

Housing related secondary data sources

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Detailed national surveys			
Census of population and housing	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	August 2006 (five-yearly) Next Census taking place August 2011 (first results available in June 2012)	Count of people by place of usual residence, count of people by place of enumeration, weekly rent payments, weekly housing loan repayments, individual gross income, family gross income, household gross income, tenure and landlord type, place of usual residence one year ago, place of usual residence five years ago, dwelling type.
Community housing and infrastructure needs survey (CHINS)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2006 (five-yearly)	Indigenous housing stock details.
Survey of income and housing (6553.0 & 6523.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2007–08 (biennial) 2009–10 due out this year	The length of time in current dwelling, number of times moved in last five years, length of time in previous dwelling, geographical area of previous dwelling, tenure type of previous dwelling, all reasons for last move, main reason for last move.
General social survey (GSS)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2006 (four-yearly) 2010 to be released	Housing tenure type and duration, landlord type, housing costs and loan details.
Household expenditure survey (see user guide, 6527.0; summary of results 6530.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2003–04 (six-yearly) 2009-10 to be released	Housing costs including rent or mortgage costs, tenure type, household composition, land tax, home and contents insurance, repair and maintenance payments to contractors, body corporate payments.

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Monthly population survey (MPS) supplementary survey - energy use and conservation (4602.0.55.001)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	March 2008 (three-yearly)	Dwelling type, energy source and electrical fitments.
Monthly population survey (MPS) supplementary survey - water use and conservation (4602.0.55.003)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	March 2007 (three-yearly)	Dwelling type, water sources and conservation.
Monthly population survey (MPS) supplementary survey - housing motivations and intentions (8710.3; 8710.5)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Irregular survey (Qld, 2004; WA, 2005)	Details on dwelling structure, tenure, previous dwelling, whether part of retirement village or group house complex, location and housing motivations and intentions.
Survey of disability, ageing and carers	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2009	Home modifications, dwelling structure, dwelling type, house moves because of age or condition, tenure and landlord type.
Longitudinal datasets			
Household Income and Labour Dynamics in Australia (HILDA) survey	Melbourne Institute http://www.melbourneinstitute.com/hilda/	Most recent, wave 9 (2009), Annual survey, commenced 2001 Wave 11 in field.	Household address, number of households at the address, household composition and relationship (incl. name, date of birth, age and sex of all household members); housing characteristics (number of bedrooms, ownership status and value); details of mortgages, home loans and rent payments. Receipt of Commonwealth Rent Assistance interviewer observations on the type and condition of the dwelling.

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Longitudinal Survey of Australian Children (LSIC)	Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/	Wave 1 (2008-09) released, Wave 2 (2009) – to be released. Wave 3 – (2010) in field	Dwelling type, street traffic, household form, housing and mobility.
Longitudinal Survey of Australian Youth (LSAY)	Australian Council of Educational Research (ACER) http://www.lsay.edu.au	2009 interviews for the Y98, Y03 and Y06 cohorts are now available from ASSDA.	Living arrangements variables including type of accommodation, number of people in household, government payments (but not CRA); ability to pay mortgage, rent on time, location of residence.
Longitudinal Survey of Australian Children (LSAC)	Australian Institute of Family Studies (AIFS) http://www.aifs.gov.au	2003–04 Initial cohort, latest wave 3.5 data released April 2010. Wave 4 in field	Outdoor activities, neighbourhood and community indicators, mobility, location, type/condition of dwelling, overcrowding, cleanliness/orderliness.
Longitudinal Survey of Reconnect Clients	Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/	Longitudinal survey—Nov 2001 and Oct 2002	Case complexity issues, engagement with education and employment, family relationships and support networks, engagement with community, general health and well-being, satisfaction with reconnect services
Negotiating the Life Course Survey (NLC)	Australian Social Survey Data Archive http://lifecourse.anu.edu.au/data/	1997 (wave 1) to 2009 (wave 5) Limited housing variables available	Owning/renting; fully own; mortgage repayments; how much owing; value of property; public/private renter; rent; ever owned; what year first owned; number of motor vehicles; drivers licence; access to vehicle; living arrangement data.
Longitudinal study of Australian Women's health	http://www.alsw.org.au/	Funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing and is scheduled to continue until at least 201	Women's Health Australia is a longitudinal study that has been examining the health and wellbeing of Australian women since 1996. Also known as the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health, the project conducts surveys with over 40,000 Australian women who were aged 18-23, 45-50, and 70-75 when the study began.

