

Far West CLSD region – Data Pack

Population data

Need for Legal Assistance Services (NLAS) indicators

Legal Assistance Priority Client groups

Local Government Areas:

Broken Hill, Central Darling, Unincorporated NSW, Wentworth

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CLSD regions

The Cooperative Legal Service Delivery (CLSD) Program comprises twelve justice partnerships in regional and remote NSW.

> About the [CLSD Program](#)

CLSD regions are based on Local Government Area (LGA) boundaries. Maps in this data pack present data by postcode (postal areas – POA) for a more precise visual representation.

> LGA/POA 2021 boundaries were used, as defined in the ABS [ASGS Edition 3](#) structure

Data sources

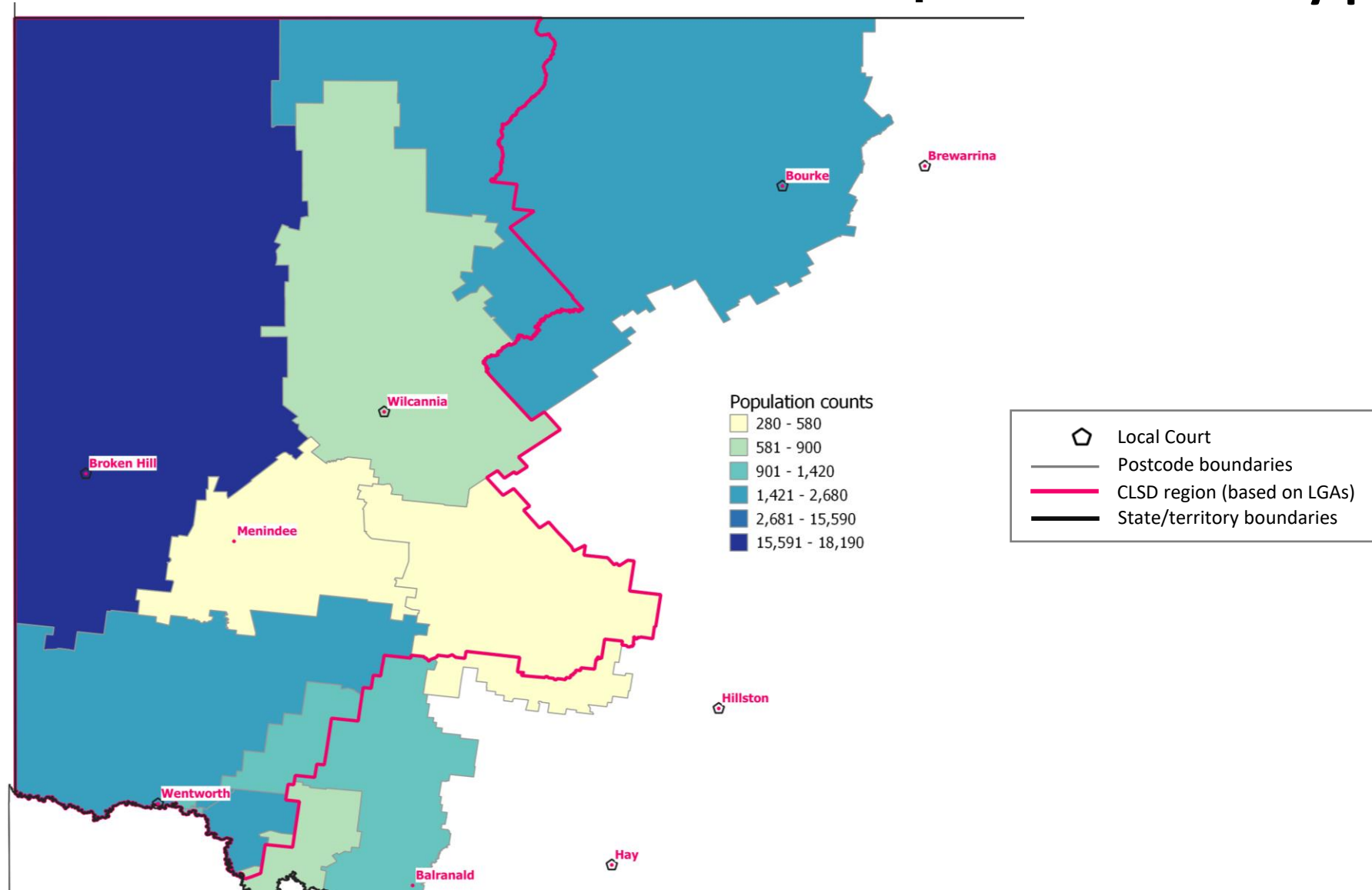
This data pack provides a profile of the **Far West** CLSD region using data from the following sources:

