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# Abbreviations

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACCC	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
AGPS	Australian Government Publishing Service
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
ANZSIC	Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification
ARIA	Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification
ATSI	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
BEACH	Bettering the Evaluation and Care of Health
CD	Census collectors district
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPI	Consumer price index
DEST	Department of Education, Science and Training
DoHA	Department of Health and Ageing
DPIE	Department of Primary Industries and Energy
DVA	Department of Veterans' Affairs
EquiP	Evaluation and Quality Improvement Program
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GISCA	National Key Centre for the Social Applications of GIS
GP	General Practitioner
HIC	Health Insurance Commission
ICD-10	International Classification of Diseases, 10th revision
ICD-9	International Classification of Diseases, 9th revision
IHD	Ischaemic heart disease
MBS	Medical Benefits Scheme
MVA	Motor vehicle accidents
NDSHS	National Drug Strategy Household Survey
NHMRC	National Health and Medical Research Council
NHS	National Health Survey
NPSU	National Perinatal Statistics Unit
OATSIH	Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, DoHA
ORH	Office of Rural Health, DoHA
PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
RHD	Rheumatic heart disease
RHIAC	Rural Health Information Advisory Committee

RRMA	Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Areas (Classification)
SEIFA	Socioeconomic Indexes for Areas
SLA	Statistical Local Area
SMHW	Survey of Mental Health and Wellbeing of Adults
SMR	Standardised mortality ratio
STI	Sexually transmitted infection
TAFE	Technical and Further Education (College of)
WHO	World Health Organization

### **Abbreviations of places**

ACT	Australian Capital Territory
Aust	Australia
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
Qld	Queensland
SA	South Australia
Tas	Tasmania
Vic	Victoria
WA	Western Australia

### **ASGC Remoteness Area categories**

MC	Major Cities
IR	Inner Regional
OR	Outer Regional
R	Remote
VR	Very Remote

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–	nil or rounded to zero
. .	not applicable
n.a.	not available
n.p.	not published in this report
n.e.d.	not elsewhere described