

# Dwelling—utility status (sewerage system), code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Dwelling utility status (sewerage system)
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	295000
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Retired 01/05/2013
<b>Definition:</b>	Whether the dwelling is connected to an organised sewerage system.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Dwelling—utility status (sewerage system)</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Boolean	
<b>Format:</b>	N	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Yes
	2	No
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	9	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described
	This code is not for use in primary data collections.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:**

Include: dwellings connected to a town system, community water-borne system, septic tanks, pit or pan toilets, other organised system such as chemical or biological systems.

**Code 1 Yes:** Record if the dwelling is connected to a sewerage system.

**Code 2 No:** Record if the dwelling is not connected to a sewerage.

**Town system:** a water-borne system (i.e. a water carrying system) servicing a town, with a typical domestic cistern, where water is used to flush and transport wastes away from the dwelling for treatment and disposal.

**Community water-borne system:** a water borne system with a typical domestic cistern, where water is used to flush and transport wastes for nearby treatment and disposal. This is a complete system only serving a community, and is not connected to any other town or community.

**Septic tank with common effluent disposal:** a water-borne system in which individual dwellings have a septic tank for initial treatment of the sewerage, and where water from the septic tanks is piped to a common effluent pond for final treatment and disposal. The septic tanks in this system do not have a leach drain.

**Septic tank with leach drain:** a water-borne system in which individual houses have a septic tank connected to a leach drain for local disposal of waste water adjacent to each dwelling. This also includes cases where two dwellings may be connected to the one septic tank and/or leach drain.

**Pit toilet:** a dry toilet comprising of a single hole in the ground. No water is used for disposal of the human waste. There are several types including the simple shallow drop-hole toilet, the deeper bore-hole toilet, and the shallow vented improved pit latrine.

**Pan toilet:** a dry toilet. Human waste is collected in pans and these pans are collected and transported away from the community for disposal at another site.

**Comments:**

This item is included in the following housing assistance data collections:

National Reporting Framework for Indigenous housing

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** National Housing Data Development Committee

**Reference documents:** Community Housing and Infrastructure Needs Survey (CHINS) Australia, 2001 Data Dictionary

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

See also [Dwelling—permanency status](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017

See also [Dwelling—permanency status](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

See also [Dwelling—utility status \(electricity supply\), code N](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Retired 01/05/2013

See also [Dwelling—utility status \(water supply\), code N](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Retired 01/05/2013