

## Section 4

# Hostel resident characteristics

These tables are based on information from the application form for hostel admission (HCA) for residents in hostels as at 30 June 1996.

**Table 4.1: Hostel resident characteristics, marital status by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(a)</sup> 30 June 1996**

Sex/ marital status	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Number								
<b>Females</b>									
Divorced	297	170	167	81	89	13	8	2	827
De facto	16	14	10	4	4	0	0	1	49
Married	1,055	1,006	910	358	469	92	26	7	3,923
Separated	108	87	90	29	29	6	4	4	357
Single	1,108	1,029	644	270	286	53	8	2	3,400
Widowed	7,410	6,716	5,041	2,516	2,736	510	166	35	25,130
Not reported	3,959	1,663	1,801	642	953	378	322	4	9,722
Total females	13,953	10,685	8,663	3,900	4,566	1,052	534	55	43,408
<b>Males</b>									
Divorced	269	209	159	103	62	10	6	5	823
De facto	12	15	11	4	3	2	0	0	47
Married	903	859	793	352	388	74	26	7	3,402
Separated	165	131	122	47	34	5	2	10	516
Single	609	632	458	188	141	37	8	25	2,098
Widowed	1,423	1,243	971	446	458	115	32	13	4,701
Not reported	1,264	552	683	193	282	108	90	10	3,182
Total males	4,645	3,641	3,197	1,333	1,368	351	164	70	14,769
<b>Persons</b>									
Divorced	566	379	326	184	151	23	14	7	1,650
De facto	28	29	21	8	7	2	0	1	96
Married	1,958	1,865	1,703	710	857	166	52	14	7,325
Separated	273	218	212	76	63	11	6	14	873
Single	1,717	1,661	1,102	458	427	90	16	27	5,498
Widowed	8,833	7,959	6,012	2,962	3,194	625	198	48	29,831
Not reported	5,223	2,215	2,484	835	1,235	486	412	14	12,904
Total	18,598	14,326	11,860	5,233	5,934	1,403	698	125	58,177
<b>Per cent</b>									
<b>Females</b>									
Divorced	2.1	1.6	1.9	2.1	1.9	1.2	1.5	3.6	1.9
De facto	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.1
Married	7.6	9.4	10.5	9.2	10.3	8.7	4.9	12.7	9.0
Separated	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	7.3	0.8
Single	7.9	9.6	7.4	6.9	6.3	5.0	1.5	3.6	7.8
Widowed	53.1	62.9	58.2	64.5	59.9	48.5	31.1	63.6	57.9
Not reported	28.4	15.6	20.8	16.5	20.9	35.9	60.3	7.3	22.4
Total females	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Males</b>									
Divorced	5.8	5.7	5.0	7.7	4.5	2.8	3.7	7.1	5.6
De facto	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.3
Married	19.4	23.6	24.8	26.4	28.4	21.1	15.9	10.0	23.0
Separated	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.5	2.5	1.4	1.2	14.3	3.5
Single	13.1	17.4	14.3	14.1	10.3	10.5	4.9	35.7	14.2
Widowed	30.6	34.1	30.4	33.5	33.5	32.8	19.5	18.6	31.8
Not reported	27.2	15.2	21.4	14.5	20.6	30.8	54.9	14.3	21.5
Total males	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Persons</b>									
Divorced	3.0	2.6	2.7	3.5	2.5	1.6	2.0	5.6	2.8
De facto	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.8	0.2
Married	10.5	13.0	14.4	13.6	14.4	11.8	7.4	11.2	12.6
Separated	1.5	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.1	0.8	0.9	11.2	1.5
Single	9.2	11.6	9.3	8.8	7.2	6.4	2.3	21.6	9.5
Widowed	47.5	55.6	50.7	56.6	53.8	44.5	28.4	38.4	51.3
Not reported	28.1	15.5	20.9	16.0	20.8	34.6	59.0	11.2	22.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.

