



Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

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Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Set Specification
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	505626
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 17/12/2012
<i>DSS type:</i>	National Minimum Data Set (NMDS)
<i>Scope:</i>	<p>The Specialist Homelessness Services National Minimum Data Set (SHS NMDS) aims to provide quality information about people who are either homeless or at risk of homelessness and who are seeking services from specialist homelessness agencies.</p> <p>This collection is intended to obtain information about clients receiving ongoing or short term support as well as people who are seeking assistance but did not receive any services. Data collection includes basic socio-demographic information and the services required by and provided to each client. Details about accompanying children are also recorded. Additionally, information is obtained about the client circumstances before, during and after receiving support. The base unit of this collection is a person who present to a Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) agency requesting a service or services. A person becomes a client once they receive a service or services. The period of time a client receives assistance from a SHS agency is commonly referred to as a support period. It relates to the provision of assistance and/or supported accommodation. A support period is considered finished when the relationship between the client and the agency ends or the client has reached their maximum amount of support.</p> <p>During a support period there are, in most cases, a series of service episodes or assistance, other than supported accommodation, provided to the client by the SHS agency. For the purposes of the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, assistance also includes contact with a client, or work on behalf of a client.</p> <p>The SHS NMDS has three 'views' for collection purposes, they are: Unassisted person, Client and Specialist homelessness agency.</p> <p>An 'Unassisted person' in the context of this collection is any person who seeks assistance from an agency and is not successful in obtaining that assistance. A 'Client' is a person who receives services either directly or indirectly from an agency. A 'Specialist homelessness agency' is an organisation which receives government funding to deliver a specialist homelessness service to a client. If clients present collectively information is collected for each client but the group is referred to as a 'Presenting unit'.</p> <p>The 2011 SHS NMDS was developed to support the collection of data under the Intergovernmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations for Homelessness. It replaced the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) collection from July 2011.</p> <p>In 2008 the Council of Australian Governments (COAG)</p>

agreed to reform federal financial relations to improve the quality and effectiveness of government services. These reforms led to the establishment of the National Affordable Housing Agreement (NAHA) and the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH), which includes specific performance measures in relation to homelessness.

In conjunction with these reforms, the Australian Government initiated a comprehensive policy review, setting out a national approach to reducing homelessness in the White Paper: The Road Home, A National Approach to Reducing Homelessness.

The 2013-14 SHS NMDS continues to reflect the outcome based performance framework promoted by the COAG Reforms and White Paper. It supports the collection, analysis and reporting of client-based data. This allows for the production of statistical information about clients' circumstances, the assistance they receive and the outcomes that are achieved for them. This information can be used to inform policy design, evaluation, service improvement and monitoring of specialist homelessness services in Australia.

In addition the 2013-14 SHS NMDS provides for the collection of information about SHS clients with disabilities. This information will be used to better understand the circumstances and experiences of clients with disabilities who access SHS agencies.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	For jurisdictions who have high volume central intake or localised entry point agencies (for example ACT and Victoria), data for unmet demand and unassisted requests for services are not directly comparable with other states and territories.
<i>Implementation start date:</i>	01/07/2013
<i>Implementation end date:</i>	30/06/2014

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Housing and Homelessness Information Management Group.
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also SAAP Administrative National Minimum Data Set (NMDS) Community Services, Retired 01/07/2011 Supersedes Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2012-13 Homelessness, Candidate 19/12/2012
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Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
-	Specialist Homelessness Services accommodation type and start/end date cluster	Conditional	16
-	Specialist Homelessness Services activity cluster	Conditional	1
-	Specialist Homelessness Services disability flag cluster	Conditional	1
-	Specialist Homelessness Services financial assistance type and amount cluster	Conditional	1
-	Statistical linkage key 581 cluster	Mandatory	1