- Australian Bureau of Statistics (**ABS**) **2021 Census**
- Department of Social Services (**DSS**), December 2022
- National Disability Insurance Agency (**NDIA**), December 2022

It also includes the Foundation's Need for Legal Assistance Services (**NLAS**) indicators. *A complete list of indicators with detailed definitions is included on slide 9.*

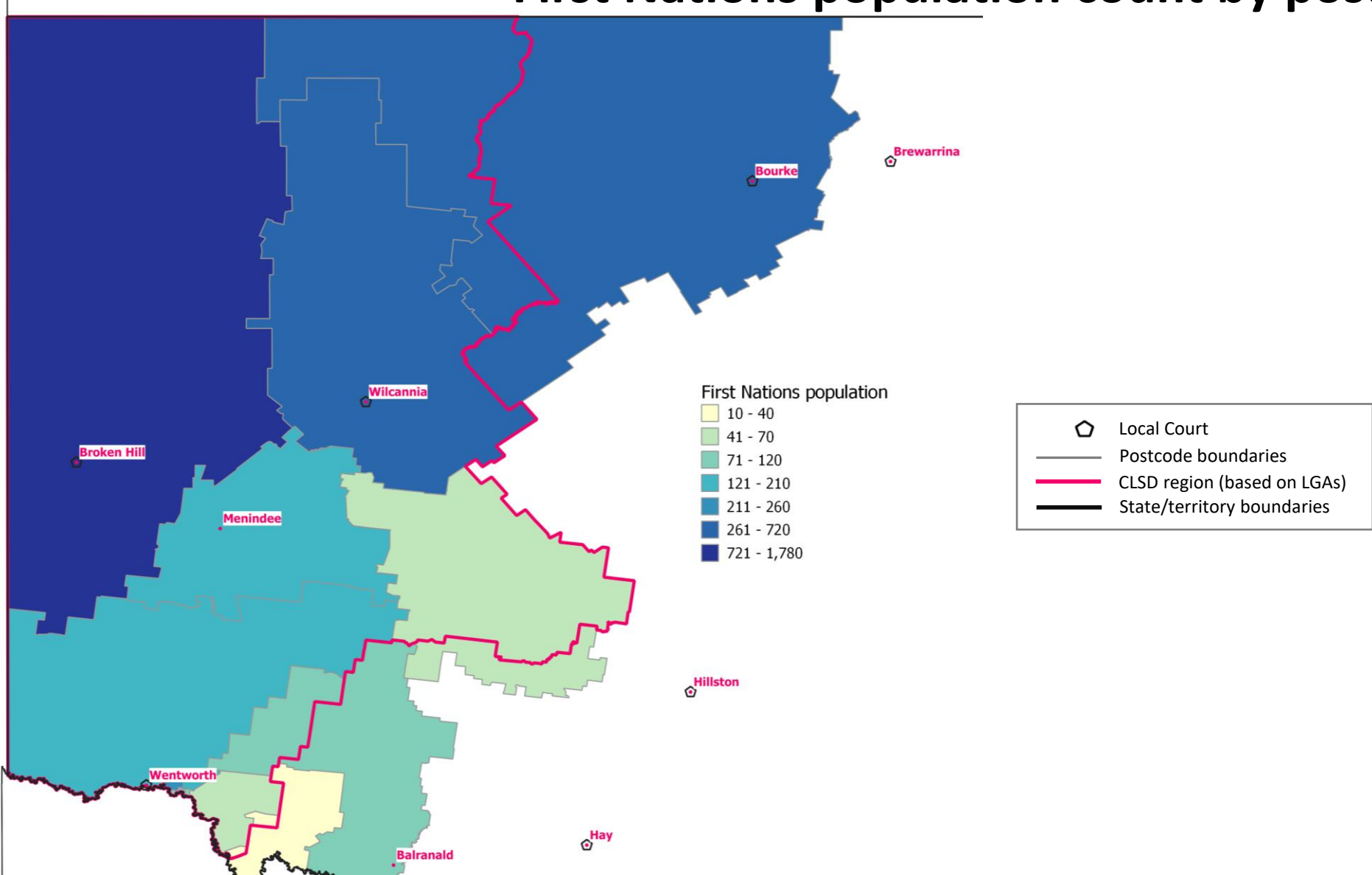


Population count by postcode



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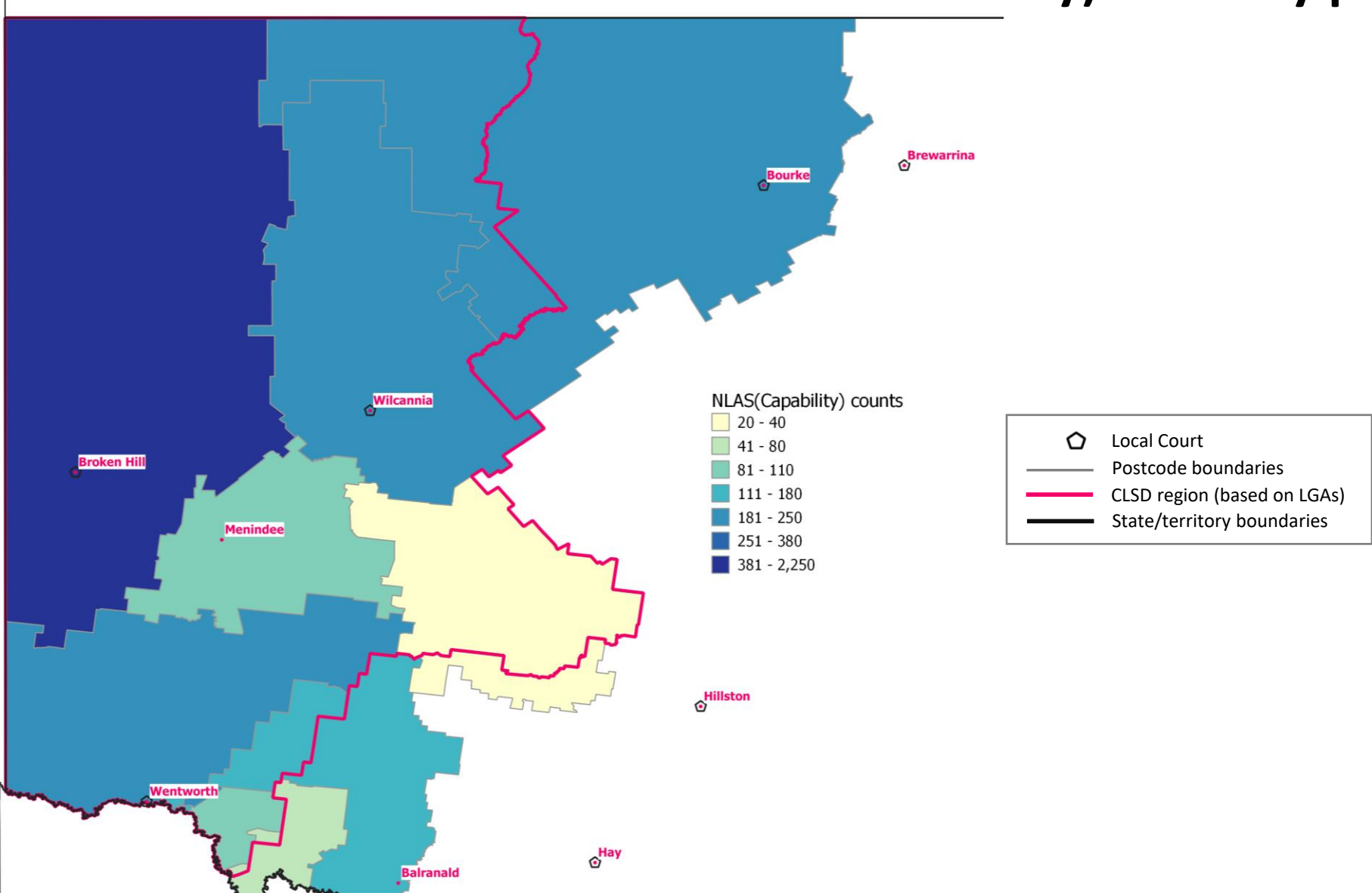
First Nations population count by postcode



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Source: ABS 2021 Census

NLAS(Capability) count by postcode



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Priority group profile (population counts by LGA)

Population group	NSW	CLSD region	Broken Hill	Central Darling	Unincorporated NSW	Wentworth
NLAS(Capability)	483,640	3,280	2,200	380	70	630
NLAS(Community)	785,650	5,260	3,570	490	80	1,120
All Population	8,072,160	27,780	17,590	1,730	1,020	7,450
Population 15+	6,602,160	22,880	14,590	1,420	840	6,030
Female 15+	3,373,580	11,540	7,520	710	410	2,910
First nations population	278,040	3,040	1,750	630	40	620
First nations Female 15+	95,050	1,080	600	250	10	220
Low income 15+ <33.8K	2,527,600	9,600	6,420	610	250	2,330
Children & young people 0-24	2,424,090	7,820	4,870	510	240	2,200
Older people (65+, Ind 50+)	1,459,440	6,640	4,290	460	220	1,670
Lone parent 15+	337,730	1,440	1,070	100	30	240
Carer Payment	110,320	560	390	40	10	130
Disability Support Pension	239,520	1,630	1,180	140	20	300
NDIS Participants	172,190	#N/A	560	40	#N/A	170