**Table 4.2: Hostel resident characteristics, usual housing status by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(a)</sup>  
30 June 1996**

Sex/housing status	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Number								
<b>Females</b>									
House or flat	7,501	7,027	5,395	2,231	2,524	526	166	36	25,406
Hostel or similar	556	773	484	207	225	15	5	9	2,274
Nursing home	191	89	92	42	65	25	1	1	506
Psychiatric hospital	2	10	8	5	3	0	0	0	28
Self-contained unit	1,436	837	565	723	730	103	36	3	4,433
Other	300	253	274	85	72	12	3	5	1,004
Not reported	3,967	1,696	1,845	607	947	371	323	1	9,757
<b>Total females</b>	<b>13,953</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>8,663</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>4,566</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43,408</b>
<b>Males</b>									
House or flat	2,470	2,269	1,873	815	790	183	63	27	8,490
Hostel or similar	257	395	214	105	81	14	3	12	1,081
Nursing home	87	67	56	22	22	7	1	7	269
Psychiatric hospital	6	13	8	3	2	0	0	1	33
Self-contained unit	299	171	180	148	148	23	4	1	974
Other	279	187	173	59	51	14	2	12	777
Not reported	1,247	539	693	181	274	110	91	10	3,145
<b>Total males</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>3,641</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14,769</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
House or flat	9,971	9,296	7,268	3,046	3,314	709	229	63	33,896
Hostel or similar	813	1,168	698	312	306	29	8	21	3,355
Nursing home	278	156	148	64	87	32	2	8	775
Psychiatric hospital	8	23	16	8	5	0	0	1	61
Self-contained unit	1,735	1,008	745	871	878	126	40	4	5,407
Other	579	440	447	144	123	26	5	17	1,781
Not reported	5,214	2,235	2,538	788	1,221	481	414	11	12,902
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,598</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>11,860</b>	<b>5,233</b>	<b>5,934</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>58,177</b>
<b>Per cent</b>									
<b>Females</b>									
House or flat	53.8	65.8	62.3	57.2	55.3	50.0	31.1	65.5	58.5
Hostel or similar	4.0	7.2	5.6	5.3	4.9	1.4	0.9	16.4	5.2
Nursing home	1.4	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.4	2.4	0.2	1.8	1.2
Psychiatric hospital	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Self-contained unit	10.3	7.8	6.5	18.5	16.0	9.8	6.7	5.5	10.2
Other	2.2	2.4	3.2	2.2	1.6	1.1	0.6	9.1	2.3
Not reported	28.4	15.9	21.3	15.6	20.7	35.3	60.5	1.8	22.5
<b>Total females</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Males</b>									
House or flat	53.2	62.3	58.6	61.1	57.7	52.1	38.4	38.6	57.5
Hostel or similar	5.5	10.8	6.7	7.9	5.9	4.0	1.8	17.1	7.3
Nursing home	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	2.0	0.6	10.0	1.8
Psychiatric hospital	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.2
Self-contained unit	6.4	4.7	5.6	11.1	10.8	6.6	2.4	1.4	6.6
Other	6.0	5.1	5.4	4.4	3.7	4.0	1.2	17.1	5.3
Not reported	26.8	14.8	21.7	13.6	20.0	31.3	55.5	14.3	21.3
<b>Total males</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
House or flat	53.6	64.9	61.3	58.2	55.8	50.5	32.8	50.4	58.3
Hostel or similar	4.4	8.2	5.9	6.0	5.2	2.1	1.1	16.8	5.8
Nursing home	1.5	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.5	2.3	0.3	6.4	1.3
Psychiatric hospital	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.1
Self-contained unit	9.3	7.0	6.3	16.6	14.8	9.0	5.7	3.2	9.3
Other	3.1	3.1	3.8	2.8	2.1	1.9	0.7	13.6	3.1
Not reported	28.0	15.6	21.4	15.1	20.6	34.3	59.3	8.8	22.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.

