



National Community Services Data Dictionary volume 2

**Data elements R – Y (by short name)
Supporting items**

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Data Elements

Referral contact method

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Referral – contact method code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	323145
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The means by which a person makes contact with an agency at the time of referral, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Referral – contact method
<i>Definition:</i>	The means by which a person makes contact with an agency at the time of referral.
<i>Object class:</i>	Referral
<i>Property:</i>	Contact method

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code												
<i>Data type:</i>	Number												
<i>Format:</i>	N												
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This metadata item only describes the way in which contact regarding referral to an agency was made. It can be applied to anyone, including self referral, or any party making referral. Source of referral to a service provider agency provides the information on who is actually making the referral.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	This information should be collected at the time initial contact regarding the referral is made.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents:

Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP)
National Data Collection Agency 2001. National Data Collection
Data Dictionary. Version 2. Unpublished

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Referral – referral or contact method, code N
NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006

Supersedes Referral/ contact method, version 1, DE, NCSDD,
NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Referral date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Referral—referral receipt date, DDMMYYYY
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270005
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an agency receives a client referral from another party.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Referral—referral receipt date
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an agency receives a client referral from another party.
<i>Context:</i>	Many providers collect the date of referral because it has administrative importance. It can be used in the calculation of response times and for performance indicators that measure the provision of service. Can also be used to measure work-load (i.e. the number of referrals coming to a particular agency). This may be measured for particular clients or particular types of services.
<i>Object class:</i>	Referral
<i>Property:</i>	Referral receipt date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This metadata item should always be recorded as an 8 digit valid date comprising day, month and year. Year should always be recorded in its full 4 digit format. For days and months with a numeric value of less than 10, zeros should be used to ensure that the date contains the required 8 digits. For example if an agency receives a client referral on July 1 2000 the Referral—referral receipt date, DDMMYYYY should be recorded as 01072000 as specified in the representational layout.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	Can be collected at initial referral of a client to an agency or at each referral, although this should be done consistently within a collection. Individual collections will also need to determine what constitutes a referral for their purposes (e.g. Is it only formal referrals that are considered, or are self-referral counted as a referral also etc).

Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee
National Health Data Dictionary

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Referral date, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG,
Superseded 01/03/2005

Referral source

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Referral—referral source, code N[.N]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	297469
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 02/06/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The person or agency responsible for the referral of a client to a service provider agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Source of referral is important in assisting in the analyses of inter-service client flow and for service planning.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Referral—referral source
<i>Definition:</i>	The person or agency responsible for the referral of a client to an agency.
<i>Object class:</i>	Referral
<i>Property:</i>	Referral source

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Individual data collections use specific categories relevant to their particular information needs. These categories should be mappable to the above generic domain at the 1-digit or 2-digit level.

The separation of agency from non-agency for source of referral is a significant distinction. For instance, it is important to differentiate between a referral from a private practising general medical practitioner and a referral from a health agency, such as a health clinic in a hospital.

Examples:

- Aged care assessment team would map to category 1.1
- Residential aged care factor to category 1.1
- Community nursing service to category 1.1
- School/other education institution to category 1.3
- General Practitioner to category 2.4
- Police/legal unit to category 1.4 etc.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Individual collections may like to expand categories further for example, by distinguishing between immediate family and non-immediate family.

In addition, this item may be collected at the point of initial contact with an agency, or for other contact points as well, for the agency as a whole, or for different services provided by that agency.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP)
National Data Collection Agency 2001. National Data Collection
Data Dictionary. Version 2. Unpublished

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Referral – referral source (community services),
code N[.N] NCSIMG, Superseded 06/06/2005

Relationship in household

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – relationship to household reference person, code NN
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	321230
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The familial and non-familial relationship of each person in a given household to the reference person in that same household, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	The ability to determine familial relationships between persons residing within the same household is essential in a wide range of statistics on household type, family type and income unit . It may also be useful in determining possible levels of need and support available for clients.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – relationship to household reference person
<i>Definition:</i>	The familial and non-familial relationship of each person in a given household to the reference person in that same household.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Relationship to reference person

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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61	Brother/Sister
62	Father/Mother
63	Non-dependent grandchild
64	Grandfather/grandmother
65	Cousin
66	Uncle/Aunt
67	Nephew/Niece
69	Other related individual (not elsewhere classified)
71	Unrelated individual living in a family household
72	Group household member
73	Lone person
88	Visitor
<i>Supplementary values:</i>	99 Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 21 Lone parent:

Should be used where a person has no spouse or partner present in the household but who forms a parent-child relationship with at least one **dependent** or non-dependent child who is usually resident in the household.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described:

Not for use on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected

Collection methods:

A major purpose of this classification is as the basis for identification of **income units** and families, statistical units that are important for further analysis.

Data captured on relationships are allocated to the 'Relationship in household' classification in output processing.

Relationships to the selected Person 1 are coded, enabling the family units existing in the household to be identified.

The first person named is identified as Person 1.

Q1 below is asked of all usual residents of the household, except for Person 1:

Q1. What is (Your/the Person's) relationship to (Person 1)?

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:

Statistical Concepts Library - Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables - Family, Household and Income Unit Variables - Relationship in household - Classification and coding

Reference online through:

Family, Household and Income Unit Variables, Relationship in Household

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This metadata item is measured using relationships in respect of a household reference person. Relationships in the household are determined by establishing the relationship between this household reference person and each other member of the household in turn.

The household reference person may be determined in a variety of ways. For example, it could be the person first listed on a form ('Person 1'), or the oldest person in the household, or the client. In measuring the types of relationships that exist between persons in a household, we must recognise that there may not be any familial relationship.

Collection methods:

The second level of the ABS classification has been adopted for this metadata item. Individual agencies may wish to classify 'Relationship in household' at the 3-digit level for their own operational purposes.

Collecting these data is quite complex, due to inter-relationships that may exist in a household. Refer to ABS Standards for details of interviewer or self enumerated collection methods.

Comments:

For the purposes of this metadata item the term child refers to the relationship to the reference person and not a person under 15 years of age.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Relationship in household, version 3, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Supersedes Person – relationship to reference person (household) (community services), code N{.N[N]} NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006

Relationship of carer to care recipient

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Informal carer – relationship to care recipient, code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270012
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The relationship of the informal carer to the person for whom they care, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Informal carer – relationship to care recipient
<i>Definition:</i>	The relationship of the informal carer to the person for whom they care.
<i>Context:</i>	Resource and service planning: Information about this relationship assists in the establishment of a profile of informal caring relationships and the assistance provided (such as by the HACC program) to maintain and support those relationships. As such it increases knowledge about the dynamics of caring and provides an insight into the gender and inter-generational patterns of informal care giving in the community.
<i>Object class:</i>	Informal carer
<i>Property:</i>	Relationship to care recipient

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element should always be used to record the relationship of the carer to the person for whom they care, regardless of whether the client of the agency is the carer or the
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person for whom they care.

For example, if a woman were caring for her frail aged mother-in-law, the agency would record that the carer is the daughter-in-law of the care recipient (i.e. code 4). Similarly, if a man were caring for his disabled son, then the agency would record that the carer is the father of the care recipient (i.e. code 2).

If a person has more than one carer (e.g. a spouse and a son), the coding response to relationship of carer to care recipient should relate to the carer who provides the most significant care and assistance related to the person's capacity to remain living at home. The expressed views of the client and/ or their carer or significant other should be used as the basis for determining which carer should be considered to be the primary or principal carer in this regard.

Code 1 includes de facto and same sex partnerships.

Collection methods:

To obtain greater detailed information about carers data can be collected using other elements such as Person – age (community services), total years N[NN] and Person – sex, code N etc.

Comments:

There is inconsistency between the definition of informal carer with the ABS definition of principal carer.

The ABS defines a primary carer as a person of any age who provides the most informal assistance, in terms of help or supervision, to a person with one or more disabilities. The assistance has to be ongoing, or likely to be ongoing, for at least six months and be provided for one or more of the core activities (communication, mobility and self care). This may not be appropriate for community services agencies wishing to obtain information about a person's carer regardless of the amount of time that care is for, or the types of care provided.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Relationship of carer to care recipient, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Religious affiliation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – religious affiliation, code (ASCRG 2005) N[NNN]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	334326
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The religious group to which a person belongs or adheres, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – religious affiliation
<i>Definition:</i>	The religious group to which a person belongs or adheres.
<i>Context:</i>	In some circumstances this item can allow agencies to provide more culturally relevant services to some clients. It also provides a useful indicator of aspects of cultural diversity.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Religious affiliation

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups 2005
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	Number
<i>Format:</i>	N[NNN]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	<p>It is essential that where this question is asked, it be clearly marked as optional.</p> <p>The following question is recommended.</p> <p>Q1. What is your / the person's / (name)'s religion? (Answering this question is OPTIONAL.)</p> <p>For example, Salvation Army, Hinduism, Judaism or Humanism.</p> <p>If no religion, mark last option.</p> <p>Catholic (not Eastern Churches)</p> <p>Anglican (Church of England)</p> <p>Uniting Church</p> <p>Presbyterian</p> <p>Greek Orthodox</p> <p>Baptist</p> <p>Lutheran</p> <p>Islam</p>
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Buddhism

Other - please specify:

No religion

While agencies are encouraged to use the recommended question described above, it is acknowledged that this is not always possible in practice. For example, where the data collection is a by-product of the provision of a health or community service, the information may be ascertained using different means. However, the recommended question should be used wherever practically possible.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person – religious affiliation, code (ASCRG 1996)
N[NNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 08/05/2006

Residential setting

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – residential setting, code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269979
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The setting in which a person resides, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Linking human service outcomes with people's housing situations has been identified as an important step in providing better targeted services. Collecting information about residential setting also gives an indication of the type and variety of settings to which agencies deliver their services when providing assistance. This metadata item assists when making comparisons of data from administrative data collections with data from the five yearly Census of Population and Housing, and to assist in analyses of de-institutionalisation.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – residential setting
<i>Definition:</i>	The setting in which a person resides.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Residential setting

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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<i>Supplementary values:</i>													

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	To meet program or service specific needs, the categories used in individual data collections may be more detailed than those in the settings classification of the NCCS V2, but they should always be mappable to categories in the NCCS V2. Categories used in individual community services data collections such as the Home and Community Care (HACC), Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA) and the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) have been mapped to the settings classification in the National
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Classifications of Community Services.

CODE 1 Private setting

A largely self contained dwelling intended for occupation by one or more usual residents, or movable, makeshift or improvised dwelling occupied by one or more usual residents, regardless of whether the dwelling is owned, being purchased or being rented privately, publicly or through a community organisation. This includes,

Owner/purchaser/renter occupied dwellings and Unsupported independent living facilities.

For example houses, flats, units, hotels/motels, caravan, craft in a marina, a houseboat, independent living in a retirement village (where no support services are provided as a package with the accommodation) and makeshift and improvised dwellings (such as humpies).

CODE 2 Community based setting

This type of setting includes:

Short-term crisis or emergency accommodation facility, Supported independent residential facility, Transitional accommodation facility, Supported accommodation facility (where support is provided together with the accommodation as a package) and Supported independent living.

The distinguishing features of a community based setting as opposed to private:

- An adult accommodated in a community setting has less control or choice, over when, where and how, they undertake basic personal activities than in a private setting (e.g. shared or scheduled meals, communal laundry, etc.).
- In community based settings some form of service by paid staff is generally provided in association with occupancy of a dwelling.
- The person has more choice or control over such activities in a community based setting than in an institutional setting.
- Persons living in community settings are generally housed in domestic scale sized dwellings.
- Located within the general community, in areas where other people live privately.

CODE 3 Institutional setting

This category includes:

Hospital (including psychiatric), Special purpose residential facility (including those that provide 'out of home' placements for children who cannot live with their families), Community care unit and Custodial settings, (prisons, remand centres, corrective institutions for children/youth). It also includes larger institutions for people with disabilities, larger institutional supported accommodation facilities, convents and monasteries, boarding schools and residential colleges.

The distinguishing features of an institutional setting (as opposed to community):

- Existence of a regulatory or licensing body.
- Accommodation units are usually not self contained.
- Adult residents have little or no control over when, where and how they undertake basic personal activities (e.g. shared or scheduled meals, communal laundry, etc.).

- They are generally situated out of the general community (e.g. gaols, hospitals).
- They are often of a larger scale than community settings.

Should difficulties arise concerning the categorisation of a setting, refer to the features listed below for guidance:

- Level of choice/control
- Scale/size
- Location within/outside of general community
- Existence of a regulatory or licensing body
- Paid staff.

CODE 4 None/**homeless**/public place includes non dwelling living rough and informal housing

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 item has not been collected.

Collection methods:

This metadata item could be used to describe the residential setting of individual persons, groups of people or households.

Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Residential setting, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Satisfaction with participation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – level of satisfaction with participation in a life area, code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320216
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The degree to which a person is satisfied with their involvement in a specified life area, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Human functioning and disability

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – level of satisfaction with participation in a life area
<i>Definition:</i>	A person's level of satisfaction with their involvement in a life area, in relation to their current life goals.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Level of satisfaction with participation in a life area

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code														
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>This metadata item contributes to the definition of the concept 'Disability' and gives an indication of the experience of disability for a person.</p> <p>In the context of health, participation is involvement in a life situation. Participation restrictions are problems an individual may experience in involvement in life situations.</p> <p>This metadata item gives a rating of the person's degree of satisfaction with participation in a domain of life, in relation to</p>
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their current life goals. Satisfaction with participation corresponds to the person's own perspective on their participation, and reflects their attitude to their participation in the various life areas. It is essentially a summary measure in which are embedded the concepts of choice, opportunity and importance.

CODE 0 High satisfaction with participation

Used if a person is involved in the specified life situation as he or she wishes to fulfil his or her current life goals in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome.

CODE 1 Moderate satisfaction with participation

Used if the person is reasonably satisfied with their participation in this life situation, in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome. This could occur if one of the criteria (duration, frequency, manner or outcome) is not fulfilled and that criterion is not critical to the person's goals. For example, the person does not participate in the specified life situation as frequently as wished, but the other criteria are met and the frequency is not so affected that it is critical to the person's satisfaction.

CODE 2 Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with participation

Used if the person is neither satisfied nor dissatisfied with their participation in this life situation, in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome.

CODE 3 Moderate dissatisfaction with participation

Used if two or three criteria (duration, frequency, manner or outcome) are not fulfilled, but are not so badly affected, in relation to the person's goals in that life area, that the person is extremely dissatisfied. For example, a person is able to participate in work, but is placed in supported employment rather than employment in the open labour market. This is not in line with the person's goals, so that the manner and outcome of the participation are not fulfilled.

CODE 4 Extreme dissatisfaction with participation

Used when all criteria (duration, frequency, manner and outcome) are not fulfilled for the specified life situation, or where any of the criteria are so badly affected in relation to the person's goals that they consider themselves to be extremely dissatisfied with this life area. An example of the latter would arise when a person is extremely dissatisfied with participation in interpersonal activities because his/her goal in terms of duration of social visits is never fulfilled, although other criteria (frequency and manner) may be fulfilled.

