

NSW Foundation Spatial Data Framework:

Administrative Boundaries Theme

Dataset/product title: Australian Bureau of Statistics Geographical Standard Boundaries



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Dataset/product description	<p>Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Statistical Geographical Standard Boundaries divides an area of interest throughout the state of NSW on which statistics are collected for purposes under the Census and Statistics Act 1905 (Cth).</p> <p>The ABS Structures are a hierarchy of regions developed for the release of ABS statistical information. The main components are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Statistical Areas Level 4• Statistical Areas Level 3• Statistical Areas Level 2• Statistical Areas Level 1• Regional Boundaries.
Dataset uses	<p>Used to define geographical areas to support statistical and socio-economic analysis at a state and regional scale. They are useful for analytical purposes within statistical boundaries through the aggregation of a wide swath of data and information.</p>

<p>Current status</p>	<p>ABS maintains the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) and the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) for pre-2011 census information.</p> <p>ABS provides this data via a web service direct from ABS. A link is provided to enable users to download data directly from the ABS website. This data is available in the following formats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shp • Tab • Dmp • Csv • WMS • WFS • ESRI File Geodatabase (gdb). <p>The regions defined in the ABS Structures will not change until the next Census in 2021. The Non-ABS Structures are updated only when the ABS considers that there are major changes to the administrative boundaries they represent.</p>
<p>Standards and specifications</p>	<p>Continued spatial upgrades of Administrative Boundaries data.</p> <p>Enhanced access to boundaries via online mechanisms.</p> <p>Further standards, specifications and classifications can be found at:</p> <p>http://www.abs.gov.au/standards http://www.abs.gov.au/classifications</p>
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