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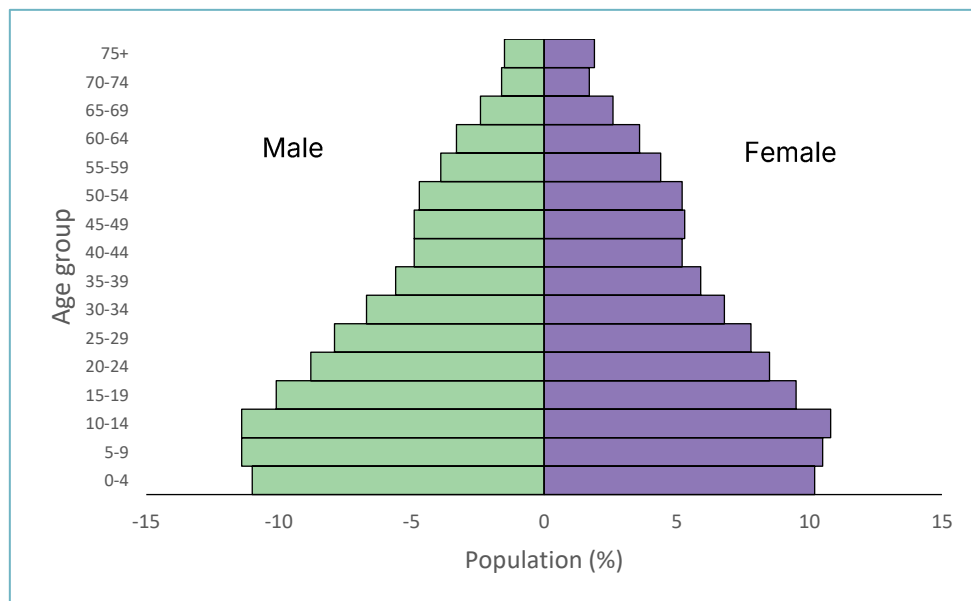
ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are the First Peoples of Australia. They are not one group but comprise hundreds of distinct Nations, each with their own languages, histories, and cultural traditions. Together, they are the custodians of the world's oldest living continuous cultures, with evidence of presence in Australia for at least 65,000 years. The experiences of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are diverse and shaped by geography, community, and history.

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people represent 3.8% of the total Australian population.
- 34.5% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people live in New South Wales.
- 15.3% of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population (150,900 people) lived in Remote and Very Remote Australia.

The 2021 Census (ERP) estimated 983,700 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

POPULATION PYRAMID



Population pyramid of the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population in 2021, showing males (left) and females (right)

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