Housing assistance marital status code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 270865 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Retired 10/02/2006 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the marital status of a person. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Never married |
|  | 2 | Widowed |
|  | 3 | Divorced |
|  | 4 | Separated |
|  | 5 | Married (registered and defacto) |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Refers to the current marital status of a person. Therefore if a person has been divorced but has since re-married, then they should be recorded as 5. Married.  The category Married (registered and de facto) should be generally accepted as applicable to all de facto couples, including of the same sex. |
| Comments: | ABS standards (see ABS: Directory of Concepts and Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic statistics) identify two concepts of marital status:   * *registered* marital status - defined as whether a person has, or has had, a legally registered marriage; * *social* marital status - based on a person's living arrangements (including de-facto marriages), as reported by the person.   ABS recommends that the social marital status concept be collected when information on marital status is sought, whereas the registered marital status concept need only be collected where it is specifically required for the purposes of the collection and only in areas of consent if necessary. Most community services data collections ask clients to self-report their marital status. Hence, the operative concept is one of *social* marital status. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Reference documents: | ABS: Directory of Concepts and Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic statistics |

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| Relational attributes | |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Person—marital status, housing assistance code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270357)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 10/02/2006 |