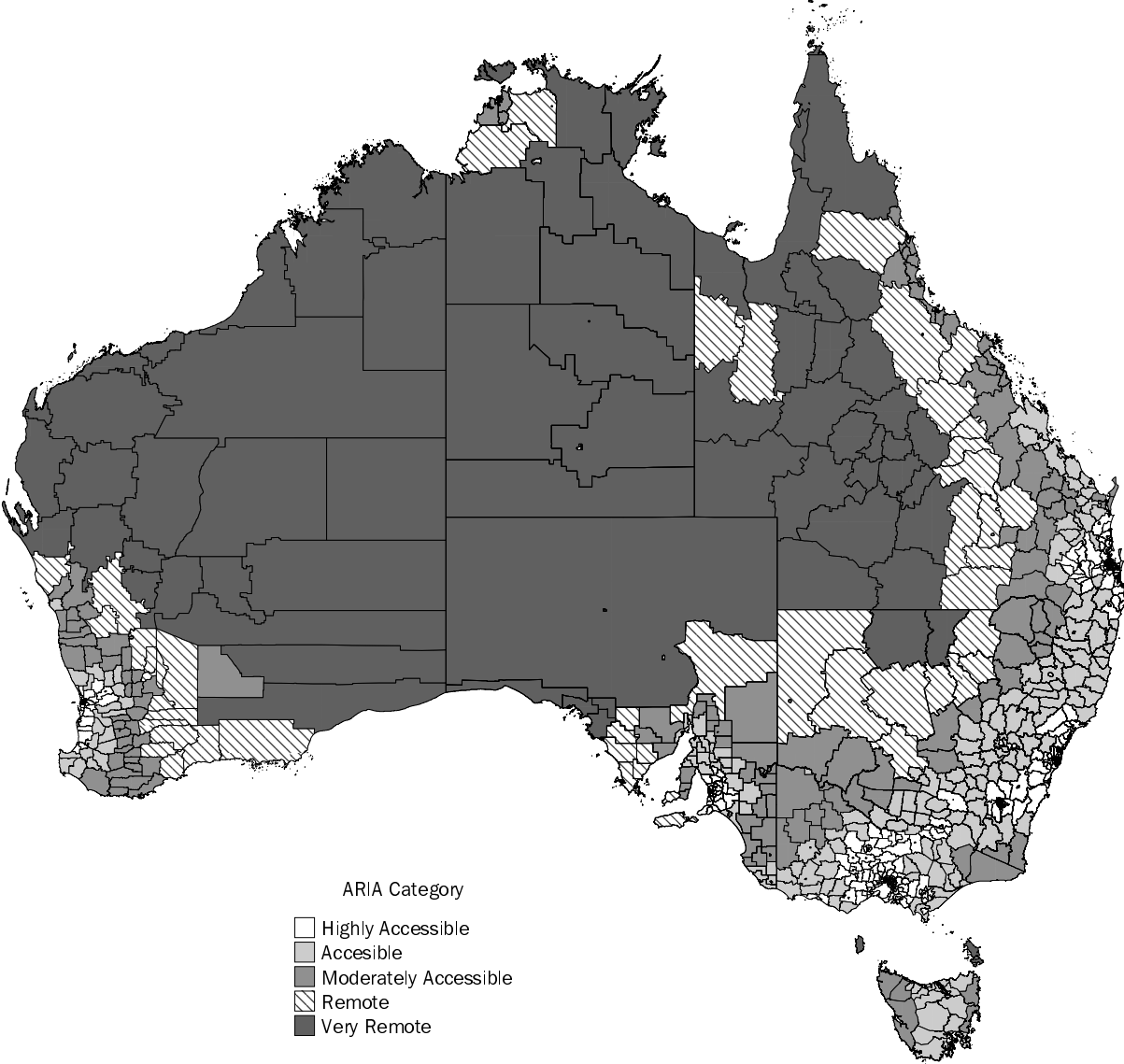


**APPENDIX**

A1 ARIA CLASSIFICATIONS



Source: ABS 2001b

A2 AGE LEFT SCHOOL(a)—1996

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
14 and under	15.7	13.9
15	24.2	20.2
16	20.7	19.4
17	12.5	20.0
18	5.7	12.6
19	2.6	3.9
Still at school	6.0	4.8
Never attended school	2.8	0.7
Not stated	9.7	4.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over. Excludes people for whom Indigenous status was not stated.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A3 HIGHEST POST-SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION(a)—1996