**Table 4.3: Hostel resident characteristics, prior living arrangement by sex and 'State/Territory,'<sup>(a)</sup>  
30 June 1996**

Sex/ living arrangement	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Number								
<b>Females</b>									
Alone	6,475	5,493	3,686	2,112	2,475	444	131	16	20,832
Spouse only	829	786	726	280	389	68	18	3	3,099
Spouse and others	44	44	43	18	13	2	3	2	169
Brother/sister	172	181	164	45	41	10	0	4	617
Child only	283	288	246	115	83	22	7	4	1,048
Child's family	1,058	857	946	316	237	61	39	10	3,524
Other family	226	164	175	70	46	8	3	3	695
Other	863	1,142	817	316	314	60	10	10	3,532
Not reported	4,003	1,730	1,860	628	968	377	323	3	9,892
<b>Total females</b>	<b>13,953</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>8,663</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>4,566</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43,408</b>
<b>Males</b>									
Alone	1,739	1,389	1,060	523	509	112	33	22	5,387
Spouse only	684	622	598	285	295	62	20	0	2,566
Spouse and others	46	48	49	23	14	4	3	4	191
Brother/sister	85	77	75	20	25	4	1	0	287
Child only	58	47	36	13	17	4	1	1	177
Child's family	242	210	212	90	64	17	10	3	848
Other family	99	66	81	29	30	4	1	10	320
Other	434	627	386	168	136	37	4	19	1,811
Not reported	1,258	555	700	182	278	107	91	11	3,182
<b>Total males</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>3,641</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14,769</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
Alone	8,214	6,882	4,746	2,635	2,984	556	164	38	26,219
Spouse only	1,513	1,408	1,324	565	684	130	38	3	5,665
Spouse and others	90	92	92	41	27	6	6	6	360
Brother/sister	257	258	239	65	66	14	1	4	904
Child only	341	335	282	128	100	26	8	5	1,225
Child's family	1,300	1,067	1,158	406	301	78	49	13	4,372
Other family	325	230	256	99	76	12	4	13	1,015
Other	1,297	1,769	1,203	484	450	97	14	29	5,343
Not reported	5,261	2,285	2,560	810	1,246	484	414	14	13,074
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,598</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>11,860</b>	<b>5,233</b>	<b>5,934</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>58,177</b>

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**Table 4.3 (continued): Hostel resident characteristics, prior living arrangement by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(a)</sup> 30 June 1996**

Sex/ living arrangement	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Per cent								
<b>Females</b>									
Alone	46.4	51.4	42.5	54.2	54.2	42.2	24.5	29.1	48.0
Spouse only	5.9	7.4	8.4	7.2	8.5	6.5	3.4	5.5	7.1
Spouse and others	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.6	3.6	0.4
Brother/sister	1.2	1.7	1.9	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.0	7.3	1.4
Child only	2.0	2.7	2.8	2.9	1.8	2.1	1.3	7.3	2.4
Child's family	1.2	1.7	1.9	1.2	0.9	1.0	0.0	7.3	1.4
Other family	7.6	8.0	10.9	8.1	5.2	5.8	7.3	18.2	8.1
Other	6.2	10.7	9.4	8.1	6.9	5.7	1.9	18.2	8.1
Not reported	28.7	16.2	21.5	16.1	21.2	35.8	60.5	5.5	22.8
Total females	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Males</b>									
Alone	37.4	38.1	33.2	39.2	37.2	31.9	20.1	31.4	36.5
Spouse only	14.7	17.1	18.7	21.4	21.6	17.7	12.2	0.0	17.4
Spouse and others	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.0	1.1	1.8	5.7	1.3
Brother/sister	1.8	2.1	2.3	1.5	1.8	1.1	0.6	0.0	1.9
Child only	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.1	0.6	1.4	1.2
Child's family	5.2	5.8	6.6	6.8	4.7	4.8	6.1	4.3	5.7
Other family	2.1	1.8	2.5	2.2	2.2	1.1	0.6	14.3	2.2
Other	9.3	17.2	12.1	12.6	9.9	10.5	2.4	27.1	12.3
Not reported	27.1	15.2	21.9	13.7	20.3	30.5	55.5	15.7	21.5
Total males	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Persons</b>									
Alone	44.2	48.0	40.0	50.4	50.3	39.6	23.5	30.4	45.1
Spouse only	8.1	9.8	11.2	10.8	11.5	9.3	5.4	2.4	9.7
Spouse and others	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.9	4.8	0.6
Brother/sister	1.4	1.8	2.0	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.1	3.2	1.6
Child only	1.8	2.3	2.4	2.4	1.7	1.9	1.1	4.0	2.1
Child's family	7.0	7.4	9.8	7.8	5.1	5.6	7.0	10.4	7.5
Other family	1.7	1.6	2.2	1.9	1.3	0.9	0.6	10.4	1.7
Other	7.0	12.3	10.1	9.2	7.6	6.9	2.0	23.2	9.2
Not reported	28.3	16.0	21.6	15.5	21.0	34.5	59.3	11.2	22.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.

