

Person—reference person indicator (household), code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Reference person (household) |
| METEOR identifier: | 351201 |
| Registration status: | Community Services (retired) , Standard 31/08/2007 |
| Definition: | Whether a person is a reference person for a household. |
| Data Element Concept: | Person—reference person status (household) |
| Value Domain: | Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N |

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Boolean | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
| | Value | Meaning |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Yes |
| | 2 | No |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

Collection and usage attributes

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| Guide for use: | CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described |
| | This code is not for use in primary data collections. |

Source and reference attributes

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| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

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| Guide for use: | The household reference person is used as the basis for the identification of income units and families and the classification of the household. |
| | Code 1 Yes: Record if a person is a reference person for a household. |
| | Code 2 No: Record if a person is not a reference person for a household. |

Collection methods:

Housing sector specific

Usually referred to as *Person 1*, *Main tenant* or *Tenant 1* on application or tenancy forms. Can also be referred to as the *Principal tenant*, *Household head* or where the dwelling is being purchased, referred to as the *Mortgagee*. Also includes single adults and lone parents. Person must be aged 16 or over.

All other persons should be coded to 2.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. National Housing Assistance Data Dictionary, Version 3. 2006. AIHW Cat. no. HOU 147.

Reference documents:

Australian Bureau of Statistics. Census Dictionary 2006. Cat no. 2901.0.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person—relationship to household reference person, code NN Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 27/04/2007