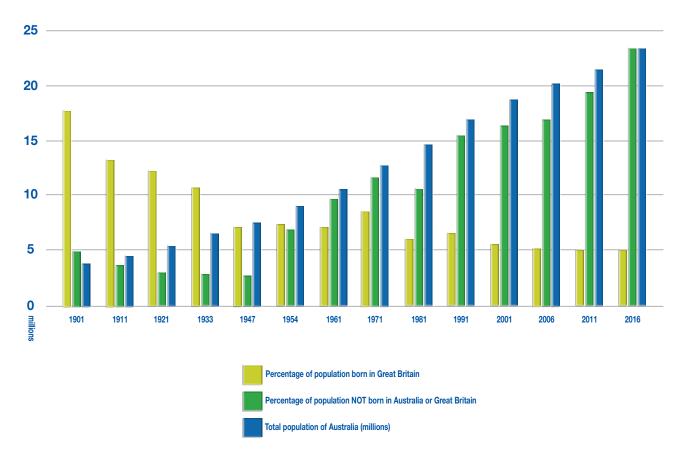
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PATTERNS OF MIGRATION

The graph shows the makeup of Australia's population from 1901 to 2016

- The blue bars show the total percentage of Australia's population that were born in Great Britain. For example, in 1901 it can be seen that approximately 18% of Australia's population were born in Great Britain.
- The yellow bars show the percentage of Australia's population that were NOT born in Australia OR Great Britain. For example, in 1901 it can be seen that just under 5% of Australia's population were not born in Australia or Great Britain.
- The grey bars show Australia's total population in millions.

Analyse the graph and then answer questions 1-5.



AUSTRALIAN POPULATION - BORN OVERSEAS

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The 'Asylum Seeker and Refugee fact book' provides an overview of the history of migration to Australia and will help you answer the questions that follow.1. What are some of the patterns you notice when looking at the graph?

2. Why was the percentage of the population born in Great Britain so high in 1901?

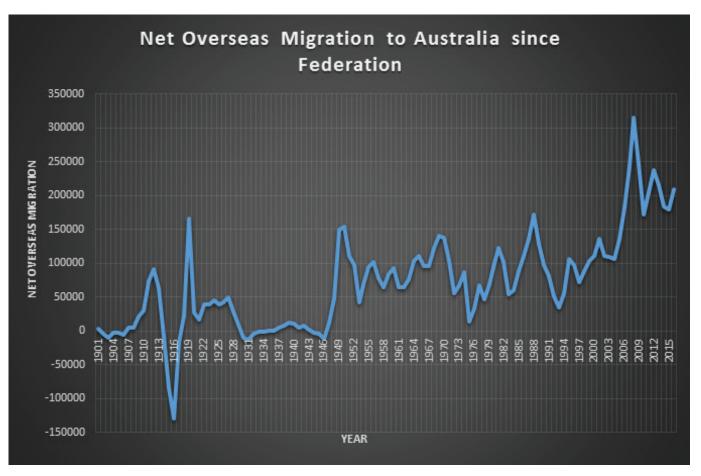
3. From 1901 to 1947, the percentage of the Australian population born in Great Britain significantly decreased. Why do you think it may have decreased during this time?

4. The 1954 numbers show the overseas born population percentage more than doubled. Why would this have occurred at this time?

5. Between 1981 and 1991, the overseas born population increased significantly. Where were these people coming from and what events caused them to come to Australia?



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- 6. The graph shows significant spikes and drops in migration during different time periods. Approximately what year was the highest Net Overseas Migration (NOM) to Australia?
- 7. Around the same time, a significant global event occurred which saw migration numbers fall lower again. What was this event and why would it have caused migration to fall?
- 8. Approximately what year was the lowest NOM to Australia? What would have caused it to be so low at this time?

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9. Explain the impact of the following events on NOM to Australia. In your response discuss why you believe the event would have had this impact on migration to Australia:

The Great Depression

World War II and its aftermath

Aftermath of the Vietnam War

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