

# Person—household single/couple status

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	456317
Registration status:	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 30/08/2017
Definition:	Whether or not a person identifies as being involved in a couple relationship with another household member.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	<a href="#">Person</a>
Definition:	A human being.

### Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the <i>Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender</i> and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) <i>Standard for Sex and Gender Variables</i> , which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.
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### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd
Reference documents:	<p>Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, <a href="https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx">https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx</a></p> <p>ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, <a href="http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument">http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument</a></p>

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	<a href="#">Household single/couple status</a>
Definition:	Whether or not a couple relationship exists between household members.
Property group:	<a href="#">Demographic/social/cultural characteristics</a>

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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# Data element concept attributes

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Has been superseded by [Person—household single/couple status](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017

**Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:**

[Person—household single/couple status, code N](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017