

Collection of locality, postcode and state/territory for SEIFA cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification

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

DSS type: Data Element Cluster

Scope: This cluster contains three data elements which, if collected together, enable data to be mapped to Statistical Areal Level 2 (SA2) or Statistical Local Area (SLA) geographic unit which can be examined on the SEIFA indexes to ascertain a SEIFA score for a geographic area which is a measure of the collective socio-economic status of the people living in the area.

The collection of information about a person's or service provider organisation's locality, postcode and state/territory enables the geographical entity to be ascertained which can then be examined in the relevant SEIFA index. Where locality, postcode and state/territory are collected, there are a number of concordance/correspondence files available from geography@abs.gov.au which can assist in assigning geographic area codes, such as:

- 2011 localities (and postcode and state/territory) to 2011 SA2
- 2011 localities (and postcode and state/territory) to 2011 SLAs.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The collection of residential postcode + locality + state/territory can be mapped to SA2 or SLA. The SLA geographical unit from the ASGC geography framework is being supported for the 2011 Census and 2011 SEIFA.

Comments: SEIFA indexes are assigned to areas, not to individuals.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Collection of locality, postcode and state/territory for SEIFA cluster](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Not progressed 17/01/2018
- [Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018
- [Health](#), Standard 29/08/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas \(SEIFA\) \(2011 Census, ASGS 2016\) cluster Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
-	Address—Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) NNNN	Mandatory	1
-	Address—Australian state/territory identifier, code AA[A]	Mandatory	1
-	Address—suburb/town/locality name, text X[X(45)]	Mandatory	1