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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Area of usual residence |
| METEOR identifier: | 362291 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009 |
| Definition: | Geographical location of usual residence of the person, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—area of usual residence](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269542) |
| Value Domain: | [Geographical location code (ASGC 2007) NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362286) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [Australian Standard Geographical Classification 2007](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362284) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | NNNNN | |
| Maximum character length: | 5 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The geographical location is reported using a five digit numerical code. The first digit is the single-digit code to indicate State or Territory. The remaining four digits are the numerical code for the Statistical Local Area (SLA) within the State or Territory.  The single digit codes for the states and territories and the four digit codes for the SLAs are as defined in the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC).  The ASGC is updated on an annual basis with a date of effect of 1 July each year. The codes for SLA are unique within each State and Territory, but not within the whole country. Thus, to define a unique location, the code of the State or Territory is required in addition to the code for the SLA.  The Australian Bureau of Statistics '(ABS) National Localities Index (NLI) (ABS Catalogue number 1252.0) can be used to assign each locality or address in Australia to a SLA. The NLI is a comprehensive list of localities in Australia with their full code (including State or Territory and SLA) from the main structure of the ASGC.  For the majority of localities, the locality name (suburb or town, for example) is sufficient to assign a SLA. However, some localities have the same name. For most of these, limited additional information such as the postcode or State can be used with the locality name to assign the SLA. In addition, other localities cross one or more SLA boundaries and are referred to as split localities. For these, the more detailed information of the number and street of the person's residence is used with the Streets Sub-index of the NLI to assign the SLA.  If the information available on the person's address indicates that it is in a split locality but is insufficient to assign an SLA, the code for the SLA which includes most of the split locality should be reported. This is in accordance with the NLI assignment of SLA when a split locality is identified and further detail about the address is not available.  The NLI does not assign a SLA code if the information about the address is insufficient to identify a locality, or is not an Australian locality. In these cases, the appropriate codes for undefined SLA within Australia (State or Territory unstated), undefined SLA within a stated State or Territory, no fixed place of abode (within Australia or within a stated State or Territory) or overseas should be used. |
| Collection methods: | When collecting the geographical location of a person's usual place of residence, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) recommends that 'usual' be defined as: 'the place where the person has or intends to live for 6 months or more, or the place that the person regards as their main residence, or where the person has no other residence, the place they currently reside.' Apart from collecting a person's usual place of residence there is also a need in some collections to collect area of residence immediately prior to or after assistance is provided, or at some other point in time. |
| Comments: | Geographical location is reported using Statistical Local Area (SLA) to enable accurate aggregation of information to larger areas within the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) (such as Statistical Subdivisions and Statistical Divisions) as well as detailed analysis at the SLA level. The use of SLA also allows analysis relating the data to information complied by the Australian Bureau of Statistics on the demographic and other characteristics of the population of each SLA. Analyses facilitates by the inclusion of SLA information include:   * comparison of the use of services by persons residing in different geographical areas, * characterisation of catchment areas and populations for establishments for planning purposes, and * documentation of the provision of services to residents of States or Territories other than the State or Territory of the provider. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | Health Data Standards Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—area of usual residence, geographical location code (ASGC 2006) NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/341800)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008  Has been superseded by [Person—area of usual residence, geographical location code (ASGC 2008) NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/377103)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/10/2009 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted patient care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/361679)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009  [Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362305)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009  [Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/361960)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009  [Community mental health care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362308)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009  [Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2008-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/363530)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 22/12/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010  [Perinatal NMDS 2008-2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362313)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/12/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010  [Residential mental health care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362316)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008  ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009 |
| Implementation in Indicators: | **Used as Disaggregation** [National Health Performance Authority Healthy Communities: Percentage of live singleton births that were of low birthweight, 2007–2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/578021)  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016  [National Health Performance Authority Healthy Communities: Percentage of women who gave birth and smoked during pregnancy, 2007–2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/583506)  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016  [National Healthcare Agreement: P20-Potentially avoidable deaths, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394495)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: P31-Proportion of people with asthma with a written asthma plan, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394978)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/06/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PB 07-By 2014-15, improve the provision of primary care and reduce the proportion of potentially preventable hospital admissions by 7.6 per cent over the 2006-07 baseline to 8.5 per cent of total hospital admissions, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/429180)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 30/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2015](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/559066)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/07/2016  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 16-Potentially avoidable deaths, 2013](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/497242)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 30/04/2014  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20-Potentially avoidable deaths, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421653)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20-Potentially avoidable deaths, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421653)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 20-Potentially avoidable deaths, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/443685)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 22-Selected potentially preventable hospitalisations, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421649)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 22-Selected potentially preventable hospitalisations, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421649)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 23-Selected potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421647)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 23-Selected potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421647)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 23-Selected potentially avoidable GP-type presentations to emergency departments, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/443689)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 28-Public sector community mental health services, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421636)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 31-Proportion of people with asthma with a written asthma plan, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421629)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 31-Proportion of people with asthma with a written asthma plan, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/435988)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 33-Women with at least one antenatal visit in the first trimester of pregnancy, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421625)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 33-Women with at least one antenatal visit in the first trimester of pregnancy, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/435858)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 34-Waiting times for elective surgery, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421623)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 41-Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421611)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 42-Intentional self-harm in hospitals, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421609)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 43-Unplanned/unexpected readmissions within 28 days of selected surgical admissions, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421607)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 45-Rates of services: Overnight separations, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421602)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 52-Falls in residential aged care resulting in patient harm and treated in hospital, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421559)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 61-Teenage birth rate, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/435899)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 62-Hospitalisation for injury and poisoning, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421587)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P02-Mortality rate (and excess deaths) by leading causes, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/396109)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 04/04/2011  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P03-Hospitalisation rates by principal diagnosis, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/396194)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 04/04/2011  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P09b-Child under 5 mortality rate (and excess deaths) (ABS Data), 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/396458)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 04/04/2011  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P10-Mortality rates (and excess deaths) for children under 5 by leading causes, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/396468)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 04/04/2011  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P10-Mortality rates (and excess deaths) for children under 5 by leading causes, 2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/396468)  [Community Services 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Superseded 01/07/2012  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 03-Hospitalisation rates by principal diagnosis, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/425741)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 01/07/2012  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2014](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/525840)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 24/11/2014  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 09b-Child under 5 mortality rate (and excess deaths) (ABS Data), 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/425757)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 01/07/2012  [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 10-Mortality rates (and excess deaths) by leading causes for children under 5, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/425760)  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 01/07/2012  [National 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