

# Appendix 11: Abbreviations, glossary and symbols

## Abbreviations

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACCHSs	Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services
AHMAC	Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council
AHS	Australian Hospital Statistics
AIHW	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
AMS	Aboriginal Medical Service
AR-DRG	Australian refined diagnosis-related group
ARIA	Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia
ASDR	age standardised death rate
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographic Classifications
ATSIC	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission
BEACH	Bettering the Evaluation and Care of Health
CAEPR	Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research
CCT	Coordinated Care Trial
CGC	Commonwealth Grants Commission
CSL	Commonwealth Serum Laboratory
DAA	Department of Aboriginal Affairs
DHAC	(Commonwealth) Department of Health and Aged Care
DHHS	(Tasmanian) Department of Health and Human Services
DHS	(Victorian) Department of Human Services
DRG	diagnosis-related group
DVA	Department of Veterans' Affairs
FaCS	(Commonwealth Department of) Family and Community Services
GISCA	National Key Centre for Social Applications of Geographic Information Systems
GP	general practitioner
GPC	Government Purpose Classification
GPSCU	General Practice Statistics and Classification Unit

HACC	Home and Community Care (Program)
HCP	Hospital casemix protocol
HDWA	Health Department of Western Australia
HIC	Health Insurance Commission
ICD	International Classification of Diseases
ICIDH	International Classification of Impairments, Disabilities and Handicaps
ICPC-2	International Classification of Primary Care (Version 2)
IPTAAS	Isolated Patients Travel Assistance and Accommodation Scheme
MBS	Medicare Benefits Schedule
NACCHO	National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation
NHS	National Health Survey
OATSIH	Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health
PBS	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
PEI	Patient Episode Initiation (Fees)
PHIIS	Private Health Insurance Incentives Scheme
QES	Queensland Emergency Services
RCS	Residential Classification Scale
RFDS	Royal Flying Doctor Service
RPBS	Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
RRMA	Rural Remote and Metropolitan Areas Classification
SAR	Service Activity Report
SLA	statistical local area
SMR	Standardised mortality rates
SNAP	Sub- and Non-Acute Patient (Study)
THS	Territory Health Services
VIMD	Victorian Inpatient Morbidity Data
VOS	Visiting Optometrical Scheme
WIES	Weighted Inlier Equivalent Separation
WHO	World Health Organization

## Glossary

External Territories	Norfolk Island and minor islands such as Heard Island and McDonald Island remain outside the scope of the 1996 Census.
Koori	A term often preferred by Aboriginal people of south-east Australia when referring to themselves.
Other Territories	Christmas Island, the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Jervis Bay now comprise a pseudo 'ninth State/Territory' of Australia. These islands are within the scope of the 1996 Census but are not part of the population of the States or the Australian Capital Territory or the Northern Territory.

## Symbols

\$	Australian dollars, unless otherwise specified
—	nil or rounded to zero
%	per cent
'000	thousands
'00,000	hundred thousands
CI	confidence interval
est.	estimated
km	kilometre
m	million
n.a.	not available
..	not applicable
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified

**A note on rounding: Figures in tables and the text have sometimes been rounded. Discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.**