Low income status

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

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Definition: The low income status of a household receiving housing assistance.

The household income cut off measures used for this data element have been developed in relation to statutory government income

support payments.

Context: A guiding principle of the 1999 CSHA is that assistance is to be

provided to those who most need it, for the duration of their need. Households who most need assistance are defined as those whose needs cannot be met by the private rental market. The low income performance indicator measures households most in need in terms of tenants who have low income or special needs that would not find

appropriate, affordable and secure housing in the private rental

market.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric

Representational CODE

form:

Representation N

layout:

Minimum Size: 1 Maximum Size: 1

Data Domain: 1 Low income A

2 Low income B

3 Neither

9 Not stated/Inadequately described

Guide For Use: 1. the 'low income A' household cut-off

This measure captures, as a minimum, all persons in social housing who receive 100% government income support benefits. The pensioner (single & couple) benefit rate had been selected as

the low income A household cut-off measure, as pension rates are higher than allowance rates (e.g. unemployment benefits). The selection of the higher benefit rate should allow all persons receiving 100% government income support benefits (e.g. pensioners, unemployed, youth allowance, etc) to be 'captured' within the 'low income A' household cut-off measure.

The 'low income A' household cut-off measure includes: adult (single or couple) pension rate;

where appropriate, family allowance payments (both minimum and additional);

income free areas for both adults and children; and pharmaceutical allowance.

2. The 'low income B' household cut-off

This measure is the effective cut-off for receiving government income support benefits (at the pensioners rate). Includes all 'low income A' households.

For further information on calculating Low income status see 1999-2000 Public Rental Housing Data Collection Manual.

Collection Methods: To be defined.

Related metadata: relates to the data element Special needs status version 2

relates to the data element Age version 1

relates to the data element Income unit version 1

relates to the data element Household composition version 1

is calculated using Income - gross version 1

is calculated using Income source (main) version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document: CSHA Public Rental Housing Data Manual 1999-2000

Source Organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element Data Agreements which include this Data Element