

Summary of Changes to Variables 1996 to 2001

The following table provides information regarding changes to census classifications since the 1996 Census, and identifies the type of change as either:

New	—	the variable is new for the 2001 Census
Deleted	_	the variable is excluded from the 2001 Census
Mnemonic	—	the variable's mnemonic has changed for the 2001 Census
Name	—	the variable's name has changed for the 2001 Census
Classification	_	the Australian Standard Classification on which the variable is based has changed
Categories	_	the categories within the variable have changed for the 2001 Census

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Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Origin (ABLP)	Mnemonic and Name	Variable name and mnemonic have been changed to Indigenous Status (INGP).
Age (AGEP)	Categories	Previous Census output categories were '0-98 singly' and '99 and over'. The upper limit has been extended to '0-99 singly', and '100 and over'.
Age Left School (ALSP)	Deleted	The 1996 variable Age Left School has been dropped for the 2001 Census. A review of education concepts found that Age Left School is an inadequate approximation of educational attainment at school. This variable has been replaced by Highest Level of Schooling Completed.
		See also Highest Level of Schooling Completed (HSCP).
Ancestry (ANCP)	New	A question on each person's ancestry has been reintroduced for the 2001 Census. Responses are classified according to the Australian Standard Classification of Cultural and Ethnic Groups (ASCCEG).

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Australian Citizenship (NATP)	Mnemonic	The mnemonic for this variable has been changed to CITP.
Birthplace of Father (Male Parent) (BPMP)	Classification and Name	The 2001 Census output categories for this variable have been condensed to 'Australia' and 'Overseas'. In previous Censuses, BPMP was coded to individual country of birth.
		The name has been condensed to 'Birthplace of Male Parent'.
Birthplace of Individual (BPLP)	Classification	In the 1996 Census, Birthplace of Individual was classified using the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS). For 2001 this has been replaced by the new Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC).
Birthplace of Mother (Female Parent) (BPFP)	Classification and Name	The 2001 Census output categories for this variable have been condensed to 'Australia' and 'Overseas'. In previous Censuses, BPFP was coded to individual country of birth.
		The name has been condensed to 'Birthplace of Female Parent'.
CD of Usual Residence Census Night (CDUCP)	New	This is a new variable for 2001 representing an extension of 'usual residence' coding to the Collection District (CD) level. In previous Censuses, coding and output of usual residence data were limited to Statistical Local Area (SLA) level and above.
Computer Use at Home (COMP)	New	This is a new variable for 2001. It identifies whether people used a personal computer at home in the week prior to Census Night.
Furnished/Unfurnished (FUFD)	Deleted	There is no longer a requirement for this information and as a result the variable has been excluded from the 2001 Census.

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Highest Level of Schooling Completed (HSCP)	New	Highest Level of Schooling Completed is a new variable for 2001 and replaces the Age Left School variable used in previous Censuses. Output categories include 'Year 8 or below' through to 'Year 12 or equivalent', 'Still at school' and 'Did not go to school'.
Hours Worked (HRSP)	Categories	There are no changes to the standard output categories for this variable for the 2001 Census. However 2001 data can be made available through the Customised Table Service for '0' through to '99' hours singly.
Internet Use (NETP)	New	This is a new variable for 2001. It identifies whether people used the Internet in the week prior to Census Night and, if so, whether they used it at home, work or elsewhere.
Method of Travel to Work (TPTP)	Mnemonic and Categories	The mnemonic for this variable has changed to MTWP for 2001.
		The output categories have been expanded to allow for changes to the 2001 Census form. The form contains separate categories for 'ferry' and 'tram' (previously combined into 'ferry/tram'), and a new category 'truck' has been introduced. These changes have resulted in the availability of an additional 103 output categories for this variable for the 2001 Census.
Number of Bedrooms in Private Dwelling (BEDD)	Categories	There are no changes to the standard output categories for this variable for the 2001 Census. However, 2001 data can be made available through the Customised Table Service for '0' through to '99' bedrooms singly.
Number of Children Ever Born (TISP)	Deleted	This information is not collected in the 2001 Census. It is considered to be required only every 10 years.

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Number of Motor Vehicles (VEHD)	Categories	There are no changes to the standard output categories for this variable for the 2001 Census. However, 2001 data can be made available through the Customised Table Service for values of '0' through to '99'.
Number of Motorbikes and Scooters (MCYCD)	New	This is a new variable for 2001. It identifies the number of registered motorbikes and motor scooters owned or used by household members, garaged, parked at or near private dwellings on Census Night.
Post-School Educational Qualification: Field of Study (QALFP)	Classification and Name	For the 2001 Census, QALFP is coded to the new Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED) which replaces the Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications used for the 1996 Census.
		The new classification includes non-school qualifications such as Certificate Level qualifications which may be attained while the person is still attending school. The name of this variable has been changed to 'Non-School Qualification: Field of Study'.
Post-School Educational Qualification: Level of Attainment (QALLP)	Classification and Name	QALLP is coded to the 'Australian Standard Classification of Education' (ASCED), which replaces the 'Australian Bureau of Statistics Classification of Qualifications' used for the 1996 Census.
		The new classification includes non-school qualifications such as Certificate Level qualifications which may be attained while the person is still attending school. The name of this variable has been changed to 'Non-School Qualification: Level of Education'.

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Post-School Educational Qualification: Year Completed (QALYP)	Categories and Name	QALYP is no longer restricted to 'post-school' qualifications due to changes to QALFP and QALLP.
		In line with QALFP and QALLP, the name for QALYP has changed to 'Non-School Qualification: Year Completed' for the 2001 Census.
		Data are generally published in standard ranges but data can be made available in single years, from 1916 through to 2001, through the Customised Table Service.
Proficiency in English (ENGP)	Name	The variable name has changed to 'Proficiency in Spoken English'.
Proficiency in English/Language (ENGP01)	Name	The variable name has changed to 'Proficiency in Spoken English/Language'.
Relationship in Non-Private Dwelling (RLNP)	Name	The variable name has changed to 'Residential Status in a Non-Private Dwelling'. The mnemonic remains the same.
Religion (RELP)	Name	The variable name has changed to 'Religious Affiliation'.
Work Destination Study Area (DZSP)	Name Mnemonic Categories	The variable name has changed to 'Journey to Work: Study Area' and the mnemonic has changed to JTWSAP.
		Prior to 2001, Journey To Work study areas were restricted to some major urban areas in each state, and JTW information was only available for those people who lived and worked in the same study area. For 2001 the study areas have been expanded to encompass all of Australia.
Work Destination Zone (DZNP)	Name Mnemonic	For the 2001 Census the variable name has changed to 'Journey to Work: Destination Zone' and the mnemonic has changed to JTWDZNP.
Year of Arrival in Australia (YARP)	Categories	The standard categories have been updated to include the years from 1997 to 2001. Data are also available in single years from 1890 through to 2001 through the Customised Table Service.