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
Degree or higher	2.0	10.9
Diploma level	2.2	6.3
Skilled vocation	4.5	11.0
Basic vocation	1.9	3.0
No post school qualifications(b)	76.3	59.1
Not stated/inadequately described	13.0	9.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Persons aged 15 years or more. Excludes people for whom Indigenous status was not stated.

(b) Includes persons with a qualification outside the scope of the Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A4 OCCUPATION(a)—1996

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
Managers and administrators	3.7	9.4
Professionals	10.2	17.3
Associate professionals	8.1	11.3
Tradespersons and related workers	11.1	13.1
Advanced clerical and service workers	2.2	4.3
Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	17.0	16.0
Intermediate production and transport workers	9.7	8.6
Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	7.6	8.9
Labourers and related workers	24.3	8.6
Inadequately described	2.5	0.9
Not stated	3.5	1.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Employed persons aged 15 years and over. Excludes those for whom Indigenous status was not stated.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A5 EMPLOYMENT SECTOR(a)—1996

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
Government (b)	27.6	17.7
Private sector	52.9	80.0
CDEP(c)	14.9	. .
Not stated	4.6	2.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Aged 15 years and over. Excludes people for whom Indigenous status and/or labour force status was not stated.

(b) Includes Commonwealth, State/Territory and local government.

(c) Community Employment Development Projects — not applicable for non-Indigenous persons.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A6 MEDIAN INDIVIDUAL INCOME, BY LABOR FORCE STATUS(a)—1996

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	\$	\$
Employed—CDEP(b)	183	. .
Employed—other	407	493
Unemployed	123	113
Not in the labour force	155	145
Not stated	185	168
<b>Total</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>297</b>

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over. Excludes people for whom Indigenous status and/or labour force status was not stated.

(b) Community Employment Development Projects — not applicable for non-Indigenous persons.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A7 WEEKLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME—1996

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
Nil	0.7	0.7
\$1--199	8.4	9.6
\$200--399	19.9	17.4
\$400--599	18.9	14.7
\$600--799	13.5	12.2
\$800--1 199	14.8	17.6
\$1 200--1 999	7.4	11.9
\$2 000 and over	1.8	5.0
Insufficient information	14.8	10.8
<b>Australia</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A8 CENSUS COUNTS BY PLACE OF USUAL RESIDENCE, PERSONS OF TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ORIGIN(a)(b)—1996

	<i>no.</i>	%
New South Wales	7 501	19.3
Victoria	3 102	8.0
Queensland (b)	21 132	54.4
South Australia	1 508	3.9
Western Australia	1 788	4.6
Tasmania	1 850	4.8
Northern Territory	1 769	4.6
Australian Capital Territory	180	0.5
<b>Australia</b>	<b>38 850</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Includes the categories 'Torres Strait Islander only' and 'Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander'.

(b) Due to errors in data collection and processing, no data are available for Yam Island. It is estimated that at the time of the 1996 Census there were 150 Indigenous people on Yam Island, the majority of whom would be expected to be of Torres Strait Islander origin.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A9 AGE DISTRIBUTION, TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AND ABORIGINAL POPULATIONS—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, not living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal</i>	<i>Aboriginal only</i>	<i>All Australia</i>
	%	%	%	%	%
0–14 years	41	37	44	40	22
15–34 years	31	34	32	36	30
35–54 years	18	20	17	18	28
55 years and over	10	9	7	6	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.
<b>Total</b>	<b>5 396</b>	<b>23 350</b>	<b>10 106</b>	<b>314 120</b>	<b>17 752 829</b>

