

Household—family type, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Household family type
METEOR identifier:	270477
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Superseded 27/04/2007
Definition:	The composition of the family within the household, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Household family—family type
Value Domain:	Family type code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Couple family with children
	2	Couple family without children
	3	One parent family
	4	Other family
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Children refers to children of any age, dependent and non-dependent.
	The basis of a family is formed by identifying the presence of a couple relationship, lone parent-child relationship or other blood relationship. Some households will, therefore, contain more than one family.
	The classification is based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics Standards for Statistics on Families (ABS Cat. No. 1286.0) which contains a 4-level hierarchical classification. Only level 1 of this classification has been adopted for this metadata item. If individual agencies need to classify family types at a lower level of detail than specified in this metadata item (for example, if they wish to split children into dependent and non-dependent children), they should ensure that the more detailed ABS classification is used.
	CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described
	This code is not for use on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the metadata item has not been collected.

Data element attributes


Source and reference attributes

Steward: [Australian Bureau of Statistics \(ABS\)](#)

Origin: Australian Bureau of Statistics 1995. [Standards for Statistics on the Family 1995. Cat. no. 1286.0](#). Canberra: ABS.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Household—family composition, code N\[NNN\] Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 27/04/2007

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