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45 and Up Study	http://www.45andup.org.au/	Recruitment to the 45 and Up Study completed August 2010 with over 266,000 men and women across NSW aged 45 and over having joined the Study.	The 45 and Up Study is the largest study of healthy ageing ever undertaken in the Southern Hemisphere. Over 265,000 men and women aged 45 and over across NSW have been recruited – about 10% of this age group – and will have their health followed over the coming decades
Home ownership and affordability			
Home price guide	Australian Property Monitors http://www.apm.com.au/	Monthly administrative data	Housing prices, auction clearance rates, composition adjusted housing prices for houses and units, median weekly rents
Housing affordability index	Commonwealth Bank / HIA http://economics.hia.com.au	March 2011 (quarterly)	Composite index comprised of median first home prices, interest rates, monthly payments, average annual household income and qualifying annual income (total and disposable).
House price indexes: eight capital cities (6416.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data (March 2011)	Index of house prices at settlement date of sale.
Producer price indexes (6427.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data (March 2011)	Index of prices of various materials including housing materials.
Housing finance for owner occupation (5609.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Monthly administrative data (March 2011)	Value of dwellings financed and refinanced by owner occupiers, constructed or established dwelling, type of lender (banks, non-bank financiers), outstanding housing loan.
Lending finance (5671.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Monthly administrative data (March 2011)	Value of finance for various purposes including housing

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Home purchase assistance data collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2009–10)	Number of households receiving assistance, total value of assistance provided.
Buildings approvals (8731.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Monthly administrative data (April 2011)	Dwelling units approved – private sector and total dwelling units.
Australian national accounts: national income, expenditure and product (5206.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data (Dec 2010)	Private capital expenditure on new and used dwellings, alterations and additions, total dwellings, ownership transfer costs.
Building activity, Australia: dwelling unit commencement, preliminary (8750.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	Monthly business survey (Dec 2010)	Dwelling units commenced by new houses, other residential, conversions and total building. By state and territory.
Housing activity forecast	Housing Industry Association http://www.hia.com.au/	Quarterly data based on historical ABS data	Residential dwelling starts (000s) and new housing and renovations (\$ million)
HIA- JELD-WEN New homes sales survey	Housing Industry Association http://www.hia.com.au/	Monthly survey (mainland states only)	New private dwelling sales (homes and units) from a sample of the largest 100 residential builders in Australia.
Reserve Bank of Australia bulletin (Tables B7, B8, B16, D1, D2 and D5, F5)	Reserve Bank of Australia http://www.rba.gov.au/PublicationsAndResearch/Bulletin/2004/index.html	Monthly (May 2011)	Table D5, Bank lending by sector contains statistics on lending to persons for the purpose of housing, also classified by owner-occupiers and investors with statistics available from January 1990. Residential lending by building societies and credit co-operatives is also published in Bulletin tables B7 and B8. Bulletin table B16: Securitisation vehicles - contains information for mortgage held, which includes both residential and non-residential mortgages. F5 provides indicative lending interest rates.

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Survey on housing equity withdrawal and injection	Reserve Bank of Australia http://www.rba.gov.au/PublicationsAndResearch/Bulletin/bu_oct05/PDF/bu_1005_1.pdf	January and February 2005 (relating to 2004 calendar year)	Housing purchase transactions and financing of those transactions, levels of existing debt and derived housing equity. How households treat proceeds of withdrawals.
Private market Assistance Programs – home purchase	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)	Annual Administrative data (2007–08)	Home purchase assistance, First home owners grant data
Personal finance (ARF 394.0)	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority http://www.apra.gov.au/	Monthly administrative data (by request)	Number and value of unsecured commitments to finance alterations and additions.
Commercial finance (ARF 391.0)	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority http://www.apra.gov.au/	Monthly administrative data (by request)	Number and value of commercial finance commitments for construction of dwellings for rent or resale.
Impaired assets (ARF 220.0)	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority http://www.apra.gov.au/	Monthly administrative data (by request)	Loans for which payments on housing loans are late by 90 days (housing loans past due).
REIA data cube	Real Estate Institute of Australia http://www.reiaustralia.com.au	Quarterly administrative data	Median house prices, median other dwellings prices, median house rents, median other dwellings rents, yields and returns 3 bedroom houses, yields and returns for 2 bedroom other dwellings, vacancy rates, home loan affordability indicators (by state and for Australia), proportion of family income required to meet average loan repayments (by state and for Australia), number and value of houses, other dwelling and land sales (for each state and territory).
Rismark indices	RP Data http://www.rpdata.net.au	Monthly administrative data	Median price indices, repeat sales indices, hedonic indices, house value index.

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First Home Owner Grant (FHOG) applications	State/territory revenue offices see for example www.dtf.wa.gov.au/cms/...Data/fhog_data_june2009.xls	Monthly administrative data	Number of FHOG applications, location and cost of the dwellings purchased by first home buyers.
Private rental			
Rental Tenants survey (4138.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	1994 (once only)	Provides data on characteristics of persons living in rented or leased dwellings and characteristics of the rental dwellings. Also included are data on the costs of renting, affordability, demand for public housing, as well as tenants' rental history.
Private Rent Assistance Data Collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2009–10)	Number of new households assisted, number of households receiving assistance, total value of assistance provided.
Rent and sales report	NSW Department of Housing http://www.housing.nsw.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data (Mar 2011 Quarter)	Median rents by type of dwelling and number of bedrooms, sales prices by type of dwelling.
Rental bond lodgements	QLD Residential Tenancies Authority http://www.rta.qld.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data (March 2011 Quarter)	Median rents for 1, 2 and 3 bedroom flats or units, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom houses and 2 & 3 bedroom townhouses.
Rental bond lodgements	VIC Residential Tenancies Bond Authority http://www.housing.vic.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data (March 2011 Quarter)	Median rents by type of dwelling and number of bedrooms
Rental bond data set	SA Office of Consumer and Business Affairs http://www.ocba.sa.gov.au	Quarterly administrative data	Number of bonds lodged and median weekly rental by dwelling type and number of bedrooms.
Public and social housing			
Australian Government Housing dataset	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2010)	Tenure and landlord type, weekly rent assistance paid, weekly rent payment, rental stress.