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A10 PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, not living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal</i>	<i>Aboriginal only</i>	<i>All Australia</i>
	%	%	%	%	%
Speaks English only	18	75	84	81	82
Speaks another language at home and speaks English well or very well	54	16	10	12	12
and speaks English not well or not at all	23	4	4	4	3
<i>Total</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>15</i>
Not stated	5	4	2	3	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A11 AGE LEFT SCHOOL(a)(b)—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, not living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal</i>	<i>Aboriginal only</i>	<i>All Australia</i>
	%	%	%	%	%
14 years or under	14	14	14	16	14
15 years	14	22	23	25	20
16 years	21	19	19	21	19
17 years	20	15	15	12	19
18 years or more	15	11	10	8	16
Still attending	6	7	7	6	5
Never attended	1	1	3	3	1
Not stated	10	11	10	10	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over.

(b) Based on the question 'How old was the person when he or she left primary or secondary school?'

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A12 HIGHEST POST-SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION(a)—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, not living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal</i>	<i>Aboriginal only</i>	<i>All Australia</i>
	%	%	%	%	%
Has qualification					
Tertiary qualification(b)	3.0	4.5	4.1	4.2	16.5
Skilled vocational qualification	2.5	6.6	5.1	4.4	10.7
Basic vocational qualification	1.8	2.4	2.2	1.9	2.9
<i>Total</i>	7.3	13.6	11.4	10.5	30.0
No post-school qualification(c)	80.4	71.6	75.1	76.6	58.1
Inadequately described or not stated	12.3	14.8	13.5	12.9	11.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over.

(b) Includes associate diploma, undergraduate diploma, Bachelor degree, post-graduate diploma and higher degree.

(c) Includes persons with a qualification outside the scope of the Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A13 PERSONAL INCOME(a)—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, not living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal</i>	<i>Aboriginal only</i>	<i>All Australia</i>
Median weekly income (\$)	195	229	195	188	292
Proportion with income less than \$300 per week (%)	68	60	65	68	51

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A14 LABOUR FORCE STATUS(a)—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander only, not living in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal</i>	<i>Aboriginal only</i>	<i>All Australia</i>
	%	%	%	%	%
Employed					
CDEP(b)	21	1	4	6	<1
Other	30	42	36	32	55
<i>Total</i>	51	44	40	38	55
Unemployed	5	10	12	12	6
Not in the labour force	41	43	45	45	37
Not stated	3	4	3	5	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
Unemployment rate(c)	9	19	23	23	9
Participation rate(d)	56	54	51	50	60

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over.

(b) Community Development Employment Project scheme.

(c) Unemployed persons as a proportion of all persons in the labour force (that is, employed plus unemployed).

(d) Persons in the labour force (employed plus unemployed) as a proportion of all persons.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A15 CHARACTERISTICS OF TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER, ABORIGINAL, AND OTHER HOUSEHOLDS—1996

	<i>Torres Strait Islander, in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Torres Strait Islander, not in the Torres Strait area</i>	<i>Aboriginal</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>Total Australian</i>
Average number of people per household (no.)	4.7	3.4	3.7	2.7	2.7
Households with more than two people per bedroom(a) (%)	24.0	5.2	7.6	0.8	1.0
Median weekly income (\$)	618	538	539	632	630
Housing tenure (%)					
Owned/being purchased	13.6	38.2	30.2	70.7	70.0
Rented					
Private landlord	2.6	26.9	23.4	17.6	17.7
Government agency	14.3	19.4	23.9	5.1	5.4
Community/co-operative housing	31.0	5.6	10.3	0.4	0.5
Other	15.9	5.5	7.0	3.4	3.5
<i>Total</i>	63.8	57.3	64.6	26.5	27.0
Other /not stated	22.7	4.4	5.3	2.9	2.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Excludes dwellings where number of bedrooms was not stated. Bedsitters and dwellings with no bedrooms were treated as equivalent to one bedroom.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.

