AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

ASGC 2004 (1 July 2004) to ASGC 2005 (1 July 2005) Statistical Local Area (SLA) Concordance File Format Details

File Name: 'sla04_sla05. txt'

Format: *ASCII comma delimited*

Record Structure

Field 1   State/Territory (S/T) Code
Field 2   SLA Maincode 2004
Field 3   SLA Name 2004
Field 4   SLA Maincode 2005
Field 5   SLA Name 2005
Field 6   *Area Change (given in hectares to two decimal places)
Field 7   *Percentage Area (percentage given to three decimal places)

*   The 'Area Change' field provides the area of the 2005 SLA either as one total figure if there has been no change to the SLA (in which case the 'Percentage Area' field will be 100%) or over several lines representing the parts that make up the 2005 SLA where there has been a change. Therefore if a 2004 SLA is split into two 2005 SLAs, there will be two records for the 2004 SLA; the 'Area Change' field giving the area of each of the 2005 SLAs, and the 'Percentage Area' field providing a percentage of the 2004 SLA that has gone into each of the 2005 SLAs.

If a 2005 SLA is created from two whole 2004 SLAs, there will be a record for each 2004 SLA. The Percentage Area will be 100%, as the 2004 SLAs have been absorbed into the 2005 SLA, and the Area Change will be the area of each 2004 SLA.

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