Counts rounded to the nearest ten

Source: ABS 2021 Census

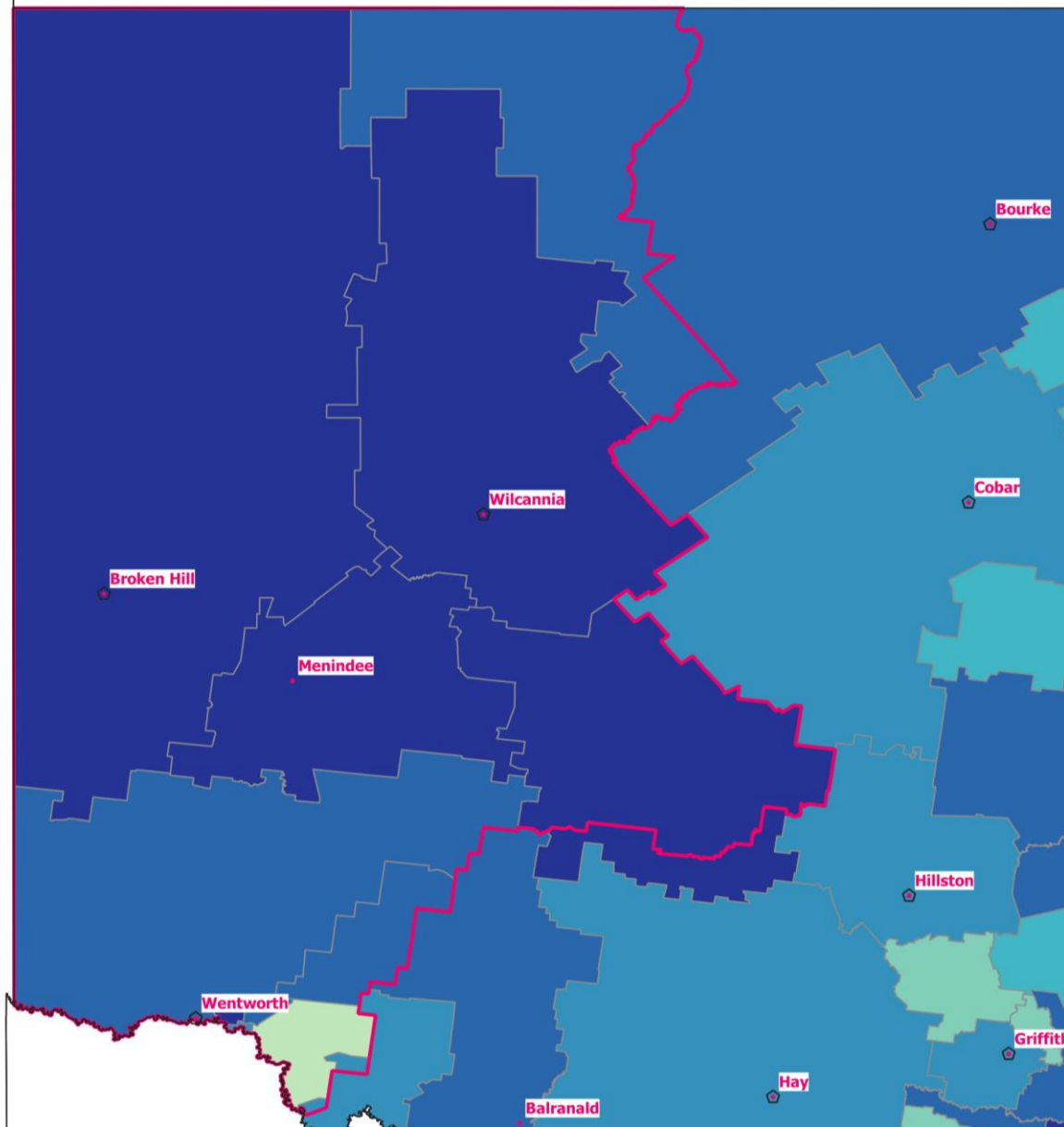
Priority group profile (percentages by LGA)