**Table 4.4: Hostel resident characteristics, usual housing status by sex and prior living arrangement, 30 June 1996**

Sex/ housing status	Alone	Spouse			Child only	Child's family	Other family	Other	Not reported	Total
		Spouse only	and others	Brother/ sister						
Number										
<b>Females</b>										
House or flat	16,372	2,569	145	563	1,024	3,421	647	547	118	25,406
Hostel	444	62	8	4	1	4	5	1,675	71	2,274
Nursing home	25	3	3	0	1	1	0	456	17	506
Psychiatric hospital	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	24	0	28
Self-contained unit	3,702	426	5	37	12	7	6	178	60	4,433
Other	237	34	3	10	9	71	27	594	19	1,004
Not reported	49	5	4	3	1	20	10	58	9,607	9,757
Total females	20,832	3,099	169	617	1,048	3,524	695	3,532	9,892	43,408
<b>Males</b>										
House or flat	4,268	2,086	179	270	174	823	304	356	30	8,490
Hostel	195	60	4	4	0	4	0	791	23	1,081
Nursing home	23	2	0	1	0	0	0	230	13	269
Psychiatric hospital	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	30	0	33
Self-contained unit	525	393	3	2	2	1	3	40	5	974
Other	360	21	4	9	1	14	12	345	11	777
Not reported	14	4	1	1	0	6	0	19	3,100	3,145
Total males	5,387	2,566	191	287	177	848	320	1,811	3,182	14,769
<b>Persons</b>										
House or flat	20,640	4,655	324	833	1,198	4,244	951	903	148	33,896
Hostel	639	122	12	8	1	8	5	2,466	94	3,355
Nursing home	48	5	3	1	1	1	0	686	30	775
Psychiatric hospital	26	2	1	1	0	0	0	254	13	297
Self-contained unit	4,227	819	8	39	14	8	9	218	65	5,407
Other	597	55	7	19	10	85	39	939	30	1,781
Not reported	63	9	5	4	1	26	10	77	12,707	12,902
Total	26,219	5,665	360	904	1,225	4,372	1,015	5,343	13,074	58,177
Per cent										
<b>Females</b>										
House or flat	78.6	82.9	85.8	91.2	97.7	97.1	93.1	15.5	1.2	58.5
Hostel	2.1	2.0	4.7	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.7	47.4	0.7	5.2
Nursing home	0.1	0.1	1.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	12.9	0.2	1.2
Psychiatric hospital	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.1
Self-contained unit	17.8	13.7	3.0	6.0	1.1	0.2	0.9	5.0	0.6	10.2
Other	1.1	1.1	1.8	1.6	0.9	2.0	3.9	16.8	0.2	2.3
Not reported	0.2	0.2	2.4	0.5	0.1	0.6	1.4	1.6	97.1	22.5
Total females	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Males</b>										
House or flat	79.2	81.3	93.7	94.1	98.3	97.1	95.0	19.7	0.9	57.5
Hostel	3.6	2.3	2.1	1.4	0.0	0.5	0.0	43.7	0.7	7.3
Nursing home	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.7	0.4	1.8
Psychiatric hospital	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.7	0.0	0.2
Self-contained unit	9.7	15.3	1.6	0.7	1.1	0.1	0.9	2.2	0.2	6.6
Other	6.7	0.8	2.1	3.1	0.6	1.7	3.8	19.1	0.3	5.3
Not reported	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.7	0.0	1.0	97.4	21.3
Total males	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Persons</b>										
House or flat	78.7	82.2	90.0	92.1	97.8	97.1	93.7	16.9	1.1	58.3
Hostel	2.4	2.2	3.3	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.5	46.2	0.7	5.8
Nursing home	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	12.8	0.2	1.3
Psychiatric hospital	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.8	0.1	0.5
Self-contained unit	16.1	14.5	2.2	4.3	1.1	0.2	0.9	4.1	0.5	9.3
Other	2.3	1.0	1.9	2.1	0.8	1.9	3.8	17.6	0.2	3.1
Not reported	0.2	0.2	1.4	0.4	0.1	0.6	1.0	1.4	97.2	22.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

