

# NCIS System notification

## External codes and geocoding update

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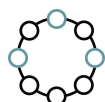
A number of updates have applied to external codes that support coronial data on the NCIS:

- Death address geocoding is now available for the first time for NCIS records
- The quarterly update for incident and residential address geocoding has been completed
- ICD-10 codes for 2018 now available on Australian and NZ records
- ICD-10 codes for 2016 and 2017 Australian cases updated with latest versions
- BDM data for indigenous status and place of birth now available for 2018 Australian records.

System notification #1	
Title	Update of geocoded information, and addition of new geocoding data for death address
Description	The quarterly update of geocoded information for residential and incident addresses has been completed.  Death addresses have now been geocoded and the data is available in the case record for most Australian <sup>1</sup> cases.
Why did we make the change?	Geocoded data for residential and incident addresses is updated quarterly to ensure any new addresses have boundary tags assigned and to account for any adjustments to address fields.  The new inclusion of geocoding information for death address allows for the comparison of geographic boundary data across the three key addresses associated with a reported death; residential, incident and death.
Change result	Residential and incident geocodes have been updated.  Death address geocodes are now available for 95% <sup>2</sup> of Australian cases on the NCIS on the <i>Geocoded data</i> screen when accessing case information.

<sup>1</sup> Geocoding is not currently performed for New Zealand cases due to the boundary files used for geocoding applying to the Australian region only.

<sup>2</sup> A small proportion of addresses have geocoding results returned that are not of sufficient accuracy for system inclusion.



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Event	Result Code	Local Government Area	Remotene
Residential	100000	Tablelands (R)	Outer Region
Incident	100000	Tablelands (R)	Outer Region
Death	100000	Tablelands (R)	Outer Region

Further information

The ability to search upon and return the geocoded death address information through the Query Design feature will be added to the system over the coming months. In the interim, users can request the inclusion of geocoded data for death address via the [NCIS data extract service](#).

System notification #2	
Title	ICD-10 code refresh and update for Australian and New Zealand case data
Description	<p>ICD-10 codes for Australian deaths registered from 2006-2018 have been refreshed and updated.</p> <p>ICD-10AM codes for New Zealand deaths registered in 2018 have been updated.</p>
Why did we make the change?	<p><i>Australian cases</i></p> <p>The recently released ICD-10 codes for deaths registered in 2016 (<i>final</i>), 2017 (<i>revised</i>) and 2018 (<i>preliminary</i>) have been added into the NCIS.</p> <p>A refresh to the ICD-10 coding displayed on the NCIS was also completed to ensure the versions on NCIS are consistent with the most recent ICD-10 codes assigned by the ABS.</p> <p>For 2006 data onwards, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) uses a revisions process for ICD-10 coding for deaths where coronial investigations remain open. This is to account for the fact that deaths that are referred to a coroner can take time to be fully investigated. ICD-10 codes are deemed <i>preliminary</i> when first published, <i>revised</i> when published the following year and <i>final</i> when published after a second year.</p> <p><i>New Zealand cases</i></p> <p>The New Zealand Ministry of Health recently provided the NCIS Unit with the ICD-10AM codes they have applied to deaths registered in 2018.</p>
Change result	<p><i>Australian cases</i></p> <p>Users will notice that the ICD-10 version for deaths registered in 2016, 2017, 2018 have been updated.</p> <p>Some minimal adjustments to the stated ICD-10 version for deaths registered between 2006-2015 may have occurred to reflect their current status. The majority of cases during the 2006-2015 period will have a version status of <i>final</i>.</p> <p><i>New Zealand cases</i></p> <p>Users will notice ICD-10AM codes are now available for deaths registered in 2018.</p>

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Further information	See the updated <a href="#">statistics</a> for ICD-10 code coverage on the NCIS
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System notification #3	
Title	Upload of Births, Deaths and Marriages Registries (BDM) data for deaths registered in 2018
Description	<p>Values surrounding a deceased persons <i>indigenous status</i> and <i>place of birth</i> as collected from the BDMs around Australia have been uploaded to the NCIS for deaths registered in 2018 that were reported to a coroner.</p> <p>These values are stored separately from the coronial data for these items, in the fields labelled <i>Indigenous Status (BDM)</i> and <i>Place of Birth (BDM)</i>.</p>
Why did we make the change?	<p>In 2019, BDM data about indigenous origin and country of birth was added into the NCIS data collection for cases registered in 2006 onwards. This data supplements existing data for these variables collected as part of the coronial investigation.</p> <p>This BDM data for deaths registered in 2018 recently became available.</p>
Change result	18,738 cases registered in 2018 on the NCIS now have this additional BDM data available.
Further information	See the NCIS data quality statement about <a href="#">indigenous</a> and <a href="#">birthplace</a> data

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