

Household—greatest need indicator, yes/no code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Greatest need indicator
METEOR identifier:	456559
Registration status:	Housing assistance , Superseded 30/08/2017
Definition:	An indicator of whether a household is in greatest need of priority access to services, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Household—greatest need indicator
Value Domain:	Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Yes
	2	No
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Source and reference attributes

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

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

This indicator is applied to a household at the time of service provision.

Low income households that at the time of allocation were subject to one or more of the following circumstances, are identified as households in greatest need:

- they were homeless
- their life or safety was at risk in their accommodation
- their health condition was aggravated by their housing
- their housing was inappropriate to their needs; or
- they had very high rental housing costs.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Household—greatest need indicator, yes/no code N Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Community housing waiting list cluster](#)
Housing assistance, Superseded 01/05/2013

[Community housing waiting list cluster](#)
Housing assistance, Superseded 03/07/2014

DSS specific information: Unknowns are collected as "U", and should be mapped to 9 - Not stated/Inadequately described.

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[Household \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)
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Housing assistance, Superseded 30/08/2017

[Tenancy/vacancy cluster \(Mainstream community housing\)](#)
Housing assistance, Superseded 01/05/2013

DSS specific information:

In the Community Housing 2009-10 collection greatest needs households are households who were subject to one or more of the following circumstances:

- they were homeless; or
- their life or safety was at risk in their accommodation; or
- their health condition was aggravated by their housing; or
- their housing was inappropriate to their needs; or
- they had very high rental housing costs.

A homeless household for the greatest need definition is a household with no housing or a household residing in temporary or emergency accommodation. It includes households who:

- lived in accommodation provided by a specialist homelessness services agency or some other form of emergency accommodation;
- were totally without permanent shelter;
- lived in shelter that was unlawful such as those who were forced to squat in derelict buildings; or
- stayed temporarily with friends or relatives in the short term.

In the Community Housing collection 'unknown' records should be mapped to '9 - Not stated/Inadequately described'. This item determines whether the household is assessed as being in greatest need at the time of allocation.

[Tenancy/vacancy cluster \(Mainstream community housing\)](#)
Housing assistance, Superseded 30/08/2017

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Unknown values are recorded as "U", and should be mapped to "9=Not stated/Inadequately described".

[Waitlist \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)

[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017