

## Data Update

October 2021

### Now Available: Air pollution, green space, and road data



We are pleased to announce the availability of new environmental datasets that will allow researchers to assess the associations between environmental exposures and health outcomes in ALSWH cohorts.

Geocoding is performed confidentially by the Hugo Centre for Population Studies at the University of Adelaide. Associate Professor Luke Knibbs, from The University of Queensland, used de-identified geocoded data from the ALSWH and MatCH studies (i.e. latitude and longitude of each residential address) to develop an exposure database for air pollution, road, and green space variables.

The ALSWH is grateful to [A/Prof Knibbs and his project team](#) for this generous contribution.

► [Read more about the available variables and conditions of use](#)

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- Acknowledgments for the Food Frequency questionnaire
- Information frequently requested by journals
- Pre-publication review requirements for linked data
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## New linked data

### National collections

We receive annual updates of national collections, at various time points across the year.

#### National aged care data

We have received national aged care data to June 2020. Please note that the end date varies by program. Aged Care Assessment Program records are only to May 2016. They will be refreshed in the next update, due in early 2022.

Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) aged care data are also being updated. We have received Veterans' Home Care data to April 2021 and Community Nursing data to December 2020. The DVA records are most relevant to the 1921-26 cohort, where approximately 25% of participants are DVA clients.

#### Cause of death

Cause of death data has been received to December 2019 for all cohorts.

#### National cancer data

National **Cancer** data is now available to December 2017.

#### MBS and PBS

The **MBS and PBS** data are complete to June 2020, with an update due in October. We have received DVA MBS records to December 2020.

► [Read more about ALSWH-national linked data](#)

### State collections

We now have **Emergency Department** data for all states. Since the last newsletter, we have

received:

- **Queensland:** Hospital admissions and Emergency Department to June 2020; and Perinatal Data to December 2019.
- **South Australia:** Hospital admissions and Emergency Department to June 2020; and Perinatal Data to December 2018.
- **Northern Territory:** Hospital admissions and Emergency Department to June 2019; and Perinatal Data to December 2018.
- **Victoria:** Hospital admissions and Emergency Department to June 2020.

We aim to update our state collections every two years.

► [Read more about ALSWH-state linked data](#)

## Need to update your EOI?

► [Visit the Data Access FAQ to learn more](#)

# ALSWH Core Dataset

With no closing dates for applications and a streamlined, two-week time frame for processing requests, the core dataset is perfect for:

- student projects
- testing the feasibility of research questions
- familiarising yourself with the ALSWH survey datasets

Survey data available in the core dataset are de-identified and sensitive variables have been omitted. The simplified dataset features total scale scores, collapsed response categories, and a reduced number of single survey items.

► [Read more about the core dataset](#)

► [Visit the ADA](#)

## Have your say

The following inquiries and consultations are currently accepting submissions:

- [Draft Primary Health Care 10 Year Plan](#)
- [Draft National Obesity Prevention Strategy](#)
- [Improving choice in residential aged care](#)
- [Parliament of Victoria Inquiry into support for older Victorians from migrant and refugee backgrounds](#)



ALSWH actively provides State and Commonwealth inquiries and consultations with research and data on a range of topics relating to women's health and use of health care services.

► [Read our recent submissions](#)

# Save the Date

## Interested in using our data for your project or proposing a new substudy?

We assess Expression of Interest submissions regularly throughout the year. Upcoming EOI submission closing dates are:

- November 30 - 2021
- January 31 - 2022
- March 31 - 2022

► [Read more about accessing study data](#)

## Recent Publications

These are the most recent study-based publications listed our database. A full list of publications can be found on the [Study website](#). If your publication isn't listed please contact [ALSWH](#) with details.

Cao S, Jones M, Tooth L & Mishra GD. **Generational differences in the prevalence of postpartum depression among young Australians: a comparison of two cohorts born 17 years apart.** Archives of Women's Mental Health, 2021;  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00737-021-01182-9>

Tooth LR, Moss KM & Mishra GD. **Screen time and child behaviour and health-related quality of life: Effect of family context.** Preventive Medicine, 2021; 106795,  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ypmed.2021.106795>

Baxter GL, Tooth LR & Mishra GD. **Psychological distress in young Australian women by area of residence: findings from the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health.** Journal of Affective Disorders, 2021; 390-396,  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jad.2021.08.037>

Ferguson JA, Oldmeadow C, Mishra GD & Garg ML. **Plant-based dietary patterns are associated with lower body weight, BMI and waist circumference in older Australian women.** Public Health Nutrition, 2021;  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1368980021003852>

Brunton R & Dryer R. **Sexual violence and Australian women: A longitudinal analysis of psychosocial and behavioural outcomes.** Social Science & Medicine. 2021;  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114334>

Baldwin JN, Ashton LM, Forder PM, Haslam RL, Hure AJ, Loxton DJ, Patterson AJ & Collins CE. **Increasing fruit and vegetable variety over time is associated with lower 15-year healthcare Costs: Results from the Australian Longitudinal Study on Women's Health.** Nutrients, 2021; 2829,  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.3390/nu13082829>

Harris ML, Egan N, Forder PM, Coombe J & Loxton D. **Contraceptive use among women through their later reproductive years: Findings from an Australian prospective cohort study.** PLOS ONE, 2021; e0255913,  
► doi; <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0255913>



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