**Table 4.5: Hostel resident characteristics, pension status by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(a)</sup> 30 June 1996**

Sex/ pension status	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Number								
<b>Females</b>									
Aged pension	8,101	7,388	5,606	2,690	3,002	563	151	36	27,537
Invalid	115	127	130	50	36	4	2	10	474
Repatriation	644	559	537	196	224	61	15	4	2,240
Other pension	414	221	232	123	145	19	34	3	1,191
Not reported	4,679	2,390	2,158	841	1,159	405	332	2	11,966
<b>Total females</b>	<b>13,953</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>8,663</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>4,566</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43,408</b>
<b>Males</b>									
Aged pension	2,071	1,984	1,525	707	691	148	38	39	7,203
Invalid	208	267	195	79	42	13	3	17	824
Repatriation	691	454	569	237	225	56	14	1	2,247
Other pension	161	118	94	43	55	10	13	2	496
Not reported	1,514	818	814	267	355	124	96	11	3,999
<b>Total males</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>3,641</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14,769</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
Aged pension	10,172	9,372	7,131	3,397	3,693	711	189	75	34,740
Invalid	323	394	325	129	78	17	5	27	1,298
Repatriation	1,335	1,013	1,106	433	449	117	29	5	4,487
Other pension	575	339	326	166	200	29	47	5	1,687
Not reported	6,193	3,208	2,972	1,108	1,514	529	428	13	15,965
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,598</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>11,860</b>	<b>5,233</b>	<b>5,934</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>58,177</b>
<b>Per cent</b>									
<b>Females</b>									
Aged pension	58.1	69.1	64.7	69.0	65.7	53.5	28.3	65.5	63.4
Invalid	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.3	0.8	0.4	0.4	18.2	1.1
Repatriation	4.6	5.2	6.2	5.0	4.9	5.8	2.8	7.3	5.2
Other pension	3.0	2.1	2.7	3.2	3.2	1.8	6.4	5.5	2.7
Not reported	33.5	22.4	24.9	21.6	25.4	38.5	62.2	3.6	27.6
<b>Total females</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Males</b>									
Aged pension	44.6	54.5	47.7	53.0	50.5	42.2	23.2	55.7	48.8
Invalid	4.5	7.3	6.1	5.9	3.1	3.7	1.8	24.3	5.6
Repatriation	14.9	12.5	17.8	17.8	16.4	16.0	8.5	1.4	15.2
Other pension	3.5	3.2	2.9	3.2	4.0	2.8	7.9	2.9	3.4
Not reported	32.6	22.5	25.5	20.0	26.0	35.3	58.5	15.7	27.1
<b>Total males</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
Aged pension	54.7	65.4	60.1	64.9	62.2	50.7	27.1	60.0	59.7
Invalid	1.7	2.8	2.7	2.5	1.3	1.2	0.7	21.6	2.2
Repatriation	7.2	7.1	9.3	8.3	7.6	8.3	4.2	4.0	7.7
Other pension	3.1	2.4	2.7	3.2	3.4	2.1	6.7	4.0	2.9
Not reported	33.3	22.4	25.1	21.2	25.5	37.7	61.3	10.4	27.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.

**Table 4.6: Hostel resident characteristics, Indigenous status by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(a)</sup>  
30 June 1996**

