

HPA Health preface — attachment

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Table HPA.1

Table HPA.1 Indigenous health workforce, by State/Territory, 2006 (a), (b), (c)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust (c)
Number of Indigenous health workers									
Number of total health workforce	1 743	381	1 343	486	302	196	47	390	4 891
Indigenous health workforce as a proportion of total health workforce	159 158	125 749	93 404	47 749	42 386	11 820	7 613	4 428	492 342
	1.1	0.3	1.4	1.0	0.7	1.7	0.6	8.8	1.0
Indigenous population	85 320	19 017	77 958	37 017	16 268	10 687	2 471	35 014	283 911
Total population	5 250 262	3 982 037	3 097 997	1 562 653	1 233 516	382 453	262 107	145 290	15 918 080
Indigenous health workers as a proportion of the Indigenous population (per cent)									
	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.1	1.7
Proportion of State/Territory population that is Indigenous									
	1.6	0.5	2.5	2.4	1.3	2.8	0.9	24.1	1.8

(a) Aged 15 years and over.

(b) Cells in this table have been randomly adjusted to avoid the release of confidential data.

(c) See table HPA.3 for information about the scope of the Indigenous Health Workforce.

(d) Includes Other Territories.

Source: ABS (unpublished); ABS (2007) 2006 Census of Population and Housing, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.10.

Table HPA.2

Table HPA.2 **Indigenous people in health workforce as a proportion of total health workforce, by age group and sex, 2006 (a)**

<i>Age group</i>	<i>15-24</i>	<i>25-34</i>	<i>35-44</i>	<i>45-54</i>	<i>55-64</i>	<i>Total (b)</i>
Indigenous persons in health workforce, by age by sex						
Males	108	301	388	314	104	1 223
Females	406	803	1 100	984	347	3 666
Total	518	1 098	1 486	1 290	453	4 891
All persons in health workforce, by age by sex						
Males	5 604	24 496	31 374	32 748	19 048	119 386
Females	30 549	78 498	97 751	110 928	49 611	372 961
Total	36 150	102 996	129 125	143 676	68 658	492 342
Proportion of total health workforce (per cent)						
Males	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
Females	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.7
Total	1.4	1.1	1.2	0.9	0.7	1.0

(a) Cells in this table have been randomly adjusted to avoid the release of confidential data.

(b) Includes persons aged 65 years and over.

Source: ABS (unpublished); ABS (2007) *2006 Census of Population and Housing*, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.11.

Table HPA.3

Table HPA.3 Indigenous persons employed in selected health-related occupations, 2006 (a)

	<i>Indigenous people</i>	<i>All persons</i>	<i>Percent of Indigenous people in selected health-related occupations</i>
Health and Welfare Services Managers (b)	141	10 807	1.3
Psychologists (c)	39	13 437	0.3
<i>Health diagnostic and promotion professionals</i>			
Medical Imaging Professionals (d)	18	10 147	0.2
Environmental Health Officer	98	3 907	2.5
Occupational Health and Safety Adviser	50	6 840	0.7
Health Promotion Officer	437	3 898	11.2
Other health diagnostic and promotion professionals (e)	45	23 287	0.2
Total	648	48 079	1.3
<i>Health therapy professionals</i>			
Dental Practitioners (f)	16	9 065	0.2
Dental Hygienists, Technicians and Therapists (g)	22	5 169	0.4
Dental Assistant	171	15 378	1.1
Physiotherapist	54	12 286	0.4
Other health therapy professionals (h)	58	22 699	0.3
Total	321	64 597	0.5
<i>Medical practitioners</i>			
General Medical Practitioner	60	29 920	0.2
Other medical practitioners, Internal Medicine (i) specialists, Psychiatrists & Surgeons	40	25 155	0.2
Total	100	55 075	0.2
<i>Midwifery and nursing professionals</i>			
Midwives (j)	53	13 164	0.4
Nurse Educators and Researchers (k)	17	3 762	0.5
Nurse Manager	46	10 899	0.4
Registered Nurse (Aged Care)	239	25 070	1.0
Registered Nurse (Community Health)	51	8 771	0.6

