

# Person—relationship to the presenting unit head, code N[N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Relationship to presenting unit head
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	401608
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 23/08/2010 <a href="#">Homelessness</a> , Superseded 10/08/2018
<b>Definition:</b>	The relationship of a person within the presenting unit to the presenting unit head, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Data element concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—relationship to the presenting unit head</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	401606
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 23/08/2010 <a href="#">Homelessness</a> , Superseded 10/08/2018
<b>Definition:</b>	The relationship of a person in a presenting unit to the presenting unit head.
<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Person</a>
<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Relationship to the presenting unit head</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Value domain:</b>	<a href="#">Relationship to presenting unit head, code N[N]</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	401601
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 23/08/2010 <a href="#">Homelessness</a> , Standard 23/08/2010
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing the relationship of a person to a presenting unit head.

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code												
<b>Data type:</b>	String												
<b>Format:</b>	N[N]												
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	2												
<b>Permissible values:</b>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Self</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Spouse/partner</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Parent/Guardian</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Child</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Step child</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Self	2	Spouse/partner	3	Parent/Guardian	4	Child	5	Step child
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	6	Foster child
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	9	Niece or nephew
	10	Grandparent
	11	Grandchild
	12	Other relative
	13	Unrelated person
	14	Unrelated flatmate or co-tenant
	15	Other relationship
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	99	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:**

**CODE 1 Self**

This code is selected if one person presents

**CODE 2 Spouse/partner**

This code is selected if a person has a relationship to the presenting unit head akin to a 'married' or 'partner' relationship. This includes same sex couples.

**CODE 3 Parent/Guardian**

This code is selected if the person is the parent or guardian of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 4 Child**

This code is selected if the person is natural or adopted child of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 5 Step Child**

This code is selected if the person is the step child of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 6 Foster child**

This code is selected if the person is the foster child of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 7 Sibling**

This code is selected if the person is either the brother or sister of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 8 Aunt or Uncle**

This code is selected if the person is either the aunt or uncle of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 9 Niece or nephew**

This code is selected if the person is either the niece or nephew of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 10 Grandparent**

This code is selected if the person is a grandparent of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 11 Grandchild**

This code is selected if the person is the grandchild of the presenting unit head.

**CODE 12 Other relative**

This code is selected if the person is a more distant relative to the presenting unit head, e.g. cousin, second cousin etc.

**CODE 13 Unrelated person**

This code is selected if the person accompanying the presenting unit head is not related to them. This would include those people who are friends of the person.

**CODE 14 Unrelated flatmate or co-tenant**

This code is selected if the person is either a flatmate or co-tenant with the presenting unit head.

**CODE 15 Other relationship**

This code is selected if the person has another type of relationship to the presenting unit head that has not been described above.

# Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

### Guide for use:

This question is asked of the presenting unit head. It captures the relationship of the unit head to others with whom he/she is presenting.

If 'Other relative' is nominated ask what the relationship is and record it. This will enable coding of the relationship to the classification.

The standard question module for self-completed collections consists of two questions.

The presenting unit head is identified via the relationships within the presenting unit. If there is a child(ren) present (under 18 years old), the presenting unit head is the spokesperson which is:

- The parent/guardian representing any child(ren) (under 18 years old), or if there is no parent/guardian, present the most direct relationship representing any child(ren) (under 18 years old).
- If two siblings presented to an agency the presenting unit head would be the one that was regarded as the spokesperson for the two.

If there are no child(ren) present (under 18 years old), the presenting unit head is the spokesperson who is:

- The spouse/partner of another person within the presenting unit, or
- Is related in some way to another person within the presenting unit.

Obtaining this information does not require a response for the presenting unit head. For each subsequent person, the respondent is required to fill in the appropriate tick box in response to the above instruction. The set of response categories for Person 2 differs from those used for Person 3 and onwards, depending on their relationship to the presenting unit head.

**Collection methods:** The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:

'Which category best describes your relationship to the presenting unit head?'

What is person's 1 relationship to Person 2?

Person 1 (Presenting unit head)

**Self** once identified - see Guide for Use guidelines.

Person 2

**Spouse/partner** of Person 1

**Parent** of Person 1

**Child** of Person 1

**Step-child** of Person 1

**Foster child** of Person 1

**Sibling** of Person 1

**Aunt or uncle** of Person 1

**Niece or nephew** of Person 1

**Grandparent** of Person 1

**Grandchild** of Person 1

**Other relative** of Person 1 please specify

**Unrelated flatmate or co-tenant** of Person 1

**Other relationship** to Person 1 please specify

Questions used for person 2 are repeated for each person within the presenting unit.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Person—relationship to the presenting unit head, code N\[N\]](#)  
[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:**

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[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

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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

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**DSS specific information:** In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2014-15](#)

[Homelessness](#), Superseded 24/11/2016

[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 24/11/2016

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2014

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[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2015-17](#)

[Homelessness](#), Superseded 24/11/2016

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[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2017-19](#)

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