CODE 5 Complete restriction and dissatisfaction

Used when the person does not participate in this life situation in line with his or her own goals, i.e. in an area where they wish to participate and is completely dissatisfied with not participating in this life situation.

CODE 9 Not applicable

Used when participation in a life situation is not relevant, such as employment of an infant or where there is no participation and the person has no desire to participate in this area. For example, a personal preference not to participate in specific areas of community, social and civic life such as sport or hobbies. The area may not be applicable to the person's current life goals.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which is the Australian Collaborating Centre for the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications.
<i>Origin:</i>	WHO 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO AIHW 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Further information on the ICF, including more detailed codes, can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003), at the following websites: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHO ICF website http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/• Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Satisfaction with participation should be coded from the perspective of the person. This data element should be coded in conjunction with the Person – activities and participation life area, code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] data element. For example, a person's 'moderate satisfaction with participation in exchange of information'.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which is the Australian Collaborating Centre for the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications.
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Relational attributes

<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Activities and Participation cluster NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Service activity type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation – service activity type, code (NCCS v2.0) ANN{.N{.NN}}
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270478
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of services that are usually available to or provided to persons, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation – service activity type
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of services that are usually available to or provided to persons.
<i>Context:</i>	Service and resource planning.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Service activity type

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	ANN{.N{.NN}}
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. National classifications of community services, Version 2.0. AIHW Cat. no. HWI 40. Canberra: AIHW.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Service activities should be collected according to the lower level of coding in the National Classifications of Community Services, Version 2.0 (NCCS v2.0) To meet program or service specific needs, the categories used in individual data collections may be more detailed than those in the service activities classification of the NCCS v2.0, but they should always be mappable to categories in the NCCS v2.0.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	Can be collected for the main type of service provided or all types on either an individual client event or episode of care or

reflect general availability. In some collections this metadata item may be more narrowly defined to include only the services that are relevant to that collection. For example in the Commonwealth/State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set (CSTDA NMDS), only the support activity which the service outlet has been funded to provide under the Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA) is collected. There could be instances though where an agency provides other services that are not funded by the CSTDA.

Comments:

Categories used in individual community services data collections such as the Home and Community Care (HACC), CSTDA and the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) have been mapped to the service activities classification in the National Classifications of Community Services.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Service activity type, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Service activity type requested

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – service activity type, (requested) code (NCCS v2.0) ANN{.N{.NN}}
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270406
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of assistance that a person or persons requests from a community service agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Service planning: Useful in the analysis of unmet demand where a person asks for assistance but it is not provided. This information can be used by agencies to plan appropriate services for their target group , and by funding departments to help them make better decisions about services.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – service activity type
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of assistance that a person or persons requests from a community service agency. The type of assistance may or may not be provided by the agency.
<i>Context:</i>	Service planning: Useful in the analysis of unmet demand where a person asks for assistance but it is not provided. This information can be used by agencies to plan appropriate services for their target group, and by funding departments to help them make better decisions about services.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Service activity type

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
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Source and reference attributes

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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

A person or persons may request more than one type of assistance on a single occasion.

Categories used in individual community services data collections should be mappable to the service activities classification in the National Classifications of Community Services, version 2.0 (NCCS v2.0). Service activities should be collected according to the lower level of coding in the NCCS v2.0.

To meet program or service specific needs, the categories used in individual data collections may be more detailed than those in the service activities classification but they should always be mappable to categories in this classification.

Collection methods:

This metadata item can be collected for the main service activity type requested or all types.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Service activity type requested, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Service cessation reason

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service episode – service cessation reason, code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270099
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason that the person ceased to receive services from the agency, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service episode – service cessation reason
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason the service episode ceased.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service episode
<i>Property:</i>	Service cessation reason

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																		
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>																			

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Client no longer needs assistance from agency Where the problem is resolved or no longer exists or client is able to manage without the agency's assistance. Where the client has moved to another agency or form of assistance (either of their own choice or the agency 's) code 2 Client referred or moved to other agency, should be used.</p> <p>Code 2 Client referred or moved to other agency</p>
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This code includes situations where the client's changing dependency or need for assistance has reached the point where the agency can no longer provide the necessary assistance and the client is referred to a more appropriate agency. Includes situations where the agency's assistance is no longer provided because the client has moved onto another form of assistance (e.g. from home with a carer to an institutional or residential care setting or a supported accommodation care setting).

CODE 3 Client's needs have not changed but agency can or will no longer provide assistance

This code includes situations where the client's need for assistance has not changed but the agency has ceased to provide assistance to the client because of the agency's resource limitations. This would usually be associated with a review of the relative need of all agency clients in order to decide on which clients have priority. Where the main reason the client ceased to receive services from the agency was because the client's increased level of need / dependency led to a referral to another agency or program that provides a higher level of community care, code 2 should be used. Also includes when an agency terminates service to a client for worker (or **volunteer**) occupational health and safety reasons. Safety issues may relate to the physical setting of service delivery (e.g. unsafe or unsanitary dwelling) or to concerns with the physical or emotional wellbeing of the worker (or volunteer) due to the client's behaviour.

CODE 4 Client moved out of area

The client ceased to receive assistance from the agency because the client moved out of the geographic area of coverage of the agency. That is, the reason the agency ceases to assist the client is primarily because of a change in client's residential location and not because of any change in their need for assistance.

CODE 5 Client terminated service

The decision to cease receiving assistance from the agency is made by the client. That is, it was the client's choice and not the result of any agency assessment of need or change in the client's external circumstances. If the client had not made this choice they would have continued to receive assistance from the agency.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Where the client has ceased to receive services for more than one reason, the agency should clearly record the main or primary reason for the cessation of service. Other reasons can also be collected if necessary.

Collection methods: This metadata item should be recorded for clients who cease to receive funded assistance from an agency.

Comments: Service provision and planning:
This metadata item provides information about the

circumstances surrounding the ending of a client's receipt of services from an agency. This metadata item contributes to a general understanding of the patterns of client movement into and out of the care and support of agencies. Reason for cessation of services also gives some indication of the impact on client turnover of factors relating to the agency's operations and to changes in client needs and circumstances.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Service cessation reason, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Service delivery setting

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service event—service delivery setting (NCCS v2.0) AN{.N{.NN}}
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	319817
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of setting in which a service or instance of assistance is received by a client as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	At the broadest level, this data element should provide a measure of the extent to which services are provided to clients in their own homes, in community settings or centre-based facilities, residential care facilities or other settings.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service event—service delivery setting
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of setting in which a service or assistance is received by the client.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service event
<i>Property:</i>	Service delivery setting

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	AN{.N{.NN}}
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	7

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Service delivery settings should be collected according to the lower level of coding in the National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0 (NCCS v2.0). To meet program or service specific needs, the categories used in individual data collections may be more detailed than those in the settings classification of the NCCS, but they should always be mappable to categories in the NCCS v2.0.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)
<i>Origin:</i>	AIHW 2003. National Classifications of Community Services, version 2.0. AIHW Cat. no. HWI 40. Canberra: AIHW. Reference through: http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/hwi/nccsv2/index.html

Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

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<http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/hwi/nccsv2/index.html>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Service delivery setting, version 3, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Service delivery setting (agency)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation – service delivery setting, code (NCCS v2.0) AN{.N{.NN}}
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	319826
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of setting in which service activities are provided or could be provided by a service provider as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	This data element is used, in conjunction with other data elements about service provision, to obtain a more detailed appraisal of service availability and how service are provided.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation – service delivery setting
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of setting in which service activities are provided or could be provided by a service provider.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Service delivery setting

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	AN{.N{.NN}}
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	7

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Service delivery settings should be collected according to the lower level of coding in the National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0 (NCCS v2.0). To meet program or service specific needs, the categories used in individual data collections may be more detailed than those in the settings classification of the NCCS, but they should always be mappable to categories in the NCCS v2.0.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)
<i>Origin:</i>	AIHW 2003. National Classifications of Community Services, version 2.0. AIHW Cat. no. HWI 40. Canberra: AIHW. Reference through: http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/hwi/nccsv2/index.html

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Service delivery setting can refer to settings in which services are actually provided to clients or could be provided to clients.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW).

Origin: AIHW 2003. National Classifications of Community Services, version 2.0. AIHW Cat. no. HWI 40. Canberra: AIHW. Reference through:<http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/hwi/nccsv2/index.htm>

Service operation hours

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation hours (24 hour period), total NN
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270376
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The actual number of hours per day that the agency is open for the provision of service.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation hours
<i>Definition:</i>	The actual number of hours during a specified period that the agency is open for the provision of service. (Not the number of hours staffed, e.g. a 'group home' would operate 24 hours a day, but might only be staffed a few hours if at all on some days).
<i>Context:</i>	Service provision and planning: This metadata item helps in gaining a greater understanding of patterns of service delivery. When collected in conjunction with service operation days, and service operation weeks can provide useful information on patterns of service delivery.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Number of service operation hours

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Total						
<i>Data type:</i>	String						
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90	No regular pattern of operation through a day						
99	Not stated/inadequately described						
<i>Unit of measure:</i>	Hour (h)						

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The actual number of hours is not the number of hours staffed, e.g. a 'group home' would operate 24 hours a day, but might only be staffed a few hours if at all on some days.
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Round to the nearest whole hour. Valid numbers are 01 to 24. Services that have no regular daily pattern of operation, or which have different weekday and weekend patterns, should tick the 'no regular pattern of operation through a day' box (e.g. Flexible hours, on call, 24 hour sleepover).

Collection methods:

It may be necessary to collect the information separately for week-days versus weekend days, or for individual days of the week if there is no consistent pattern.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2002.
Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set collection: Data guide-data items and definitions 2002-03

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Service operation hours, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Service operation weeks

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation weeks (calendar year), total NN
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270377
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The actual number of weeks per year that the agency is open for the provision of service(s).

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation weeks
<i>Definition:</i>	The actual number of weeks during a specified period that the agency is open for the provision of service(s).
<i>Context:</i>	Service provision and planning: To gain a greater understanding of patterns of service delivery.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Number of service operation weeks

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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<i>Data type:</i>	Number						
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99	Not stated/inadequately described						
<i>Unit of measure:</i>	Week						

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>A week is measured from 12:00AM (midnight) Monday morning to 11:59PM the following Sunday. If a service operates within this period then it is counted as having operated during that week. Therefore if an agency operates for only a short time for one of the days within a week, it is counted as operating during that week.</p> <p>CODE 90 No regular pattern of operation through a year This code is useful for 'snapshot collections'. Such as the Commonwealth/State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set (CSTDA NMDS) where data is collected on one day or short period only, or where some</p>
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agencies may not be able to estimate the number of weeks that they are likely to operate in a year. For ongoing collections though, this option would be unnecessary. In such collections this metadata item would be collected at the end of the year (or periodically and totalled at the end of the year).

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Valid numbers are 01 to 52.

Collection methods:

When collected in conjunction with 'Community services agency – number of service operation hours (24 hour period), total NN', and 'Community services agency – number of service operation days (7 day period), total N' can provide useful information on patterns of service delivery.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2002.
Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set collection: Data guide-data items and definitions 2002-03

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Service operation weeks, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Sex

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – sex, code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287316
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The biological distinction between male and female, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – sex
<i>Definition:</i>	Sex is the biological distinction between male and female. Where there is an inconsistency between anatomical and chromosomal characteristics, sex is based on anatomical characteristics.
<i>Context:</i>	Sex is a core metadata item in a wide range of social, labour and demographic statistics.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Sex

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code										
<i>Data type:</i>	Number										
<i>Format:</i>	N										
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>											

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Diagnosis and procedure codes should be checked against the national ICD-10-AM sex edits, unless the person is undergoing, or has undergone a sex change or has a genetic condition resulting in a conflict between sex and ICD-10-AM code. CODE 3 Intersex or indeterminate Intersex or indeterminate, refers to a person, who because of a genetic condition, was born with reproductive organs or sex chromosomes that are not exclusively male or female or whose sex has not yet been determined for whatever reason. Intersex or indeterminate, should be confirmed if reported for people aged 90 days or greater.
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Comments: The definition for Intersex in Guide for use is sourced from the ACT Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Australian Capital Territory 2003. Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003

Reference documents: Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003. See <http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2003-14/20030328-4969/pdf/2003-14.pdf>.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Operationally, sex is the distinction between male and female, as reported by a person or as determined by an interviewer. When collecting data on sex by personal interview, asking the sex of the respondent is usually unnecessary and may be inappropriate, or even offensive. It is usually a simple matter to infer the sex of the respondent through observation, or from other cues such as the relationship of the person(s) accompanying the respondent, or first name. The interviewer may ask whether persons not present at the interview are male or female.

A person's sex may change during their lifetime as a result of procedures known alternatively as sex change, gender reassignment, transsexual surgery, transgender reassignment or sexual reassignment. Throughout this process, which may be over a considerable period of time, the person's sex could be recorded as either Male or Female.

In data collections that use the ICD-10-AM classification, where sex change is the reason for admission, diagnoses should include the appropriate ICD-10-AM code(s) that clearly identify that the person is undergoing such a process. This code(s) would also be applicable after the person has completed such a process, if they have a procedure involving an organ(s) specific to their previous sex (e.g. where the patient has prostate or ovarian cancer).

CODE 3 Intersex or indeterminate

Is normally used for babies for whom sex has not been determined for whatever reason.

Should not generally be used on data collection forms completed by the respondent.

Should only be used if the person or respondent volunteers that the person is intersex or where it otherwise becomes clear during the collection process that the individual is neither male nor female.

CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described

Is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) National

Mortality Database 1997/98 AIHW 2001 National Diabetes Register, Statistical Profile, December 2000 (Diabetes Series No. 2.)

Reference documents:

Australian Bureau of Statistics

AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia

AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney: Standards Australia

In AS4846 and AS5017 alternative codes are presented. Refer to the current standard for more details.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person – sex, code N NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Superseded 31/08/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code (AR-DRG v5.1) NN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Is used in the formation of Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code (AR-DRG v5.1) ANNA NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005

Source of income

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – source of cash income (all) code NN
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	321156
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The source from which a person derives any part of his/her income, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	The metadata item is an indicator of the needs and circumstances of individuals and sometimes, used in assessment of income equity.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – source of cash income (all)
<i>Definition:</i>	The source from which a person derives any part of his/her cash income.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Source of cash income

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																								
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The value domain categories shown above are directly
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mappable to the narrow sources of cash income specified in the Statistical Concepts Library of the Australian Bureau of Statistics. This is a three level hierarchical classification and is described at the broad (one-digit), narrow (two-digit) and detailed (four-digit) levels.

This value domain uses the two-digit level. Each of the levels may be associated with one or more sub-categories that may be coded at the 4-digit level if desired.

Code 11 Employee cash income:

Payments from an employer or own limited liability company, including wages or salary, tips, piece rates, penalty rates, loadings, regular bonuses, payment for time not worked (sick leave, recreation leave, public holidays etc.) and director's fees. An employee is classed as receiving cash from an employer or his/her own incorporated enterprise.

Code 21 **Unincorporated business** cash income:

Unincorporated business cash income is net of operating expenses including: labour costs in the form of wages, salaries and supplements; the value of raw materials and services purchased; the repair and maintenance of equipment (including vehicles); the purchase of fuel; indirect taxes; interest paid in connection with the business; and rent paid for buildings and land used in the business. Unincorporated business cash income is also net of depreciation of capital, such as machinery, vehicles and tools used in the business.

