

Low income household—special need status

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

METEOR identifier: 269677

Registration status: [Housing assistance](#), Retired 10/02/2006

Definition: Low income households:

- that satisfy the Indigenous household definition; or
- that have a household member with a [disability](#); or
- where the principal tenant is aged 24 years or under; or
- where the principal tenant is aged 75 years or over.

Context: This metadata item is used in the Commonwealth State Housing Agreement special needs national performance indicator (P5) which aims to capture groups in the population that experience specific difficulties accessing the private rental market. It is recognised that not all households falling into this standard would necessarily have a special housing need.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: [Household](#)

Definition: A group of two or more related or unrelated people who usually reside in the same dwelling, and who make common provision for food or other essentials for living; or a single person living in a dwelling who makes provision for his or her own food and other essentials for living, without combining with any other person.

Context: Together with family, household is considered one of the basic groups of social aggregation. Information on household numbers and composition aids in identifying groups within the population such as Indigenous households or the number of people living alone.

Specialisation of: [Person/group of persons](#)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For housing data collections, the number of tenancy agreements is a practical proxy for calculating the number of households receiving housing assistance.

The persons in the group may pool their incomes and have a common budget to a greater or lesser extent: they may be related or unrelated persons, or a combination of both.

Only usual residents of the household are included as members of the household. Visitors to a household are, by definition, excluded from the household.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: CSHA Public rental housing data manual 2001-02

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Special needs status](#)

Definition: An indicator of whether the criteria for special needs are met.

Property group: [Service/care urgency](#)

Data element concept attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

**Data Elements
implementing this Data
Element Concept:** [Household—special needs status, code N](#)
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