Sex/ Indigenous status	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Number								
Females									
Indigenous	40	22	76	44	27	0	5	22	236
Non-Indigenous	7,112	6,284	4,964	1,528	2,802	658	186	30	23,564
Not reported	6,801	4,379	3,623	2,328	1,737	394	343	3	19,608
Total females	13,953	10,685	8,663	3,900	4,566	1,052	534	55	43,408
Males									
Indigenous	24	12	91	37	15	0	0	29	208
Non-Indigenous	2,406	2,173	1,863	517	879	235	64	28	8,165
Not reported	2,215	1,456	1,243	779	474	116	100	13	6,396
Total males	4,645	3,641	3,197	1,333	1,368	351	164	70	14,769
Persons									
Indigenous	64	34	167	81	42	0	5	51	444
Non-Indigenous	9,518	8,457	6,827	2,045	3,681	893	250	58	31,729
Not reported	9,016	5,835	4,866	3,107	2,211	510	443	16	26,004
Total	18,598	14,326	11,860	5,233	5,934	1,403	698	125	58,177
	Per cent								
Females									
Indigenous	0.3	0.2	0.9	1.1	0.6	0.0	0.9	40.0	0.5
Non-Indigenous	51.0	58.8	57.3	39.2	61.4	62.5	34.8	54.5	54.3
Not reported	48.7	41.0	41.8	59.7	38.0	37.5	64.2	5.5	45.2
Total females	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Males									
Indigenous	0.5	0.3	2.8	2.8	1.1	0.0	0.0	41.4	1.4
Non-Indigenous	51.8	59.7	58.3	38.8	64.3	67.0	39.0	40.0	55.3
Not reported	47.7	40.0	38.9	58.4	34.6	33.0	61.0	18.6	43.3
Total males	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Persons									
Indigenous	0.3	0.2	1.4	1.5	0.7	0.0	0.7	40.8	0.8
Non-Indigenous	51.2	59.0	57.6	39.1	62.0	63.6	35.8	46.4	54.5
Not reported	48.5	40.7	41.0	59.4	37.3	36.4	63.5	12.8	44.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.



**Table 4.7: Hostel resident characteristics, birthplace<sup>(a)</sup> by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(b)</sup> 30 June 1996**

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
Sex/birthplace	Number								
<b>Females</b>									
Australia	8,017	7,248	5,590	2,123	2,954	605	150	45	26,732
Other Oceania	114	52	96	11	13	8	1	2	297
UK and Ireland	1,119	876	744	810	459	56	41	3	4,108
Former USSR and Baltic States	84	73	26	9	28	0	3	0	223
Other Europe	447	681	218	184	146	11	12	3	1,702
Southeast Asia	22	20	11	30	1	0	1	1	86
Northeast Asia	37	29	12	10	1	1	2	0	92
Southern Asia	36	55	23	43	8	1	0	0	166
Northern America	19	12	12	9	5	1	0	0	58
Other America and Caribbean	25	7	11	3	0	0	0	0	46
Middle East and North Africa	32	44	8	6	3	0	2	0	95
Africa (excluding North Africa)	36	25	10	22	7	1	1	0	102
Unknown	3,965	1,563	1,902	640	941	368	321	1	9,701
<b>Total females</b>	<b>13,953</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>8,663</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>4,566</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43,408</b>
<b>Males</b>									
Australia	2,621	2,392	2,013	744	883	206	49	46	8,954
Other Oceania	32	13	43	6	2	1	1	2	100
UK and Ireland	418	292	287	262	123	23	9	5	1,419
Former USSR and Baltic States	24	42	6	1	9	1	2	0	85
Other Europe	211	324	109	87	74	8	7	8	828
Southeast Asia	6	3	2	11	0	0	0	0	22
Northeast Asia	15	12	3	0	1	0	0	0	31
Southern Asia	5	21	4	10	4	1	1	0	46
Northern America	8	6	5	3	2	1	0	0	25
Other America and Caribbean	5	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	8
Middle East and North Africa	21	20	1	3	4	0	0	0	49
Africa (excluding North Africa)	9	7	2	3	4	0	0	0	25
Unknown	1,270	509	722	201	261	110	95	9	3,177
<b>Total males</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>3,641</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14,769</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
Australia	10,638	9,640	7,603	2,867	3,837	811	199	91	35,686
Other Oceania	146	65	139	17	15	9	2	4	397
UK and Ireland	1,537	1,168	1,031	1,072	582	79	50	8	5,527
Former USSR and Baltic States	108	115	32	10	37	1	5	0	308
Other Europe	658	1,005	327	271	220	19	19	11	2,530
Southeast Asia	28	23	13	41	1	0	1	1	108
Northeast Asia	52	41	15	10	2	1	2	0	123
Southern Asia	41	76	27	53	12	2	1	0	212
Northern America	27	18	17	12	7	2	0	0	83
Other America and Caribbean	30	7	11	5	1	0	0	0	54
Middle East and North Africa	53	64	9	9	7	0	2	0	144
Africa (excluding North Africa)	45	32	12	25	11	1	1	0	127
Unknown	5,235	2,072	2,624	841	1,202	478	416	10	12,878
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,598</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>11,860</b>	<b>5,233</b>	<b>5,934</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>58,177</b>