Code 41 Property cash income:

Includes cash income deriving from the ownership of assets; it comprises returns from financial assets (interest, dividend) from physical assets (rent) and from intellectual assets (royalties).

Code 43 Transfers from private organisations:

Includes payments from workers compensation, insurance companies etc.

Code 44 Transfers from other households:

Includes payments from such sources as child support payments, gifts from relatives etc.

Collection methods:

Please note the differences between this Value domain and the ABS classification (that is, Codes 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 49 are mappable to the classification codes 91, 92, 93, 94, 95 and 99. In this value domain code 88 and 99 are supplementary values.).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for the National Community Services Data Committee.

Reference documents:

Statistical concepts library, Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables, Framework for Standard Cash Income Variables, Classification and Coding, Canberra: Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Reference online through:

Ausstats Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

All sources of cash income are included in this concept.

Cash income may be received from employment (Employee cash income), as a profit or loss from an unincorporated enterprise (**Unincorporated business** cash income), from the ownership of assets (Property cash income). Income may also be derived from current transfers from government (pensions and benefits) or from private sources, such as superannuation funds. An individual may receive cash income from more than one source.

Excluded from this concept is income in kind e.g. barter for goods or services.

Collection methods:

If the person has multiple sources of income, all sources should be counted.

This question is not asked of person's aged less than 15 years because they are generally dependants.

While this standard requires collection of data at the 2-digit level, some agencies may wish to collect at the 4-digit level for their own purposes. The 4-digit level is detailed below:

Detailed (four-digit) level of sources of cash income

- 1101 Employee cash income
- 2101 Unincorporated business cash income
- 3101 Newstart allowance
- 3102 Youth allowance
- 3103 Mature age allowance
- 3104 Sickness allowance
- 3105 Austudy payment
- 3106 ABSTUDY payment
- 3201 Age pension
- 3202 Disability support pension
- 3901 Family Tax Benefit (Parts A and B)
- 3902 Parenting Payment
- 3903 Double Orphan Pension
- 3904 Carer Allowance
- 3905 Wife Pension
- 3906 Bereavement Allowance
- 3907 Widow Allowance (Widow B Pension)
- 3908 Carer Payment
- 3911 Service pension (DVA)
- 3912 Disability pension (DVA)
- 3913 Partner Allowance
- 3914 War Widow's Pension (DVA)
- 3915 Special Benefit
- 3916 Mobility Allowance
- 3917 CDEP Participant Supplement
- 3918 Pensions and allowances from overseas governments
- 3999 Other Government cash pensions and allowances, nec
- 4101 Interest
- 4102 Dividends
- 4103 Rent
- 4104 Royalties
- 4199 Other property cash income, nec
- 4201 Superannuation/annuities
- 4301 Workers compensation/sickness/accident insurance
- 4399 Other transfers from private organisations, nec
- 4401 Child support

4402 Gifts from relatives
4499 Other cash transfers from other households, nec
4501 Scholarships
4999 Other cash income, nec
8888 Nil income
9999 Not stated/not known/inadequately described

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person – income source (cash), code N{.N}
NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
Supersedes Sources of cash income, version 1, DE, NCSDD,
NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
See also Person – source of cash income (principal) NCSIMG,
Standard 29/04/2006, NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006

Source of principal income

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – source of cash income (principal), code N
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Main income source
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	321063
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The source from which a person derives the greatest proportion of his/her income, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	An indicator of the needs and circumstances of individuals and sometimes used in assessment of income equity.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – source of cash income (principal)
<i>Definition:</i>	The source from which a person derives the greatest proportion of his/her income.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Source of cash income

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code										
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>A person with more than one source of income should be categorised only to the value domain category, which best describes their primary source of income.</p> <p>The value domain categories shown above can be linked to broad sources of cash income specified in the Statistical Concepts Library of the Australian Bureau of Statistics. 'Sources of cash income' and 'Principal source of cash income' are classified to the Standard classification of sources of cash income. This is a three level hierarchical classification and is described in detail at the broad (one-digit), narrow (two-digit) and detailed (four-digit) levels.</p> <p>Code 1 Primary cash income:</p>
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Payments from an employer or own limited liability company, including wages or salary, tips, piece rates, penalty rates, loadings, regular bonuses, payment for time not worked (sick leave, recreation leave, public holidays etc.) and director's fees. An employee is classed as receiving cash from an employer or his/her own incorporated enterprise.

Code 2 Unincorporated business cash income:

Unincorporated business cash income is net of operating expenses including: labour costs in the form of wages, salaries and supplements; the value of raw materials and services purchased; the repair and maintenance of equipment (including vehicles); the purchase of fuel; indirect taxes; interest paid in connection with the business; and rent paid for buildings and land used in the business. Unincorporated business cash income is also net of depreciation of capital, such as machinery, vehicles and tools used in the business.

Code 3 Government cash pensions and allowances

All government cash pensions, benefits and allowances.

Code 4 Other income:

Includes cash income deriving from the ownership of assets (comprising returns from financial assets, physical assets and from intellectual assets), superannuation/annuities, transfers from private organisations (e.g. workers compensation), transfers from other households (e.g. child support payments) and scholarships.

Collection methods:

Please note the difference between the permissible values of this Value domain and the ABS classification (that is, Code 4 of this Value domain maps to code 9 of the classification and Code 9 of this value domain is a supplementary value.).

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:

Statistical concepts library, Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables, Framework for Standard Cash Income Variables, Classification and Coding, Canberra: Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Reference online through:

Ausstats Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

If the person has multiple sources of income and none equal to or greater than 50%, the one, which contributes the largest percentage, should be counted.

If there is more than one source and they are exactly equal, list the source of income which the person most identifies as receiving from the primary occupation.

Included is cash income that may be received from employment (Employee cash income), as a profit or loss from an unincorporated enterprise (Unincorporated business cash income), from the ownership of assets (Property cash income). Income may also be derived from current transfers from government (pensions and benefits) or from private sources,

such as superannuation funds. An individual may receive cash income from more than one source.

Excluded from this concept is income in kind e.g. barter for goods or services.

Collection methods:

This question is not asked of person's aged less than 15 years because they are generally dependants.

While this standard specifies the collection of data at the 1-digit level, individual community services data collections may use more detailed categories for one or more of the above for program or service-specific purposes. For example, the Commonwealth State Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set separately identifies disability support pension recipients and other pension/benefit recipients.

It is permissible for agencies to collect at 2- or 4-digit as well, if this suits their purposes.

The 2- and 4-digit levels are described below:

Narrow 2 digit representation

- 11 Employee cash income
- 21 Unincorporated business cash income
- 31 Allowances for students and the unemployed
- 32 Centrelink pensions for the aged and persons with a disability
- 39 Other Government cash pensions and allowances
- 41 Property cash income
- 42 Superannuation/annuities
- 43 Transfers from private organisations
- 44 Transfers from other households
- 43 Scholarships
- 49 Other cash income
- 88 Nil income
- 99 Not stated/not known/inadequately described

Detailed (four-digit) representation

- 1101 Employee cash income
- 2101 **Unincorporated business** cash income
- 3101 Newstart allowance
- 3102 Youth allowance
- 3103 Mature age allowance
- 3104 Sickness allowance
- 3105 Austudy payment
- 3106 ABSTUDY payment
- 3201 Age pension
- 3202 Disability support pension
- 3901 Family Tax Benefit (Parts A and B)
- 3902 Parenting Payment
- 3903 Double Orphan Pension
- 3904 Carer Allowance
- 3905 Wife Pension
- 3906 Bereavement Allowance
- 3907 Widow Allowance (Widow B Pension)
- 3908 Carer Payment
- 3911 Service pension (DVA)
- 3912 Disability pension (DVA)
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for the National Community Services Data Committee.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Person – income source (principal), code N[N] NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
See also Person – source of cash income (all) code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006

Status in employment

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (employed) – status in employment, code N
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269951
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The person's position in relation to their employment, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (employed) – status in employment
<i>Definition:</i>	The person's position in relation to their employment.
<i>Context:</i>	An indicator of the socio-economic status (economic activity) of a person and a key element in assessing the circumstances and needs of individuals and families. This metadata item is one of a group of items that provide a description of a person's labour force characteristics.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Status in employment

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code												
<i>Data type:</i>	Number												
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Employee</p> <p>This code represents a person who works for a public or private employer and receives remuneration in wages, salary, or a retainer fee from their employer while working on a commission basis or for tips, piece-rates or payment in kind. An employee may also be a person who operates his or her own incorporated enterprise with or without hiring employees.</p> <p>CODE 2 Employer</p> <p>This code represents a person who operates his or her own unincorporated economic enterprise or engages independently in a profession or trade, and hires one or more employees.</p> <p>CODE 3 Own account worker</p>
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This code represents a person who operates his or her own unincorporated economic enterprise or engages independently in a profession or trade, and hires no employees.

CODE 4 Contributing family worker

This code represents a person who works without pay in an economic enterprise operated by a relative.

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 item has not been collected.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Labour Statistics Concepts, Sources and Methods. Cat. no. 6102.0. Canberra: ABS. Reference through:

<http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary> and choose 'Other ABS Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Labour Force Variables'.

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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Usually the standard applies to the 'main job' in which the person is employed (that is, the job in which the person usually works the most hours). However, it may also be applied to the person's 'last job', 'second job', etc.'

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Status in employment, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Street name (person)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (address) – street name, text [A(30)]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270019
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The concatenation of a person's street type and street suffix resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality, as represented by text.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (address) – street name
<i>Definition:</i>	The concatenation of a person's street type and street suffix resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Street name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(30)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	30

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	To be used in conjunction with street type. To be used in conjunction with street suffix.
<i>Comments:</i>	Where suburb/town/locality, state/territory and Postcode - Australian are insufficient to assign a Statistical Local Area (SLA) code from the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Cat. No. 1216.0) , the Street name metadata item in conjunction with street type, house/property identifier and street suffix should also be used.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee Australia Post Address Presentation Standard
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Street name, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Is used in the formation of Person (address) – address line, text
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[X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Is used in the formation of Person (address) – health address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Street name (service provider organisation)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – street name, text [A(30)]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	290218
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The concatenation of an organisation's street type and street suffix resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality, as represented by text.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – street name
<i>Definition:</i>	The concatenation of an organisation's street type and street suffix resulting in a name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Street name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(30)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	30

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	To be used in conjunction with street type. To be used in conjunction with street suffix.
<i>Comments:</i>	Where suburb/town/locality, state/territory and Postcode - Australian are insufficient to assign a Statistical Local Area (SLA) code from the Australian Standard Geographical Classification (Australian Bureau of Statistics, Cat. No. 1216.0) , the Street name metadata item in conjunction with street type, house/property identifier and street suffix should also be used.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee Australia Post Address Presentation Standard
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation
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(address)—address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard
04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Street suffix code (person)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (address) – street suffix, code A[A]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270022
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where a person resides, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (address) – street suffix
<i>Definition:</i>	The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where a person resides.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Street suffix

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	To be used in conjunction with street name. To be used in conjunction with street type. For example: Browns Rd W
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post
Address Presentation Standard

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Street suffix code, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
Is used in the formation of Person (address) – address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
Is used in the formation of Person (address) – health address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Street suffix code (service provider organisation)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – street suffix, code A[A]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	290170
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where an organisation is located, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – street suffix
<i>Definition:</i>	The abbreviated suffix that identifies the type of street where an organisation is located.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Street suffix

Value domain attributes

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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	To be used in conjunction with street name. To be used in conjunction with street type. For example:
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Browns Rd W

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post
Address Presentation Standard

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation (address) – address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Street type code (person)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (address)—street type, code A[AAA]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270020
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of public thoroughfare where a person resides, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (address)—street type
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of public thoroughfare where a person resides.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Street type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	A[AAA]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The following is a list of commonly used abbreviations from AS 4590:

Street type	Abbreviation
Alley	Ally
Arcade	Arc
Avenue	Ave
Boulevard	Bvd
Bypass	Bypa
Circuit	Cct
Close	Cl
Corner	Crn
Court	Ct
Crescent	Cres
Cul-de-sac	Cds
Drive	Dr
Esplanade	Esp
Green	Grn
Grove	Gr
Highway	Hwy
Junction	Jnc
Lane	Lane
Link	Link

Mews	Mews
Parade	Pde
Place	Pl
Ridge	Rdge
Road	Rd
Square	Sq
Street	St
Terrace	Tce

Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Standards Australia
<i>Origin:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post Address Presentation Standard

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Street type code, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
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Street type code (service provider organisation)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – street type, code A[AAA]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	290193
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of public thoroughfare where an organisation is located, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – street type
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of public thoroughfare where an organisation is located.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Street type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	String
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: To be collected in conjunction with street name. To be collected in conjunction with street suffix.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post Address Presentation Standard

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation (address) – address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Suburb/town/locality name (person)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name, text [A(50)]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287326
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name of the locality contained within the specific address of a person, as represented by text.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name of the locality contained within the specific address of a person.
<i>Context:</i>	In conjunction with the postcode, the data element Suburb/town/locality name is included as an alternative means of reporting information about the geographic location of the residence of a client, or an agency/establishment or where an event occurred. The preferred standard for reporting this information is by using a statistical local area (SLA) in conjunction with a State/Territory code. However, as some agencies may have difficulty allocating SLA codes to the residential locations of their clients without more computerised assistance than is currently available to them, agencies may be given the option of reporting this information by using Australian postcode plus Suburb/town/locality name. Suburb/town/locality name may also be a component of a postal address.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Suburb/town/locality name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(50)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	50

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The suburb/town/locality name may be a town, city, suburb or commonly used location name such as a large agricultural property or Aboriginal community. This metadata item may be used to describe the location of person. It can be a component of a street or postal address. The Australian Bureau of Statistics has suggested that a
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maximum field length of 50 characters should be sufficient to record the vast majority of locality names.

