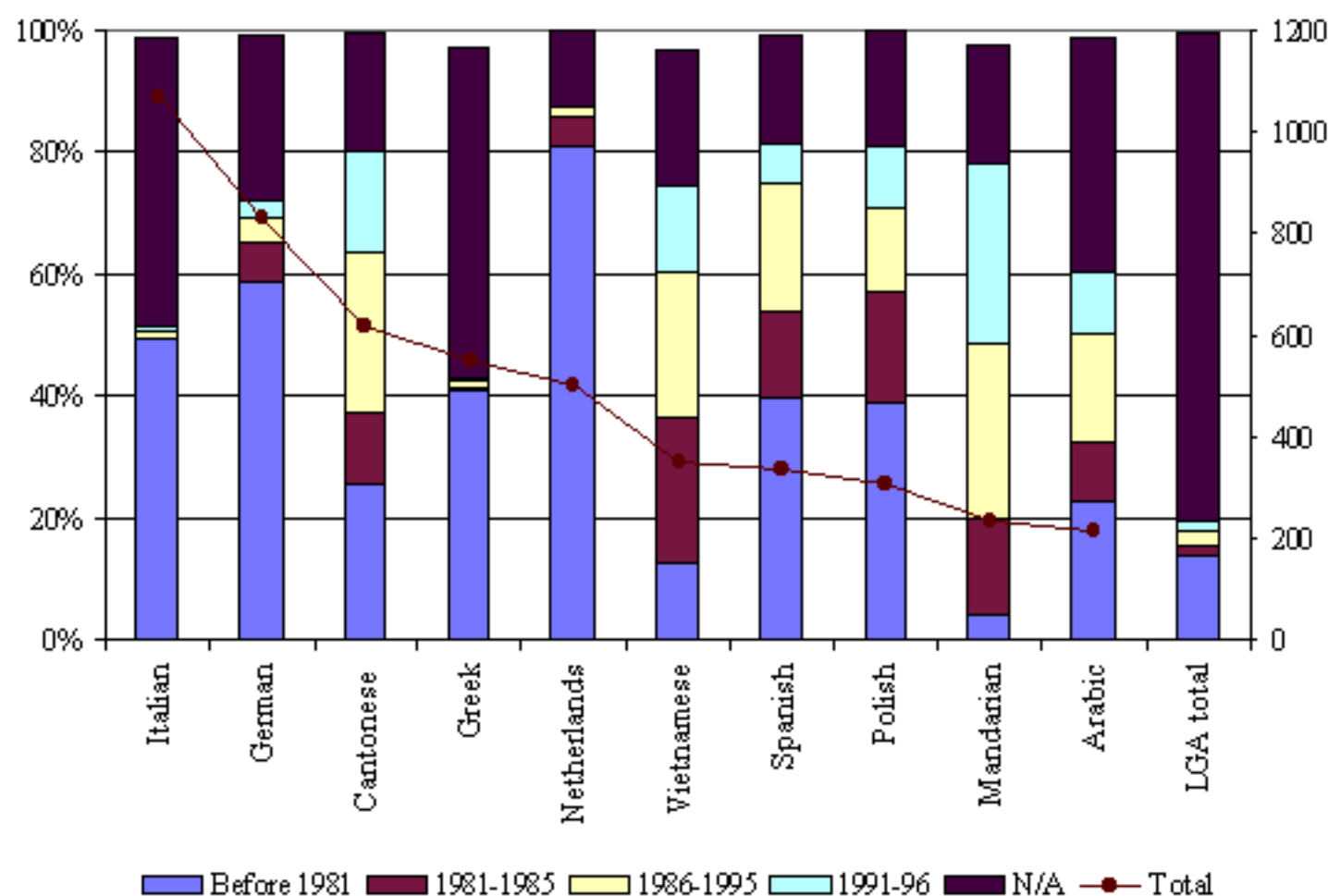


4.4 Year of arrival of the ten largest language groups



Source: ABS Census 1996

	< 1981	1981-85	1986-90	1991-96	N/A	Total
Italian	529	0	13	6	510	1070
German	489	52	36	22	227	832
Cantonese	156	73	163	100	120	615
Greek	225	3	6	3	298	550
Holland	407	24	9	0	62	502
Vietnamese	44	83	84	50	77	350
Spanish	133	47	71	21	60	335
Polish	119	56	43	30	59	307
Mandarin	9	37	67	69	45	233
Arabic	49	21	38	22	82	215
Total	12255	1717	2116	1451	72291	90206*

* Does not include not stated responses

81% of the Dutch community settled in Australia prior to 1981. The largest percentage of the Greek speaking community (54%) were born in Australia, within the Italian speaking community 47% of the community were born in Australia. In the Cantonese and Mandarin speaking communities the majority of people settled between 1986 and 1996, 43% and 58% respectively. In the region 50% and 58% respectively. In the region 50% and 72% respectively of the Cantonese and Mandarin speaking communities settled between and 1996.