

## THE ISRAEL-BORN COMMUNITY IN VICTORIA: 2011 CENSUS

At the 2011 Census, there were 4,063 Israel-born persons in Victoria (44.0% of Australia's total), increasing by 24.3% (793) from 3,270 persons in 2006. The Israel-born were mainly concentrated in the local government areas of Glen Eira (50.5%); Port Phillip (7.3%); Bayside (5.2%); Stonnington (4.9%); and Kingston (3.9%). Over two-fifths (43.3%) of the Israel-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 11.5% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 41.5% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The Israel-born community reflected a relatively young to balanced age profile: 23.2% were aged 25 years and below; 37.6% were aged 26-44 years; 29.1% were aged 45-64 years; and 10.2% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 38 years, compared to 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 129 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males for every 100 females for total Victoria.

Three-quarters (74.5%) of the Israel-born followed Judaism; 3.7% were Western Catholic; 2.0% were Greek Orthodox; 10.3% had no religion. Two-thirds (67.9%) spoke a language other than English. Three-quarters (75.8%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. One-fifth (20.8%) of the Israel-born aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 10.4% received no income.

## Demographic Background

Persons born in Israel 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 <sup>(a)</sup>	3,978	43.1	3,203	41.1	2,680	40.8	775	24.2	523	19.5
Rest of Victoria <sup>(b)</sup>	85	0.9	67	0.9	59	0.9	18	26.9	8	13.6
<b>Total Victoria</b>	<b>4,063</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>3,270</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>2,739</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>19.4</b>
<b>Total Australia</b>	<b>9,229</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>7,788</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6,574</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,441</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>18.5</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

<sup>(b)</sup> Includes 'No Usual Address, Victoria'.

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Glen Eira	2,051	50.5	1,624	49.7	1
Port Phillip	297	7.3	264	8.1	2
Bayside	213	5.2	174	5.3	4
Stonnington	198	4.9	184	5.6	3
Kingston	160	3.9	89	2.7	7
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	1,059	26.1	866	26.5	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	85	2.1	68	2.1	
<b>Total Victoria</b>	<b>4,063</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,269</b>	<b>100.0</b>	

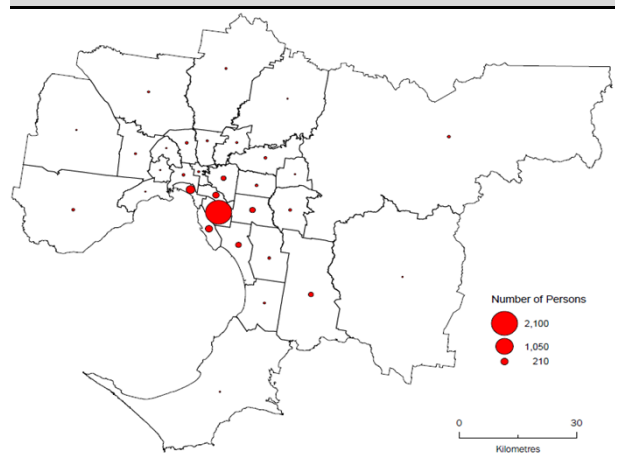
Year of Arrival of Israel-born: 2011

Year of Arrival <sup>(b)</sup>	Israel-born		Total OSB, Vic <sup>(a)</sup>	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	1,762	43.3	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	200	4.9	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	269	6.6	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	642	15.8	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	1,043	25.7	316,244	22.5
Not stated	149	3.7	60,867	4.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,065</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,405,334</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> OSB stands for Overseas-born.

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

Distribution of Israel-Born in Melbourne, 2011



### Age Distribution of Israel-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	109	2.7	81	2.5	34.6
5-11	317	7.8	221	6.8	43.4
12-18	284	7.0	199	6.1	42.7
19-25	230	5.7	252	7.7	-8.7
26-44	1,526	37.6	1,153	35.3	32.4
45-54	533	13.1	543	16.6	-1.8
55-64	650	16.0	496	15.2	31.0
65-74	258	6.3	199	6.1	29.6
75+	156	3.8	124	3.8	25.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,063</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,268</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>24.3</b>
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>129</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>38</i>		<i>39</i>		

### Top 5 Religions of Israel-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Judaism	3,026	74.5	2,370	72.5	27.7
Western Catholic	152	3.7	166	5.1	-8.4
Greek Orthodox	80	2.0	75	2.3	6.7
Islam	39	1.0	26	0.8	50.0
Temple Society	14	0.3	16	0.5	-12.5
Other religions	107	2.6	117	3.6	-8.5
No religion	419	10.3	247	7.6	69.6
Not stated <sup>(a)</sup>	226	5.6	252	7.7	-10.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,063</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,269</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>24.3</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> Includes 'Religious Belief, not further defined' and 'Not Defined'.

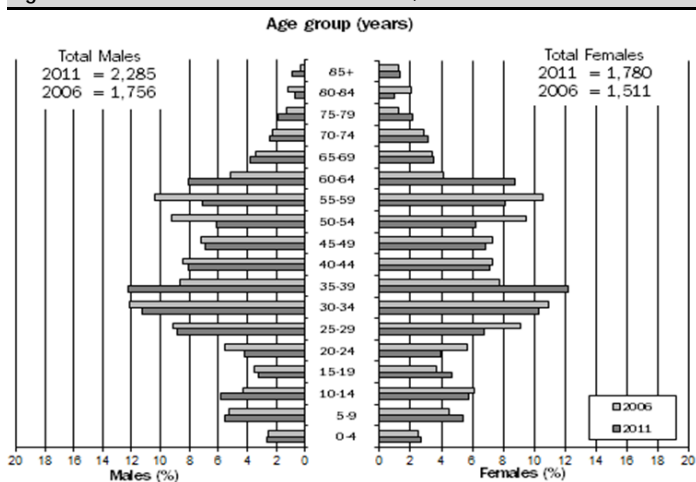
### Israel-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	43	1.4	33	1.3	30.3
5-11	191	6.2	133	5.3	43.6
12-18	206	6.7	140	5.6	47.1
19-25	139	4.5	183	7.3	-24.0
26-44	1,007	32.7	746	29.9	35.0
45-64	1,099	35.7	958	38.4	14.7
65-74	248	8.0	193	7.7	28.5
75+	148	4.8	108	4.3	37.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,081</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,494</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>23.5</b>

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](http://www.multicultural.vic.gov.au).

### Age and Gender Distribution of Israel-Born, 2011



### Proficiency in English of Israel-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	1,260	31.0	1,121	34.3	12.4
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	2,138	52.6	1,618	49.5	32.1
Well	515	12.7	414	12.7	24.4
Not well	91	2.2	73	2.2	24.7
Not at all	17	0.4	13	0.4	30.8
Not stated <sup>(a)</sup>	43	1.1	29	0.9	48.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,064</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,268</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>24.4</b>

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

### Total Personal Income (Weekly), Israel-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) <sup>(a)</sup>	Israel-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	363	10.4	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	218	6.2	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	512	14.6	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	342	9.8	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	353	10.1	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	292	8.4	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	541	15.5	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	310	8.9	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	414	11.8	246,378	5.7
Not stated	150	4.3	334,647	7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,495</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,355,243</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<sup>(a)</sup> Applicable to persons aged 15 years and over.

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