

Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS Edition 3) N(9)

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Area of usual residence (SA2)
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Registration status:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare , Recorded 09/08/2023 Early Childhood , Standard 15/08/2023 Health , Standard 20/10/2021 Tasmanian Health , Standard 08/03/2023
Definition:	The geographical region in which a person or group of people usually reside, as represented by a statistical area level 2 (SA2) code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—area of usual residence
Value Domain:	Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) code (ASGS Edition 3) N(9)

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	Australian Statistical Geography Standard Edition 3
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 a Statistical area level 3 (SA3). An SA2 code is only unique within a state/territory if it is preceded by the state/territory identifier.
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For example:

State/territory	SA4	SA3	SA2
N	NN	NN	NNNN

Comments:	SA2s have generally been designed as the smallest unit for the release of data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics' non-Census of Population and Housing statistics. SA2s have a population of between 3,000 and 25,000 people with an average population size of approximately 10,000 people. There are 2,473 SA2 regions covering the whole of Australia without gaps or overlaps. These include 19 non-spatial SA2 special-purpose codes, comprising Migratory–Offshore–Shipping, No Usual Address codes for each State and Territory, and a new Outside Australia code.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Origin: ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2021. Statistical Area Level 2: Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) Edition 3. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 10 August 2021. www.abs.gov.au/statistics/standards/australian-statistical-geography-standard-asgs-edition-3/jul2021-jun2026/main-structure-and-greater-capital-city-statistical-areas/statistical-area-level-2

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The geographical location is reported using an eleven digit numerical code to indicate the SA2 region within the reporting state or territory, as defined in the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS).

Collection methods: When collecting the geographical location of a person's usual place of residence, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (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: Geographical location is reported using SA2 to enable accurate aggregation of information to larger areas within the ASGS as well as detailed analysis at the SA2 level. The use of SA2 also allows analysis relating the data to information compiled by the ABS on the demographic and other characteristics of the population of each SA2. Analyses facilitated by the inclusion of SA2 information include:

- comparison of the use of services by persons residing in different geographical areas;
- characterisation of catchment areas and populations for establishments for planning purposes; and
- documentation of the provision of services to residents of states or territories other than the state or territory of the provider.

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 \(SA2\) code \(ASGS 2016\) N\(9\)](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 15/08/2023
[Health](#), Superseded 20/10/2021
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 08/03/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2022–23](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022
Implementation start date: 01/07/2022
Implementation end date: 30/06/2023
DSS specific information:

As a person's area of usual residence can change over time, episodes from the ambulatory setting should include the latest/most recently reported area of usual residence.

[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2023–24](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023
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[Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

DSS specific information:

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[Admitted patient care NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

DSS specific information:

The following codes should be assigned as the admitted patient's area of usual residence in the following specialised situations:

- Overseas resident: 099999299
- No fixed abode: state/territory identifier + 99999499
 - Where the state/territory of the admitted patient's usual residence is not known, assign '0' as the state/territory identifier
- Migratory - Offshore - Shipping: state/territory identifier + 97979799
- Unknown SA2: state/territory identifier + 99999999
 - Where the state/territory of the admitted patient's usual residence is not known, assign a blank space as the state/territory identifier

[Admitted patient care NMDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

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[Admitted patient care NMDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

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[Australian Sports Injury Data Dictionary](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 09/08/2023

[Community mental health care NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

DSS specific information:

The following SA2 codes have been agreed by the Mental Health Information Strategy Standing Committee (MHISSC) as supplementary codes for use in the Community Mental Health Care NMDS:

STATE_CODE_2021	STATE_NAME_2021	Not applicable	Unknown (Not stated/inadequately described)	No usual address
1	New South Wales	199999497	199999498	199999499
2	Victoria	299999497	299999498	299999499
3	Queensland	399999497	399999498	399999499
4	South Australia	499999497	499999498	499999499
5	Western Australia	599999497	599999498	599999499
6	Tasmania	699999497	699999498	699999499
7	Northern Territory	799999497	799999498	799999499
8	Australian Capital Territory	899999497	899999498	899999499
9	Other Territories	999999497	999999498	999999499

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[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

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STATE_CODE_2021	STATE_NAME_2021	Not applicable	Unknown (Not stated/inadequately described)	No usual address
1	New South Wales	199999497	199999498	199999499
2	Victoria	299999497	299999498	299999499
3	Queensland	399999497	399999498	399999499
4	South Australia	499999497	499999498	499999499
5	Western Australia	599999497	599999498	599999499
6	Tasmania	699999497	699999498	699999499
7	Northern Territory	799999497	799999498	799999499
8	Australian Capital Territory	899999497	899999498	899999499
9	Other Territories	999999497	999999498	999999499

