

ABS 2011 Census of Population and Housing

Identifying and definitional attributes

Item type: Data Source

Description: The Australian Census of Population and Housing ('the Census') is the official count of population and dwellings and collects details of age, sex and other characteristics of the population.

The Census aims to measure the number and key characteristics of people in Australia on Census Night. The 2011 Census was conducted on the night of 9 August.

All people in Australia on Census Night are in scope, except foreign diplomats and their families. Visitors to Australia are counted regardless of how long they have been in the country or how long they plan to stay. Australian residents not in the country on Census Night are out of scope of the Census.

Link to data source: <<http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/censushome.nsf/home/Census>>

Collection and usage attributes

Frequency: Every 5 years.

Source and reference attributes

Data custodian: Australian Bureau of Statistics.