Collection methods:

Enter 'Unknown' when the locality name or geographic area for a person or event is not known. Enter 'No fixed address' when a person has no fixed address or is **homeless**.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

National Health Data Committee
National Community Services Data Committee

Reference documents:

AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney:
Standards Australia
AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney:
Standards Australia
Australia Post 2005. Australia Postcode File.
Viewed 12 April, www.auspost.com.au/postcodes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name, text [A(50)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005
Is used in the formation of Person (address) – postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)} NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005
Is used in the formation of Dwelling – geographic location, remoteness structure code (ASGC 2004) N[N] NHDAMG, Retired 10/02/2006

Suburb/town/locality name (service provider organisation)

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – suburb/town/locality name, text [A(50)]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	290059
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name of the general locality containing the specific address of an organisation, as represented by text.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – suburb/town/locality name
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name of the general locality containing the specific address of an organisation.
<i>Context:</i>	In conjunction with the data element Postcode-Australian, the data element Suburb/town/locality name is included as an alternative means of reporting information about the geographic location of an agency/establishment. The preferred standard for reporting this information is by using a statistical local area (SLA) in conjunction with a State/Territory code. Suburb/town/locality name may also be a component of a postal address.
<i>Object class:</i>	Service provider organisation
<i>Property:</i>	Suburb/town/locality name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(50)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	50

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>The suburb/town/locality name, may be a town, city, suburb or commonly used location name such as a large agricultural property or Aboriginal community.</p> <p>The Australian Bureau of Statistics has suggested that a maximum field length of 50 characters should be sufficient to record the vast majority of locality names.</p> <p>This metadata item may be used to describe the location of an organisation. It can be a component of a street or postal address.</p>
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Collection methods: Enter 'Unknown' when the locality name or geographic area for an organisation is not known.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee
National Community Services Data Committee
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Standards Australia
AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney:
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of Service provider organisation (address) – postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)} NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005

Telephone number

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person – telephone number, text [X(40)]
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270266
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The person's contact telephone number, as represented by text.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person – telephone number
<i>Definition:</i>	Person contact telephone number.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Telephone number

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[X(40)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	40

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	More than one phone number may be recorded as required. Each phone number should have an appropriate telephone number type code assigned. Record the full phone number (including any prefixes) with no punctuation (hyphens or brackets).
<i>Collection methods:</i>	Prefix plus telephone number: Record the prefix plus telephone number. The default should be the local prefix with an ability to overtype with a different prefix. For example, 08 8226 6000 or 0417 123456. Punctuation: Do not record punctuation. For example, (08) 8226 6000 or 08-8226 6000 would not be correct. Unknown: Leave the field blank.
<i>Comments:</i>	Concerned with the use of person identification data. For organisations that create, use or maintain records on people. Organisations should use this standard, where appropriate, for collecting data when registering people. The positive and unique identification of people is a critical event in service

delivery, with direct implications for the safety and quality of care delivered by health and community services.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Standards Australia

Origin:

National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Standards Australia 2002. Australian Standard AS5017-2002

Health Care Client Identification. Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Telephone number, version 2, DE, Int. NCSDD & NHDD, NCSIMG & NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Telephone number type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (telephone) – telephone number type, code A
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270299
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of telephone number recorded for a person, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (telephone) – telephone number type
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of telephone number recorded for a person.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Telephone number type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Where more than one telephone number has been recorded, then each telephone number should have the appropriate telephone number type code assigned.
<i>Comments:</i>	Concerned with the use of person identification data. For organisations that create, use or maintain records on people. Organisations should use this standard, where appropriate, for collecting data when registering people. The positive and unique identification of people is a critical event in service delivery, with direct implications for the safety and quality of care delivered by health and community services.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Standards Australia
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National Community Services Data Committee
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Health Care Client Identification. Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Telephone number type, version 2, DE, Int. NCSDD
& NHDD, NCSIMG & NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Year of arrival in Australia

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Element
<i>Technical name:</i>	Person (overseas born) – year of first arrival in Australia, date YYYY
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269929
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The year a person (born outside of Australia) first arrived in Australia, from another country, with the intention of staying in Australia for one year or more.

Data element concept attributes

<i>Data element concept:</i>	Person (overseas born) – year of first arrival in Australia
<i>Definition:</i>	The year a person (born outside of Australia) first arrived in Australia, from another country, with the intention of staying in Australia for one year or more.
<i>Context:</i>	Client demographic and support needs: This metadata item is an important indicator of cultural identity, and provides further information about the person's cultural values and practices which is significant in determining service type and support required. May also be used in conjunction with other socio-demographic data to indicate the background of the person, communication skills and their possible needs.
<i>Object class:</i>	Person
<i>Property:</i>	Year of first arrival in Australia

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	YYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	Actual year of arrival in Australia. Recommended question: In what year did you/the person first arrive in Australia to live here for one year or more? (Write in the calendar year of arrival or mark the box if here less than one year) Calendar year of arrival Will be here less than one year It is anticipated that for the majority of people their response to
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the question will be the year of their only arrival in Australia. However, some respondents may have multiple arrivals in Australia. To deal with these cases in self-enumerated collections, an instruction such as 'Please indicate the year of first arrival only' should be included with the question.

While agencies are encouraged to use the recommended question described above, it is acknowledged that this is not always possible in practice. For example, where the data collection is a by-product of the provision of a health or community service, the information may be ascertained using different means. However, the recommended question should be used wherever practically possible.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: The Australian Bureau of Statistics Standard for Year of Arrival in Australia. (last viewed 05/12/2006)

Reference documents: The ABS standard for the collection of Year of arrival in Australia appears on the ABS Website [http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary select Other ABS Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Cultural Diversity Variable](http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary+select+Other+ABS+Statistical+Standards/Standards+for+Social,+Labour+and+Demographic+Variables/Cultural+Diversity+Variable).

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Year of arrival in Australia, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Data Set Specifications

Functioning and Disability DSS

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification

METeOR identifier: 320319

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

DSS type: National Minimum Data Set (NMDS)

Scope: The Functioning and Disability DSS aims to ensure national consistency in relation to defining and measuring human functioning and disability. This DSS has been developed to be consistent with the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF).

Functioning and disability are dual concepts in a broad framework.

Functioning is the umbrella term for any or all of: body functions, body structures, activities and participation. Functioning is a multidimensional concept denoting the neutral aspects of the interaction between an individual (with a health condition) and that individual's environmental and personal factors.

Disability is the umbrella term for any or all of: an impairment of body structure or function, a limitation in activities, or a restriction in participation. Disability is a multi-dimensional and complex concept and is conceived as a dynamic interaction between health conditions and environmental and personal factors (WHO 2001:6).

A health condition may be a disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma. Environmental factors make up the physical, social and attitudinal environment in which people live and conduct their lives. Personal factors relate to the individual, such as age, sex and Indigenous status.

The components of functioning and disability are classified and defined in the ICF as **body structures** and **body functions, activities** and **participation** and **environmental factors**. Each component is composed of various domains; these are sets of related physiological functions, anatomical structures, actions, tasks, areas of life, and external influences. Qualifiers, the numeric measures coded after the relevant domain, are usually essential to the meaningful use of the classification because of the neutral terms of the domains.

Many different 'definitions' of disability are used in Australia, both in administrative data collections and in Acts of Parliament. The consistent identification of disability in national data collections has been recommended in a number of reports, for instance to enable:

- the monitoring of access to generic services by people with a disability;
- the collection of more consistent data on disability support and related services, including data on service use by different groups;
- population data and service data to be related, thereby improving the nation's analytical capacity in relation to the need for and supply of services; and
- improved understanding of the relationship between disability, health conditions and other health outcomes.

Defining disability makes it possible to determine the number of people in the population with disability, those who are accessing

services, both disability specific and generic, and those with a disability in the general population with unmet need. Better definition of disability will aid better targeting of resources to those in need.

The concept 'Disability' can be operationalised in a wide variety of settings and for various purposes, using a combination of related metadata items as building blocks.

The metadata items selected for a particular application may vary depending on the approach to functioning and disability. For example, in hospital rehabilitation, the focus may be on the impairment and activity dimensions, and in community-based care the focus may be primarily on participation. Some applications may require a broad scope for inclusion (e.g. discrimination legislation). Data collections relating to services will select combinations of the data elements, which best reflect the eligibility criteria for the service.

The Functioning and Disability DSS comprises the following four clusters to describe level of human functioning:

1. Body functioning, qualified by extent of impairment
2. Body structure, qualified by extent, nature and location of impairment
3. Activities and participation, qualified by level of difficulty and need for assistance with undertaking activities and extent of and satisfaction with participation
4. Environmental factors, qualified by extent of influence of the environment

Data collected using this DSS can be related to national data collections which use ICF concepts such as the Commonwealth State Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA) NMDS collection and the ABS Survey of Ageing, Disability and Carers and, from 2006, the Census.

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Each of the four clusters that make up the Functioning and Disability DSS should be recorded for a complete description of human functioning. This information can be gathered over time by a range of health and community care providers.

Completion of the DSS will record a person-centred description of the experience of functioning of the individual who is the subject of the data. The experience of functioning is in relation to a health condition, and does not consider decrements in functioning that may be associated with social factors such as ethnic background or economic status. For example, the level of communication is recorded in relation to the health condition, not to the fact that a person does not speak English at home.

The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an umbrella term for 'disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as:

- Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 5th Ed) ANN{.N[N]}
- Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 5th Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.

This DSS may be used in data collections in the community

services, housing and health sectors.

Comments:

The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002). The ICF is grounded in a human rights philosophy, and its relationship to the UN Standard Rules on Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities endorsed by the United Nations in 1994 is acknowledged. The purpose of the Rules is to ensure that people with disabilities, as members of their societies, may exercise the same rights and obligations as others.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which is the Australian Collaborating Centre for the World Health Organization Family of International Classifications.

Origin:

WHO 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO
AIHW 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW

Reference documents:

Further information on the ICF, including more detailed codes, can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003), at the following websites:

- WHO ICF
website <http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/>
- Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website
<http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html>

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
-	Activities and Participation cluster	Optional	1
-	Body functions cluster	Optional	1
-	Body structures cluster	Optional	1
-	Environmental factors cluster	Optional	1

Supporting metadata items

Object classes

Child

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268987
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 25/02/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/12/2004
<i>Definition:</i>	An individual under the age of 18 years.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Person (Age group)

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Child – abuse and neglect type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Client

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Client
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268969
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>A person, group or organisation eligible to receive services either directly or indirectly from an agency.</p>
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Agencies may provide assistance to individual persons, groups of persons (e.g. support groups) or to other organisations. All of these may be considered clients of an agency. Specific data collections may circumscribe the Type of clients that are included in the collection. For example, at the current stage of development of the Home and Community Care (HACC) Minimum Data Set (MDS), HACC funded agencies are only required to report on clients who are individual persons. Future developments may extend the coverage of the HACC MDS collection to include organisational or group clients.</p> <p>The definition of a 'client' may also be circumscribed by the definition of 'assistance'. What is included as 'assistance' may depend on what activities are considered significant enough to warrant separate recording and reporting of the nature and/or amount of the assistance provided to a person. For example, an agency worker answering a telephone call from an anonymous member of the public seeking some basic information (e.g. a phone number for someone) would not usually consider that this interaction constituted assistance of sufficient significance to warrant recording that person as a 'client'.</p> <p>Furthermore, what constitutes 'assistance' may be influenced by the type of assistance the agency was established to provide. In the above example, the agency in question was funded specifically to provide telephone advice, and referral information, to members of the public or specific sub-groups of the public. The agency may have a policy that all persons telephoning the agency for information are classified as clients, albeit anonymous clients.</p> <p>The level of support or the amount of support given to a person by an agency can also be used to define them as a client or not. For example in the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) National data collection, clients are defined by either taking up an amount of time of an agency; being accommodated by an agency; or by entering an ongoing support relationship with an agency.</p>
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Person (Client status)

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Client, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Data Element Concepts</i>	Client – case management plan indicator NCSIMG, Standard

implementing this Object Class: 01/03/2005

Date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	294409
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The day of the month and year as specified by a number.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Oxford English dictionary.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts</i>	Date – accuracy indicator NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
<i>implementing this Object Class:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Household

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268977
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A group of two or more related or unrelated people who usually reside in the same dwelling, and who make common provision for food or other essentials for living. Or a single person living in a dwelling who makes provision for his or her own food and other essentials for living, without combining with any other person.
<i>Context:</i>	Together with family, household is considered one of the basic groups of social aggregation. Information on household numbers and composition aids in identifying groups within the population such as Indigenous households or the number of people living alone.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Group of persons (Household status)

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>For the Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement (CSHA) data collections, the number of tenancy agreements is a practical proxy for calculating the number of households receiving housing assistance.</p> <p>The persons in the group may pool their incomes and have a common budget to a greater or lesser extent: they may be related or unrelated persons, or a combination of both.</p> <p>Only usual residents of the household are included as members of the household. Visitors to a household are, by definition, excluded from the household.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	CSHA Public rental housing data manual 2001-02
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Household, version 2, DEC, NHADD, NHDAMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Supersedes Household, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Household – household type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Household family

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268997
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Two or more persons, one of whom is at least 15 years of age, who are related by blood, marriage (registered or defacto), adoption , step or fostering, and who are usually resident in the same household.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>A person's family may form the central core of their support network. The basis of a family is formed by identifying the presence of a couple relationship, lone parent-child relationship or other blood relationship. A family may or may not live together and this co-residence may change over time. Related persons who live in other households may participate in the lives of family members they do not live with in a variety of ways, including financial, material, physical, emotional, legal and spiritual. For instance, frail older people may receive help from their adult children even though they do not live in the same household.</p> <p>Nonetheless, the household family has been traditionally viewed as a building block of society and is the predominant unit reported statistically and historically.</p> <p>Data on families, including co-resident families, are essential elements for the study of the well being of family groups and in this way for the study of the well being of individuals. They can be a tool indicating the type of and level of support to which a person has access.</p>
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Group of persons (Household family status)

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>This definition is the standard definition for 'Family' of the Australian Bureau of Statistics and is based around ABS collections of information from households.</p> <p>A household may include more than one family.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1995. Standards for Statistics on the Family 1995. Cat. no. 1286.0. Canberra: ABS
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Household family, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Household family – family type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Individual service provider

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269021
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A person who provides a service and/or care.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Service/care provider (Organisation status)

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Individual service provider – occupation (self-identified) NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Individual service provider – occupation end date NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Individual service provider – occupation start date NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Informal carer

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268964
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>An informal carer includes any person, such as a family member, friend or neighbour, who is giving regular, ongoing assistance to another person without payment for the care given.</p>
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Care and support networks where the carers are unpaid (other than pension or benefit) play a critical role in community services provision, especially in caring for frail aged and younger people with disabilities within the community.</p> <p>Information about informal carers is therefore of fundamental importance in assessing the ongoing needs of clients and their carers, and in service planning. The presence of an informal carer is often a key indicator of a person's ability to remain at home, especially if the person requires assistance. The absence of an informal carer, where a vulnerable client lives alone, is an indicator of client risk. Information on client living arrangement and informal carer availability provides an indicator of the potential in-home support and the extent to which the burden of care is absorbed by the informal caring system.</p> <p>The stability or otherwise of the informal carer's availability may be significant in the capacity of the client continuing to remain at home.</p> <p>Existing carer definitions (e.g. for purposes of establishing eligibility for Domiciliary Nursing Care Benefits (DNCB/Carer Allowance; Carer's Pension/Carer Payment) definitions used in ABS population, surveys of disability, ageing and carers) vary in context and purpose.</p>
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Individual service provider (Informal carer status)

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>The definition excludes formal care services such as homecare, care provided by volunteers or foster care that is arranged by formal services. It also excludes unregistered child carers who are receiving payment for their services. Where a potential carer is not prepared to undertake the caring role, the carer is considered to be not available.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Informal carer, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Informal carer – co-residency status NCSIMG, Standard

01/03/2005

Informal carer – relationship to care recipient NCSIMG,
Standard 01/03/2005

Person

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268955
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A human being, whether man, woman or child.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Person/group of persons (Group status)

