
Area of residence

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHADD
Knowledgebase ID: 000741 Version number: 1
Metadata type: DERIVED DATA ELEMENT
Registration Authority: NHDAMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED
Effective date: 13-JUL-03
Definition: The geographical location in which the person resides.
Context: This is used in analysis of:
- catchments and geographical patterns of service distribution and utilisation;
- geographical differences in service distribution and utilisation;
- interstate comparisons of type of services available and used.
The person's residential address or location is coded according to a standard geographic classification system (ASGC).

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Alphanumeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout:
Minimum Size:
Maximum Size:
Data Domain: NOVAL Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC), which is a hierarchically structured classification scheme.
Guide For Use: The most up-to-date edition of the ASGC available for the data collection reference year should be used. Coding to ASGC codes is preferably done by using the ABS National Localities Index, to map the actual address. In some data collections, a compromise has to be made and the ASGC code derived from suburb and/or postcode only. However, this solution results in some inaccuracy of information.
The accurate recording of the State or Territory is essential.
If the person is not resident in Australia, i.e. lives in another

country, or at sea, or has no fixed address, local codes may be used to capture this information. However, for national reporting purposes the item should be coded as follows:
State/Territory as 0 = not applicable.

Related metadata: is derived from Address version 1
is derived from Postcode version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document: ABS, Australian Standard Geographical Classification 1998, Cat. no. 1216.0

Source Organisation: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

Data Agreements which include this Data Element