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	<i>Indigenous people</i>	<i>All persons</i>	<i>Percent of Indigenous people in selected health-related occupations</i>
Registered Nurse (Critical Care and Emergency)	44	9 917	0.4
Registered Nurse (Mental Health)	48	7 712	0.6
Registered Nurse (Perioperative)	46	10 009	0.5
Other Registered Nurses (l)	679	111 096	0.6
Total	1 223	200 400	0.6
<i>Health and welfare support workers</i>			
Ambulance Officers and Paramedics	153	9 098	1.7
Diversional Therapist	41	4 078	1.0
Enrolled and Mothercraft Nurses	215	19 397	1.1
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker	965	1 010	95.5
Massage Therapist	54	8 200	0.7
Hospital Orderly	165	9 939	1.7
Nursing Support Worker	442	22 380	2.0
Personal Care Assistant	339	21 956	1.5
Other Nursing Support and Personal Care Workers (m)	39	3 899	1.0
Total	2 413	99 957	2.4
Total aged 15 years and over (n)	4 891	492 342	1.0

(a) Aged 15 years and over.

(b) Comprises Health and Welfare Services Managers, nfd, Medical Administrator, Nursing Clinical Director, Primary Health Organisation Manager, Health and Welfare Services Managers, nec.

(c) Comprises Psychologists, nfd, Clinical Psychologist, Educational Psychologist, Organisational Psychologist, Psychotherapist, Psychologists, nec.

(d) Comprises Medical Imaging Professionals, nfd, Medical Diagnostic Radiographer, Medical Radiation Therapist, Nuclear Medicine Technologist, Sonographer.

(e) Comprises Health Professionals, nfd, Health Diagnostic and Promotion Professionals, nfd, Dietician, Occupational and Environmental Health Professionals, nfd, Optometrists and Orthoptists, nfd, Optometrist, Orthoptist, Pharmacists, nfd, Hospital Pharmacist, Industrial Pharmacist, Retail Pharmacist, Other Health Diagnostic and Promotion Professionals, nfd, Orthotist or Prosthetist, Health Diagnostic and Promotion Professionals, nec.

(f) Comprises Dental Practitioners, nfd, Dental Specialist, Dentist.

(g) Comprises Dental Hygienists, Technicians and Therapists, nfd, Dental Hygienist, Dental Prosthetist, Dental Technician, Dental Therapist.

(h) Comprises Health Therapy Professionals, nfd, Chiropractors and Osteopaths, nfd, Chiropractor, Osteopath, Complementary Health Therapists, nfd, Acupuncturist, Homeopath, Naturopath, Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner, Complementary Health Therapists, nec., Occupational Therapist, Podiatrist, Speech Professionals and Audiologists, nfd, Audiologist, Speech Pathologist.

Table HPA.3 Indigenous persons employed in selected health-related occupations, 2006 (a)

	<i>Indigenous people</i>	<i>All persons</i>	<i>Percent of Indigenous people in selected health- related occupations</i>
(i)	Comprises Medical Practitioners, nfd, Generalist Medical Practitioners, nfd, Resident Medical Officer, Anaesthetist, Internal Medicine Specialists, nfd, Specialist Physician (General Medicine), Cardiologist, Clinical Haematologist, Clinical Oncologist, Endocrinologist, Gastroenterologist, Intensive Care Specialist, Neurologist, Paediatrician, Renal Medicine Specialist, Rheumatologist, Thoracic Medicine Specialist, Internal Medicine Specialists, nec, Psychiatrist, Surgeons, nfd, Surgeon (General), Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Neurosurgeon, Orthopaedic Surgeon, Otorhinolaryngologist, Paediatric Surgeon, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeon, Urologist, Vascular Surgeon, Other Medical Practitioners, nfd, Dermatologist, Emergency Medicine Specialist, Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Ophthalmologist, Pathologist, Radiologist, Medical Practitioners, nec.		
(j)	Comprises Midwifery and Nursing Professionals, nfd, Midwife.		
(k)	Comprises Nurse Educators and Researchers, nfd, Nurse Educator, Nurse Researcher.		
(l)	Comprises Registered Nurses, nfd, Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse (Child and Family Health), Registered Nurse (Developmental Disability), Registered Nurse (Disability and Rehabilitation), Registered Nurse (Medical), Registered Nurse (Medical Practice), Registered Nurse (Surgical), Registered Nurses, nec.		
(m)	Comprises Nursing Support and Personal Care Workers, nfd, Therapy Aide.		
(n)	Components may not add to total due to perturbation of component data.		

