

**NLC Data Update 6 – Industry Update
Changes to the NLC 1997, 2000 and 2004 Datasets**

This is the sixth update in the NLC Data Update Series for the Negotiating the Life Course data. These updates are to ensure that NLC data users are aware of any changes made to the data. If you have any queries concerning the following data update or suggestions for changes to the NLC data (new variables you have created or variables that you would like created) please email nlc@anu.edu.au.

INDUSTRY VARIABLES IN WAVES 1, 2 AND 3

This update provides coding of the open text industry variables in all three NLC waves to ANZSIC (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC). Canberra: Australian Bureau of Statistics Catalogue No. 1292.0). The coding frame is provided in the table below.

ANZSIC Division Titles and Codes

Division Code	Division Title
A	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
B	Mining
C	Manufacturing
D	Electricity, Gas and Water Supply
E	Construction
F	Wholesale Trade
G	Retail Trade
H	Accommodation, Cafes and Restaurants
I	Transport and Storage
J	Communication Services
K	Finance and Insurance
L	Property and Business Services
M	Government Administration and Defence
N	Education
O	Health and Community Services
P	Cultural and Recreational Services
Q	Personal and Other Services

The original data were collected in open text format, with the respondent providing a description of their industry of employment. These variables are stored in the data as long strings.

In line with the ABS ANZSIC coding frame, the string variables were initially coded to a single digit character, with -9 assigned for missing data and -4 assigned for those industry descriptions that were inadequate for the coding process. To further assist data users, these codes were then converted to a numeric format, with codes ranging from 1 to 17, and retaining the missing codes of -9 and -4 as described above.

Both original and coded variable names for each wave are listed below.

	Original Industry Variable Name	ANZSIC variable name in character format	ANZSIC variable name in numeric format
Wave 1	Q82	Q82ANZSI	Q82ANZS1
Wave 2	Q69	Q69ANZSI	Q69ANZS1
Wave 3	Q77	Q77ANZSI	Q77ANZS1

Future full releases of these NLC waves will contain these new variables. For current user's these updates can be accessed by contacting the NLC (nlc@anu.edu.au).