

Dwelling—structure type, code N[N]

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Dwelling—structure type, code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Dwelling structure
METEOR identifier:	270125
Registration status:	Housing assistance , Superseded 30/08/2017
Definition:	The physical structure of the individual dwelling that a tenant occupies, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Dwelling—structure type
METEOR identifier:	269588
Registration status:	Housing assistance , Superseded 30/08/2017
Definition:	Describes the physical structure of the individual dwelling that a tenant occupies.
Context:	Data on dwelling structure are used to monitor changes in housing characteristics, to help formulate housing policies and to review existing housing stock.
Object class:	Dwelling
Property:	Structure type

Source and reference attributes

Origin:	Australian Bureau of Statistics: 1996 Census Data Dictionary (Cat. no. 2901.0).
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Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Dwelling structure type code N[N]
METEOR identifier:	270712
Registration status:	Housing assistance , Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	A code set representing the type of dwelling structure.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
Permissible values:	Value	Meaning
	1	Separate house
	2	Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc.
	3	Flat, unit or apartment
	4	Caravan, tent, cabin etc. in caravan park, houseboat in marina, etc.

	5	Caravan not in caravan park, houseboat not in marina, etc.
	6	Improvised home, tent, campers out
	7	House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.
	8	Boarding/rooming house unit
	9	Other
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Separate house

A house separated from other houses (or other buildings or structures) by space to allow access on all sides (at least 1/2 a metre). This category also includes houses which have an attached flat (e.g. a granny flat). The attached flat will be included in the 'Flat, unit or apartment' category.

CODE 2 Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc

Includes dwellings with their own private grounds and no dwelling above or below. A key feature of these dwellings is that they are either attached in some structural way to one or more dwellings or are separated from neighbouring dwellings by less than 1/2 a metre. Examples include semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, and villa units. Multi-storey townhouses or units are separately identified from those which are single storey.

CODE 3 Flat, unit or apartment

Includes dwellings in blocks of flats, units or apartments that are self-contained. These dwellings do not have their own private grounds and usually share a common entrance foyer or stairwell. This category includes houses converted into flats, and flats attached to houses such as granny flats.

CODE 4 Caravan, tent, cabin etc. in caravan park, houseboat in marina, etc

Includes all types of accommodation within a caravan park. It also includes all occupied water craft in marinas.

CODE 5 Caravan not in caravan park, houseboat not in marina, etc

Includes all mobile units, on water or land, occupied on a permanent or semi-permanent basis by people (e.g. caravans, campervans, mobile houses, small boats, houseboats) that are not in caravan parks or marinas.

CODE 6 Improvised home, tent, sleepers out

Includes all structures not elsewhere classified that are occupied by people on a permanent or semi-permanent basis. This category typically includes garages, sheds, tents, shacks, etc. These structures are only included in this category if they are not in a caravan park.

CODE 7 House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc

Includes all houses or flats that are attached to a non-residential building. Examples of these dwellings are manses attached to a church, a flat or apartment over a shop, and a caretaker's house or flat attached to a school, factory or storage facility.

CODE 8 Boarding/rooming house unit

A [boarding/rooming house unit](#) is a self-contained unit within a boarding house with separate cooking, bathroom, and toilet facilities. Boarding house units are usually accessed via a common entrance such as a foyer or hallway. Please note: this structure type identifies the individual rooms in a boarding/rooming house, not the complete building.

Comments: Based on a modified combination of the 1996 and 2001 Australian Bureau of Statistics Census.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Housing Data Development Committee


Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics: [1996 Census Data Dictionary](#) (Cat. no. 2901.0).

Australian Bureau of Statistics: [2001 Census Data Dictionary](#) (Cat. no. 2901.0).

Queensland Housing Boarding House Program Guidelines

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Dwelling—structure type, code N\[N\] Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017

Is re-engineered from  [Dwelling structure, version 2, DE, NHADD, NHDAMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (19.1 KB)
No registration status

See also [Dwelling—number of bedrooms, total N\[NN\] Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

See also [Dwelling—number of bedrooms, total N\[NN\] Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 19/09/2013
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

See also [Dwelling—number of bedrooms, total N\[NN\] Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017

See also [Dwelling—number of tenancy/rental units, total N\[N\] Housing assistance](#), Retired 01/05/2013

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Dwelling \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

[Dwelling \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

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[Dwelling file cluster \(Mainstream community housing\)](#)
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

DSS specific information: In the Community Housing Collection 2009-10 only values 1, 2, 3 and 8 are applicable. Unknowns are also recorded as 'U' which can be mapped to Not Applicable = 99 in the codeset for this data element.

[Dwelling file cluster \(Mainstream community housing\)](#)
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

DSS specific information: Values 1, 2, 3 and 8 are applicable to the Community Housing collection. Unknown values are also recorded as "U", and should be mapped to "Not Applicable = 99".

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[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

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**Implementation in
Indicators:**

Used as Disaggregation

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: g-Proportion of Indigenous households living in overcrowded conditions, 2010](#)

[Homelessness](#), Standard 16/02/2011

[Indigenous](#), Standard 11/09/2012