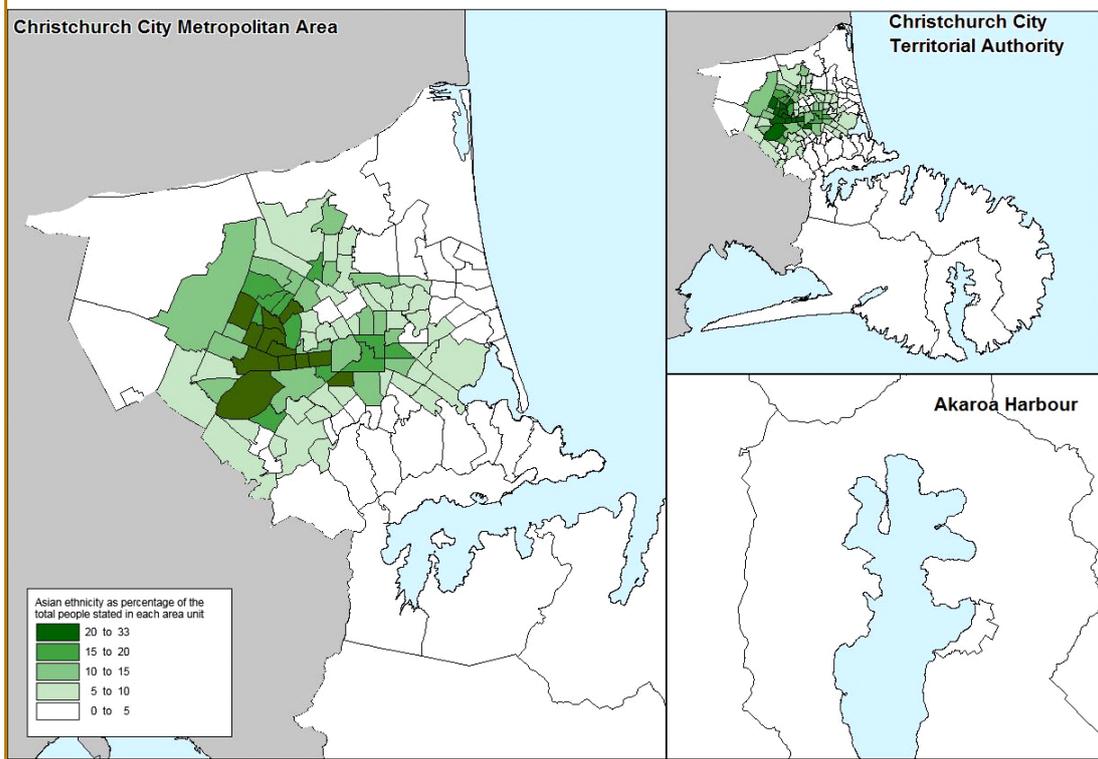


Ethnic Groups

Population belonging to the Asian Ethnic Group by Area Unit, 2013



Source: Statistics New Zealand: Census of Population and Dwellings.

Key Points:

- In 2013, 30,717 people identified with the Asian ethnic group, making it the second largest ethnic group in Christchurch City. In 2013, the Asian ethnic group comprised nine per cent of the City's population.
- Areas in the City with the highest proportions of Asian people are mainly in the west, particularly along Riccarton Road. Citywide, there is a greater trend for more central locations within the City.
- Area units where 20% and over of the population are from the Asian ethnic group are Sockburn, Riccarton, Ilam, Avonhead, Wigram, Upper Riccarton, Addington, Wharenui, Hawthornden, Westburn, Riccarton West and Jellie Park.
- Areas with the lowest proportion of Asian people tend to be located to the south of the City, particularly in and around Port Hills and Banks peninsula. Areas to the north-west, north-east and east of the City also have lower proportions.

What is this about?

This map shows the locations of people who belong to the Asian ethnic group by area unit (suburbs) in Christchurch City. The Asian population includes people from a diverse range of countries such as China, Japan, Korea, India, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, Phillipines, Malaysia and Cambodia.

Factors such as age, sex and ethnicity are key components of the population that may be relevant to a wide range of issues. This information may be useful in helping decision makers develop an understanding of the changing needs of the community and anticipate potential pressures on the wider environment.

Data limitations:

Percentages are calculated as a percentage of those people who responded to the ethnicity question in the Census (total people stated). This will be a smaller number than the total usually resident population.

People can identify with more than one ethnicity therefore the percentages in a particular geographic area for all ethnic groups may add up to over 100 per cent. This map shows the proportion of the Asian ethnic group in each area unit as a percentage of the total people stated. It does not show the total number of people of the Asian ethnic group, rather it shows the areas of the City that have higher or lower proportions of this ethnic group.

"Ethnicity is the ethnic group or groups a person identifies with or has a sense of belonging to. It is a measure of cultural affiliation (in contrast to race, ancestry, nationality, or citizenship). Ethnicity is self-perceived and a person can belong to more than one ethnic group.", (Statistics New Zealand, 'Definitions and Forms', 2013).

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