

### Metadata

#### Language

Language Code

eng

#### Character Set

Character Set Code

utf8

#### Hierarchy Level

Scope Code

dataset

#### Hierarchy Level Name

dataset

### Contact

#### Responsible Party

Individual Name

Geospatial Team

Organisation Name

Stats NZ

#### Role

Role Code

owner

### Date Stamp

Date

2020-12-08

### Metadata Standard Name

ISO 19139 Geographic Information - Metadata - Implementation Specification

### Metadata Standard Version

2007

### Spatial Representation Info

Vector Spatial Representation

Topology Level Code

geometryOnly

Geometric Object Type Code

composite

Integer

2259

### Reference System Info

Reference System

Reference System Identifier

Identifier

Code

2193

Code Space

EPSG

Version

8.6.2

### Identification Info

Data Identification

## Citation

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SA2HG2021\_V1\_00

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mapDigital

## Abstract

This dataset is the definitive version of statistical area 2 (SA2) boundaries concorded to higher geographies for 2021 as defined by Stats NZ. This version contains 2,259 SA2s. This statistical area 2 higher geographies file is a correspondence, or concordance, which relates SA2s to larger geographic areas or 'higher geographies'. The higher geographies contained in this concordance are: territorial authority (TA) and regional council (REGC). Statistical area 2 (SA2) is a new output geography that provides higher aggregations of population data than can be provided at the statistical area 1 (SA1) level. The SA2 geography aims to reflect communities that interact together socially and economically. In populated areas, SA2s generally contain similar sized populations. This generalised version has been simplified for rapid drawing and is designed for thematic or web mapping purposes. For further information on individual higher geographies, refer to each geography's metadata. Digital boundary data became freely available on 1 July 2007.

## Purpose

This dataset is the definitive version of statistical area 2 (SA2) boundaries concorded to higher geographies as at 1 January 2021 as defined by Stats NZ. This version contains 2,259 SA2s.

## Credit

Stats NZ

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## Descriptive Keywords

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#### Resource Constraints

Constraints

Use Limitation

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#### Spatial Representation Type Code

vector

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boundaries

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#### Extent

EX\_ Extent

Geographic Element

EX\_ Geographic Bounding Box

Extent Type Code

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## Lineage

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#### Statement

The digital meshblock boundaries are stored and maintained by Stats NZ. Non-alignment of meshblock and cadastral boundaries are one of a number of reasons for meshblock boundary adjustments. Other reasons include requests from local authorities, Local Government Commission, Electoral Representation Commission and to make census enumeration processes easier. From the generalised meshblock pattern, higher geographies are dissolved using the dissolve tool in the Arc GIS suite to create multiple output datasets.