A16 UNDERGRADUATE COMMENCEMENTS, ENROLMENTS AND COMPLETIONS(a)

Field of Study	1997 Completions		1998 Commencements		1998 Enrolments	
	no.	Indigenous as % of total	no.	Indigenous as % of total	no.	Indigenous as % of total
<b>Health</b>						
Health, general	5	5.38	10	5.41	13	2.47
Dentistry(b)	—	—	1	0.34	6	0.53
Health support activities(c)	82	9.57	164	10.98	327	8.55
<b>Health sciences and technologies(d)</b>						
Nursing (basic or post-basic)	62	0.87	108	1.21	239	1.03
Other HST	10	0.54	30	0.96	55	0.64
Total HST	72	0.80	138	1.14	294	0.92
<b>Medical science, medicine</b>						
Medical science	—	—	2	0.36	3	0.20
Medicine	3	0.25	10	0.82	49	0.76
Total medical science, medicine	3	0.20	12	0.68	52	0.65
Rehabilitation services(e)	3	0.23	8	0.36	43	0.59
<b>Total health</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>1.26</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>1.84</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Welfare</b>						
Counselling(f)	—	—	—	—	1	1.04
Social work	15	1.25	41	1.85	115	1.94
Welfare studies	23	4.50	21	3.07	62	3.36
Early childhood education(g)	49	3.52	101	4.24	207	3.11
Special education(h)	2	0.70	1	0.23	8	0.81
<b>Total welfare</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2.62</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>2.85</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>2.53</b>

(a) For students identified as Indigenous.

(b) Includes dentistry and dental therapy.

(c) Includes health support activities (general), health administration, health counselling, health surveying and environmental health, and health support activities (other).

(d) Includes health sciences and technologies (general), nursing (basic), nursing (post-basic), medical radiography, medical technology, nutrition and dietetics, optometry, pharmacy, podiatry, and health sciences and technologies (other).

(e) Includes rehabilitation services (general), occupational therapy, physiotherapy, speech pathology/audiology, and rehabilitation services (other).

(f) Includes educational counselling and counselling (not health or educational).

(g) Includes early childhood education and post-initial early childhood education.

(h) Includes initial special teacher education and post-initial special teacher education.

Source: ABS & AIHW 1999.



A17 SMOKER STATUS(a)(b)—1995

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
MALES		
Smoker	53.5	27.0
Ex-smoker	21.4	32.4
Never smoked	24.6	40.7
FEMALES		
Smoker	43.6	20.5
Ex-smoker	21.7	22.4
Never smoked	34.5	57.1

(a) Persons aged 18 years and over. Excludes people living in remote areas.

(b) Directly age-standardised to the 1991 Australian population.

Source: ABS data available on request, NHS 1995.

A18 ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND RISK LEVEL(a)(b)(c)—1995

	<i>Indigenous</i>	<i>Non-Indigenous</i>
	%	%
MALES		
Drinks alcohol(d)	55.3	65.7
Low risk level	32.8	55.3
Medium risk level	10.8	5.4
High risk level	11.7	5.0
FEMALES		
Drinks alcohol(d)	33.2	45.8
Low risk level	27.1	39.7
Medium risk level	3.3	4.8
High risk level	2.9	1.3

(a) Persons aged 18 years and over. Excludes people living in remote areas.

(b) Directly age-standardised to the 1991 Australian population.

(c) Refer to the Glossary for definition of risk levels.

(d) Refers to consumption of alcohol in the week prior to the survey.

Source: ABS data available on request, NHS 1995.

A19 ESTIMATES AND PROJECTIONS OF THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION—1991–2006

