Indigenous Locations Comparability Table, 2001 to 2006

PRODUCT BRIEF

Introduction

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) has developed several products that enable users to make comparisons of geographic areas from one census year to another.

The Indigenous Location Comparability Table for 2001 to 2006 allows the comparison of Indigenous Locations (ILOCs) from the 2001 Census to the Indigenous Locations for the 2006 Census. For full details of ILOCs please refer to *Statistical Geography Volume 2 Census Geographic Areas Australia 2001 (Cat. no. 2905.0) Chapter 6 - Australian Indigenous Geographical Classification.*

ILOCs are amalgamations of whole Collection Districts (CDs). At each census, CDs may be redesigned to accommodate growth in population or to conform to other administrative data. These changes to CDs are then reflected in the ILOCs produced. To assist users to compare data for ILOCs which changed between the 2001 and 2006 Censuses, a comparability code has been allocated to pairs of 2001 and 2006 ILOCs. The resultant table, which includes all ILOCs for both 2001 and 2006, indicates the degree to which the boundary of an ILOC has changed between the 2001 and 2006 Censuses.

File Format

This comparability table is a comma-delimited text file comprising a total of 1,082 records. All ILOCs current for 2001 and 2006 Census are represented. The following table details the fields contained within the comparability table.

Field Name	Туре	Comment
ILOC_2006_Code	Number	ILOC Code for 2006
ILOC_2006_Name	Text	ILOC Name for 2006
Comparability code	Number	Comparability code
ILOC_2001_Code	Number	ILOC Code for 2001
ILOC_2001_Name	Text	ILOC Name for 2001

ILOC Comparability Code Definitions

The comparability code was determined by comparing the populations covered in each ILOC between 2001 and 2006. Where the populations covered are the same, a comparability code of 1 has been used. Other codes are explained below.

1 - 2006 and 2001 ILOC populations covered in the 2 ILOCs are comparable

2 - 2001 ILOC split into 2 or more 2006 ILOCs. The population of the 2001 ILOC is comparable to the sum of the populations of the 2006 ILOCs.

3- Amalgamation of 2 or more 2001 ILOCs into a single 2006 ILOC. The population of the 2006 ILOC is comparable to the sum of the population of the 2001 ILOCs.
4 - 2001 and 2006 ILOC populations are not comparable in the above ways.

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