-11	3	0.1	15	0.3	-80.0
12-18	71	1.5	160	3.7	-55.6
19-25	268	5.7	293	6.7	-8.5
26-44	1,812	38.6	2,057	47.4	-11.9
45-64	1,927	41.1	1,363	31.4	41.4
65-74	358	7.6	265	6.1	35.1
75+	251	5.4	188	4.3	33.5
Total	4,690	100.0	4,341	100.0	8.0

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.

Age and Gender Distribution of Timor-Leste-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Timor-Leste-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	293	5.9	290	5.8	1.0
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	1,338	26.9	1,311	26.1	2.1
Well	1,548	31.2	1,548	30.9	0.0
Not well	1,345	27.1	1,394	27.8	-3.5
Not at all	394	7.9	411	8.2	-4.1
Not stated ^(a)	47	0.9	60	1.2	-21.7
Total	4,965	100.0	5,014	100.0	-1.0

^(a) Includes those who did not state a language and/or proficiency in English.

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Timor-Leste-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Timor-Leste-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	425	8.6	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	361	7.3	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	1,317	26.7	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	646	13.1	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	863	17.5	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	477	9.7	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	451	9.1	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	108	2.2	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	97	2.0	246,378	5.7
Not stated	190	3.9	334,647	7.7
Total	4,935	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.