Source: ABS (2007) *2006 Census of Population and Housing*, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.12.

Table HPA.4

Table HPA.4 Mortality rates, age standardised for all causes (per 1000 people) (a)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust (b)
All Australians, annual									
2001	6.6	6.5	6.7	6.3	6.8	7.6	6.3	9.4	6.6
2002	6.7	6.6	6.8	6.5	6.7	7.6	6.0	9.2	6.7
2003	6.5	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.6	7.4	5.9	9.4	6.5
2004	6.4	6.1	6.5	6.0	6.2	7.1	5.7	8.7	6.3
2005	6.1	5.9	6.0	5.9	6.2	6.9	5.7	9.3	6.0
2006	6.0	5.9	6.0	5.8	6.0	6.8	5.5	8.7	6.0
Indigenous (c)									
1999–2003	na	na	12.0	12.7	11.6	na	na	17.2	13.2
2000–2004	na	na	12.0	13.2	11.7	na	na	17.1	13.4
2001–2005	na	na	11.7	13.3	11.2	na	na	16.7	13.1
2002–2006	na	na	11.9	14.0	11.0	na	na	16.8	13.3
Non-Indigenous (d)									
1999–2003	na	na	6.7	6.4	6.7	na	na	7.3	6.6
2000–2004	na	na	6.6	6.2	6.6	na	na	7.0	6.5
2001–2005	na	na	6.4	6.1	6.5	na	na	7.0	6.4
2002–2006	na	na	6.3	6.0	6.4	na	na	6.9	6.2

(a) Deaths per 1000 standard population. Standardised death rates use total persons in the 2001 Australian population as the standard population.

(b) Total, Indigenous and non-Indigenous mortality rates are for Queensland, WA, SA and NT combined.

(c) Calculations of rates for the Indigenous population are based on *ABS Experimental Projections, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians 1991 to 2009* (ABS cat. no. 3238.0, low series, 2001 base). There are no comparable population data for the non-Indigenous population. Calculations of rates for comparison with the Indigenous population are derived by subtracting Indigenous population projections from total Estimated Resident Population and should be used with care, as these data include deaths and population units for which Indigenous status were not stated. ERP used in calculations are final ERP based on 2006 Census.

(d) Includes non-Indigenous and not stated Indigenous status.

na Not available.

Source: ABS (unpublished) *Deaths Australia*; ABS (2007) *Deaths 2006*, Australia, Cat. no. 3302.0, AusInfo, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.13.

Table HPA.5

Table HPA.5 Infant mortality rate, three year average (per 1000 live births) (a), (b)

