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Paint a picture of your community

MapStats is fast and simple to use. Combining 2006 Census statistics with mapping capabilities, MapStats give you the tools to create your own thematic maps of areas of interest online through an easy to use web interface. Whether your interests lie in ethnicity, education, family, income, labour force, or dwelling characteristics MapStats allows you to create mapped Census data for the geographic region of your choice.

You simply select a Census topic and geographic area, and MapStats generates a thematic map.

Who would benefit from using MapStats?

MapStats is ideal if you want to visually explore the spatial distribution of a Census topic. Clients will range from novice users to clients who previously used the 2001 CDATA Quickbuild product.

Which Geographic Areas are MapStats available for?

You can obtain a MapStats map for areas that fall under the following:

- Census Geographic Areas: which includes State Suburb by Collection District as well as;
- Australian Standard Geographical Classification: which includes large areas such as Australia by State, down to Statistical Local Area by Collection District.

What formats are MapStats available in?

MapStats display a thematic map, showing the distribution of Census data for the chosen location. Not only can you print your own customised maps you will also have the option of saving them in the following formats:

- Adobe Acrobat (.PDF files)
- Portable Network Graphics (.PNG files)

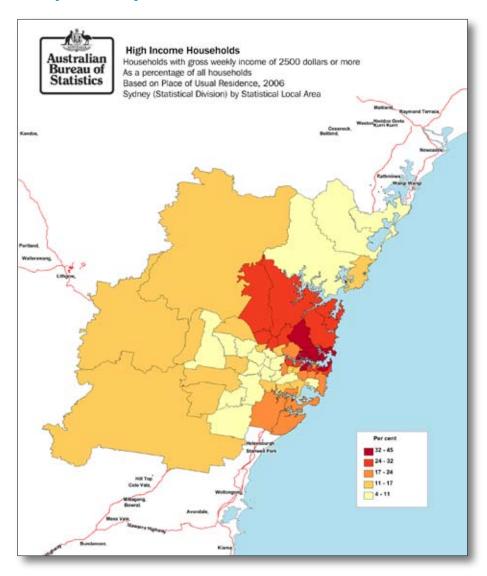


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Sample of MapStats



What is the basis of the data?

An important change for the 2006 Census is the switch to 'Place of Usual Residence (where a person usually lives) as the primary basis for releasing Census data. This has replaced data based on Place of Enumeration as the primary method of release.

Place of Enumeration is the location where someone was counted on Census night, 8 August 2006. This count gives a snapshot in any given area. Although the Census is timed to capture the typical situation, holiday areas such as the Gold Coast and snowfields may show a large enumeration count compared to the usual residence count.

Where do I go for more information about MapStats?

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