

# Data Sheet 85 (DS 085)

## Birthplace of Residents – Australia or Overseas

### What are we monitoring?

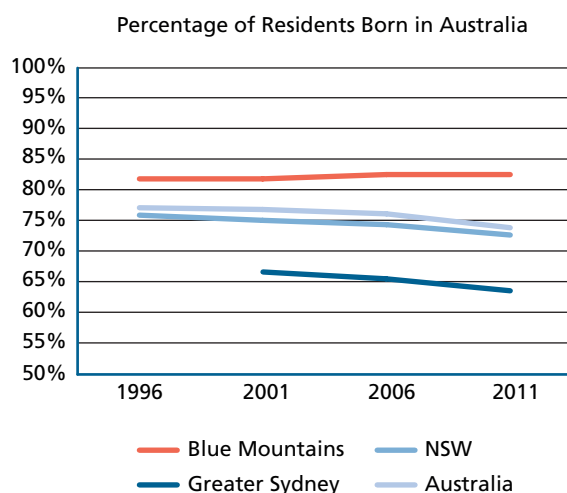
The percentage of Blue Mountains residents born in Australia or born overseas compared to Greater Sydney, NSW and Australia.

### What is the trend?

The percentage of the Blue Mountains population born in Australia has remained stable between 1996–2011 at around 82%. This is much higher than Greater Sydney (64% in 2011), NSW (73%) and Australia (74%).

### Why is monitoring this trend important?

This measure indicates the cultural diversity of the Blue Mountains population and the need for services to adapt to changes or the need to make changes to encourage diversity.



Birthplace of Residents

Year	1996	2001	2006	2011
<b>Blue Mountains</b>				
Percentage Born in Australia	81.9%	82.0%	82.6%	82.5%
Percentage Born Overseas	18.1%	18.0%	17.4%	17.5%
<b>Greater Sydney</b>				
Percentage Born in Australia	N/A	66.7%	65.6%	63.6%
Percentage Born Overseas	N/A	33.3%	34.4%	36.4%
<b>NSW</b>				
Percentage Born in Australia	76.0%	75.1%	74.4%	72.7%
Percentage Born Overseas	24.0%	24.9%	25.6%	27.3%
<b>Australia</b>				
Percentage Born in Australia	77.2%	76.9%	76.1%	73.9%
Percentage Born Overseas	22.8%	23.1%	23.9%	26.1%

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census Data 1996, 2001, 2006, 2011  
[http://censusdata.abs.gov.au/census\\_services/getproduct/census/2011/communityprofile](http://censusdata.abs.gov.au/census_services/getproduct/census/2011/communityprofile)