Service event—tenancy start date, DDMMYYYY

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Tenancy start date |
| Synonymous names: | Date assistance commenced |
| METEOR identifier: | 474692 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 01/05/2013 |
| Definition: | The date at which a tenancy agreement between the client and a service provider organisation commences. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Service event—tenancy start date](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/498297) |
| Value Domain: | [Date DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270566) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Date | |
| Data type: | Date/Time | |
| Format: | DDMMYYYY | |
| Maximum character length: | 8 | |

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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 | |
| Guide for use: | This item may be used to record the date that housing assistance commenced. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Household (housing assistance) cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/492552)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 01/05/2013  ***DSS specific information:***  This metadata item is used in calculation of measures of periods of support and duration of assistance and for measuring various point in time data.  The date on which the provision of housing assistance to a household by an agency commenced, as distinct from the date the household applies and is entered on the waiting list or assessed for eligibility. The date recorded should be the date on which the client has begun to receive some form of assistance.  This metadata item should always be recorded as an 8-digit valid date comprising day, month and year. Year should always be recorded in its full 4-digit format. For days and months with a numeric value of less than 10, zeros should be used to ensure that the date contains the required 8 digits. For example, if an episode starts on July 1 2000 the date should be recorded as 01072000.  For each separate tenancy, a separate start date should be recorded. Same address transfers, mutual exchanges and succession of tenancy of dwellings are not considered separate housing assistance events.  For the public rental housing and state owned and managed Indigenous housing data collections the tenancy start date should be taken from the date specified on the tenancy agreement. Tenants may actually move in at a later date than this date.    [Household (housing assistance) cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/459886)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 30/08/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  This metadata item is used in calculation of measures of periods of support and duration of assistance and for measuring various point in time data.  The date on which the provision of housing assistance to a household by an agency commenced, as distinct from the date the household applies and is entered on the waiting list or assessed for eligibility. The date recorded should be the date on which the client has begun to receive some form of assistance.  This metadata item should always be recorded as an 8-digit valid date comprising day, month and year. Year should always be recorded in its full 4-digit format. For days and months with a numeric value of less than 10, zeros should be used to ensure that the date contains the required 8 digits. 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[Public Housing and State Owned and Managed Indigenous housing (PH & SOMIH) DSS 2018-](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/711016)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 10/05/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***DSS specific information:***  This metadata item is used in calculation of measures of periods of support and duration of assistance and for measuring various point in time data.  Record the date on which the provision of housing assistance to a household by an agency commenced, as distinct from the date the household applies and is entered on the waiting list or assessed for eligibility. The date recorded should be the date on which the client began to receive some form of assistance.  Record in DD/MM/YYYY format.  For each separate tenancy, a separate start date should be recorded. 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