

# Person—principal source of cash income, housing assistance code N[.N.N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Principal income source
METEOR identifier:	462245
Registration status:	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 01/05/2013
Definition:	The source from which a housing assistance client derives the greatest proportion of his/her cash income, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	<a href="#">Person—principal source of cash income</a>
METEOR identifier:	462231
Registration status:	<a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 10/04/2013 <a href="#">Disability</a> , Standard 13/08/2015 <a href="#">Homelessness</a> , Standard 01/05/2013 <a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 01/05/2013
Definition:	The source from which a person derives the greatest proportion of his/her cash income.
Object class:	<a href="#">Person</a>
Property:	<a href="#">Principal source of cash income</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	<a href="#">Source of cash income (housing assistance) code N[.N.N]</a>
METEOR identifier:	462235
Registration status:	<a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Superseded 30/08/2017
Definition:	A code set representing a housing assistance client's main income source.

## Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[.N.N]	
Maximum character length:	3	
Permissible values:	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	1	Employee cash income
	2	Unincorporated business income
	3.1.1	Youth allowance
	3.1.2	Newstart allowance
	3.1.3	Other allowances for students and the unemployed

	3.2.1	Age pension
	3.2.2	Disability Support pension
	3.2.3	Other Centrelink pensions/allowances for the aged and people with disability
	3.3	Other Government cash pension/allowances (e.g. Service pensions)
	4	Other cash income (e.g. superannuation, compensation)
	5	Nil income
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	9	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** This item does not match the ABS income standards, and is not recommended for wider use.

## Source and reference attributes

**Reference documents:** Based on Australian Bureau of Statistics. Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables.

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Income source identifies a household's sources of income and can be used to determine whether they may be eligible to receive Commonwealth rent assistance if the same household was living in the private rental market.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** National Housing Data Development Committee

**Origin:** Australian Bureau of Statistics. [Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables](#). Viewed 3 November 2005.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Person—source of cash income \(principal\)\(housing assistance\), code N{.N.N}](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Person income \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)  
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 01/05/2013

**Implementation in Indicators:** **Used as Disaggregation**  
[National Affordable Housing Agreement: Output 3-Number of households assisted in social housing, 2011](#)  
[Homelessness](#), Recorded 27/09/2011  
[Housing assistance](#), Recorded 27/09/2011  
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