

- residential support service
- 6 Domestic-scale supported living facility (eg. group home for people with disabilities)
- 7 Boarding/rooming house/hostel or hostel type accommodation, not including aged persons' hostel
- 8 Homeless persons' shelter
- 9 Shelter/refuge (not including homeless persons' shelter)

Guide For Use: 'Usual' is defined as the type of accommodation the person has lived in for the most amount of time over the past three months prior to admission to institutional health care or first contact with a community service setting. If a person stays in a particular place of accommodation for four or more days a week over the period, that place of accommodation would be the person's type of usual accommodation. In practice, receiving an answer strictly in accordance with the above definition may be difficult to achieve. The place the person perceives as their usual accommodation will often prove to be the best approximation of their type of usual accommodation.

3 - Includes nursing home beds in acute care hospitals.

4 - Includes alcohol/other drug treatment units in psychiatric hospitals.

5 - Specialised mental health community-based residential support services are defined as community-based residential supported accommodation specifically targeted at people with psychiatric disabilities which provides 24-hour support/rehabilitation on a residential basis.

6 - Domestic-scale supported living facilities include group homes for people with disabilities, cluster apartments where a support worker lives on-site, community residential apartments (except mental health), congregate care arrangements. Support is provided by staff on either a live-in or rostered basis, and they may or may not have 24-hour supervision and care.

10 - Includes other supported accommodation facilities such as hostels for people with disabilities and Residential Services/Facilities (Victoria and South Australia only). These facilities provide board and lodging and rostered care workers provide client support services.

Related metadata: is an alternative to Type of usual accommodation version 1

Administrative Attributes

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Comments: The changes made to this data element are in accordance with the requirements of the National Mental Health Information Strategy Committee and take into consideration corresponding definitions in other data dictionaries (e.g. HACC Data Dictionary Version 1 and National Community Services Data Dictionary Version 1).

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Accommodation characteristic

Data Agreements which include this Data Element

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