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd edn.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Person (address) – address line NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – address type NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – Australian postcode NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
	Person (address) – country identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – electronic communication address NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – electronic communication medium NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – electronic communication usage code NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – international postcode NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – non-Australian state/province NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
	Person (address) – postal delivery point identifier NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Person (assessed) – assistance eligibility status NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006
	Person (employed) – full-time/part-time status NCSIMG, Standard 14/12/2005

Person (employed) – hours worked (per week) NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person (employed) – status in employment NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person (name) – family name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 28/07/2005

Person (name) – given name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005

Person (name) – given name sequence number NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Person (name) – name conditional use flag NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005

Person (name) – name context flag NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005

Person (name) – name suffix NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person (name) – name suffix sequence number NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Person (name) – name title NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person (name) – name title sequence number NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Person (name) – name type NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Person (overseas born) – year of first arrival in Australia NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person (requiring care) – carer availability status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006

Person (telephone) – telephone number type NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person – activity and participation life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Person – age NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 04/05/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 17/06/2005

Person – age (community services) NCSIMG, Superseded 04/05/2005

Person – Australian state/territory identifier NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006

Person – body function NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Person – body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Person – communication method NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person – country of birth NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 27/07/2005
 Person – date of birth NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 27/07/2005
 Person – date of death NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
 Person – disability group NCSIMG, Standard 08/05/2006
 Person – eligibility status NHIG, Standard 04/01/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 04/01/2006
 Person – environmental factor NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person – extent of environmental factor influence NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person – extent of impairment of body function NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person – extent of impairment of body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person – extent of participation in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person – field of education NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person – first language spoken NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
 Person – geographic location NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person – income source (cash) NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
 Person – income source (principal) NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
 Person – Indigenous status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person – informal carer existence indicator NCSIMG, Standard 02/05/2006
 Person – interpreter service required NHIG, Standard 08/02/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 10/04/2006
 Person – interpreter service required (community services) NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person – labour force status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
 Person – legal order/arrangement type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person – level of difficulty with activities in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person – level of highest educational attainment NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
 Person – level of highest educational attainment NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006

Person—level of satisfaction with participation in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person—living arrangement NHIG, Standard 19/04/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person—location of impairment of body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person—main language other than English spoken at home NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
 Person—marital status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
 Person—mother's original family name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person—nature of impairment of body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person—need for assistance with activities in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Person—occupation (main) NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
 Person—person identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005
 Person—person identifier (within establishment/agency) NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005
 NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005
 Person—preferred language NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 10/04/2006
 Person—proficiency in spoken English NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
 Person—relationship to household reference person NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person—religious affiliation NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person—residential setting NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person—service activity type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 Person—sex NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
 Person—source of cash income (all) NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
 Person—source of cash income (principal) NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
 Person—telephone number NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Referral

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269015
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A recommendation by a care or service provider to further care or alternative services.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Service/care event (Referral event status)

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Referral – contact method NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Referral – referral receipt date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Referral – referral source NCSIMG, Standard 02/06/2005
	Referral – referral source (community services) NCSIMG, Superseded 02/06/2005

Service episode

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320994
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>A period of time during which a client receives assistance from an agency.</p>
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Service provision and planning:</p> <p>The concept of a service episode (and associated metadata items) is necessary for the analysis, of the length of provision of assistance to clients. In conjunction with information about the amount and type of assistance received by clients, information about the length of the service episode also gives some indication of the intensity of assistance provided by agencies.</p> <p>A client's service episode always begins and ends with dates that mark the first and last time that the person received assistance from the agency. That is, a service episode will always begin and end with service event (see metadata item the service event).</p> <p>The pathway or process followed by a person entering or exiting from a service episode varies from one agency to another and from one type of assistance to another. It cannot be assumed, for example, that every client has undergone an assessment (or the same type of assessment) before entering a service episode. At times, a client may receive services from an agency on the basis of a referral from an established source with which the agency has well-developed referral protocols. At other times, a client who has been previously assisted by the agency may begin to receive services again without undergoing the same level of assessment on entry into a subsequent service episode.</p> <p>The definition of service episode has not assumed that any standard sequence of events applies to all service episodes for all clients across all types of agencies and across all programs. Rather, the definition of a service episode allows for the receipt of any of the types of assistance to serve as a trigger for the beginning of a service episode. That is, the service activity associated with the beginning of a service episode (i.e. the first service event) will vary across agencies.</p> <p>While agency policies and practices will impact upon the determination of a Service episode to some extent (e.g. different policies for taking clients 'off the books') the basic feature across agencies remain the first and the last Service events received by a client within a period of receipt of assistance. Establishing greater consistency in the determination of Service episodes would require a national cross-program approach to standardising entry and exit procedures across the community service sector.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Service episode, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG,
Superseded 01/03/2005

*Data Element Concepts
implementing this Object Class:*

Service episode – episode end date NCSIMG, Standard
01/03/2005

Service episode – episode start date NCSIMG, Standard
16/05/2006

Service episode – service cessation reason NCSIMG, Standard
01/03/2005

Service episode – type of goods and equipment received
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Service event

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320989
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 07/03/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	An instance or occasion of assistance received by a client from a service provider.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Information about individual instances of the receipt of assistance by a client from a service agency is of fundamental interest to service providers, but may or may not be required for national reporting purposes. However, information about an individual service event is a basic building block for other information that is of relevance to national reporting and statistical analysis. For example, if information about the length of time that certain types of persons have received particular types of assistance from specific types of agencies is required, then information about each instance of service provision should be recorded in a standard way. This should enable reliable, valid and comparable data to be reported nationally.</p> <p>Generally, a service event is described by a cluster of data elements that provide information about when it happened, where it happened, what assistance was received, how much and from whom. The need for information about service events reflects an interest in locating community service assistance to clients in time. This information may help to identify the intensity of assistance received by a person during a time period. Knowing when a person received assistance from an agency also helps to identify those records that are of interest to particular data collections. For example, an agency may be required to report on all assistance provided to clients during, say 1999-2000.</p> <p>As with the definition of Client, what constitutes a Service event is influenced by the definition of 'assistance'. That is, every interaction between an agency and a client may not be considered of sufficient significance to warrant recording as a Service event. Furthermore, decisions about what is included or excluded from the definition of 'assistance' may be affected by specific program requirements as well as practical considerations related to the amount of time and resources it takes to record every interaction between an agency and a client.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Service event – assessment date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Service event – assistance received date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Service event – assistance request date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Service event – assistance urgency NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Service event – first service contact date NCSIMG, Standard
01/03/2005

Service event – last service provision date NCSIMG, Standard
07/03/2006

Service event – reason assistance not provided NCSIMG, Standard
01/03/2005

Service event – service delivery setting NCSIMG, Standard
02/05/2006

Service event – type of goods and equipment received NCSIMG,
Standard 01/03/2005

Service provider organisation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269022
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An organisation that provides services and/or care.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Service/care provider (Organisation status)

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – address line NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – address type NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – Australian postcode NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – electronic communication address NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – electronic communication medium NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – international postcode NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – non-Australian state/province NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – postal delivery point identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – suburb/town/locality name NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005 Service provider organisation (name) – name type NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (name) – organisation name NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation – Australian state/territory identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 07/12/2005 Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff NCSIMG,
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Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff NCSIMG,
Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – geographic location NCSIMG,
Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – hours worked NCSIMG, Standard
01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – number of service operation days
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – number of service operation hours
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – number of service operation weeks
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – organisation end date NHIG,
Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
Service provider organisation – organisation identifier NCSIMG,
Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – organisation start date NHIG,
Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
Service provider organisation – service activity type NCSIMG,
Standard 01/03/2005
Service provider organisation – service delivery setting NCSIMG,
Standard 29/04/2006

Properties

Abuse and neglect type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269167
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of actions or inactions which have resulted in, or may result in, significant harm or injury to another person.
<i>Property group:</i>	Crisis event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Child – abuse and neglect type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Accuracy indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	294414
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The level of detail to which recorded information is correct.
<i>Property group:</i>	Performance indicators

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Date – accuracy indicator NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Activity and participation life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	324432
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	Life areas in which individuals may participate or undertake activities.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – activity and participation life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Address line

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	292741
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A composite of one or more standard address components that describes a low level of geographical/physical description of a location.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – address line NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – address line NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Address type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269037
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of a geographical/ physical location.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – address type NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – address type NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Age

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269152
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 04/05/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The length of life or existence.
<i>Property group:</i>	Physical characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Macquarie University 2003. The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed. Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty Ltd

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – age NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 04/05/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 17/06/2005 Person – age (community services) NCSIMG, Superseded 04/05/2005
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Assessment date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269248
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which the need for assistance, appropriateness of service provision and/or circumstances was assessed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – assessment date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Assistance received date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269249
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which assistance is formally received.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – assistance received date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Assistance request date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269250
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an assistance is formally requested.
<i>Property group:</i>	Request for/entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – assistance request date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Assistance urgency

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269124
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The assessed time period within which assistance is needed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service/care urgency

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event—assistance urgency NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Australian postcode

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269316
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place.
<i>Context:</i>	Postcode is an important part of a postal address and facilitates written communication. It is one of a number of geographic identifiers that can be used to determine a geographic location.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Standards Australia Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – Australian postcode NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006 Service provider organisation (address) – Australian postcode NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005
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Australian state/territory identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269056
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An identifier of the Australian state or territory.
<i>Context:</i>	This is a geographic indicator which is used for analysis of the distribution of clients or patients, agencies or establishments and services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Establishment – Australian state/territory identifier NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Person – Australian state/territory identifier NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006 Service provider organisation – Australian state/territory identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 07/12/2005
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Body function

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320237
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The physiological or psychological function of body system.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—body function NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Body structure

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320249
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	An anatomical part of the body such as organs, limbs or their components.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Building/complex sub-unit identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269388
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The specification of the number or identifier of a building/complex, marina, etc. to clearly distinguish it from another.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
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Building/complex sub-unit type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269380
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The specification of the type of a separately identifiable portion within a building/complex, marina, etc. to clearly distinguish it from another.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
<i>Origin:</i>	Australia Post Address Presentation Standard.

Building/property name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269387
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name used to identify the physical building or property as part of its location.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
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Case management plan indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269312
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of the extent to which a case management plan has been implemented in the provision of a service.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client – case management plan indicator NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Co-residency status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269168
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether a person resides with another person.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Informal carer – co-residency status NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Communication method

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269178
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The method used to exchange information.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Communication may be in a language other than English, even where the person can speak fluent English.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – communication method NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Contact method

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269108
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The method by which contact with an agency was made.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Referral – contact method NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Country identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288063
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The country component of an address.
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – country identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Country of birth

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269206
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The country in which an individual was born.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—country of birth NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 27/07/2005
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Date of birth

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269318
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an individual was born.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – date of birth NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 27/07/2005
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Date of death

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287292
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Date on which an individual died.
<i>Context:</i>	
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Data Element Concepts implementing this Property: Person – date of death NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Disability group

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	315314
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 08/05/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The disability group that most clearly expresses the experience of disability of a person.
<i>Property group:</i>	Health and wellbeing

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – disability group NCSIMG, Standard 08/05/2006
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Electronic communication address

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287451
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The characters used for the purpose of communication by electronic means.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – electronic communication address NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – electronic communication address NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Electronic communication medium

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287501
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of mechanism used for electronic communication.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – electronic communication medium NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – electronic communication medium NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Electronic communication usage code

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287523
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The manner of use of an electronic communication address.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – electronic communication usage code NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Eligibility status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	304551
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 05/01/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of eligibility for services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—eligibility status NHIG, Standard 04/01/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 04/01/2006
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Environmental factor

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Property

METeOR identifier: 320223

Registration status: NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Definition: Environmental factors make up the physical, social and attitudinal environment in which individuals live and conduct their lives.

Relational attributes

Data Element Concepts implementing this Property: Person – environmental factor NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Episode end date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269252
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Proposed 19/07/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an episode is completed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Exit/leave from service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – episode end date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Episode start date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269253
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 16/05/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an episode commenced.
<i>Property group:</i>	Request for/entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – episode start date NCSIMG, Standard 16/05/2006
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Extent of environmental factor influence

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320232
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The degree to which specified environmental factors influence functioning and disability.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – extent of environmental factor influence NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Extent of impairment of body function

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320240
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The degree of impairment in a specified body function.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – extent of impairment of body function NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Extent of impairment of body structure

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320252
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The degree of impairment in a specified body structure.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – extent of impairment of body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Extent of participation in a life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	324449
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The degree of participation in a life area.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – extent of participation in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Family name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269355
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A designation for a family.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – family name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 28/07/2005
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Family type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269320
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of family.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Household family – family type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Field of education

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269173
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The subject matter of an educational activity.
<i>Property group:</i>	Educational characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED). Cat. No. 1272.0. Canberra: ABS

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – field of education NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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First language spoken

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269243
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The language first used for oral communication.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – first language spoken NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
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First service contact date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269346
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Date on which the first service contact occurs.
<i>Property group:</i>	Request for/entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – first service contact date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Floor/level identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269053
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Descriptor used to identify the floor or level of a multi-storey building/complex.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Floor/level type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269379
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Descriptor used to classify the type of floor or level of a multi-storey building/complex.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
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Full-time equivalent staff

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269172
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 13/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Hours actually worked divided by the number of normal hours worked by a full-time staff member.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Full-time/part-time status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	318676
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 14/12/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A categorisation by actual hours worked or intent to work.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (employed) – full-time/part-time status NCSIMG, Standard 14/12/2005
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Geographic location

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269234
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Retired 10/02/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	A description of physical location.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – geographic location NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation – geographic location NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Given name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269222
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A designation for an individual within the family group or by which the individual is socially identified.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – given name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
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Given name sequence number

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287587
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An order of given name or initials.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – given name sequence number NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Hours worked

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269066
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The amount of time devoted to a work activity over a specified period.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (employed) – hours worked (per week) NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Service provider organisation – hours worked NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

House/property identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269386
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The numeric or alphanumeric reference number of a house or property that is unique within a street name.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
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Household type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269322
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of household in terms of members present.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Household – household type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Indigenous status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269161
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of identification as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – Indigenous status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Informal carer existence indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	313244
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 02/05/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether or not an informal carer exists.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Carer availability status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005, NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – informal carer existence indicator NCSIMG, Standard 02/05/2006

International postcode

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288969
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – international postcode NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – international postcode NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Interpreter service required status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269289
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Retired 10/02/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of a need for a translation service.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—interpreter service required NHIG, Standard 08/02/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 10/04/2006 Person—interpreter service required (community services) NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Labour force status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Employment status
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269067
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of participation in paid employment or economic inactivity.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – labour force status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
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Last service provision date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269246
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Date on which the last service occurred.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – last service provision date NCSIMG, Standard 07/03/2006
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Legal order/arrangement type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269313
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of legal order or legal arrangement.
<i>Property group:</i>	Legal characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—legal order/arrangement type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Level of difficulty with activities in a life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320312
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	An expression of the ease of which tasks and actions in a life area are performed.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—level of difficulty with activities in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Level of educational attainment

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	321057
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The level of academic qualification achieved.
<i>Property group:</i>	Educational characteristics