Year	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	<b>Australia(a)</b>
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION									
1991	97 784	20 259	93 191	19 809	50 891	13 783	46 874	2 614	<b>345 381</b>
1992	100 027	20 678	95 341	20 204	51 859	14 058	47 850	2 699	<b>352 897</b>
1993	102 375	21 127	97 590	20 633	52 873	14 351	48 817	2 785	<b>360 736</b>
1994	104 799	21 586	99 884	21 083	53 910	14 654	49 788	2 872	<b>368 765</b>
1995	107 284	22 073	102 257	21 557	55 031	14 975	50 811	2 964	<b>377 146</b>
1996	109 925	22 598	104 817	22 051	56 205	15 322	51 876	3 058	<b>386 049</b>
PROJECTED POPULATION — LOW SERIES (b)									
1996	109 925	22 598	104 817	22 051	56 205	15 322	51 876	3 058	<b>386 049</b>
1997	112 167	23 002	107 558	22 503	57 263	15 581	52 782	3 161	<b>394 214</b>
1998	114 411	23 403	110 324	22 953	58 321	15 841	53 687	3 266	<b>402 404</b>
1999	116 652	23 801	113 111	23 405	59 382	16 106	54 587	3 372	<b>410 615</b>
2000	118 895	24 195	115 919	23 857	60 441	16 373	55 480	3 480	<b>418 841</b>
2001	121 142	24 586	118 749	24 313	61 505	16 644	56 364	3 589	<b>427 094</b>
2002	123 405	24 974	121 601	24 770	62 577	16 917	57 236	3 699	<b>435 381</b>
2003	125 692	25 363	124 473	25 229	63 658	17 193	58 096	3 809	<b>443 715</b>
2004	128 006	25 753	127 375	25 692	64 752	17 470	58 944	3 921	<b>452 114</b>
2005	130 348	26 145	130 311	26 161	65 857	17 747	59 780	4 034	<b>460 583</b>
2006	132 716	26 541	133 288	26 633	66 976	18 023	60 610	4 149	<b>469 135</b>
PROJECTED POPULATION — HIGH SERIES (b)									
1996	109 925	22 598	104 817	22 051	56 205	15 322	51 876	3 058	<b>386 049</b>
1997	117 912	23 541	111 004	22 969	58 342	16 727	53 147	3 377	<b>407 216</b>
1998	126 402	24 507	117 454	23 907	60 522	18 257	54 416	3 723	<b>429 386</b>
1999	135 421	25 496	124 174	24 866	62 744	19 923	55 680	4 099	<b>452 602</b>
2000	144 994	26 507	131 169	25 848	65 005	21 739	56 928	4 508	<b>476 899</b>
2001	155 159	27 540	138 446	26 852	67 313	23 715	58 162	4 950	<b>502 339</b>
2002	165 958	28 595	146 010	27 878	69 669	25 863	59 377	5 428	<b>528 981</b>
2003	177 433	29 677	153 865	28 927	72 076	28 196	60 570	5 944	<b>556 891</b>
2004	189 629	30 784	162 029	29 999	74 534	30 731	61 738	6 504	<b>586 151</b>
2005	202 579	31 918	170 515	31 098	77 042	33 480	62 885	7 110	<b>616 830</b>
2006	216 323	33 079	179 338	32 220	79 600	36 465	64 015	7 766	<b>649 009</b>

(a) Includes Jervis Bay Territory.

(b) See text for details about 'low series' and 'high series' estimates and projections.

Source: ABS 1998c, ABS 1998d.

A20 EXPERIMENTAL ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION—30 JUNE 1996

Age group (years)	Aboriginal(a)	Torres Strait Islander(a)	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	Total Indigenous
MALES				
0-4	25 049	2 228	986	<b>28 263</b>
5-9	24 028	2 028	828	<b>26 884</b>
10-14	21 012	1 867	698	<b>23 577</b>
15-19	17 058	1 573	510	<b>19 141</b>
20-24	16 149	1 434	466	<b>18 049</b>
25-29	14 464	1 248	394	<b>16 106</b>
30-34	12 354	1 074	321	<b>13 749</b>
35-39	10 507	946	324	<b>11 777</b>
40-44	8 338	820	246	<b>9 404</b>
45-49	6 498	719	189	<b>7 406</b>
50-54	4 641	489	159	<b>5 289</b>
55-59	3 204	395	96	<b>3 695</b>
60-64	2 382	332	80	<b>2 794</b>
65-69	1 567	247	57	<b>1 871</b>
70-74	927	150	35	<b>1 112</b>
75+	1 092	208	51	<b>1 351</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>169 270</i>	<i>15 758</i>	<i>5 440</i>	<b><i>190 468</i></b>
FEMALES				
0-4	24 282	2 137	899	<b>27 318</b>
5-9	22 719	1 980	780	<b>25 479</b>
10-14	20 441	1 722	705	<b>22 868</b>
15-19	16 829	1 494	550	<b>18 873</b>
20-24	16 672	1 420	496	<b>18 588</b>
25-29	15 915	1 242	478	<b>17 635</b>
30-34	13 763	1 070	377	<b>15 210</b>
35-39	11 665	923	293	<b>12 881</b>
40-44	9 082	893	243	<b>10 218</b>
45-49	6 986	710	216	<b>7 912</b>
50-54	4 822	476	153	<b>5 451</b>
55-59	3 611	408	112	<b>4 131</b>
60-64	2 772	357	104	<b>3 233</b>
65-69	2 055	283	62	<b>2 400</b>
70-74	1 220	195	48	<b>1 463</b>
75+	1 542	283	96	<b>1 921</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>174 376</i>	<i>15 593</i>	<i>5 612</i>	<b><i>195 581</i></b>

