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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Glossary Item |
| METEOR identifier: | 351506 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 31/08/2007 |
| Definition: | A person aged 15 or more, who is a [**child**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/346949) of a couple or lone parent, who is not a full-time student aged 15-24 years, and who has no identified partner or child of his/her own. |
| Context: | Family structure |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Comments: | This is a 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.  A non-dependent must be attached to a nominal parent with whom he/she usually resides. This parent must be over 15 years of age. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Bureau of Statistics |
| Origin: | Australian Bureau of Statistics 2006. *Census Dictionary*. Cat. no. 2901.0. Canberra: ABS. |