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Community housing data collection survey	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual survey (2009–10)	Number of households assisted, number of dwellings, percentage of income spent on rent, number of households with overcrowding.
Crisis accommodation program data collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative survey (2008–09)	New households assisted, number of all households assisted, number of crisis accommodation dwellings. Note: Crisis Accommodation Program and collection discontinued. Crisis accommodation is now funded under the NAHA
Public rental housing data collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2006–07)	Number of households assisted, number of applicants on waiting list, number of dwellings, % of assessable income spent on rent, number of households with overcrowding/underutilisation.
National Social Housing survey - public housing	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Survey—annually from 1996 to 2001, and biennially from 2003, 2005 to 2007. Biennially from 2010	Satisfaction levels of tenants with various aspects of public housing—to evaluate customer satisfaction and amenity outcomes.
National Social Housing survey - community housing	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Survey—piloted in 1998 and conducted in 2001, 2002, 2005 & 2007 Biennially from 2010	Attitudes of residents to community housing
National Social Housing survey - state owned and managed Indigenous housing (SOMIH)	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) http://www.aihw.gov.au/	2005 and 2007. Biennially from 2010	Variables include satisfaction with service delivery, satisfaction with dwelling, tenant needs, labour force participation, tenant characteristics.
Community housing and infrastructure needs survey (4710.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2006	Variety of variables including Indigenous housing, community/outstation and population variables.

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Australian community sector survey	ACOSS (Paper 143) http://www.acoss.org.au	Annual 2010	Organisations surveyed include housing services. Variables include; number of times services provided, number of times people turned away from services, waiting lists, referrals, complexity of client need, workforce, paid and unpaid work, staff turnover, factors in keeping/attracting good staff, and occupational health and safety.
Public housing waiting & transfer list	Victorian Office of Housing http://www.housing.vic.gov.au/	Administrative data (March 2011)	Number of applicants on the public housing waiting & transfer list
Transitional Housing Management (THM) data collection	Victorian Office of Housing http://www.housing.vic.gov.au/	Administrative data	Numbers of individuals and families assisted, types of assistance, occupancy types and duration of occupancy.
Indigenous housing			
National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander social survey (NATSISS) (4714.0)	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au	2008	Number of bedrooms, number of bedrooms required, whether repairs and maintenance have been carried out in last 12 months, types of repairs and maintenance carried out in last 12 months, whether any structural problems, type of major structural problems, household facilities, working facilities for washing people, working facilities for washing clothes/ bedding, working facilities for storing/preparing food.
State owned and managed Indigenous housing data collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2009–10)	Number of households, number of dwellings, applicants on waiting list, % of assessable income spent on rent, number of households with overcrowding/underutilisation.
Fixing houses for better health data	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Irregular survey	Remoteness, age of house/major upgrade, area of house, number of people in dwelling, number of bedrooms, extent to which dwellings meet the critical healthy living practices.
Indigenous Community Housing data collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2009–10)	Number of permanent dwellings, number of improvised dwellings, number of new dwellings, number of major upgrades, number of households living in permanent dwellings, dwelling vacancies, overcrowding.

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Indigenous Housing indicators	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	2007–08 (due out July 2009)	Indicators for all Australian states and territories. Indicators range from proportion of overcrowded households to proportion of people employed in housing management who are Indigenous.
Homelessness			
High and Complex Needs Census	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	One-off census June 2008 (available 2009)	Variables include the extent of high and complex needs in SAAP
Specialist Homeless Service (SHS) Collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Collected from July 2011	Reasons for seeking assistance (housing stress), episodes of homelessness, last permanent place of residence.
SAAP National Data Collection	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare http://www.aihw.gov.au/	Annual administrative data (2009–10) Collection ceases June 2011	Met and unmet demand for SAAP accommodation services, socio-demographic information on clients before and after receiving SAAP, information on non-government and community organisations providing accommodation and support services
National SAAP Client Satisfaction Survey	Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) (prepared by Colmar Brunton Social Research) http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/	November and December 2003	Includes data on responses of clients to various questions relating to service provided to homeless persons including demographic information.
Victorian Homelessness Data Collection	Victorian Office of Housing http://www.housing.vic.gov.au/	By request	Incorporates the SAAP client collection with some Victoria-specific modifications.