Stage 1
Linking

PIAC cohort: people with aged care assessment in 2003–04

Residential care and/or community packages

Deaths records

Stage 2
Linking

Residential care and/or community packages, deaths identified

Unlinked deaths records

Stage 3
Linking

PIAC cohort: unlinked

Linking to residential care and/or packages

Stage 4
Linking

PIAC cohort: re-formed

Unlinked PIAC cohort, deaths identified

2004–05 aged care assessments

Stage 5
Linking

PIAC cohort with links from stages 1–5

Home and community care (4 years separately)

Veterans' home care

Stages 6 & 7 Linking

PIAC cohort with all links with deaths identified and identifying use of:
- Residential care
- Community packages
- Other community care
- Later assessments