

Person—housing tenure type, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Housing tenure type (person)
METEOR identifier:	368085
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 12/08/2008 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	A description of a person's legal right to occupy a dwelling in which he/she lives as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—housing tenure type
Value Domain:	Tenure type code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Owner without a mortgage
	2	Owner with a mortgage
	3	Purchaser/renter under a rent/buy scheme
	4	Renter
	5	Occupier under a rent free accommodation
	6	Occupier under a life tenure scheme
	7	Other tenure type
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The *Tenure type* of persons in caravans and manufactured homes is determined according to the tenure of the dwelling structure and not the land. Thus, a person who owns a caravan and rents a site in a caravan park is regarded as an owner.

Code 1. Owner without a mortgage:

A person who owns their dwelling and is not making any payments on mortgages or loans secured against the dwelling. (Thus persons who have repaid a loan but technically not discharged the associated mortgage are included in this category).

Code 2. Owner with a mortgage:

A person who owns their dwelling and is repaying a mortgage or loans secured against the dwelling, regardless of the purpose of the mortgage or secured loan.

Code 3. Purchaser/renter under a rent/buy scheme:

A person purchasing a proportion of the equity in the dwelling, and paying rent for the remainder.

Code 4. Renter:

A person paying money to another person/organisation in return for accommodation. Included in this category are: Boarder, a person who is provided with meals and lodging in return for money; and Lodger, a person who is provided with lodging only (a room or rooms) in return for money.

Code 5. Occupier under rent free accommodation:

A person paying no money in exchange for accommodation. Exclude owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

Code 6. Occupier under a life tenure scheme:

A person with a contract to live in the dwelling for the term of his/her life but without the full rights of ownership and usually has/have limited or no equity in the dwelling. This is a common arrangement in retirement villages.

Code 7. Other tenure type:

The tenure does not fit any of the above categories. For example: house-sitting, payment in kind, for a specific service.

Data element attributes

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Populations tabulated for these categories may not correspond to populations in household level collections. In particular, a person classified as a 'Renter', 'Rent-free', and 'Other' may correspond to 'Owners with/out a mortgage'. For example, a dependent student pays rent to their parents in the same household, may report their tenure type as 'Renter' or 'Boarder' in a person level collection, whereas in a Household level collection, they would be assigned the 'highest' tenure type in the household, for example 'Owner with a mortgage'.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

National Community Services Data Committee

Reference documents:

Australian Bureau of Statistics: 2006 Census Data Dictionary (Cat. no. 2901.0).
[2901.0 - Census Dictionary, 2006 \(Reissue\)](#)

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set [Disability services client details cluster](#)
Specifications: [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 10/04/2013
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015