

At the 2011 Census, there were 2,836 Colombia-born persons in Victoria, increasing by 127.1% (1,587) from 1,249 persons in 2006. The Colombia-born were fairly well distributed throughout Metropolitan Melbourne, with concentrations in Melbourne (8.8%); Moreland (7.0%); Darebin (6.6%); Port Phillip (5.9%); and Stonnington (5.7%). Only 12.7% of the Colombia-born in Victoria had arrived in Australia prior to 1991; 9.9% had arrived between 1991 and 2000; and 74.6% had arrived between 2001 and 2011.

The age profile of the Colombia-born showed a concentration in the youth to adult age groups: 5.8% were aged 18 years and below; 13.7% were aged 19-25 years; 65.1% were aged 26-44 years; 12.9% were aged 45-64 years; and 2.6% were aged 65 years and over. The median age was 31 years, compared with 37 years for the total Victorian population. The gender ratio was 90 males to 100 females, compared to 98 males to 100 females for total Victoria.

Three-quarters (76.1%) of the Colombia-born were Western Catholic; 5.0% were Christians not further defined; 11.8% had no religion. Most (89.4%) spoke a language other than English; 9.6% assessed themselves as speaking English not well or not at all. Over one-third (34.5%) held Australian Citizenship, compared to 63.1% for the total overseas-born population in Victoria. Almost one-quarter (23.8%) aged 15 years and over received a weekly personal income of less than \$400; 11.9% received no income.

Demographic Background

Persons born in Colombia 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)	2,754	24.3	1,203	21.1	716	16.5	1,551	128.9	487	68.0
Rest of Victoria ^(b)	82	0.7	46	0.8	35	0.8	36	78.3	11	31.4
Total Victoria	2,836	25.1	1,249	21.9	751	17.3	1,587	127.1	498	66.3
Total Australia	11,317	100.0	5,708	100.0	4,329	100.0	5,609	98.3	1,379	31.9

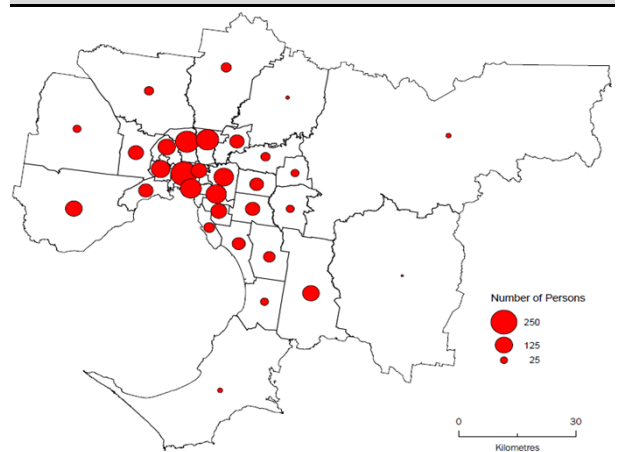
^(a) Included "Undefined Melbourne" in 2001.

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

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

Local Government Area	2011 Census		2006 Census		Rank in 2006
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Melbourne	250	8.8	85	6.8	1
Moreland	198	7.0	79	6.3	4
Darebin	188	6.6	74	5.9	6
Port Phillip	168	5.9	82	6.6	2
Stonnington	161	5.7	75	6.0	5
Rest of LGAs, Metro Melb	1,785	62.9	806	64.5	
Rest of LGAs, Reg. Vic	86	3.0	48	3.8	
Total Victoria	2,836	100.0	1,249	100.0	

Distribution of Colombia-Born in Melbourne, 2011



Year of Arrival of Colombia-born: 2011

Year of Arrival ^(b)	Colombia-born		Total OSB, Vic ^(a)	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Before 1991	360	12.7	682,720	48.6
1991 - 1995	64	2.3	89,119	6.3
1996 - 2000	190	6.7	104,896	7.5
2001 - 2005	434	15.3	151,488	10.8
2006 - 2011	1,682	59.3	316,244	22.5
Not stated	105	3.7	60,867	4.3
Total	2,835	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.

