

What you do is important



Are you...
Aboriginal?



Thank you for answering
the question

Torres Strait Islander?



For more information, contact
National Centre for Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander Statistics
Free call 1800 633 216

To find out we need to ask you:

*"Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait
Islander origin?"*

Please tell us. This is important for you.

Why?

By telling us, you are contributing to the collection of accurate information on how, where and why people use services. This is important for measuring progress, especially in health and education. It also helps with planning and reviewing current arrangements so that all Australians receive the best possible services.

We cannot rely on your appearance to determine if you are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin or not. Therefore we ask everyone this question, as we can only record your identification correctly if you tell us.

Who might ask you?

Some places where you may be asked include:

- community medical centres
- hospitals
- Registries of Births, Deaths and Marriages
- funeral services
- government departments and services
- schools, TAFE colleges, Universities

If you are not asked, it is important for you to state whether you are of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin.

Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?

(For persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, mark both 'yes' boxes.)

- No
- Yes, Aboriginal
- Yes, Torres Strait Islander

Respecting your privacy

All personal information collected by businesses and government agencies is subject to a set of privacy laws. These laws require us to ensure that your information is protected and used appropriately. This includes:

- Protecting your information from unauthorised or accidental access or disclosure.
- Telling you why we are collecting this information about you.
- Removing any information that would enable you to be identified once it is no longer needed.

A combined effort

Your answers are important for the current and future decision making of governments and service providers. They will enable policies, funding and services to be directed where they are most needed.



**Thank you for assisting us to provide
better services for everyone**