

# Domestic Assistance Service Act 1947, Tasmania

1947 – 1998

## Details

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The Domestic Assistance Service Act 1947 established the Domestic Assistance Service. This scheme made domestic assistance available to people who were incapacitated, requiring special care or experiencing hardship. This Act gave the Minister power to establish hostels for the accommodation of people (including children) engaged in domestic work or undergoing training in connection with the Domestic Assistance Service. This act was repealed by the Children, Young Persons and their Families and Youth Justice (Consequential Repeals and Amendments) Act 1998.

Home help, provided under the *Domestic Assistance Act* 1947, was one of a range of measures used by the Social Welfare Department, and its successors, to support families experiencing problems and so keep the children out of state care. In 2013, the Department of Health and Human Services continues to provide home help.

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### Related Entries

#### Related Glossary Terms

- [Domestic Service Assistance Scheme - Tasmania \(1947 - c. 1989\)](#)  
The *Domestic Assistance Service Act* provided for the Domestic Service Assistance Scheme.

#### Related Organisations

- [Social Services Department, State of Tasmania \(1934 - 1961\)](#)

#### Related Archival Series

- [Record Cards of Children with Residential Domestic Status \(1955 - 1972\)](#)  
These record cards concern children receiving 'care' under the *Domestic Assistance Service Act*.

## Resources

- Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), [To Remove and Protect](#), 2014
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