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**Table 4.7 (continued): Hostel resident characteristics, birthplace<sup>(a)</sup> by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(b)</sup> 30 June 1996**

Sex/birthplace	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Australia
	Per cent								
<b>Females</b>									
Australia	57.5	67.8	64.5	54.4	64.7	57.5	28.1	81.8	61.6
Other Oceania	0.8	0.5	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.2	3.6	0.7
UK and Ireland	8.0	8.2	8.6	20.8	10.1	5.3	7.7	5.5	9.5
Former USSR and Baltic States	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.5
Other Europe	3.2	6.4	2.5	4.7	3.2	1.0	2.2	5.5	3.9
Southeast Asia	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.8	0.2
Northeast Asia	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2
Southern Asia	0.3	0.5	0.3	1.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
Northern America	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Other America and Caribbean	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Middle East and North Africa	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.2
Africa (excluding North Africa)	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.2
Unknown	28.4	14.6	22.0	16.4	20.6	35.0	60.1	1.8	22.3
Total females	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Males</b>									
Australia	56.4	65.7	63.0	55.8	64.5	58.7	29.9	65.7	60.6
Other Oceania	0.7	0.4	1.3	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.6	2.9	0.7
UK and Ireland	9.0	8.0	9.0	19.7	9.0	6.6	5.5	7.1	9.6
Former USSR and Baltic States	0.5	1.2	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.3	1.2	0.0	0.6
Other Europe	4.5	8.9	3.4	6.5	5.4	2.3	4.3	11.4	5.6
Southeast Asia	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Northeast Asia	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Southern Asia	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.3
Northern America	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2
Other America and Caribbean	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Middle East and North Africa	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3
Africa (excluding North Africa)	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Unknown	27.3	14.0	22.6	15.1	19.1	31.3	57.9	12.9	21.5
Total males	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
<b>Persons</b>									
Australia	57.2	67.3	64.1	54.8	64.7	57.8	28.5	72.8	61.3
Other Oceania	0.8	0.5	1.2	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	3.2	0.7
UK and Ireland	8.3	8.2	8.7	20.5	9.8	5.6	7.2	6.4	9.5
Former USSR and Baltic States	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.7	0.0	0.5
Other Europe	3.5	7.0	2.8	5.2	3.7	1.4	2.7	8.8	4.3
Southeast Asia	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.8	0.2
Northeast Asia	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.2
Southern Asia	0.2	0.5	0.2	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.4
Northern America	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Other America and Caribbean	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Middle East and North Africa	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2
Africa (excluding North Africa)	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2
Unknown	28.1	14.5	22.1	16.1	20.3	34.1	59.6	8.0	22.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Based on ABS 1997b.

(b) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.

**Table 4.8: Hostel resident characteristics, preferred language<sup>(a)</sup> by sex and State/Territory,<sup>(b)</sup> 30 June 1996**

