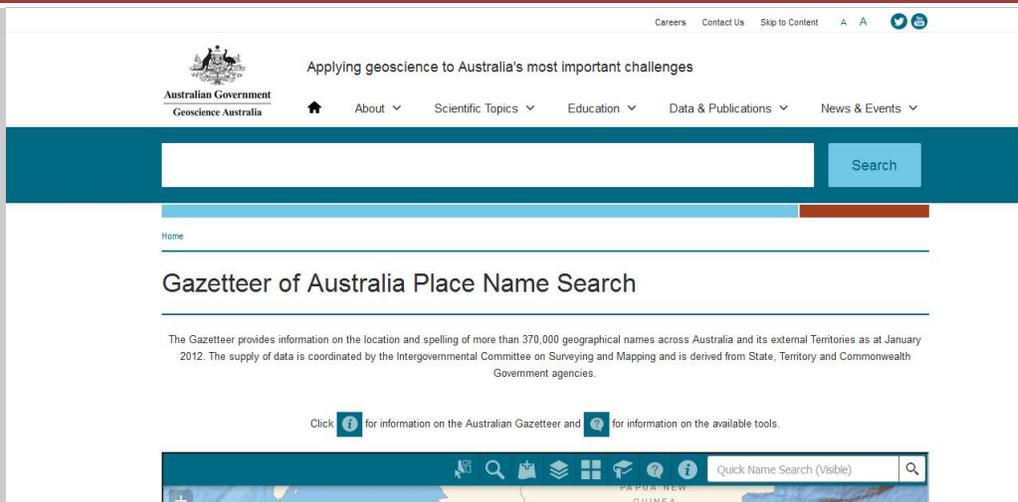


Home Page



Logo



URL

http://www.ga.gov.au/placename

Subject

Australia-Gazetteers

Accessibility

Free

Language

English

Publisher

Commonwealth of India, Geoscience Australia, Australian Government

Brief History

This site was started functioning from 2012.

Scope and Coverage

The Gazetteer provides information on the location and spelling of more than 370,000 geographical names across Australia and its external Territories. The supply of data is coordinated by the Intergovernmental Committee on Surveying and Mapping and is derived from State, Territory and Commonwealth Government agencies.

### ***Kind of Information***

Each record comes after searching on quick search option and it represents maps, identifications and attributes tables.

Attribute Table: Enable icon to see the attributes of the places within the view extent.

Map Overview: The overview button is located in the bottom right corner, above the attribute table. Enable map overview to see map extent in a broader context. This is helpful when zoomed in close.

## **Attribute Table Reference**

### **Fields**

<b>Attribute Field</b>	<b>Description</b>
RECORD ID	The identifier for each record. The preceding characters indicate the originating authority of the record (e.g. the 'SA' in 'SA0024754' stands for South Australia).
NAME	The place name supplied by the custodial authority.
VARIANT NAME	The alternative or previous name for the geographical feature.
STATE	The State or Territory that the feature is located in.
FEATURE CODE	The type of geographical feature that the name represents, for example the name of a mountain, dock or forest.
CLASSIFICATION	The broad categorisation of the place, based on its feature code. This was used to filter searches in the previous Geoscience Australia Place Name Search Application.
CGDN	Identifies place names that can be used in the act.au, nsw.au, nt.au, qld.au, sa.au, tas.au, vic.au and wa.au second level domains and is restricted for usage by community website portals that reflect community interests.
CONCISE GAZETTEER	A flag to indicate if the place name is contained in the Concise Gazetteer.

100K MAP	The number of the 1:100 000 Map Sheet that contains the feature. This corresponds to the index for the printed maps.
AUTHORITY	The authority that provided, and is custodian of the place name records.
STATUS DESCRIPTION	The status of the place name as approved by the custodial authority.
LONGITUDE	The longitude of the position of the feature given in decimal degrees using the Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA94).
LATITUDE	The latitude of the position of the feature given in decimal degrees using the Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA94).

### Feature Codes

Code	Feature and included terms
AF	Aerodrome, Airfield, Airport, Landing ground, Airstrip
ANC	Anchorage
ARC	Archipelago
BAN	Bank, Bar, Sandbar (ie Coastal)



### Special Features

- ❖ This site includes almanac and web services providing precise astronomical

data, information regarding various discipline and techniques, geochemistry, geochronology, geophysics and marine surveying, information regarding Australia's coast and estuaries, seabed mapping and Antarctica, Information regarding mineral exploration in Australia at national and regional scale, mining and land use, sustainable development of resources, and levels of exploration activity.

- ❖ Geoscience Australia is the national focal point for coordination of geodetic information and data, and maintains a national network of geomagnetic observatories which forms part of a global observatory network.
- ❖ Geoscience Australia provides information and advice towards the management of Australia's groundwater and surface water resources.

**Arrangement Pattern** No specific arrangement pattern is presented in this site. One can use for quick place name searches. The search returns the first 100 records, and only those in the current extent. When the correct place is located, use the 'Zoom To' option at the bottom of the pop-up, or 'Zoom In' tool to move in closer.

**Remarks** This gazetteers are used for identifying the places where lived and to determine the civil and church jurisdictions of those places and other identification.

**Comparable Tools**

- Gazetteer of British place name (<http://www.gazetteer.org.uk/>)
- A vision of Britain : through time (<http://www.visionofbritain.org.uk/>)
- Europe gazetteer ([http://ww2db.com/other.php?other\\_id=31](http://ww2db.com/other.php?other_id=31))
- United states census bureu (<http://www.census.gov/geo/maps-data/data/gazetteer.htm>)
- Cartobibliographies & Gazetteers (<https://www.loc.gov/rr/geogmap/pdf/orts/orts.html>)

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