



Appendix 1

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Appendix 1 Location and Demographic Characteristics of the Australian Study Centres

Name	Location	Population	Population (%) age ≥ 40 years	% male ¹	% born outside Australia ¹	% Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander ¹	% unemployed ¹
Busselton	Shire of Busselton, south of Perth, Western Australia	25,358	48.2	48.0	30.9	0.55	1.51
Broome	Broome, Western Australia	13,061	34.9	54.2	32.9	18.4	1.45
Melbourne	Federal electorates of Goldstein, Higgins and Hotham in Victoria	382,817	47.7	46.3	45.6	0.12	1.68
Rural NSW	15 towns within the Federal electorates of Calare, Macquarie, Parkes, Riverina and Eden-Monaro in NSW	210,671	46.4	47.9	16.1	2.1	1.98
Sydney	Federal electorates of Kingsford-Smith and Barton in south-eastern Sydney, NSW	269,107	44.7	47.5	58.3	0.62	1.94
Tasmania	Federal electorates of Bass (Launceston) and Denison (Hobart)	188,573	47.8	46.5	24.9	1.3	1.98

1. For persons aged ≥ 40 years (based on Australian Census of Population and Housing, 2006).