Address—Australian postcode, Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile - Tasmanian variation) {NNNN}

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Australian postcode (address)
Synonymous names:	Postcode
METEOR identifier:	651535
Registration status:	[Tasmanian Health,](#) Standard 01/09/2016
Definition:	The Australian numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area for an address.
Data Element Concept:	[Address—Australian postcode](#)
Value Domain:	[Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile - Tasmanian variation) {NNNN}](#)

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	[Postcode datafile](#)
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	{NNNN}
Maximum character length:	4

	Value	**Meaning**
Supplementary values:	0000	Unknown
	9500	Overseas

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Code 9500 should be used for overseas addresses.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania - PPP - MRA - HIU

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Australian postal addresses should include a valid postcode. Refer to the Australia Post Address Presentation Standard for rules on presentation and positioning of postcodes on mail.

For a full list of Australian postcodes visit the Australia Post website: www.auspost.com.au

This data element may be used in the analysis of data on a geographical basis which involves coding data containing an address with a postcode to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) areas. The ABS provides a number of coding indexes and correspondences to undertake this conversion from postcode to ASGS areas. (See the correspondences section of ABS geography portal www.abs.gov.au/geography).

A more accurate way to convert address data to ASGS geography is to use the locality to SA2 coding index, available from ABS, where the locality, postcode and state, (which are all part of an address), used in conjunction can effectively code data to the SA2 level and above in the ASGS. Note that it is not possible to code to SA1 level using these correspondences or indexes.

This data element is one of a number of items that can be used to create a primary address, as recommended by the AS 4590-2006 *Interchange of client information* standard. Components of the primary address are:

- Address site (or Primary complex) name
- Address number or number range
- Road name (name/type/suffix)
- Locality
- State/Territory
- Postcode (optional)
- Country (if applicable).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Standards Australia 2006. AS 4590—2006 Interchange of client information. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Dwelling—Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](#)
    [Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

Supersedes [Housing assistance agency—Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](#)
    [Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

Supersedes [Person (address)—Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](#)
    [Community Services (retired)](#), Superseded 06/02/2012
    [Early Childhood](#), Superseded 09/03/2012
    [Health](#), Superseded 07/12/2011
    [Homelessness](#), Superseded 30/05/2013
    [Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/05/2013

Supersedes [Service provider organisation (address)—Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](#)
    [Community Services (retired)](#), Superseded 06/02/2012
    [Early Childhood](#), Superseded 09/03/2012
    [Health](#), Superseded 07/12/2011
    [Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013
    [Indigenous](#), Superseded 13/03/2015

Supersedes [Workplace (address)—Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}](#)
    [Health](#), Superseded 07/12/2011

See also [Address—statistical area, level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS 2011) N(9)](#)
    [Children and Families](#), Superseded 21/01/2021
    [Community Services (retired)](#), Standard 06/12/2011
    [Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
    [Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2016

See also [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—statistical area, level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS Edition 3) N(9)](#)
    [Aged Care](#), Standard 30/06/2023
    [Children and Families](#), Standard 11/05/2023
    [Health](#), Standard 20/10/2021

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Mother geographical data elements (TDLU) cluster](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 17/11/2023
Implementation start date: 01/07/2023
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[Person geographic data elements (TDLU) cluster](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 10/11/2023

[Person geographic data elements (TDLU) cluster](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 10/11/2023
Implementation start date: 01/07/2023
Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[Tasmanian Demographics Data Set - 2016](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 05/07/2017
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

[Tasmanian Demographics Data Set - 2017](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 10/01/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2017
Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

[Tasmanian Demographics Data Set - 2018](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 05/04/2019
Implementation start date: 01/07/2018
Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

[Tasmanian Demographics Data Set - 2019](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 17/06/2020
Implementation start date: 01/07/2019
Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

[Tasmanian Demographics Data Set - 2020](#)
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 22/11/2023
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