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Summary**

The report summarizes the arrangements of Australia for achieving national standardization of place names. It sets out the mission of the Australia and New Zealand Working Group on Place Names – a cooperative of representatives from both nations in which relevant Australian members cooperate in lieu of an official national-level names authority. It also highlights problems, solutions and achievements related to the standardization of Australian place names since the 2019 session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

^{**} The full report was prepared by the Chair of the Australia and New Zealand Working Group on Place Names, Susan Birtles. It will be available under document symbol GEGN.2/2021/25/CRP.25, in the language of submission only, at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/2nd session 2021/.





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