

Health care client Australian state/territory code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	270702
Registration status:	Health, Retired 01/09/2005 Community Services (retired), Retired 04/04/2006
Definition:	A code set representing the geographical location of a Health care client.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	New South Wales
	2	Victoria
	3	Queensland
	4	South Australia
	5	Western Australia
	6	Tasmania
	7	Northern Territory
	8	Australian Capital Territory
	9	Other territories (Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Christmas Island and Jervis Bay Territory)
Supplementary values:	0	Overseas address
	NULL	Unknown address state

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: When used specifically in the collection of address information for a client, the following local implementation rules may be applied:

- NULL may be used to signify an unknown address state; and
- Code 0 may be used to signify an overseas address.

The order presented here is the standard for the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). Other organisations (including the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) publish data in state order based on population (that is, Western Australia before South Australia and Australian Capital Territory before Northern Territory).

Irrespective of how the information is coded, conversion of the codes to the ABS standard must be possible.

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). Cat. no. 1216.0. Canberra: ABS.

Reference through: <http://www.abs.gov.au/Ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary>

Relational attributes

**Data elements
implementing this value
domain:**

[Person—Australian state/territory identifier, Health care client code N
Community Services \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/09/2005
[Health](#), Retired 01/09/2005