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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 |