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT (c)	NT	Aust (d)
All Australians									
1995–1997	5.5	5.0	6.2	5.6	5.2	5.6	4.8	12.5	5.6
1996–1998	5.1	4.9	6.2	5.6	4.6	5.5	5.2	12.1	5.4
1997–1999	5.1	5.1	6.0	5.0	4.4	6.6	5.1	12.2	5.3
1998–2000	5.1	4.9	6.1	4.7	4.3	6.4	5.3	11.9	5.3
1999–2001	5.4	5.0	5.9	4.7	4.5	6.6	4.3	11.4	5.4
2000–2002	5.0	4.8	6.0	4.6	4.8	6.1	3.5	11.2	5.2
2001–2003	4.8	5.0	5.5	4.5	4.5	6.5	4.1	10.1	5.0
2002–2004	4.6	4.9	5.3	4.1	4.0	5.6	5.4	10.1	4.8
2003–2005	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.2	4.0	4.7	6.1	9.6	4.8
2004–2006	4.8	4.6	5.2	4.5	3.8	3.7	5.9	9.7	4.8
Indigenous									
2003–2005	8.4	na	10.9	12.8	7.7	na	na	15.6	na
2004–2006	7.5	na	11.1	11.9	6.7	na	na	16.7	na
Non-Indigenous									
2003–2005	4.4	na	4.5	3.6	3.7	na	na	5.0	na
2004–2006	4.6	na	4.7	3.9	3.6	na	na	4.7	na

(a) Infant deaths per 1000 live births.

(b) Deaths and births for which Indigenous status was not stated are excluded. As a result, infant mortality rates may be underestimated.

(c) Four infant deaths were coded to an incorrect state of usual residence in 2005, which led to the revision of the rate of the ACT.

(d) Figures for Australia include 'Other territories'.

na Not available.

Source: ABS (various years) *Deaths 2006*, Australia, Cat. no. 3302.0, AusInfo, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.14.

Table HPA.6

Table HPA.6 Indigenous infant mortality rates, three year average (a), (b), (c)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>NT (d)</i>
2000–2002	9.5	11.5	16.5	10.4	18.1
2001–2003	8.6	11.2	15.9	9.1	14.8
2002–2004	8.5	10.9	14.1	9.4	15.4
2003–2005	8.4	10.9	12.8	7.7	15.6
2004–2006	7.5	11.1	11.9	6.7	16.7

(a) Per 1000 live births.

(b) Victoria, Tasmania and the ACT are excluded due to poor coverage rates or small numbers.

(c) Deaths for which Indigenous status was not stated are excluded. As a result, Indigenous infant mortality rates may be underestimated.

(d) The contribution of Indigenous deaths to total deaths is much larger in the NT than in the other states presented.

Source: ABS (2007) *Deaths 2006*, Australia, Cat. no. 3302.0, AusInfo, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.15.

Table HPA.7

Table HPA.7 **Leading causes of death, indirect age standardised death rate ratio, 2002–2006 (per 100 000 standard population) (a), (b)**

	QLD	WA	SA	NT	Total
Indigenous					
<i>Underlying causes of death</i>					
Trachea and lung cancers (C33, C34)	67.4	60.5	51.2	85.4	67.8
Diabetes (E10-E14)	159.8	190.4	134.8	196.3	395.1
Ischaemic heart diseases (I20-I25) include angina, heart attacks, blocked arteries of the heart	350.2	305.4	383.1	443.8	96.9
Strokes (I60-I69)	108.7	126.5	99.7	135.4	68.4
Influenza and pneumonia (J10-J18)	38.3	85.9	89.2	82.7	168.1
Chronic lower respiratory diseases (J40-J47) which include diseases such as asthma, bronchitis and emphysema	88.5	97.9	73.7	187.5	131.0
Cirrhosis and other diseases of liver (K70-K76)	34.1	52.1	47.3	92.8	305.6
Diseases of the urinary system (N00-N39)	44.8	76.6	59.7	153.8	198.4
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (P00-P96)	6.9	8.3	3.7	11.3	80.7
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (R00-R99)	16.0	47.1	19.3	30.0	350.3
Land transport accidents (V01-V89)	15.0	31.1	25.8	45.7	98.2
Intentional self-harm (X60-X84) [suicide]	26.2	21.2	40.7	45.4	87.1
All causes	1 490.9	1 825.2	1 596.8	2 537.0	1 802.5
Non-Indigenous (c)					
<i>Underlying causes of death</i>					
Trachea and lung cancers (C33, C34)	36.0	36.6	33.3	39.0	35.5
Diabetes (E10-E14)	14.8	16.1	15.9	19.8	35.3
Ischaemic heart diseases (I20-I25) include angina, heart attacks, blocked arteries of the heart	126.2	105.6	118.2	120.0	32.0
Strokes (I60-I69)	60.1	48.6	55.9	44.3	32.5