Population group	NSW	CLSD region	Broken Hill	Central Darling	Unincorporated NSW	Wentworth
NLAS(Capability)	9.3	19.6	20.9	35.6	10.9	14.0
NLAS(Community)	11.9	23.0	24.5	34.3	9.8	18.6
Population 15+	81.8	82.4	83.0	82.3	82.7	80.9
Female 15+	41.8	41.5	42.7	41.0	40.2	39.1
First nations population	3.4	10.9	10.0	36.5	3.5	8.3
First nations Female 15+	1.2	3.9	3.4	14.4	1.1	3.0
Low income 15+ <33.8K	31.3	34.6	36.5	35.1	24.9	31.3
Children & young people 0-24	30.0	28.2	27.7	29.6	23.3	29.6
Older people (65+, Ind 50+)	18.1	23.9	24.4	26.6	21.7	22.4
Lone parent 15+	4.2	5.2	6.1	6.0	2.7	3.2
Carer Payment	1.4	2.0	2.2	2.3	0.5	1.7
Disability Support Pension	3.0	5.9	6.7	7.8	2.0	4.0
NDIS Participants	2.1	#N/A	3.2	2.3	#N/A	2.3

green cells	indicate a percentage lower than for NSW
red cells	indicate a percentage higher than for NSW

NLAS(Capability) rates are expressed as a percentage of the 15-64 population
 NLAS(Community) rates are expressed as a percentage of the 15+ population
 All other community group rates are expressed as a percentage of the total population

Index of relative socio-economic disadvantage (SEIFA) by postcode



Source: ABS 2021 Census, using NSW ranking

Community group definitions

Indicator	Description
NLAS(Capability)	NLAS(Capability) counts people with low personal income, and a lower level of educational attainment. It includes those who meet ALL criteria listed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 15–64 • Personal income is less than \$649 a week, or \$33,800 a year • Highest Year of school completed is: year 12 for those aged 15–44, year 11 for those aged 45–54, year 10 for those aged 55–64 • No post-school qualifications above Certificate 2 • Not currently studying
NLAS(Community)	NLAS(Community) counts people with medium household income, and a lower level of educational attainment. It includes those who meet ALL criteria listed below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 15 or over • Equivalised total household income is less than \$999 a week, or \$52,000 a year • Highest Year of school completed is: year 12 for those aged 15–44, year 11 for those aged 45–54, year 10 for those aged 55–69, year 9 for those aged 70–79, year 8 for those aged 80 or over • No post-school qualification above Certificate 2 • Not currently studying
Population 15+	A count of people aged 15 and over.
Low income <33.8K (15+)	People aged 15 years and over with a personal income < \$649 a week or < \$33,800 a year.
Female 15+	Female people aged 15 years and over.
First nations (all ages)	People who identify as Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.
First nations Female 15+	Female people aged 15 years and over who identify as Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.
Children and young people	People aged 24 years and under, including babies and children.
Older people	People who identify as Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander, or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged 50 and over, and people who did not identify as Indigenous aged 65 years and over.
Lone parents (15+)	People aged 15 years and over classified as lone parent. This is households with one male or female parent and a dependent child. All children under 15 are classified as dependent. Children aged 15 to 24 are dependent when they are in education.
Carer Payment	Carer Payment provides income support for carers who, because of the demands of their caring role, are unable to support themselves through substantial paid employment. Data includes recipients who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) or suspended on the Centrelink payment system.
Disability Support Pension	DSP is an income support payment for people who are unable to work for 15 hours or more per week at or above the relevant minimum wage, independent of a Program of Support due to permanent physical, intellectual or psychiatric impairment. A DSP claimant must be aged 16 years or over and under Age Pension age at date of claim, however once in receipt of DSP, a person can continue to receive DSP beyond Age Pension age. Data includes recipients who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) or suspended on the Centrelink payment system.
NDIS Participants	The number of active participants with a current NDIS plan.

Population data by postcode

For reference - this table presents the population counts by postcode used for mapping purposes.
Teal italic font denotes cross-border postcodes.

Postcode	All Population	First nations population	NLAS (Capability)
2011	18,190	250	380
2027	7,810	30	80
2041	15,580	110	290
2648	2,670	200	250
2715	1,380	120	130
2717	1,210	250	180
2737	820	30	80
2738	2,130	70	110
2739	1,410	100	120
2836	900	390	240
2840	2,390	720	220
2878	290	60	40
2879	580	180	100
2880	18,100	1,780	2,250
2898	450	<10	20

Counts rounded to the nearest ten

Source: ABS 2021 Census