

AUSTRALIAN STANDARD GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION (ASGC)

ASGC 2005 (1 July 2005) to ASGC 2006 (1 July 2006) Statistical Local Area (SLA) Concordance File Format Details

This file assists in the conversion of 2005 SLAs to 2006 SLAs. In this file, 1408 SLAs for the 2005 ASGC Edition and 1418 SLAs for the 2006 ASGC Edition are represented. The file does not include the 7 Off-Shore Areas & Migratory SLAs that were current for the 2005 ASGC Edition, or the 8 Off-Shore Areas & Migratory SLAs that are current for the 2006 ASGC Edition of the ASGC.

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Format: ASCII comma delimited

Record Structure

Field 1	State/Territory (S/T) Code
Field 2	SLA Maincode 2005
Field 3	SLA Name 2005
Field 4	SLA Maincode 2006
Field 5	SLA Name 2006
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 2006 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 2006 SLA where there has been a change. Therefore if a 2005 SLA is split into two 2006 SLAs, there will be two records for the 2005 SLA; the 'Area Change' field giving the area of each of the 2006 SLAs, and the 'Percentage Area' field providing a percentage of the 2005 SLA that has gone into each of the 2006 SLAs.

If a 2006 SLA is created from two whole 2005 SLAs, there will be a record for each 2005 SLA. The Percentage Area will be 100%, as the 2005 SLAs have been absorbed into the 2006 SLA, and the Area Change will be the area of each 2005 SLA.

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