

Address—statistical area, level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS 2011) N(9)

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Statistical area level 2 (SA2)
Synonymous names:	SA2
METEOR identifier:	457289
Registration status:	Children and Families , Superseded 21/01/2021 Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/12/2011 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Health , Superseded 06/12/2016
Definition:	A designated region describing location and contact details that represents a medium-sized area built from a number of Statistical areas level 1 (SA1s), as represented by a code. The aim is to represent a community that interacts together socially and economically.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Address—statistical area
METEOR identifier:	457285
Registration status:	Children and Families , Standard 22/11/2016 Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/12/2011 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Early Childhood , Superseded 24/07/2018 Health , Superseded 06/12/2016 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016
Definition:	A designated region with a pre-determined population used for describing location and contact details. Based on the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) structure of six hierarchical statistical area levels comprised in ascending order.
Object class:	Address
Property:	Statistical area

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Statistical area level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS 2011) N(9)
METEOR identifier:	455810

Registration status: [Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/12/2011
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018
[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2016
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 01/11/2012
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 27/06/2017
[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

Definition: A code set representing a medium-sized area built from whole Statistical areas level 1 (SA1s). The aim of Statistical areas level 2 (SA2s) is to represent a community that interacts together socially and economically.

Representational attributes

Classification scheme: [Australian Statistical Geography Standard 2011](#)

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: N(9)

Maximum character length: 9

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: SA2 coding structure:

An SA2 is identifiable by a 9-digit fully hierarchical code. The SA2 identifier is a 4-digit code, assigned in alphabetical order within an SA3. An SA2 code is only unique within a state/territory if it is preceded by the state/territory identifier.

For example:

State/territory	SA4	SA3	SA2
N	NN	NN	NNNN

Comments: There are 2,196 SA2 spatial units. In aggregate, they cover the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps. Jervis Bay Territory, the Territory of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and the Territory of Christmas Island are each represented by an SA2.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: 1270.0.55.001 - Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS): Volume 1 - Main Structure and Greater Capital City Statistical Areas, July 2011
<http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/DetailsPage/1270.0.55.001July%202011?OpenDocument>

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Address—statistical area, level 2 \(SA2\) code \(ASGS 2016\) N\(9\)](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 11/05/2023

[Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021

See also [Address—Australian postcode, Australian postcode code \(Postcode datafile - Tasmanian variation\) {NNNN}](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 01/09/2016

See also [Address—Australian postcode, Australian postcode code \(Postcode datafile\) {NNNN}](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012

[Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014

[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018

[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016

[Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018

[Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/05/2013

[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 31/10/2012

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 27/02/2018

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

[WA Health](#), Standard 04/03/2014

[Youth Justice](#), Superseded 23/08/2022

See also [Address—Australian postcode, code \(Postcode datafile\) NNNN](#)

[Aged Care](#), Standard 30/06/2023

[Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](#), Standard 30/08/2022

[Children and Families](#), Standard 20/01/2021

[Commonwealth Department of Social Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 20/06/2018

[Disability](#), Standard 15/12/2017

[Early Childhood](#), Standard 24/07/2018

[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016

[Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018

[Indigenous](#), Standard 27/02/2018

[Youth Justice](#), Standard 15/02/2022

See also [Address—suburb/town/locality name, text X\[X\(45\)\]](#)

[Aged Care](#), Standard 30/06/2023

[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012

[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015

[Early Childhood](#), Standard 09/03/2012

[Health](#), Standard 07/12/2011

[Homelessness](#), Standard 01/05/2013

[Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/05/2013

[Indigenous](#), Standard 13/03/2015

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 01/09/2016

[Youth Justice](#), Standard 15/02/2022

See also [Address—suburb/town/locality name, text X\[X\(49\)\]](#)

[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2012-13](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-15](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/11/2014

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

DSS specific information: For the purposes of the Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS, this data element relates to the site from which a drug treatment service is delivered. For agencies with more than one location, the data element relates to the service delivery outlet.

