Housing assistance agency—Australian postcode

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element Concept |
| METEOR identifier: | 302058 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 01/05/2013 |
| Definition: | The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locaility, suburb or place for the address of a housing assistance agency. |
| Context: | Postcode is an important part of a housing assistance agency's 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 housing assistance agency. |

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Object class: | [Housing assistance agency](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/302078) |
| Definition: | An organisation or organisational sub-unit that is responsible for the provision of housing assistance to people.  Defining Agency is extremely important for data collection, as it is the level at which most data are collected in the housing assistance and other human service areas.  Regardless of the way in which an organisation is funded, a housing assistance agency is the level of the organisation responsible for the provision of housing assistance to people. In some instances one organisation will have more than one or many agencies. |
| Specialisation of: | [Organisation](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/281131) |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Different collections define Agency differently according to their context and varying need for information on the different levels of organisations providing services or assistance. Individual data collections will therefore need to further specify what a housing assistance agency is for their collection purposes.  In the mainstream community housing data collection*,* a housing assistance agency corresponds to the definition of ['Community housing provider'](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/292033). In the public rental housing and state owned and managed Indigenous housing data collections, a housing assistance agency corresponds to the state or territory housing authority (Head Office). |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Housing Data Development Committee |

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Property: | [Australian postcode](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269316) |
| Definition: | The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place. |
| Context: | Postcode is an important part of a postal address and facilitates written communication. It is one of a number of geographic identifiers that can be used to determine a geographic location. |
| Property group: | [Location characteristics](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/274653) |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

## Data element concept attributes

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| Submitting organisation: | National Housing Data Development Committee |

### Relational attributes

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| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Address—Australian postcode](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/429892)  [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 22/11/2016  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/10/2023  [Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/7), Standard 20/06/2018  [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), Standard 09/03/2012  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/12/2011  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 02/05/2013  [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), Standard 13/03/2015  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 01/09/2016  [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 06/03/2014  [Youth Justice](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/4), Standard 15/02/2022  Has been superseded by [Service provider organisation (address)—Australian postcode](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/290062)  [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  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Superseded 13/03/2015 |
| Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: | [Housing assistance agency—Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/302060)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 01/05/2013 |