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[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

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DSS specific information:

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STATE_CODE_2021	STATE_NAME_2021	Not applicable	Unknown (Not stated/inadequately described)	No usual address
1	New South Wales	199999497	199999498	199999499
2	Victoria	299999497	299999498	299999499
3	Queensland	399999497	399999498	399999499
4	South Australia	499999497	499999498	499999499
5	Western Australia	599999497	599999498	599999499
6	Tasmania	699999497	699999498	699999499
7	Northern Territory	799999497	799999498	799999499
8	Australian Capital Territory	899999497	899999498	899999499
9	Other Territories	999999497	999999498	999999499

[Dementia NBPDS](#)

[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2022

[Emergency service care NBEDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

[Emergency service care NBEDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

[Emergency service care NBEDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[Mother geographical data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 17/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[National Outcomes and Casemix Collection NMDS 2023-24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

[National Outcomes and Casemix Collection NMDS 2024-25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[Non-admitted patient NBEDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

[Non-admitted patient NBEDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

[Non-admitted patient NBEDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[Perinatal NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

DSS specific information:

This data element is recorded for the mother only.

The following code has been agreed by the National Perinatal Data Development Committee (NPDDC) as a supplementary code for use in the Perinatal NMDS:

Value	Meaning
999999999	Not stated/inadequately described

[Perinatal NMDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

DSS specific information:

This data element is recorded for the mother only.

The following code has been agreed by the National Perinatal Data Development Committee (NPDDC) as a supplementary code for use in the Perinatal NMDS:

Value	Meaning
999999999	Not stated/inadequately described

[Perinatal NMDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

DSS specific information:

This data element is recorded for the mother only.

The following code has been agreed by the National Perinatal Data Development Committee (NPDDC) as a supplementary code for use in the Perinatal NMDS:

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999999999	Not stated/inadequately described

[Person geographic data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 10/11/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2022–](#)

[Health](#), Standard 08/02/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

[Residential mental health care NMDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

DSS specific information:

The following SA2 codes have been agreed by the Mental Health Information Strategy Standing Committee (MHISSC) as supplementary codes for use in the Residential Mental Health Care

NMDS:

STATE_CODE_2021	STATE_NAME_2021	Not applicable	Unknown (Not stated/inadequately described)	No usual address
1	New South Wales	199999497	199999498	199999499
2	Victoria	299999497	299999498	299999499
3	Queensland	399999497	399999498	399999499
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8	Australian Capital Territory	899999497	899999498	899999499
9	Other Territories	999999497	999999498	999999499

[Residential mental health care NMDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

DSS specific information:

The following SA2 codes have been agreed by the Mental Health Information Strategy Standing Committee (MHISSC) as supplementary codes for use in the Residential Mental Health Care NMDS:

STATE_CODE_2021	STATE_NAME_2021	Not applicable	Unknown (Not stated/inadequately described)	No usual address
1	New South Wales	199999497	199999498	199999499
2	Victoria	299999497	299999498	299999499
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[Health](#), Standard 06/12/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2024

Implementation end date: 30/06/2025

DSS specific information:

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STATE_CODE_2021	STATE_NAME_2021	Not applicable	Unknown (Not stated/inadequately described)	No usual address
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[Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas \(SEIFA\) \(2021 Census, ASGS Edition 3\) cluster Early Childhood](#), Standard 15/08/2023

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

Implementation start date: 01/07/2023

Implementation end date: 30/06/2024

**Implementation in
Indicators:**

Used as Disaggregation

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.1.6–Potentially avoidable deaths, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Standard 02/02/2024

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.4.1–Infant and young child mortality rate, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Standard 02/02/2024

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.4.3–Major causes of death, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Standard 02/02/2024

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.4.4–Mortality due to suicide, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Standard 02/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 01–Tobacco smoking in pregnancy for all females giving birth, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 02–Antenatal care visits in the first trimester for all females giving birth, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 03–Episiotomy for females giving birth for the first time and giving birth vaginally, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 04–Apgar score of less than 7 at 5 minutes for births at or after term, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 05–Induction of labour for selected females giving birth for the first time, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 06–Caesarean section for selected females giving birth for the first time, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 07–Non-instrumental vaginal birth for selected females giving birth for the first time, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 08–Instrumental vaginal birth for selected females giving birth for the first time, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 09–General anaesthetic for females giving birth by caesarean section, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 10–Babies weighing less than the third centile among births at or after 40 weeks gestation, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 13–Third and fourth degree tears for vaginal births, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 15–Females having their second birth vaginally whose first birth was by caesarean section, 2024](#)
[Health](#), Recorded 21/02/2024