(a) Excludes those people who identified as both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

Source: ABS data available on request.

A21 INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIER, BIRTH AND PERINATAL COLLECTIONS

			<i>Question asked about</i>		
	<i>Question wording</i>	<i>Possible responses</i>	<i>Mother</i>	<i>Father</i>	<i>Child</i>
BIRTH REGISTRATION FORM					
New South Wales	Is the mother/father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (For persons of mixed origin, tick both "Yes" boxes).	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N
Victoria	Is mother/father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both 'Yes' boxes)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N
Queensland	Is the mother/father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both YES boxes)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N
South Australia	Is the mother/father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (For persons of mixed origin, tick both "Yes" boxes).	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N
Western Australia	Is the mother/father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (if of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, cross both 'Yes' boxes)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N
Tasmania	Is the mother/father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both 'Yes' boxes.)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N
Northern Territory	Is the child/mother/father of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	Y
Australian Capital Territory	Are the parents of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (if both tick both "yes" boxes) Mother: Father:	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin	Y	Y	N

A21 INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIER, BIRTH AND PERINATAL COLLECTIONS—*continued*

	Question wording	Possible responses	Question asked about		
			Mother	Father	Child
PERINATAL COLLECTION					
New South Wales	Indigenous status:	Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander None of the above	Y	N	N
Victoria	Aboriginal: (Mother)	No Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander	Y	N	N
Queensland	Ethnic origin:	Caucasian/European Australian Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Asian Other (specify)	Y	N	N
South Australia	Race:	Caucasian Aboriginal Asian Torres Strait Islander (TSI) Aboriginal and TSI Other	Y	N	N
Western Australia	Ethnic origin:	Caucasian Aboriginal/TSI Other: (blank line)	Y	N	N
Tasmania	No actual question. A series of tick boxes is provided.(a)	Aboriginal Aboriginal/Torres St. Islander Torres St. Islander Other	Y	N	N
Northern Territory	Aboriginality:	Aboriginal Non Aboriginal	Y	N	Y
Australian Capital Territory	Ethnic origin (Mother)	Aboriginal Non Aboriginal	Y	N	N

(a) Tasmanian perinatal collections officer instructs all midwives to ask the ABS standard question on Indigenous status.

Source: Information provided by State and Territory Health Departments and Registrars-General.

A22 INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIER, DEATH REGISTRATION AND MEDICAL CAUSE OF DEATH FORMS

	<i>Question wording</i>	<i>Possible responses</i>
DEATH NOTIFICATION FORM		
New South Wales	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (For persons of mixed origin, tick both "Yes" boxes).	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Victoria	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	Yes No
Queensland	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both "Yes" boxes.)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
South Australia	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Western Australia	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (if of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, cross both 'Yes' boxes)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Tasmania	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both "Yes" boxes.)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Northern Territory	Was the deceased of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Origin?	No Yes, Australian Aboriginal or Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Australian Capital Territory	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If both tick both "yes" boxes)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE CAUSE OF DEATH FORM		
New South Wales	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (For persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait origin, mark both "Yes" boxes).	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Victoria	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	blank line
Queensland	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both "Yes" boxes.)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
South Australia	Of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal T.S.I.
Western Australia	Aboriginal	Yes No
Tasmania	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (If of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both "Yes" boxes.)	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander origin
Northern Territory	Was the deceased of Australian Aboriginal origin? Was the deceased of Torres Strait Islander origin?	Yes No
Australian Capital Territory	Was the deceased of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin (if both tick both "yes" boxes)?	No Yes, Aboriginal origin Yes, Torres Strait Islander

