











## ESSENTIAL STATISTICAL ASSETS FOR AUSTRALIA

# ESA – 587 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SOCIAL STATISTICS

### Summary of Quality Assessment Results

Overall ESA Assessment	Institutional Environment	Relevance	Timeliness	Accuracy	Coherence	Interpretability	Accessibility
 Green	 Green	 Green	 Amber	 Green	 Amber	 Green	 Green

### List of Contributing Datasets and Custodians

- Australian Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Survey (ABS)
- Australian Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander National Health Measures Survey (ABS)
- Australian Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander National Nutrition & Physical Activity Survey (ABS)
- National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey (ABS)

### ESA Elements

Pillar	Dimension	Description	Critical Frequency	Critical Spatial	Critical Disaggregation
Society	Family, Community and Social Cohesion	Includes integrated statistics examining factors affecting Indigenous social and economic wellbeing such as income; employment; access to housing; education; health; and mobility.	Six yearly	National, State/Territory, Remoteness	Age, Sex, Indigenous Status

### Overall ESA Assessment

The quality of ESA – 587 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Statistics was assessed as a green traffic light for the purpose of ESA. The overall quality of this statistic met an acceptable standard for the quality indicators selected and the appropriate quality practices and processes were in place. This statistic quality assessment was based on quality information about the contributing datasets. Data custodians can be contacted for further information about the quality of the datasets which contributed to the statistic.

*For more detailed quality information about each dimension, see over page*





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### Institutional Environment

The statistic scored a green traffic light for institutional environment. There were sufficient quality and risk management processes in place, protections for confidentiality and archiving processes. Staff were trained in data collation.

### Relevance

The statistic scored a green traffic light for relevance. Most key information identified in the description of the statistic was available; information about access to housing was lacking. The critical spatial levels and critical disaggregations identified for the statistic were available.

### Timeliness

The statistic scored an amber traffic light for timeliness. In most cases, the release of data for the statistic met the critical frequency. Users were able to access the release of new data when expected, with some delays. The duration between collection and release of most data was not timely.

### Accuracy

The statistic scored a green traffic light for accuracy. Most of the target population was sufficiently represented for the statistic; there was some undercoverage of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population which was not enumerated, however this represented a small proportion of the population for the statistic. There was no known under or overrepresentation in the statistic and there were sufficient measures in place to adjust for non-response. Sampling error was represented for individual figures.

### Coherence

The statistic scored an amber traffic light for coherence. Some information for the statistic was not able to be compared over time; while there were no changes to collection procedures, population and characteristic definitions did not always remain consistent over time and there was only one collection of data in some cases. External sources were available for data confrontation.

### Interpretability

The statistic scored a green traffic light for interpretability. Data quality statements, information to help users to understand the data and descriptions of conceptual limitations of the data were available. Users were able to access additional support if needed.

### Accessibility

The statistic scored a green traffic light for accessibility. The key information, including visualisations such as graphs or maps, was publicly available and users could access data in a machine readable format, Excel and other formats such as html. The key information was accessible for free with customised data and microdata available at a cost.

### Areas for Improvement

- Most of the key information in the description of the statistic was available from the contributing datasets; however information about access to housing was lacking.
- The duration between collection and release of data was not always timely.
- There was only one collection of data over time in some cases.