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	The concept of level of education used is broadly consistent with the concept used in the ASCED which takes its meaning from the ISCED 1997, which states that “the notion of ‘levels’ of education is taken to be broadly related to gradations of learning experiences...”, and that “the level is related to the degree of complexity of the content of the programmes.” (UNESCO 1997, p.10).
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – level of highest educational attainment NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
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Level of satisfaction with participation in a life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	324441
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The level of satisfaction with participation in a life area, in relation to current life goals.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – level of satisfaction with participation in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Living arrangement

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269314
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 19/04/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An arrangement of living alone or with others.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—living arrangement NHIG, Standard 19/04/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Location of impairment of body structure

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320262
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The site where a specified body structure differs from the accepted population standard.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—location of impairment of body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Lot/section identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269059
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The lot/section reference allocated to an address in the absence of street numbering.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Main language other than English spoken at home

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269176
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The primary language spoken at home, excluding English.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – main language other than English spoken at home NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Marital status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269101
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of involvement in a couple relationship or marriage.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – marital status NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Mother's original family name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Mother's maiden name
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269229
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The family name of an individual's mother before the mother's first marriage.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – mother's original family name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Name conditional use flag

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287051
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of specific conditions which should be applied to a recorded name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Name context flag NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005, NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – name conditional use flag NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005

Name suffix

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269224
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An additional term following a name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – name suffix NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Name suffix sequence number

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288187
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An order of additional terms at the conclusion of a name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – name suffix sequence number NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Name title

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269225
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An honorific form of address commencing a name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – name title NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Name title sequence number

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288244
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The numeric order of an honorific form of address commencing a name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – name title sequence number NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Name type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269227
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (name) – name type NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (name) – name type NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Nature of impairment of body structure

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320276
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The qualitative or quantitative change to the characteristics of a specified body structure compared with accepted population standards.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – nature of impairment of body structure NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Need for assistance with activities in a life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	324428
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The need for personal assistance and/or supervision to perform tasks and actions in a life area.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – need for assistance with activities in a life area NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Non-Australian state/province

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288616
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The designation applied to an internal, political or geographic division of a country other than Australia that is officially recognised by that country.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Standards Australia
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – non-Australian state/province NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – non-Australian state/province NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Number of service operation days

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269309
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A count of days during a specified period that a service provider is open to provide services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Performance indicators

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation days NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Number of service operation hours

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269310
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A count of hours during a specified period a service provider is open to provide services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Performance indicators

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation hours NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Number of service operation weeks

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269311
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A count of the number of weeks during a specified period that a service provider is open to provide services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Performance indicators

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation – number of service operation weeks NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Occupation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269099
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of job based on similarities in the tasks undertaken.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Individual service provider – occupation (self-identified) NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 Person – occupation (main) NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Occupation end date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	289049
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	When the class of job based on similarities in the tasks undertaken concludes.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Individual service provider – occupation end date NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Occupation start date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	289055
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	When the class of job based on similarities in the tasks undertaken commences.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Individual service provider – occupation start date NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Organisation end date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288650
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which operations or practice were concluded.
<i>Property group:</i>	Organisational characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation – organisation end date NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Organisation name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288901
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The appellation by which an establishment, agency or organisation is known or called.
<i>Property group:</i>	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Standards Australia
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation (name) – organisation name NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Organisation start date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	288941
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which operations or a service commenced.
<i>Property group:</i>	Organisational characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service provider organisation – organisation start date NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005
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Person identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269369
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A sequence of characters which identify a person.
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	National minimum data set working parties
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – person identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 Person – person identifier (within establishment/agency) NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005
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Postal delivery point identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269334
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A sequence of assigned characters which uniquely identify a postal delivery point.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – postal delivery point identifier NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – postal delivery point identifier NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005
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Preferred language

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269244
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The language most preferred for communication.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – preferred language NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 10/04/2006
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Proficiency in spoken English

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269192
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of the level of skill in speaking English.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – proficiency in spoken English NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Reason assistance not provided

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269088
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason goods, services, time or funds were not provided.
<i>Property group:</i>	Request for/entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – reason assistance not provided NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Referral receipt date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269047
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The day on which a referral notification is received.
<i>Property group:</i>	Referral event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Referral – referral receipt date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Referral source

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269061
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A person or organisation from which a person or group of people is referred.
<i>Property group:</i>	Referral event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Referral – referral source NCSIMG, Standard 02/06/2005
	Referral – referral source (community services) NCSIMG, Superseded 02/06/2005

Relationship to care recipient

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269078
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The association between a person receiving care and another person, organisation or group of people.
<i>Property group:</i>	Informal assistance characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Informal carer – relationship to care recipient NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Relationship to reference person

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269216
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of relationship an individual has with a designated person.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – relationship to household reference person NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Religious affiliation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269030
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	An association or connection with a particular theology or spiritual belief.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – religious affiliation NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Residential setting

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269116
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The accommodation in which a person, family or group of people lives.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – residential setting NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Service activity type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269332
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of service.
<i>Property group:</i>	Organisational characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—service activity type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation—service activity type NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Service cessation reason

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269358
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason why the delivery of a service ceased.
<i>Property group:</i>	Exit/leave from service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – service cessation reason NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Service delivery setting

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269375
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The setting in which assistance or services are provided.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – service delivery setting NCSIMG, Standard 02/05/2006
	Service provider organisation – service delivery setting NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006

Sex

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269231
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The biological distinction between male and female.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1999. Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables. Demographic Variables, Sex

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – sex NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Source of cash income

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269271
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The source from which a cash income is derived.
<i>Property group:</i>	Financial characteristics

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	This property relates to a cash income as opposed to all income that includes income in kind (e.g. barter for goods or services etc).
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – income source (cash) NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
	Person – income source (principal) NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
	Person – source of cash income (all) NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
	Person – source of cash income (principal) NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
	NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006

Status in employment

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Relative employment position
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269068
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A categorisation of a population of job holders by their perception of the relationship between themselves and the 'main' enterprise for which they work, together with the legal status of the enterprise where this can be established.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Labour Statistics Concepts, Sources and Methods. Cat. no. 6102.0. Canberra: ABS. Reference through: http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary and choose 'Other ABS Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Labour Force Variables'.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (employed) – status in employment NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Street name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269385
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The name that identifies a public thoroughfare and differentiates it from others in the same suburb/town/locality.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
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Street suffix

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269384
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Term used to qualify the street name used for directional references.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
<i>Origin:</i>	AS4590 Interchange of client information, Australia Post Address Presentation Standard.

Street type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269383
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A code that identifies the type of public thoroughfare.
<i>Context:</i>	Australian addresses.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
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Suburb/town/locality name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269335
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name of the general locality containing the specific address.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation (address) – suburb/town/locality name NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 31/08/2005
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Telephone number

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269232
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A sequence of digits.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – telephone number NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Telephone number type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269239
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The class of telephone number.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (telephone) – telephone number type NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Type of goods and equipment received

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269305
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of material assistance received.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – type of goods and equipment received NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Service event – type of goods and equipment received NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Year of first arrival in Australia

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269050
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The calendar year in which an individual first arrived in Australia.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (overseas born) – year of first arrival in Australia NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Classification schemes

Australian Standard Classification of Education 2001

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	ASCED 2001
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270551
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics classification for fields of education.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	ASCED comprises two classifications: Level of Education and Field of Education. Both the level and field of education components can be used to report statistics on various aspects of educational activity, such as student enrolments by level of course or by field of study; teaching resources by level of course; financial resources by field; or educational attainment by level and field.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED). Cat. No. 1272.0. Canberra: ABS. (last viewed 21 March 2006)
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Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Field of education code (ASCED 2001) NN[<code>{NN}</code>]{ <code>NN</code> } NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Highest education level code (ASCED 2001) N[<code>NN</code>] NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Australian Standard Classification of Languages 2005

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	ASCL 2005
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	304118
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 08/02/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) classification for the languages spoken by Australians.
<i>Classification structure:</i>	The ASCL has a three-level hierarchical structure. Languages are grouped together into progressively broader categories on the basis of their evolution from a common ancestral language, and on the basis of geographic proximity of areas where a particular language originated.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The ASCL is intended for use in the collection, aggregation and dissemination of data relating to the language use of the Australian population, or subsets of the population. Indexes in alphabetical and numerical order are available, see the <i>Origin:</i> attribute.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2005. <i>Australian Standard Classification of Languages (ASCL) 2005</i> . Cat. no. 1267.0. 2nd Edition, Canberra: ABS. Viewed 29 July 2005
<i>Revision status:</i>	If you require further information about this classification please email: social.classifications@abs.gov.au or telephone the Standards Support Hotline on (02) 6252 5736.

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Australian Standard Classification of Languages 1997 NHIG, Superseded 08/02/2006, NCSIMG, Superseded 30/09/2005
<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Language code (ASCL 2005) NN{NN} NHIG, Standard 08/02/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006

Australian Standard Classification of Occupations 2nd edition

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	ASCO 2nd edn
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270547
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) classification for occupations.
<i>Classification structure:</i>	<p>The ASCO Second Edition is a hierarchically structured classification with five levels of aggregation. The nine Major Groups are distinguished from each other on the basis of skill level and, where necessary, the broad concept of skill specialisation. Skill level is a function of the range and complexity of the set of tasks involved. The greater the range and complexity of the set of tasks, the greater the skill level of the occupation. The criteria to measure skill level are the formal education and/or training (ie. primary, secondary or tertiary education) and previous experience usually required for entry to the occupation.</p> <p>Skill specialisation of an occupation is a function of the field of knowledge required, tools and equipment used, materials worked on, and goods or services produced in relation to the tasks performed. Skill specialisation is used to group occupations according to type, rather than level of skill. The definition of skill specialisation remains unchanged from the First Edition but includes reference to non-production based operations.</p>

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Supersedes the Australian Standard Classification of Occupations, First Edition. for concordance tables see <i>Origin</i> .
<i>Comments:</i>	<p>ISCO-88 also uses skill level and skill specialisation as criteria to structure the occupation classification.</p> <p>The 10 major groups in ISCO-88 are broadly consistent similar to the nine ASCO, Second Edition major groups. The most significant difference at the major group level is that ISCO-88 has identified Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers as a separate major group, where as ASCO Second Edition includes Farmers and Farm Managers as a sub-group in Major Group 1 Managers and Administrators, and Skilled Agricultural and Horticultural workers as a sub-major group in Major Group 4 Tradespersons and Related Workers.</p> <p>ISCO-88 also includes a separate Major Group 0, for the Armed Forces. In ASCO Second Edition, jobs held by members of the Armed Forces are classified together with their civilian equivalents where these exist and to a number of other specific occupations.</p> <p>In common with ISCO-88, ASCO Second Edition now incorporates three sub-major group as a level of aggregation between the major and minor groups.</p> <p>ASCO Second Edition (ASCO) is currently under review. The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and Statistics New Zealand</p>

(SNZ) will undertake the project jointly. A joint publication will be produced, the Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations (ANZSCO), which will be available electronically on the ABS and SNZ web sites.

It is envisaged that ANZSCO will be implemented in relevant ABS and SNZ statistical collections from 2006 onwards.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Steward:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS)
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1997. Australian Standard Classification of Occupations Second Edition. Cat. no. 1220.0. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 6 January 2005. Concordance tables included: ASCO First Edition to ASCO Second Edition Concordance Table ASCO Second Edition to ASCO First Edition Concordance Table Viewed 6 January 2005. Available in print and CD-ROM
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1996. Information Paper: ASCO - Australian Standard Classification of Occupations. Cat. no. 1221.0. ABS, Canberra. Viewed 4 January 2005. Australian Bureau of Statistics 1997. Australian Standard Classification of Occupations, Second Edition and ASCO Coder. Cat. no. 1220.0.30.001. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 4 January 2005. Australian Bureau of Statistics 1998. Information Paper - Census of Population and Housing: Link Between First and Second Editions of Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO). Cat. no. 1232.0. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 4 January 2005, Australian Bureau of Statistics 1998. A Guide to Major ABS Classifications. Cat. no. 1291.0. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 4 January 2005.
<i>Revision status:</i>	Original 1997 - Standard

Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Occupation code (ASCO 2nd edn) N[NNN]{-NN} NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups 2005

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	ASCRG 2005
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	334321
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics classification for religions of the Australian population.
<i>Classification structure:</i>	The ASCRG has a three level hierarchical structure. In the classification religions are grouped in to progressively broader categories on the basis of similarity in terms of religious beliefs, religious practices and cultural heritage adherents.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Indexes in alphabetical and numerical order and concordance 1991 to 1996 and 1996 to 1991 available, see <i>Origin</i> .
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Steward:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2005. Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups. Cat. no. 1266.0. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 27 March 2006.
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics. 1998. A Guide to Major ABS Classifications 1998. Cat. no. 1291.0. ABS, Canberra. Viewed 4 January 2005.
<i>Revision status:</i>	Original 1996 - Standard

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups 1996 NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Religious group code (ASCRG 2005) N[NNN] NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006

Australian Standard Geographical Classification 2006

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	ASGC 2006
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	341793
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 14/09/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 20/11/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics classification for the classification of geographical locations.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2006. Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). Cat. no. 1216.0. Canberra: ABS. Viewed on 11/08/2006
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Australian Standard Geographical Classification 2005 NHIG, Superseded 14/09/2006, NCSIMG, Superseded 30/11/2006
<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Geographical location code (ASGC 2006) NNNNN NHIG, Standard 14/09/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 30/11/2006

Family, household and income unit variables (relationship in household)

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Classification Scheme

METeOR identifier: 343349

Registration status: NCSIMG, Proposed 29/09/2006

Definition: 'Relationship in household' is the Australian Bureau of Statistics' (ABS) standard variable for identifying the familial and other relationships between persons in a given household.

Context: The ABS classification for relationship in household is a subset of the suite of standards called 'Family, household and income unit variables'. 'Relationship in household' underlies the suite of standards for Family statistics. It identifies and classifies the key relationships between persons usually resident in a given household. Although some collections output directly to the classification of 'Relationship in household', its major use is in providing the basis for derivation of 'Family composition', 'Income unit composition', 'Household composition' and 'Social marital status'. The 'Relationship in household' standard facilitates the definition, collection and classification of household relationship data in statistical collections.

Classification structure:

The 'Family, household and income unit variables' has a four level hierarchical classification for relationship in household. In the classification, relationship in household types are grouped in to progressively more detailed categories on the basis of similarity in terms of relationship type.

Source and reference attributes

Steward: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare *Origin:*

Australian Bureau of Statistics. Family, household and income unit variables. Cat. no. 1286.0.

