Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 1 (SA1) code (ASGS 2011) N(11)

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Area of usual residence (SA1) |
| METEOR identifier: | 492361 |
| Registration status: | [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 24/07/2018[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/12/2016 |
| Definition: | The geographical region in which a person or group of people usually reside, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—area of usual residence](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269542) |
| Value Domain: | [Statistical area level 1 (SA1) code (ASGS 2011) N(11)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/455781) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Classification scheme: | [Australian Statistical Geography Standard 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/437772) |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | N(11) |
| Maximum character length: | 11 |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | SA1 coding structure:SA1s are identified by an 11-digit fully hierarchical code. The SA1 identifier is a 2-digit code, assigned within an SA2.

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|  State/territory | SA4 | SA3 | SA2 | SA1 |
| N | NN | NN | NNNN | NN |

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| Comments: | There are approximately 55,000 SA1s. In aggregate, they cover the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps. |

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| 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](http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/DetailsPage/1270.0.55.001July%202011?OpenDocument) |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | The geographical location is reported using an eleven digit numerical code to indicate the Statistical Area level 1 within the reporting state or territory, as defined in the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) (Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), catalogue number 1270.0.55.001). |
| Collection methods: | When collecting the geographical location of a person's usual place of residence, the ABS recommends that 'usual' be defined as: 'the place where the person has or intends to live for 6 months or more, or the place that the person regards as their main residence, or where the person has no other residence, the place they currently reside.' Apart from collecting a person's usual place of residence there is also a need in some collections to collect area of residence immediately prior to or after assistance is provided, or at some other point in time. |
| Comments: | Area of usual residence is reported using SA1 to enable accurate and flexible aggregation of information to larger areas (such as the ASGS Remoteness Area classification). The use of SA1 also supports accurate analyses relating the data to information compiled by the ABS on the demographic and other characteristics of the population of each SA1, such as socio-economic status of area of usual residence using the Socio-Economic Index for Areas (SEIFA). |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—area of usual residence, geographical location code (ASGC 2010) NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/426285)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 22/11/2011Has been superseded by [Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 1 (SA1) code (ASGS 2016) N(11)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659740)       [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 15/08/2023       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/10/2021 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) (2011 Census, ASGS 2011) cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/517903)        [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 24/07/2018       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/09/2018[Statistical Area Level 1 of usual residence National Best Endeavours Data Set 2016-17](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/629910)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/02/2017***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017 |