

# Person—age (housing assistance), total years N[NN]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Age
Synonymous names:	Age
METEOR identifier:	270142
Registration status:	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 10/02/2006
Definition:	The age of the person in years.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	<a href="#">Person—age (housing assistance)</a>
METEOR identifier:	269598
Registration status:	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Retired 17/06/2005
Definition:	The age of the person.
Context:	This metadata item is used in analyses of service utilisation by age group and comparisons with demographic statistics. Age is also used as an assistance eligibility criterion.
Object class:	<a href="#">Person</a>
Property:	<a href="#">Age</a>

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Bureau of Statistics
	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
	National Community Services Data Committee

## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	<a href="#">Housing assistance total years N[NN]</a>
METEOR identifier:	270724
Registration status:	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 10/02/2006
Definition:	The total number of years.

### Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	String
Format:	N[NN]
Maximum character length:	3

	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	000	Less than one year

998	Relevant data not available from the jurisdiction
999	Unknown

**Unit of measure:** Year

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Record the age in single years (if aged under one year, record as 000).  If year of birth is known (but date of birth is not) use the date 01/01 of the birth year to estimate age. If age (or date of birth) is unknown or not stated, and cannot be estimated, use code 999.
<b>Collection methods:</b>	Although collection of the date of birth allows more precise calculation of age, this is not feasible in some data collections and alternative questions are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age last birthday?</li> <li>• What was [your] [the person's] age last birthday?</li> <li>• What is [your] [the person's] age in complete years?</li> </ul>
<b>Comments:</b>	In most community services data collections, age in years is often reported rather than derived from the metadata item <a href="#">Person—date of birth, DDMMYYYY</a> . However, <a href="#">Person—date of birth, DDMMYYYY</a> is the preferred method for collection of age data.

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<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)  National Community Services Data Committee
<b>Origin:</b>	ABS: Directory of concepts and standards for social, labour and demographic statistics, 1995  ABS: 1996 Census Dictionary. Cat. No. 2901, 1996  AIHW: Data Standardisation Project for the development of a national unit record public housing data set, 1998  Home and Community Care Data Dictionary, Version 1, 1998

### Relational attributes

<b>Related metadata references:</b>	Has been superseded by <a href="#">Person—age, total years N[NN] Children and Families</a> , Standard 22/11/2016 <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 29/04/2006 <a href="#">Early Childhood</a> , Standard 21/05/2010 <a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 08/02/2006 <a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 10/02/2006 <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 13/03/2015 <a href="#">National Health Performance Authority (retired)</a> , Retired 01/07/2016 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 05/09/2016 <a href="#">WA Health</a> , Standard 04/03/2014  Is re-engineered from  <a href="#">Age, version 1, DE, NHADD, NHDAMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf</a> (15.5 KB) <i>No registration status</i>
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