

Person—living arrangement, homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Living arrangement (homelessness)
METEOR identifier:	401292
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010• Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Definition:	Whether a person from a presenting unit resides alone or lives with others, as represented by a code.
Context:	Client support needs.
Data Element Concept:	Person—living arrangement

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code														
Data type:	Number														
Format:	N														
Maximum character length:	1														
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Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>CODE 1 Lone person</p> <p>This category is used to record single individuals.</p> <p>CODE 2 One parent with child(ren)</p> <p>This category includes step and adopted parent/child relationships.</p> <p>CODE 3 Couple with child(ren)</p> <p>This category includes step and adopted parent/child relationships.</p> <p>CODE 4 Couple without child(ren)</p> <p>This category includes couples without children.</p> <p>CODE 5 Other family</p> <p>This category includes all other groups with related individuals, including siblings and multi-generational families of more than two generations.</p> <p>CODE 6 Group</p> <p>This category includes two or more unrelated persons who live together. Boarders and lodgers are included in this category.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:	Australian Bureau of Statistics, Family, Household and Income Unit Variables, Cat. No. 1286.0, 2005
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	This item is collected for each person from a presenting unit.
Collection methods:	<p>The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:</p> <p>"Which category below best describes your living arrangements?"</p>

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	<p>Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Homelessness, Superseded 01/05/2013</p> <p>Housing assistance, Superseded 01/05/2013</p>
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Implementation start date: 01/07/2011

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode—episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event—last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode—episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

[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:

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[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:

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- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event—last service provision date, DDMMYYYY)
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode—episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

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 four times, for the following points in time:

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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:

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[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2017-19Homelessness](#), 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 four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the [Service episode—episode start date, DDMMYYYY](#))
- at the date of presentation
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- at the end of the support period (the [Service episode—episode end date, DDMMYYYY](#)).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

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[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2019-Homelessness](#), Standard
10/08/2018

Conditional obligation:

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