Diversity at Flinders University
The Flinders community includes academic and professional staff and students from diverse national, ethnic and language origins. The following figures represent data as at 15 December 2014.

The Flinders Staff Community in 2014
We had a total of 2,321 staff (FT/FFT)
- 729 staff members (31%) were born overseas from 86 different countries of origin.
- 1,427 (61%) were born in Australia, representing a range of cultural heritages.
- 34 staff are Indigenous Australians and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Additionally, 423 casual staff were part of the Flinders community in 2013.
  (165 staff members did not specify this information)

The Flinders student community in 2014
We had a total of 24,725 students.
- 7,807 were born overseas in 152 different countries of origin.
- 16,908 were born in Australia.
- 258 students are Indigenous Australians and Torres Strait Islander people.
- 4,249 (17%) are international students, representing 103 different countries of origin.
  (10 students did not specify this information)

Language
- Within our student community 140 different languages were spoken.
- 5,730 students (17%) speak a language other than English at home.
- 3,738 (88%) of international students speak a language other than English at home.
- 1,992 (8%) Australian students speak a language other than English at home.
  (28 students did not specify this information)
South Australian diversity at a glance

People
- Population 1,596,572.
- 30,431 (1.9%) people identified as being Indigenous Australians.
- 26% of South Australians were born overseas — of those, the main countries of birth were United Kingdom, Italy and Germany.

Language
- 16.3% of South Australians speak two or more languages at home.
- The most commonly spoken other languages are Italian, Greek, Mandarin, Vietnamese and Cantonese.

Religion
- 57% identify as Christian.
- 4% practise a religion other than Christianity.
- A variety of religions are increasingly practised e.g. Hinduism has increased by 166% since 2006.
- 28% do not identify with any religion.

Australian diversity at a glance
Australia has a unique history that has shaped the diversity of its peoples, their cultures and lifestyles today. Three major contributors to Australia’s demographic make-up include:
- a diverse Indigenous Australian population
- a British colonial past extensive immigration from many different countries and cultures
- extensive immigration from many different countries and cultures.

Today, Australia is one of the most culturally and linguistically diverse populations in the world.

References and Further Resources


