

# Income unit—income unit identifier

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element Concept
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	269818
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 10/02/2006
<b>Definition:</b>	A unique identifier (within a household) assigned to an income unit that is either seeking assistance and/or receiving assistance.
<b>Context:</b>	Income units are one of the main counting units in housing assistance data and as such it is essential to be able to uniquely identify them.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Income unit</a>
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Income unit
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	268986
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 31/08/2007 <a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 30/08/2017
<b>Definition:</b>	One person or a group of related persons within a household, whose command over income is shared, or any person living in a non private dwelling who is in receipt of personal income.
<b>Context:</b>	<p>Income units are restricted to relationships of marriage (registered or de facto) and of parent/<a href="#">dependant</a> who usually reside in the same household. This means that an income unit can be defined as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a married couple or sole parent, and dependent children only</li><li>• a married couple only with no dependent children present</li><li>• a person who is not related to any other household member either by marriage or by the parent/<a href="#">dependant</a> relationship.</li></ul> <p>This is the standard statistical unit for analyses of economic wellbeing, and can be an important measure in assessing the needs and circumstances of individuals and families.</p>
<b>Specialisation of:</b>	<a href="#">Person/group of persons</a>

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	National Housing Data Development Committee
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## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Income unit identifier</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	269370
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 01/03/2005
<b>Definition:</b>	A sequence of characters which identify an income unit.
<b>Property group:</b>	<a href="#">Identifier characteristics</a>

### Source and reference attributes

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

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**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Income unit—income unit identifier](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

**Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:** [Income unit—income unit identifier, N\[N\(9\)\]](#)  
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