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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Classification Scheme |
| METEOR identifier: | 270561 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 01/03/2005  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 10/02/2006  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 31/10/2012  [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 06/03/2014  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 07/10/2014  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 13/03/2015  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 01/09/2016  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 22/11/2016  [Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/7), Standard 20/06/2018  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 24/07/2018  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 10/08/2018  [Youth Justice](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/4), Standard 15/02/2022  [Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/23), Standard 30/08/2022 |
| Definition: | The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place for the address of a party (person or organisation), as defined by Australia Post. |
| Context: | Postcode is an important part of a persons or organisations postal address and facilitates written communication. It is one of a number of geographic identifiers that can be used to determine a geographic location. Postcode may assist with uniquely identifying a person or organisation. |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The postcode book is updated more than once annually as postcodes are dynamic entities and are constantly changing. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | Australia Post Postcode book. Reference through: <https://auspost.com.au/postcode> |
| Relational attributes | |
| Value Domains based on this classification scheme: | [Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) NNN[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270891)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 25/08/2005  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/05/2005  [Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/287222)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 06/02/2012  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 09/03/2012  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2011  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 23/08/2010  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 10/02/2006  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 13/03/2015  [Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/463806)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 20/01/2021  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 06/02/2012  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 07/10/2014  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 24/07/2018  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/10/2016  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 10/08/2018  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 02/05/2013  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 31/10/2012  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 27/02/2018  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016  [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 06/03/2014  [Youth Justice](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/4), Superseded 23/08/2022  [Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) NNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/611391)  [Aged Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/19), Standard 30/06/2023  [Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/23), Standard 30/08/2022  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 20/01/2021  [Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/7), Standard 20/06/2018  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 15/12/2017  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 24/07/2018  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 05/10/2016  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 10/08/2018  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 27/02/2018  [Youth Justice](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/4), Standard 15/02/2022  [Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile - Tasmanian variation) {NNNN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/651523)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 01/09/2016 |