Source: Information provided by State and Territory Health Departments and Registrars-General.

A23 INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIER, PUBLIC HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS(a)

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State/Territory	Question wording	Possible responses
New South Wales	Indigenous status:	Aborigine Torres Strait Is. Both A & TSI Neither A or TSI
Victoria	Are you/is the person/is (name)/of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal Yes, Torres Strait Islander
Queensland	Indigenous status:(b)	(blank box)
South Australia	Race:	Caucasian Aboriginal Asian Other TSI Both A & TSI Unknown
Western Australia	Indigenous status:(c)	Abor not TSI TSI not Abor Abor and TSI Other
Tasmania	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait origin?	Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Aboriginal/Torres Strait Not applicable Not stated
Northern Territory	Race: please circle one of the following categories;	Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Not Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Not stated
Australian Capital Territory	Origin:	Australian Non-Aboriginal Australian Aboriginal European Asian Other

(a) Different forms or computer entry screens may be in use in different hospitals within a State or Territory.

(b) Queensland Health has instructed hospitals to use the ABS standard question.

(c) Health Department (Western Australia) have instructed staff to ask 'Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent?'.

Source: Information provided by State and Territory Health Departments.

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	<i>Question wording</i>	<i>Possible responses</i>
Child care		
Census of Child Care Services (Children's Services Program)	Additional needs/cultural background:	'Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background' is one of several options.
Child welfare and protection		
New South Wales	Aboriginality	Yes No Unknown
Victoria	Aboriginal/Torres Strait (a)	Yes No Unknown
Queensland	not available	
South Australia	Cultural group: Abor Clan group:	'Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander' is one of ten options, including 'unknown'.
Western Australia	About child:(b)	Indigenous Non-Indigenous Unknown
Tasmania	Is the child, young person, baby's mother, or baby's father of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal Yes, Torres Strait Islander Not Stated
Northern Territory	Ethnicity:	Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Neither Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Not stated
Australian Capital Territory	Ethnicity of mother/father: Aboriginal/TSI?	Yes No
Housing assistance		
Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) National Data Collection Agency Client Collection	Does the client identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal person yes, Torres Strait Islander person yes, both
Correctional services		
National Prisoner Census	Aboriginality: The racial origin group to which the person considers him/herself to belong.	Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander(c) Non-Aboriginal Unknown/Not stated
Disability support services		
Commonwealth-State Disability Agreement (CSDA) Minimum Data Set Consumer Form 1999	Are you (the consumer) of Indigenous origin?	Yes, of Aboriginal origin Yes, of Torres Strait Islander origin No Not known



	<i>Question wording</i>	<i>Possible responses</i>
<b>Aged care services</b>		
Home and Community Care (HACC) Service Users Characteristics(d)	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal Yes, Torres Strait Islander
Aged Care Assessment Program Minimum Data Set (residential aged care)	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	No Yes, Aboriginal Yes, Torres Strait Islander

(a) Indigenous status may be left unknown until case is substantiated, but must be recorded as Yes or No if case substantiated, or case closed without substantiation.

(b) No specific question is asked. A field officer may indicate a child's Indigenous status (based on the field officer's own assessment) on an intake form.

(c) Instructions specify that if Torres Strait Islanders are not separately identified, they should be coded as Aboriginal.

(d) A HACC Minimum Data Set, which includes the ABS standard question on Indigenous status, was implemented in 2001.

Source: ABS 2001f; AIHW 2000a; information provided by State and Territory community service agencies and the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.