Person (income unit member)—relationship to reference person (income unit), code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Relationship within income unit |
| Synonymous names: | Relationship within income unit |
| METEOR identifier: | 270250 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 10/02/2006 |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Person (income unit member)—relationship to reference person (income unit)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269700) |
| METEOR identifier: | 269700 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 10/02/2006 |
| Definition: | The relationship of a member of an income unit to the reference person in that same income unit. Income units are restricted to relationships of marriage (registered or de facto) and of parent/child under 16 years of age that usually resides in the same household. |
| Context: | The ability to determine relationships between persons residing within the same household is essential in a wide range of statistics on household composition, family type and income unit. It is essential for calculating many of the performance indicators, such as Low income status, and Affordability. It may also be useful in determining possible levels of need and support available for clients. |
| Object class: | [Person](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268955) |
| Property: | [Relationship to reference person](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269216) |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [Relationship to reference person within income unit code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270797) |
| METEOR identifier: | 270797 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 10/02/2006 |
| Definition: | A code set representing a relationship to the reference person within an income unit. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Reference person/tenant |
|  | 2 | Spouse/partner |
|  | 3 | Child aged less than 16 years |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Reference person refers to the first person listed on the housing assistance application/tenancy form. Members of the household that cannot be classified from this list are more than likely separate income units e.g. child 16 years of age or older. |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person (income unit member)—relationship to reference person (income unit), code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/301840)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 30/08/2017  Is re-engineered from  [Relationship within income unit, version 1, DE, NHADD, NHDAMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273698)  (14.9 KB)  *No registration status* |