Sex/ preferred language	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust.
	Number								
<b>Females</b>									
Australian Indigenous languages	0	0	0	7	3	0	0	8	18
English	9,710	8,583	6,677	3,140	3,557	686	205	42	32,600
Other Northern European languages	64	126	36	26	24	2	2	0	280
Southern European languages	168	267	75	80	44	0	4	1	639
Eastern European languages	156	150	35	29	42	0	2	1	415
Southwest Asian and North African languages	5	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	11
Southern Asian languages	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Southeast Asian languages	3	10	1	1	0	0	1	0	16
Eastern Asian languages	24	26	3	4	1	0	0	0	58
African languages (excluding North Africa)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oceanic languages	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other and unknown	3,822	1,519	1,833	612	895	364	320	3	9,368
<b>Total females</b>	<b>13,953</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>8,663</b>	<b>3,900</b>	<b>4,566</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43,408</b>
<b>Males</b>									
Australian Indigenous languages	0	0	2	3	3	0	0	6	14
English	3,273	2,901	2,454	1,108	1,045	241	67	53	11,142
Other Northern European languages	14	40	9	4	10	0	0	0	77
Southern European languages	71	108	24	23	33	0	3	0	262
Eastern European languages	60	76	20	18	16	2	1	0	193
Southwest Asian and North African languages	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Southern Asian languages	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Southeast Asian languages	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Eastern Asian languages	6	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	15
African languages (excluding North Africa)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oceanic languages									
Other and unknown	1,219	505	686	176	260	108	93	11	3,058
<b>Total males</b>	<b>4,645</b>	<b>3,641</b>	<b>3,197</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,368</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>14,769</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
Australian Indigenous languages	0	0	2	10	6	0	0	14	32
English	12,983	11,484	9,131	4,248	4,602	927	272	95	43,742
Other Northern European languages	78	166	45	30	34	2	2	0	357
Southern European languages	239	375	99	103	77	0	7	1	901
Eastern European languages	216	226	55	47	58	2	3	1	608
Southwest Asian and North African languages	6	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	13
Southern Asian languages	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Southeast Asian languages	4	11	1	2	0	0	1	0	19
Eastern Asian languages	30	33	4	4	2	0	0	0	73
African languages (excluding North Africa)	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Oceanic languages	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other and unknown	5,041	2,024	2,519	788	1,155	472	413	14	12,426
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,598</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>11,860</b>	<b>5,233</b>	<b>5,934</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>58,177</b>

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**Table 4.8 (continued): Hostel resident characteristics, preferred language<sup>(a)</sup> by sex and State/  
Territory,<sup>(b)</sup> 30 June 1996**

Sex/ preferred language	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust.
	Per cent								
<b>Females</b>									
Australian Indigenous languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	14.5	0.0
English	69.6	80.3	77.1	80.5	77.9	65.2	38.4	76.4	75.1
Other Northern European languages	0.5	1.2	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.6
Southern European languages	1.2	2.5	0.9	2.1	1.0	0.0	0.7	1.8	1.5
Eastern European languages	1.1	1.4	0.4	0.7	0.9	0.0	0.4	1.8	1.0
Southwest Asian and North African languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southern Asian languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southeast Asian languages	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0
Eastern Asian languages	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
African languages (excluding North Africa)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Oceanic languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other and unknown	27.4	14.2	21.2	15.7	19.6	34.6	59.9	5.5	21.6
<b>Total females</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Males</b>									
Australian Indigenous languages	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	8.6	0.1
English	70.5	79.7	76.8	83.1	76.4	68.7	40.9	75.7	75.4
Other Northern European languages	0.3	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Southern European languages	1.5	3.0	0.8	1.7	2.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	1.8
Eastern European languages	1.3	2.1	0.6	1.4	1.2	0.6	0.6	0.0	1.3
Southwest Asian and North African languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southern Asian languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southeast Asian languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Eastern Asian languages	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
African languages (excluding North Africa)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Oceanic languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other and unknown	26.2	13.9	21.5	13.2	19.0	30.8	56.7	15.7	20.7
<b>Total males</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Persons</b>									
Australian Indigenous languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	11.2	0.1
English	69.8	80.2	77.0	81.2	77.6	66.1	39.0	76.0	75.2
Other Northern European languages	0.4	1.2	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.6
Southern European languages	1.3	2.6	0.8	2.0	1.3	0.0	1.0	0.8	1.5
Eastern European languages	1.2	1.6	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.1	0.4	0.8	1.0
Southwest Asian and North African languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southern Asian languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Southeast Asian languages	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Eastern Asian languages	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
African languages (excluding North Africa)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Oceanic languages	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other and unknown	27.1	14.1	21.2	15.1	19.5	33.6	59.2	11.2	21.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Based on ABS 1997b.

(b) 'State/Territory' refers to the location of the hostel.