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2015-18](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

DSS specific information:

For the purposes of the Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS, this data element relates to the site from which a drug treatment service is delivered. For agencies with more than one location, the data element relates to the service delivery outlet.

[Disability services provider details cluster](#)

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 10/04/2013

[Disability](#), Superseded 13/08/2015

[Disability services provider details cluster](#)

[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 10/10/2014

Implementation start date: 01/07/2011

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

DSS specific information:

The Statistical area level 2 (SA2) of the child's living arrangement. Record 99 for 'not stated/inadequately described'.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

DSS specific information:

The Statistical area level 2 (SA2) of the child's living arrangement. Record 99 for 'Not stated/inadequately described'.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

DSS specific information:

The Statistical area level 2 (SA2) of the child's living arrangement. Record 99 for 'not stated/inadequately described'.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/04/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2014

Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

DSS specific information:

The Statistical area level 2 (SA2) of the child's living arrangement. Record 99 for 'not stated/inadequately described'.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

DSS specific information:

The Statistical area level 2 (SA2) of the child's living arrangement. Record 99 for 'not stated/inadequately described'.

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2012-13](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

[Mental health establishments NMDS 2013-14](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/03/2014

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

[Mental health establishments NMDs 2014-15](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/11/2014

Implementation start date: 01/07/2014

Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

[Mental health establishments NMDs 2015-16](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 04/09/2015

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

[Mental health establishments NMDs 2016-17](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 17/08/2017

Implementation start date: 01/07/2016

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations \(NIS\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 09/10/2014

Implementation start date: 01/07/2011

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

DSS specific information:

The Statistical Area level 2 (SA2) of the child's usual place of residence at the time of the notification.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations \(NIS\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

DSS specific information:

The Statistical Area level 2 (SA2) of the child's usual place of residence at the time of the notification. Record 99 for 'Not stated/inadequately described'.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations \(NIS\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2015

DSS specific information:

The Statistical Area level 2 (SA2) of the child's usual place of residence at the time of the notification. Record 99 for 'Not stated/inadequately described'.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations \(NIS\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/04/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2014

Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

DSS specific information:

The Statistical Area level 2 (SA2) of the child's usual place of residence at the time of the notification. Record 99 for 'Not stated/inadequately described'.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations \(NIS\) file cluster](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

DSS specific information:

The Statistical Area level 2 (SA2) of the child's usual place of residence at the time of the notification. Record 99 for 'Not stated/inadequately described'.

[Public hospital establishments NMDs 2012-13](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

DSS specific information: To be reported for the address of each hospital establishment.

[Public hospital establishments NMDs 2013-14](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 11/04/2014
Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2014
DSS specific information: To be reported for the address of each hospital establishment.

[Public hospital establishments NMDs 2014-15](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 04/02/2015
Implementation start date: 01/07/2014
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015
DSS specific information: To be reported for the address of each hospital establishment.

[Public hospital establishments NMDs 2015-16](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 04/08/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 30/06/2016
DSS specific information:

To be reported for the address of each hospital establishment.

[Public hospital establishments NMDs 2016–17](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 03/11/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017
DSS specific information:

To be reported for the address of each hospital establishment.

[Radiotherapy waiting times DSS 2012-13](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/11/2013
Implementation start date: 01/07/2012
Implementation end date: 30/06/2013
DSS specific information: In the Radiotherapy waiting times DSS, this data element describes the geographic code that indicates the service provider organisation's geographic location.

[Radiotherapy waiting times DSS 2013-15](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/11/2013
Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015
DSS specific information: In the Radiotherapy waiting times DSS, this data element describes the geographic code that indicates the service provider organisation's geographic location.

**Implementation in
Indicators:**

Used as Disaggregation

[KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 15J – Rate of seclusion, 2015](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 11/05/2016

[KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 15J – Rate of seclusion, 2016](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 14/06/2017

[KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 15J – Rate of seclusion, 2017](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/01/2021

[National Health Performance Authority Healthy Communities: Infant and young child mortality rate, 2010–2012](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

[National Health Performance Authority Healthy Communities: Infant mortality rate, 2010–2012](#)

[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016