Discrete Indigenous community—Indigenous community identifier, N(8)A

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Discrete Indigenous community ID |
| METEOR identifier: | 270296 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 01/03/2005 [Non Dictionary]  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 11/09/2012 |
| Definition: | A unique identifier for a discrete Indigenous community. |
| Context: | The number of discrete Indigenous communities and the number of dwellings and persons within these communities are the basic counting units in identifying housing assistance to Indigenous people and as such it is essential to be able to uniquely identify these communities. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Discrete Indigenous community—Indigenous community identifier](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269732) |
| Value Domain: | [Identifier N(8)A](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270816) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Identifier | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | N(8)A | |
| Maximum character length: | 9 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This metadata item uses the unique national identifier allocated by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to each community. The first six digits are based on the Indigenous location as defined by the ABS. The last two digits are sequential numbers within the Indigenous location. See *Population Distribution, Indigenous Australians, Census 1996* (Cat. No. 4705.0) for Indigenous locations. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Housing Data Development Committee |
| Origin: | Community Housing and Infrastructure Needs Survey (CHINS) Australia, 2001 Data Dictionary |