Age Distribution of Colombia-born: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	22	0.8	5	0.4	340.0
5-11	53	1.9	27	2.2	96.3
12-18	89	3.1	61	4.9	45.9
19-25	389	13.7	221	17.7	76.0
26-44	1,846	65.1	636	50.9	190.3
45-54	218	7.7	158	12.6	38.0
55-64	147	5.2	99	7.9	48.5
65-74	62	2.2	32	2.6	93.8
75+	10	0.4	11	0.9	-9.1
Total	2,836	100.0	1,250	100.0	126.9
<i>Sex Ratio</i>	<i>90</i>		<i>males per 100 females</i>		
<i>Median Age</i>	<i>31</i>		<i>31</i>		

Top 5 Religions of Colombia-born: 2011, 2006

Religion	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Western Catholic	2,158	76.1	998	80.0	116.2
Christian, nfd	141	5.0	44	3.5	220.5
Pentecostal, nfd	26	0.9	6	0.5	333.3
Baptist	23	0.8	8	0.6	187.5
Anglican Church	16	0.6	9	0.7	77.8
Other religions	88	3.1	67	5.4	31.3
No religion	334	11.8	89	7.1	275.3
Not stated ^(a)	51	1.8	27	2.2	88.9
Total	2,837	100.0	1,248	100.0	127.3

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

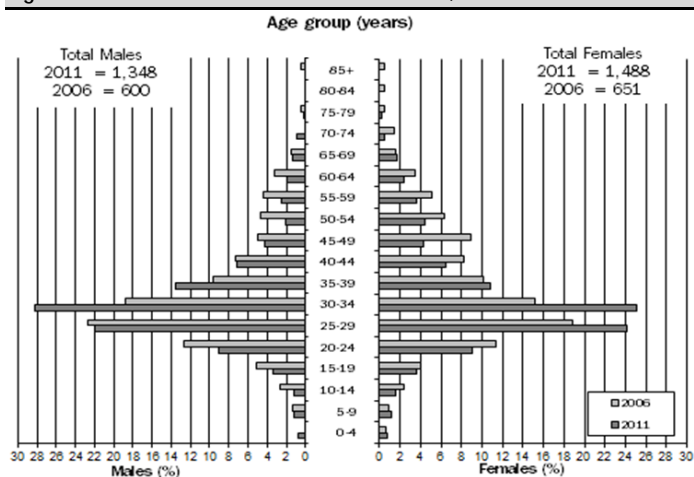
Colombia-born with Australian Citizenship by Age: 2011, 2006

Age group (years)	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
0-4	5	0.5	4	0.7	25.0
5-11	12	1.2	12	2.0	0.0
12-18	37	3.8	32	5.4	15.6
19-25	60	6.1	55	9.3	9.1
26-44	512	52.2	231	38.9	121.6
45-64	292	29.8	226	38.0	29.2
65-74	52	5.3	26	4.4	100.0
75+	11	1.1	8	1.3	37.5
Total	981	100.0	594	100.0	65.2

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 Colombia-Born, 2011



Proficiency in English of Colombia-born: 2011, 2006

Proficiency in English	2011 Census		2006 Census		2006-2011 % change
	Persons	%	Persons	%	
Speaks English only	260	9.2	150	12.0	73.3
<i>Speaks other language and speaks English</i>					
Very well	1,188	41.9	509	40.8	133.4
Well	1,076	37.9	429	34.3	150.8
Not well	237	8.4	134	10.7	76.9
Not at all	34	1.2	9	0.7	277.8
Not stated ^(a)	42	1.5	18	1.4	133.3
Total	2,837	100.0	1,249	100.0	127.1

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

Total Personal Income (Weekly), Colombia-born: 2011

Total personal income (weekly) ^(a)	Colombia-born		Tot Vic pop	
	Persons	%	Persons	%
Negative/Nil	325	11.9	377,766	8.7
\$1-199	177	6.5	341,700	7.8
\$200-\$399	474	17.3	882,992	20.3
\$400-\$599	452	16.5	504,498	11.6
\$600-\$799	399	14.6	459,629	10.6
\$800-\$999	260	9.5	367,453	8.4
\$1,000-\$1,499	373	13.6	584,245	13.4
\$1,500-\$1,999	118	4.3	255,935	5.9
\$2,000 or more	99	3.6	246,378	5.7
Not stated	62	2.3	334,647	7.7
Total	2,739	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.