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	QLD	WA	SA	NT	Total
Influenza and pneumonia (J10-J18)	14.7	12.6	23.5	13.2	42.9
Chronic lower respiratory diseases (J40-J47) which include diseases such as asthma, bronchitis and emphysema	28.2	24.1	25.1	45.3	31.6
Cirrhosis and other diseases of liver (K70-K76)	6.0	5.4	6.7	8.7	35.6
Diseases of the urinary system (N00-N39)	12.7	12.4	15.1	12.0	34.0
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (P00-P96)	3.2	2.6	2.2	3.4	29.7
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (R00-R99)	6.0	7.5	3.9	11.4	78.3
Land transport accidents (V01-V89)	8.6	8.8	9.6	17.9	33.5
Intentional self-harm (X60-X84) [suicide]	11.2	10.5	11.8	14.8	32.1
All causes	628.5	599.6	640.8	700.5	625.1
Ratio (d)					
<i>Underlying causes of death</i>					
Trachea and lung cancers (C33, C34)	1.9	1.7	1.5	2.2	1.9
Diabetes (E10-E14)	10.8	11.8	8.5	9.9	11.2
Ischaemic heart diseases (I20-I25) include angina, heart attacks, blocked arteries of the heart	2.8	2.9	3.2	3.7	3.0
Strokes (I60-I69)	1.8	2.6	1.8	3.1	2.1
Influenza and pneumonia (J10-J18)	2.6	6.8	3.8	6.3	3.9
Chronic lower respiratory diseases (J40-J47) which include diseases such as asthma, bronchitis and emphysema	3.1	4.1	2.9	4.1	4.1
Cirrhosis and other diseases of liver (K70-K76)	5.7	9.7	7.1	10.7	8.6
Diseases of the urinary system (N00-N39)	3.5	6.2	4.0	12.8	5.8
Certain conditions originating in the perinatal period (P00-P96)	2.1	3.2	1.7	3.3	2.7
Symptoms, signs and ill-defined conditions (R00-R99)	2.7	6.3	5.0	2.6	4.5

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Table HPA.7 **Leading causes of death, indirect age standardised death rate ratio, 2002–2006 (per 100 000 standard population) (a), (b)**

	QLD	WA	SA	NT	Total
Land transport accidents (V01-V89)	1.8	3.5	2.7	2.6	2.9
Intentional self-harm (X60-X84) [suicide]	2.3	2.0	3.5	3.1	2.7
All causes	2.4	3.0	2.5	3.6	2.9

(a) Calculations of rates for the Indigenous population are based on ABS *Experimental Projections, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians* (ABS cat. no. 3238.0, low series, 2001 base). There are no comparable population data for the non-Indigenous population. Calculations of rates for comparison with the Indigenous population are derived by subtracting Indigenous population projections from Total Estimated Resident Population and should be used with care, as these data include deaths and population units for which Indigenous status were not stated. Population estimates have not been re-based using 2006 Census data as re-based data is not yet available for the Indigenous population.

(b) Coded according to the International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems Revision 10 (ICD-10).

(c) Includes non-Indigenous and not stated Indigenous status.

(d) Indigenous rate divided by non-Indigenous rate.

Source: ABS (2007) *Deaths 2006, Australia*, Cat. no. 3302.0, AusInfo, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.17.