Canberra: ABS. Viewed on 29/09/2006 *Reference documents:* Family, household and income unit variables *Revision status:* Revised 2005 - Standard

Relational attributes

Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:

Relationship to household reference person code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006

International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health 2001

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	ICF 2001
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270548
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 23/02/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/12/2004
<i>Definition:</i>	The World Health Organization's (WHO) system for classifying functioning, disability and health.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	The International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF) was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 and is a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0 (AIHW 2003), at the following websites: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHO ICF website: http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/• Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website: http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Activity need for assistance code N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Body function code (ICF 2001) AN[NNNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Body functions code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Body structure code (ICF 2001) AN[NNNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
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Body structures code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Environmental factor code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] NHIG, Standard
29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Environmental factors code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG,
Superseded 16/10/2006

Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N
NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N
NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Impairment location code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Impairment location code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard
29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Impairment nature code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Impairment nature code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Participation extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Participation extent code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

National Classifications of Community Services version 2.0

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	NCCS v. 2.0
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270558
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Institute of Health & Welfare classification for the delivery of community services activities and the setting in which such services are delivered.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2003. National classifications of community services. Version 2.0. AIHW Cat. NO. HWI. Canberra: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Service activity type code (NCCS v2.0) ANN{.N{.NN}} NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
	Service delivery setting code (NCCS v2.0) AN{.N{.NN}} NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Postcode datafile

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270561
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place for the address of a party (person or organisation), as defined by Australia Post.
<i>Context:</i>	Postcode is an important part of a person's or organisation's postal address and facilitates written communication. It is one of a number of geographic identifiers that can be used to determine a geographic location. Postcode may assist with uniquely identifying a person or organisation.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The postcode book is updated more than once annually as postcodes are a dynamic entity and are constantly changing.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australia Post Postcode book. Reference through: http://www1.auspost.com.au/postcodes/
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Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) NNN[N] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005 Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 10/02/2006
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Standard Australian Classification of Countries 1998

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	SACC 1998
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270557
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 20/06/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics classification for countries.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	The Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC) supersedes the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS).
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1998. Standard Australian Classification of Countries 1988 (SACC). Cat. no. 1269.0. Canberra: ABS (last viewed 21 March 2006)
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Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Country code (SACC 1998) NNNN NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 20/06/2005
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Glossary items

Activity—functioning, disability and health

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Activity
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327296
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	In the context of health, an activity is the execution of a task or action by an individual.
<i>Context:</i>	'Activities and participation' is one of three components that define the concept 'Disability', along with 'Body functions and structures' and 'Environmental factors'. 'Activities and participation' is also encompassed within the concept 'Functioning'. The concept 'Activity', as defined here and as measured in the metadata item Activity difficulty level code (ICF) N, may be relevant to people and human services not related to disability.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Activity limitations are difficulties an individual has in the execution of an activity.</p> <p>The performance of an activity is what the individual does in his or her current environment. The environment includes all aspects of the physical, social and attitudinal world. Activity limitation varies with the environment and is assessed in relation to a particular environment and in the absence or presence of assistance, including aids and equipment.</p> <p>In time, a related and more generic data element may be developed. In the meantime, the addition of 'functioning, disability and health' to the concept of 'ability' indicates that the current concept is based on the concept and framework developed by World Health Organization to assist in the classification and description of functioning and disability, as contained in the ICF.</p> <p>The ICF recognises two constructs that can be used with 'Activities and Participation': performance and capacity. 'Performance' is what the person does in their usual environment. 'Capacity' describes 'an individual's ability to execute a task or an action in a standardised environment, where a standardised environment may be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• an actual environment commonly used for assessment in test settings; or• in cases where this is not possible, an assumed environment which can be thought to have a uniform impact' (WHO 2001). <p>The standardised environment' has not been generally operationalised. However, the recognition of these two constructs in the ICF underscores the importance of recording the environment in which activities are being performed.</p> <p>This glossary item is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed</p>
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by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).

The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW

Reference documents: Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites

- WHO ICF website
<http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en>
- Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website
<http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Activity - functioning, disability and health, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Metadata items which use this glossary item: Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006
Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006
Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
Disability NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
Disability grouping code N[N] NCSIMG, Superseded 08/05/2006
Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006
Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
Person – disability group, code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Address

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327278
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 08/05/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The referential description of a location where an entity is located or can be otherwise reached or found.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Following are the attributes are commonly used in the formation of a full address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Address line; (address line is a composite data element containing many attributes of the specific location of a full address - see the current version of the Address line metadata item for further description and a list of its components for addresses located in Australia)• Address type• Australian state/territory identifier• Country identifier• Non-Australian State/province• Postal delivery point identifier• Postcode - Australian• Postcode - international• Suburb/town/locality <p>Some attributes of an address, located within Australia, also provide the elements to determine the Statistical Local Area (SLA). This enables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• comparison of the use of services by persons residing in different geographical areas,• characterisation of catchment areas and populations for facilities for planning purposes, and• documentation of provision of services to clients who reside in other states or territories. The address is also a relevant element in the unambiguous identification of a Health Care Client and a Health Care Provider.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Health Data Standards Committee
<i>Reference documents:</i>	AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney: Standards Australia AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Address, version 2, DEC, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Supersedes Address (community services) NCSIMG, Superseded 08/05/2006
<i>Metadata items which use this</i>	Person (address) – address line, text [X(180)] NHIG, Standard

glossary item:

04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Service provider organisation (address) – address line, text

[X(180)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005

NCSIMG, Standard 30/09/2005

Adoption

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327208
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Adoption is the legal process by which a person legally becomes a child of the adoptive parents and legally ceases to be a child of his/her existing parents.
<i>Context:</i>	Children and family services.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	The adoption order severs the legal relationship between the biological parents and the child. A new birth certificate is issued to the child bearing the name(s) of his/her adoptive parent(s) as the natural parent(s) and the new name of the child, where a change has occurred.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)
<i>Origin:</i>	Adoptions Australia (AIHW). <i>Data collection standards, tables and counting rules, 1998-99.</i>

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Adoption, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Household family NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Person (name) – family name, text X[X(39)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 20/06/2005 Person (name) – family name, text X[X(39)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005

Assistance received

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327202
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The goods or services, or time or money received by a person (client) during a service episode or event.
<i>Context:</i>	This is important for client centred collections. It may be used to measure the amounts and nature of assistance that are received directly by clients, which can be used to help assess the appropriateness and effectiveness of programs.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>This is a client centred measure of amounts of assistance. This is not necessarily the same as an agency's total outlay to a particular client as it does not include administration costs, travel time for service providers, etc.</p> <p>For example, a client that receives meals from a meals on wheels service. In this instance only that which is directly received by the client is recorded (i.e. the number of meals). The administration costs of providing this service, the costs of making the meal and the time and costs of the person delivering the meal are not included in the amount of assistance received.</p> <p>This is only a measure of money, time or quantity of goods or services directly received by clients. It will not accrue to give a total of assistance provided on an agency basis (in terms of money, time or quantity of goods or services). Therefore it should not be used for National Accounts reporting.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998.

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Assistance received, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Community service event NCSIMG, Retired 04/04/2006 Service event – assistance received date NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service event – assistance received date, DDMMYYYY NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Assistance request reason

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327204
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason(s) why a person has sought or requires assistance from a community services agency.
<i>Context:</i>	To better identify the needs of clients, to identify needs that are not being met and to target assistance to clients more effectively:

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>A person may seek or require assistance for a number of reasons, some of which are the immediate presenting reason, while others will be underlying or longer term reasons. These will require particular and usually different responses and services.</p> <p>For example, a person's immediate reason for seeking assistance may be that they have lost their accommodation and require accommodation support. However, the underlying reasons as to why they have no accommodation may be because of a psychiatric condition, alcohol or drug dependency, a gambling addiction, or because they are being abused at home. These underlying reasons may or may not have directly resulted in the homelessness, but have been contributing factors.</p> <p>Underlying reasons for a person requiring a service are likely to be complex and more difficult to ascertain than the immediate presenting reason.</p> <p>A second example is in child protection. Many children that come to the attention of community services agencies as being in need of care and protection come from families in crisis (for example, parents have psychiatric illnesses, financial stress, domestic violence etc.). Without providing a service to the family as well as the child then the child is likely to be re-notified.</p> <p>Providing a service for the client's immediate need will not necessarily assist the client in the longer term, resulting in the client continually requiring short term assistance, while at the same time continuing to have an underlying problem or need that is not being addressed.</p> <p>Therefore by attempting to collect information on both the immediate and the underlying reasons for a person's current situation, agencies may be able to better assist them both in the short and longer term, while at the same time more effectively utilising the services available.</p> <p>Many children that come to the attention of community services agencies as being in need of care and protection come from families in crisis (for example, parents have psychiatric illnesses, financial stress, domestic violence etc.).</p> <p>Further research is required to develop a data domain to enable the measurement of this concept.</p>
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It is possible that a number of data elements could be developed out of this concept, such as 'Immediate reason for seeking assistance' and 'Underlying reason for seeking assistance'. Such items would need a great deal of consultation with input from community service agencies to develop meaningful, and well structured data domains.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Assistance request reason, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Metadata items which use this glossary item: Service event— assistance request date, DDMMYYYY NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Assistance with activities and participation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327298
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	The help that a person receives or needs from another person, because of their difficulty in performing an activity or in participating in an area of life.
<i>Context:</i>	'Assistance' is an important subset of Environmental factors that may facilitate (or hinder) the activities or participation of people with a disability. Assistance is a key policy and service component in the disability and aged care services field in Australia. Further, it is recognised in the ICF as a crucial factor whose presence (or absence) must be noted when recording measures of functioning and disability. Recording measures of assistance needed or provided will provide further information about activity limitations.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>The concept can be used to describe aspects of the environment. Depending on which environment is present or being considered, the measure of assistance indicates what assistance is currently received (in the current or usual environment) and what would be needed (in an optimum environment). 'Need' more generally relates to environmental factors (including personal assistance, equipment and environmental modifications) that are present in an optimum environment but not in the person's current environment. That is, changes may be needed to environmental factors in order to improve a person's functioning and reduce their disability. While these ideas apply generally to 'Environmental Factors' and the related metadata item, Extent of environmental factors influence code [X]N, the concept of 'Assistance' focuses solely on the factor of personal assistance.</p> <p>Measures of assistance and need for assistance are under active development in a number of disciplines and service programs. Assistance may be measured in various ways, for instance in relation to duration, frequency and intensity of assistance. Related data elements are therefore likely to emerge in the future.</p> <p>This glossary item is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).</p> <p>The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for</p>
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example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW

Reference documents:

Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites

- WHO ICF website

<http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en>

- Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website

<http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html>

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Assistance with activities and participation, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005

Metadata items which use this glossary item:

Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Person – disability group, code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Body functions

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327294
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	Body functions are the physiological functions of body systems (including psychological functions).

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>Body functions are organised according to body systems. The term 'body' refers to the human organism as a whole and includes mental or psychological functions.</p> <p>Body functions are classified in neutral terms. To indicate that there is a problem with a body function requires the use of the impairment extent code to denote the extent or magnitude of the problem together with the body functions code</p>
<i>Comments:</i>	<p>This glossary item is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).</p> <p>The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of the ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd edn) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd edn) ANN{.N[N]}.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO
<i>Reference documents:</i>	<p>Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW</p> <p>Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHO ICF website http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en/• Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this</i>	Body function code (ICF 2001) AN[NNNN] NHIG, Standard
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glossary item:

29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Body functions code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG,

Superseded 16/10/2006

Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Body structures

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327300
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	Body structures are anatomical parts of the body such as organs, limbs and their components.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Body structures are classified according to body systems. Impairments of body structure can involve anomaly, defect, loss and significant deviation. These are identified by use of the impairment extent, impairment location and impairment nature codes.
<i>Comments:</i>	<p>This glossary term is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).</p> <p>The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHO ICF website http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en• Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Body structures code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
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16/10/2006

Person – disability group, code N NCSIMG, Standard
01/03/2005

Dependant

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327458
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>A dependant is defined as someone who lives in the primary care of parent(s), carer or guardian, is aged 24 years and under, and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• is studying full-time (ages 5 and over); and/or• is not in receipt of a pension, payment or benefit (e.g. Youth Allowance) or a Prescribed Education Scheme payment (e.g. ABSTUDY); and/or• has an annual income of no more than the amount specified by Centrelink for basic eligibility for Family Tax Benefit Part A.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Centrelink 2005. A guide to Australian Government payments - 20 March to 30 June 2005.
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Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	<p>Person – relationship to reference person (household) (community services), code N{.N[N]} NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006</p> <p>Relationship to household reference person code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006</p>
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Disability

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327304
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>Disability is the umbrella term for any or all of: an impairment of body structure or function, a limitation in activities, or a restriction in participation.</p> <p>Disability is a multi-dimensional and complex concept and is conceived as a dynamic interaction between health conditions and environmental and personal factors (WHO 2001:6).</p>

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Many different 'definitions' of disability are used in Australia, both in administrative data collections and in Acts of Parliament. The consistent identification of disability in national data collections has been recommended in a number of reports, for instance to enable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the monitoring of access to generic services by people with a disability;• the collection of more consistent data on disability support and related services, including data on service use by different groups;• population data and service data to be related, thereby improving the nation's analytical capacity in relation to the need for and supply of services; and• improved understanding of the relationship between disability, health conditions and other health outcomes. <p>Defining disability makes it possible to determine the number of people who are accessing services, both disability specific and generic, and also those with a disability in the general population with unmet need. Better definition of disability will aid better targeting of resources to those in need.</p> <p>Disability arises from the interaction between health conditions and environmental and personal factors. A health condition may be a disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma. Environmental factors make up the physical, social and attitudinal environment in which people live and conduct their lives. Personal factors relate to the individual, such as age, sex and Indigenous status.</p> <p>The concept 'Disability' can be described using a combination of related metadata items as building blocks.</p> <p>The metadata items selected may vary depending on the definition of disability used. For example, in hospital rehabilitation, the focus may be on the impairment and activity dimensions and in community-based care the focus may be primarily on participation. Some applications may require a broad scope for inclusion (e.g. discrimination legislation). Data collections relating to services will select combinations of the data elements, which best reflect the eligibility criteria for the service.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

Origin:

World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO

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Reference documents:

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- Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website
<http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html>

Relational attributes

Metadata items which use this glossary item:

Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Activity need for assistance code N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Body function code (ICF 2001) AN[NNNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Body functions code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Body structure code (ICF 2001) AN[NNNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Body structures code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG,

Superseded 16/10/2006
 Disability grouping code N[N] NCSIMG, Superseded
 08/05/2006
 Environmental factor code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] NHIG,
 Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Environmental factors code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG,
 Superseded 16/10/2006
 Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N
 NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N
 NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006
 Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
 16/10/2006
 Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard
 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Impairment location code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
 16/10/2006
 Impairment location code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard
 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Impairment nature code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard
 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Impairment nature code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
 16/10/2006
 Participation extent code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard
 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Participation extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
 16/10/2006
 Participation satisfaction level code N NHIG, Standard
 29/11/2006
 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
 Participation satisfaction level code N NCSIMG, Standard
 06/06/2005

Disability grouping

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327282
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Retired 08/05/2006 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Disability groupings constitute a broad categorisation of disabilities in terms of the underlying health condition, impairment, activity limitations, participation restrictions, environmental factors and support needs.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The grouping of concern is the one that most clearly expresses the experience of disability of a person.
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Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Disability group code N NCSIMG, Standard 08/05/2006 Disability grouping code N[N] NCSIMG, Superseded 08/05/2006
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Environmental factors

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327286
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	Environmental factors make up the physical, social and attitudinal environment in which people live and conduct their lives.
<i>Context:</i>	Environmental factors are external to the individual and can have a positive or negative influence on a person's participation as a member of society, on performance of activities, or on a person's body function or structure.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>In the ICF classification scheme Environmental factors are organised to focus on two different levels, individual and societal. Environmental factors interact with the Body structures/Body functions and Activities and participation components.</p> <p>A person's functioning and disability is conceived as the dynamic interaction between health conditions and environmental and personal factors.</p>
<i>Comments:</i>	<p>This glossary item is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).</p> <p>The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	<p>World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO</p> <p>Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW</p>
<i>Reference documents:</i>	<p>Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHO ICF website <p>http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website

Relational attributes

Metadata items which use this glossary item:

Environmental factors code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Person – disability group, code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Person – extent of environmental factor influence, code (ICF 2001) [X]N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Family

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327232
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Two or more people related by blood, marriage (including step-relations), adoption or fostering and who may or may not live together. They may form the central core of support networks for individuals.
<i>Context:</i>	Data on families are essential elements for the study of the well being of family groups and in this way for the study of the well being of individuals. They are a tool for assessing the type of and level of support to which a person has access. By defining the extended family as the central support network for individual, support which would not have been defined as accessible to the individual using the 'Household family' definition becomes apparent. It is important to recognise the 'family beyond the household' when examining types and levels of support available to individuals.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>The 'household family' has been traditionally viewed as a building block of society and it is the predominant unit reported statistically and historically. However, the 'household family', since it is tied to the idea of co-residence, forms only a snapshot in time and refers only to related people who live in the same household at a point in time. Related persons who leave the central household live in other households may still participate in the lives of other family members they do not live with in a variety of ways, including financial, material, physical, emotional, legal and spiritual. For instance, frail older people may receive help from their adult children even though they do not live in the same household.</p> <p>The definition for this glossary item differs from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) standard. This is necessary because the ABS standard is based on household collection, which is not suitable, in many community services' areas. The community service definition needs to be broader to incorporate families that exist outside of households.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Family Studies
<i>Origin:</i>	McDonald, P. 1995. <i>Families in Australia: A Socio-Demographic Perspective</i> . Melbourne: Australian Institute of Family Studies.

