Person—previously homeless status, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Previously homeless indicator
METEOR identifier:	400338
Registration status:	Homelessness, Superseded 10/08/2018 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Definition:	Whether a person has been homeless prior to the current service episode, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—previously homeless status
Value Domain:	Homelessness status code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation
	2	Short-term or emergency accommodation
	3	Not homeless
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation.

CODE 2 Short-term or emergency accommodation, due to a lack of other options. This may include refuges; crisis shelters; couch surfing; living temporarily with friends and relatives; insecure accommodation on a short term basis; emergency accommodation arranged in hotels, motels etc by a specialist homelessness agency.

CODE 3 Not homeless.

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by Person—previously homeless status, code N
Homelessness, Standard 10/08/2018

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011
Homelessness, Superseded 01/05/2013
Housing assistance, Superseded 01/05/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2011
DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):

- within the previous month
- within the previous year.

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element may be used to capture multiple responses.

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2012-13
Homelessness, Superseded 01/05/2013
Housing assistance, Superseded 01/05/2013
Implementation start date: 01/07/2012
Implementation end date: 30/06/2013
DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):

- within the previous month
- within the previous year.

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element may be used to capture multiple responses.

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14
Homelessness, Superseded 26/08/2014
Housing assistance, Superseded 26/08/2014
Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2014
Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):

- within the previous month
- within the previous year.

If a client has indicated that they were homeless in the last month, then by default they should be recorded as homeless in the last 12 months.

This question allows the client to check all responses that apply, and therefore the client may have up to 3 valid responses for each instance of this question.

This collection records a response of Don't Know (CODE 99), which is equivalent to the code Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9) in the Standard.

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2014-15
Homelessness, Superseded 24/11/2016
Housing assistance, Superseded 24/11/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2014
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015
Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):

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Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2015-17
Homelessness, Superseded 24/11/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017
Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):

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If a client has indicated that they were homeless in the last month, then by default they should be recorded as homeless in the last 12 months.

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Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2017-19
Homelessness, Superseded 10/08/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2017
Implementation end date: 30/06/2019
Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):

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