Table HPA.8

Table HPA.8 **Indigenous life expectancy at birth (years) (a), (b), (c)**

	<i>Indigenous males born 1996–2001</i>	<i>Indigenous females born 1996–2001</i>	<i>Total males born 1997–1999</i>	<i>Total females born 1997–1999</i>
NSW/Vic	60.0	65.1	na	na
Qld	58.9	62.6	76.0	81.7
SA/WA	58.5	67.2	na	na
NT	57.6	65.2	70.6	75.1
Australia	59.4	64.8	76.2	81.8

(a) Indigenous data are for the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population, and include an adjustment for undercoverage of Indigenous deaths.

(b) Life expectancy data for Indigenous males and Indigenous females are for the period 1996–2001. Data for total males and females cover the period 1997–1999, the approximate mid-point of the Indigenous data.

(c) For Tasmania and the ACT, use life tables for NSW and Victoria.

na Not available

Source: ABS (various years), *Deaths 2006*, Australia, Cat. no. 3302.0, ABS, Canberra; ABS (2004), *Calculating Experimental Life Tables for Use in Population Estimates and Projections of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians*, Demography Working Paper 2004-3, Cat. no. 3106.0.55.003, ABS Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.19.

Table HPA.9

Table HPA.9 Median age at death (years) (a), (b)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust (c)</i>
All Australians									
Males									
2001	75.6	76.1	74.7	74.8	76.7	76.0	72.1	55.6	75.5
2002	76.2	76.8	75.6	75.4	77.2	76.2	76.4	55.9	76.2
2003	76.3	76.8	75.6	75.5	77.5	75.9	73.9	56.7	76.2
2004	76.9	77.3	75.9	75.6	77.5	76.5	75.2	55.0	76.6
2005	77.0	77.5	76.0	76.0	77.5	76.2	75.3	56.6	76.8
2006 (d)	77.6	77.9	76.3	76.4	78.1	77.0	76.0	57.2	77.3
Females									
2001	81.8	82.1	81.4	81.5	82.4	81.2	81.3	61.4	81.8
2002	82.2	82.5	81.9	81.8	82.7	81.9	81.5	55.8	82.2
2003	82.6	82.6	81.9	82.1	83.1	82.1	81.5	63.8	82.4
2004	82.7	83.0	82.2	81.9	83.2	82.5	80.8	61.2	82.6
2005	83.1	83.2	82.3	82.8	83.6	82.7	82.0	56.9	82.9
2006 (d)	83.4	83.6	82.9	82.6	84.0	83.3	82.6	64.5	83.3
Indigenous (e), (f)									
Males									
2001	56.3	np	52.5	51.0	51.0	np	np	45.1	np
2002	56.3	np	51.8	51.2	48.9	np	np	47.1	np
2003	56.8	np	51.2	50.2	48.8	np	np	46.3	np
2004	55.8	np	53.7	50.0	49.5	np	np	43.8	np
2005	54.3	np	51.1	52.8	42.4	np	np	45.8	np
2006	59.3	np	55.6	47.9	50.4	np	np	45.4	np
Females									
2001	62.9	np	54.1	53.5	55.5	np	np	52.8	np
2002	61.9	np	58.8	53.0	55.0	np	np	50.0	np
2003	58.9	np	62.1	55.0	50.0	np	np	52.8	np
2004	62.7	np	57.9	63.6	53.5	np	np	54.0	np
2005	65.8	np	59.5	57.8	47.5	np	np	50.4	np
2006	64.8	np	57.0	57.0	59.3	np	np	55.3	np
Non-Indigenous (e), (f)									
Males									
2001	75.7	np	75.1	75.4	76.9	np	np	63.2	np
2002	76.5	np	75.9	75.9	77.3	np	np	63.0	np
2003	76.5	np	75.9	76.1	77.7	np	np	65.9	np
2004	77.0	np	76.2	76.3	77.6	np	np	63.0	np
2005	77.2	np	76.4	76.6	77.9	np	np	63.7	np
2006	77.8	np	76.7	76.9	78.3	np	np	64.7	np