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Family, version 1, DEC, NHADD, NHDAMG, Superseded 01/03/2005 Supersedes Family, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this</i>	Household – family type, code N NCSIMG, Standard

glossary item:

01/03/2005
Living arrangement code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
Person (name) – family name, text X[X(39)] NHIG, Standard
04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 20/06/2005
Person (name) – family name, text X[X(39)] NHIG, Superseded
04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005
Person (name) – given name NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 01/08/2005
Person (name) – given name, text [X(40)] NHIG, Superseded
04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005
Person (name) – given name, text [X(40)] NHIG, Standard
04/05/2005
NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005
NHDAMG, Standard 20/06/2005
Person (requiring care) – carer availability status NHIG,
Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006
Person (requiring care) – carer availability status, code N NHIG,
Standard 01/03/2005
NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006
Person – informal carer existence indicator NCSIMG, Standard
02/05/2006

Functioning

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327292
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	Functioning is the umbrella term for any or all of: body functions, body structures, activities and participation. Functioning is a multidimensional concept denoting the neutral aspects of the interaction between an individual (with a health condition) and that individual's environmental and personal factors.
<i>Context:</i>	An individual's functioning in a specific domain is an interaction or complex relationship between health conditions and environmental and personal factors. Functioning and disability are dual concepts in a broad framework, with disability focussing on the more negative aspects of this interaction.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	This glossary term is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002). The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. ICF: International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health Geneva: WHO Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites • WHO ICF website http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en • Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Functioning, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG,
Superseded 01/03/2005

*Metadata items which use this
glossary item:*

Activity difficulty level code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG,
Superseded 16/10/2006

Disability grouping code N[N] NCSIMG, Superseded
08/05/2006

Environmental factors code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG,
Superseded 16/10/2006

Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006
NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Geographic indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327306
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>A classification scheme that divides an area into mutually exclusive sub-areas based on geographic location.</p> <p>Some geographic indicators are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC, ABS Cat. no. 1216.0),• administrative regions,• electorates,• Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA),• Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area Classification (RRMA), and• country.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>To enable the analysis of data on a geographical basis.</p> <p>Facilitates analysis of service provision in relation to demographic and other characteristics of the population of a geographic area.</p>

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Person (address) – Australian postcode (Postcode datafile), code [NNNN] is not included in the above listing, as it is, strictly speaking, not a geographic indicator. Sometimes postcodes are used in the analysis of data on a geographical basis, which involves a conversion to Statistical Local Area (an Australian Bureau of Statistics geographical structure). This conversion results in some inaccuracy of information. However, in some data sets Person (address) – Australian postcode (Postcode datafile), code [NNNN]; is the only geographic identifier, therefore the use of other more accurate indicators (for example, conversion from address line to Statistical Local Area) is not always possible.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Geographic indicator, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Australian state/territory identifier NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 22/10/2005

Homeless

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327244
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>A person is homeless if he or she does not have access to safe, secure and stable housing. Hence even if a person has a physical home, they would be considered homeless if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• they were not safe at home,• they had no legal right to continued occupation of their home (security of tenure), or• the home lacked the amenities or resources necessary for living.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>There is considerable concern over the number of homeless people in society and the assistance they require. Collecting information on homeless people is problematic, as the concept of 'homelessness' encompasses elements in addition to whether, someone resides in a dwelling or not.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	SAAP National Data Collection Agency Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	SAAP (Supported Accommodation Assistance Program) National Data Collection Agency 2001. <i>National Data Collection Data Dictionary</i> . Version 2. Unpublished

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Homelessness, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name, text [A(50)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 Residential setting code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Impairment of body structure

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327288
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	Impairments of body structure are problems in body structure such as a loss or significant departure from population standards or averages.
<i>Context:</i>	Body structures are classified in ICF in neutral terms. To indicate that there is a problem with a body structure requires the use of the body structures code for the structure affected and the impairment extent code to denote the extent or magnitude of the problem. The impairment nature and impairment location codes can be used to expand the description of a problem with a body structure.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW

Comments

This glossary term is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).

The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.

Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites

- WHO ICF website
<http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en>
- Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website
<http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html>

Relational attributes

Metadata items which use this Body structures NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006

glossary item:

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Body structures code (ICF 2001) N[NNNN] NCSIMG,
Superseded 16/10/2006

Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N
NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006

Impairment extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded
16/10/2006

Impairment nature code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard
29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Person – body structure, code (ICF 2001) AN[NNNN] NHIG,
Standard 29/11/2006

NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006

Income unit

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327218
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>One person or a group of related persons within a household, whose command over income is shared, or any person living in a non-private dwelling who is in receipt of personal income. Income units are restricted to relationships of marriage (registered or de facto) and of parent/dependent child who usually resides in the same household. This means that an income unit can be defined as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a married couple or sole parent, and dependent children only; or• a married couple only with no dependent children present; or• a person who is not related to any other household member either by marriage or by the parent/dependent child relationship.
<i>Context:</i>	This is the standard statistical unit for analyses of economic well being, and in the community services context is an important measure in assessing the needs and circumstances of individuals and families.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	It should be noted that the reference to 'dependent child' in this context is guided by the following definition, 'a dependent child is any person aged under 15 years, or person aged 15 to 24 years who is a full-time student and lives with a parent(s), guardian or other relative and who does not have a spouse or offspring of the person living in the same location'.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1995. <i>A Provisional Framework for Household Income, Consumption, Saving and Wealth</i> . Cat. no. 6549.0. Canberra: ABS.

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Income unit, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Person – relationship to household reference person, code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006 Relationship to household reference person code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006

Participation - functioning, disability and health

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Participation
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327312
<i>Registration status:</i>	NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 06/06/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	In the context of health, participation is involvement in a life situation.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Involvement refers to the lived experience of people in the actual context in which they live. This context includes 'Environmental Factors' - all aspects of the physical, social and attitudinal world.</p> <p>The individual's degree of involvement can be reflected by this glossary item when combined with Participation extent code (ICF 2001) X and Participation satisfaction level code X.</p> <p>'Activities and participation' is one of three components that define the concept 'Disability', along with 'Body functions and structures' and 'Environmental factors'. 'Activities and participation' is also encompassed within the concept 'Functioning'.</p> <p>The concept 'Participation', as defined here and as measured in the metadata items Participation extent code (ICF 2001) X and Participation satisfaction level code X, may be relevant to people and human services not related to disability.</p>

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Participation restrictions are problems an individual may experience in involvement in life situations.</p> <p>In time, a related and more generic data element may be developed. In the meantime, the addition of 'functioning, disability and health' to the name of this glossary item indicates that the current concept is based on the concept and framework developed by World Health Organization to assist in the classification and description of functioning and disability, as contained in the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF).</p> <p>This glossary item is based on the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). The ICF was endorsed by the World Health Assembly in 2001 as a reference member of the WHO Family of International Classifications and of the Australian Family of Health and Related Classifications (endorsed by the National Health Information Management Group in 2002).</p> <p>The ICF provides a framework for the description of human functioning and disability. The components of ICF are defined in relation to a health condition. A health condition is an 'umbrella term for disease (acute or chronic), disorder, injury or trauma' (WHO 2001). A health condition may be recorded, for example, as Episode of care principal diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]} and Episode of care additional diagnosis, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd Ed) ANN{.N[N]}.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	World Health Organization (WHO) 2001. International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health. Geneva: WHO Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. ICF Australian User Guide Version 1.0. Canberra: AIHW
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Further information on the ICF can be found in the ICF itself and the ICF Australian User Guide (AIHW 2003) and the following websites • WHO ICF website http://www.who.int/classifications/icf/en • Australian Collaborating Centre ICF website http://www.aihw.gov.au/disability/icf/index.html

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Participation - functioning, disability and health, version 1, DEC, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) AN[NNN] NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Activities and participation code (ICF 2001) N[NNN] NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Disability grouping code N[N] NCSIMG, Superseded 08/05/2006 Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Extent of environmental factors influence code (ICF 2001) [X]N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Functioning and Disability DSS NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Participation extent code (ICF 2001) N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Participation extent code (ICF 2001) N NCSIMG, Superseded 16/10/2006 Participation satisfaction level code N NHIG, Standard 29/11/2006 NCSIMG, Standard 16/10/2006 Participation satisfaction level code N NCSIMG, Standard 06/06/2005 Person – disability group, code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

Record linkage

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327264
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A process, technique or method that enables the bringing together of two or more records that are believed to belong to the same individual.
<i>Context:</i>	Record linkage may facilitate improved service provision, treatment or case management to individual clients.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Linkage can occur across data systems or within data systems and may be done by using a range of identifiers.</p> <p>For statistical purposes, including planning, research or the measurement of service or program outcomes, record linkage facilitates separating multiple items clustered around individuals from total counts (for example, double counting of clients can be reduced when calculating total numbers of clients across several agencies).</p> <p>The proposed use of a linkage key in the Home and Community Care program (HACC) Minimum Data Set is intended to make it possible to count the number of HACC clients (without counting clients more than once) and the services which they receive. The Commonwealth-State Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set is using the statistical linkage key based on that for the HACC Minimum Data Set.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Commonwealth Department of Health and Family Services 1998 Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0 Canberra: DHFS

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Record linkage, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Estimated date flag code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Person (name) – family name, text X[X(39)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005 Person (name) – given name, text [X(40)] NHIG, Standard 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 25/08/2005 NHDAMG, Standard 20/06/2005 Person (name) – given name, text [X(40)] NHIG, Superseded 04/05/2005 NCSIMG, Superseded 25/08/2005

Statistical Local Area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327460
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	The smallest level of geography contained in the <i>Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC)</i> .

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>The Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) is a hierarchical classification system of geographical areas and consists of a number of interrelated structures. It provides a common framework of statistical geography and enables the production of statistics which are comparable.</p> <p>The product ASGC 2005 contains four comma delimited files showing the levels and hierarchy of those ASGC structures current for the edition: the Local Government Area Structure, the Main Structure, the Statistical District Structure and the Statistical Region Structure.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics. Australian Standard Geographic Classification (ASGC 2005).
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Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Address NHIG, Standard 01/03/2005 NCSIMG, Standard 08/05/2006 Person – geographic location, code (ASGC 2005) NNNNN NCSIMG, Superseded 30/11/2006 Person – geographic location, code (ASGC 2006) NNNNN NCSIMG, Standard 30/11/2006 Person – geographic location, community services code (ASGC 2004) NNNNN NCSIMG, Superseded 02/05/2006 Service provider organisation – geographic location, code (ASGC 2005) NNNNN NCSIMG, Superseded 30/11/2006 Service provider organisation – geographic location, code (ASGC 2006) NNNNN NCSIMG, Standard 30/11/2006 Service provider organisation – geographic location, community services code (ASGC 2004) NNNNN NCSIMG, Superseded 29/04/2006
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Target group

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	333455
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A group of people sharing a common characteristic or set of characteristics which a particular government policy or program, or agency seeks to assist.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	Target group is used in describing service provider agencies, in service planning and in comparing community needs and service availability. Target groups may relate to population groups or communities, families/households, individuals, organisations or labour force groups. Characteristics may include age, cultural identity, geographic location, specific needs and other relevant characteristics.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Reference documents:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2003. National classifications of community services, Version 2.0. AIHW Cat. no. HWI 40. Canberra: AIHW. Reference through: http://www.aihw.gov.au/publications/hwi/nccsv2/index.html
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Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Person—service activity type, (requested) code (NCCS v2.0) ANN{.N{.NN}} NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
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Unincorporated business

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327462
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 04/04/2006
<i>Definition:</i>	A business that does not possess a separate legal identity from its owner(s). The owner(s) bear full liability for any action or inaction of the business: they may sue and be sued for business activity or inactivity. Unincorporated enterprises include sole proprietorships, partnerships and family trusts.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Statistical concepts library, Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables, Framework for Standard Cash Income Variables, Classification and Coding, Canberra: Australian Bureau of Statistics.
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Reference online through: Ausstats Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables

Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Person – source of cash income (all) code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006 Person – source of cash income (principal), code N NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006 Source of cash income code N NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006 Source of cash income code NN NCSIMG, Standard 29/04/2006
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Volunteer

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327272
<i>Registration status:</i>	NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	A person who willingly gives unpaid help in the form of time, service or skills through an organisation or group.
<i>Context:</i>	Voluntary work is an important contribution to national life. It meets needs within the community at the same time as it develops and reinforces social networks and cohesion.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>The reimbursement of expenses in full or part (for example, token payments) or small gifts (for example, sports club T-shirts or caps) is not regarded as payment of salary, and people who receive these are still considered to be voluntary workers.</p> <p>People who receive payment in kind for the work they do (for example, receiving farm produce as payment for work done on a farm, rather than cash) are not considered to be volunteers.</p> <p>An organisation or group is any body with a formal structure. It may be as large as a national charity or as small as a local book club. Purely ad hoc, informal and temporary gatherings of people do not constitute an organisation.</p> <p>Persons on Community Service Orders and other similar work programs are not considered volunteers.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2000 <i>Voluntary Work</i> , Australia Cat. no. 4441.0. Canberra: ABS

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Volunteer, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Reason for community service cessation code N NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff (volunteer/unpaid), total N[NNN{.N}] NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005 Service provider organisation – hours worked (volunteer/unpaid staff), total NNNNN NCSIMG, Standard 01/03/2005

