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)

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**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

Value Domain: Statistical area level 1 (SA1) code (ASGS 2011) N(11)

### Value domain attributes

# Representational attributes

Classification scheme: Australian Statistical Geography Standard 2011

Representation class: Code

Data type: String

Format: N(11)

Maximum character length: 11

## 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.

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

**Comments:** There are approximately 55,000 SA1s. In aggregate, they cover the whole of

Australia without gaps or overlaps.

#### 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

## 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

Health!, Superseded 22/11/2011

Has been superseded by Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 1

(SA1) code (ASGS 2016) N(11)

Early Childhood, Standard 24/07/2018 Health!, Superseded 20/10/2021

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) (2011 Census, ASGS 2011) cluster

Early Childhood, Superseded 24/07/2018

Health!, Superseded 06/09/2018

Statistical Area Level 1 of usual residence National Best Endeavours Data Set

<u>2016-17</u>

<u>Health!</u>, Superseded 28/02/2017 *Implementation start date*: 01/07/2016 *Implementation end date*: 30/06/2017