Table HPA.9

Table HPA.9 Median age at death (years) (a), (b)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust (c)</i>
Females									
2001	81.9	np	81.7	81.9	82.4	np	np	71.5	np
2002	82.3	np	82.1	82.2	82.8	np	np	70.5	np
2003	82.7	np	82.2	82.4	83.2	np	np	74.5	np
2004	82.8	np	82.5	82.3	83.3	np	np	71.3	np
2005	83.1	np	82.6	83.2	83.7	np	np	70.5	np
2006	83.5	np	83.1	83.1	84.1	np	np	75.0	np

- (a) Median age at death does not adjust for the age structure of the populations involved.
- (b) Based on deaths registered to 31 December 2006.
- (c) Figures for Australia include 'Other Territories'.
- (d) Data for 2006 are incomplete due to the delay between the occurrence and registration of a death.
- (e) Deaths for whom the Indigenous status was not specified have not been prorated over Indigenous and non-Indigenous deaths. As a result, Indigenous and non-Indigenous deaths may be underestimated.
- (f) Care should be exercised when comparing median age at death of Indigenous Australians and non-Indigenous Australians. For example, higher coverage of Indigenous infant deaths compared with older age groups may result in the median age at death being underestimated.

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Source: ABS (2007) *Deaths 2006*, Australia, Cat. no. 3302.0, AusInfo, Canberra; 2009 Report, table EA.20.

Table HPA.10

Table HPA.10 Birthweights of babies of Indigenous mothers, live births, by State and Territory 2006 (a)

	Unit	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT (b)	NT	Aust
Mean birthweight	grams	3 201	3 179	3 211	3 113	3 140	3 325	2 975	3 092	3 169
Number of babies by birthweight										
Less than 1500g	no.	46	11	60	53	15	—	6	45	236
1500–2499g	no.	268	63	252	194	59	17	14	162	1 029
2500–2999g	no.	562	131	645	425	129	47	24	377	2 340
3000–3499g	no.	905	178	993	577	189	65	35	509	3 451
3500–3999g	no.	617	136	711	359	123	63	20	267	2 296
4000–4499g	no.	200	np	223	97	26	np	7	72	688
4500g and over	no.	33	<5	43	31	12	np	—	22	150
Not stated	no.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
All births	no.	2 632	567	2 927	1 736	553	216	106	1 454	10 191
Less than 2500g	no.	314	74	312	247	74	17	20	207	1 265
Proportion of babies by birthweight										
Less than 1500g	%	1.7	1.9	2.0	3.1	2.7	—	5.7	3.1	2.3
1500–2499g	%	10.2	11.1	8.6	11.2	10.7	7.9	13.2	11.1	10.1
2500–2999g	%	21.4	23.1	22.0	24.5	23.3	21.8	22.6	25.9	23.0
3000–3499g	%	34.4	31.4	33.9	33.2	34.2	30.1	33.0	35.0	33.9
3500–3999g	%	23.4	24.0	24.3	20.7	22.2	29.2	18.9	18.4	22.5
4000–4499g	%	7.6	np	7.6	5.6	4.7	np	6.6	5.0	6.8
4500g and over	%	1.3	np	1.5	1.8	2.2	np	—	1.5	1.5
Not stated	%	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
All births	%	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 2500g	%	11.9	13.1	10.7	14.2	13.4	7.9	18.9	14.2	12.4

(a) This table cannot be compared with birthweight for all births to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander mothers in previous reports.

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(b) In the ACT, 16.3 per cent of women who gave birth were non-ACT residents. Care must be taken when interpreting percentages. For example, the percentage of live births of ACT residents who gave birth in the ACT where the birthweight was less than 1500 grams was 0.8 per cent and where the birthweight was less than 2500 grams the percentage was 4.9 per cent.

– Nil or rounded to zero. **np** Not published.

Source: Laws P. & Hilder L. (2008) *Australia's Mothers and Babies 2006*, AIHW Cat. No. PER 46, AIHW National Perinatal Statistics Unit (Perinatal Statistics Series No. 22), Sydney; 2009 Report, table EA22.