- Address – Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) [NNNN]	Conditional	2
- Address – suburb/town/locality name, text X[(46)]	Conditional	2
- Child – care arrangements, care and protection order code N[N]	Conditional	4
- Client – case management goal status, code N	Conditional	1
- Client – case management plan indicator, yes/no code N	Conditional	1
- Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N	Conditional	1
- Client – reason case management plan does not exist, code N	Conditional	1
- Client – reason case management plan does not exist, text [A(50)]	Conditional	1
- Person (employed) – full-time/part-time status, code N	Conditional	4
- Person – Australian state/territory identifier, code N	Conditional	2
- Person – conditions of occupancy, code N	Conditional	4
- Person – country of birth, code (SACC 2011) NNNN	Conditional	1
- Person – first service request indicator, yes/no code N	Conditional	1
- Person – formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator, code N	Conditional	1
- Person – government funding identifier, Centrelink customer reference number N(9)A	Conditional	1
- Person – housing tenure type, homelessness code N	Conditional	4
- Person – Indigenous status, code N	Conditional	1
- Person – labour force status, code N	Conditional	4
- Person – living arrangement, homelessness code N	Conditional	4
- Person – mental health services received indicator, yes/no code N	Conditional	1
- Person – mental health services received timeframe, code N	Conditional	1
- Person – new client indicator, code N	Conditional	1
- Person – number of people in the presenting unit, total N[N]	Mandatory	1
- Person – previously homeless status, code N	Conditional	6
- Person – previously resided in institution/facility indicator, code N	Conditional	1
- Person – principal source of cash income, code NNNN	Conditional	4
- Person – reason for seeking assistance, homelessness code N[N]	Conditional	27
- Person – reason for seeking assistance, text [A(50)]	Conditional	1
- Person – reason services not provided, code N[N]	Conditional	11
- Person – registered/awaiting government payment indicator, code N	Conditional	4
- Person – relationship to the presenting unit head, code N[N]	Mandatory	1
- Person – relationship to the presenting unit head, text [A(50)]	Conditional	1
- Person – residential type, homelessness code N[N]	Conditional	4
- Person – school enrolment and attendance status, code N	Conditional	1
- Person – service requested, homelessness code N	Conditional	4
- Person – source of information on a mental health condition indicator, code N	Conditional	1

- <u>Person – source of information on a mental health condition, code N</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Person – student type, code N</u>	Conditional	4
- <u>Person – student/employment training indicator, code N</u>	Conditional	4
- <u>Person – time elapsed since last permanent residence, code N</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Person – type of institution recently left, homelessness code N[N]</u>	Conditional	7
- <u>Person – urgency of requested assistance, time period code N</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Person – year of first arrival in Australia, date YYYY</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Referral – formal referral source, homelessness code N[N]</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service episode – reporting period, date MMYYYY</u>	Mandatory	1
- <u>Service episode – service cessation reason, homelessness code N[N]</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service episode – service ongoing indicator, code N</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service event – assistance request date, DDMMYYYY</u>	Mandatory	1
- <u>Service event – first service contact date, DDMMYYYY</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY</u>	Conditional	1
- <u>Service provider organisation – organisation identifier, NNNNNA</u>	Mandatory	1

Specialist Homelessness Services accommodation type and start/end date cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

- Metadata item type:* Data Set Specification
- METeOR identifier:* 508932
- Registration status:* Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
- DSS type:* Data Element Cluster
- Scope:* The Specialist Homelessness Services accommodation type and start/end date cluster captures information on the accommodation provided to a client during a collection month.
The cluster collects:
- the type of accommodation (e.g. short term/emergency, medium term/transitional, or long term) the client was provided
 - the date the accommodation period commenced (record the date in the format DDMMYYYY)
 - the date the accommodation period ceased (record the date in the format DDMMYYYY)

Table 1: Accommodation types by date

	Accommodation calendar dates														
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Etc.
Short term															
Medium term															
Long term															

Collection and usage attributes

- Guide for use:* Only one type of accommodation should be recorded for each night. If a client is marked down as staying in two different types of accommodation for the same date, it will be recorded as an error.
If a client crosses the whole month check box, the first of the month should be recorded as the start date, and the last valid calendar day for that month should be recorded as the end date.

Implementation start date: 10/12/2012

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
-	Service event – accommodation period end date, DDMMYYYY	Mandatory	1
-	Service event – accommodation period start date, DDMMYYYY	Mandatory	1
-	Service event – supported accommodation type, code N	Mandatory	1

Data set specification specific attributes

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Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information: Clients may enter start and end dates for each of the accommodation types provided during the collection month.
Multiple accommodation types, start dates and end dates may be entered. In a month of 31 days, up to 16 accommodation types, and related start dates or end dates are possible. The dates selected should be valid for the collection month (ie. For September the 30th is a valid date, but the 31st is not a valid date.)

Specialist Homelessness Services activity cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Set Specification
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508815
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Standardisation pending 23/12/2012
<i>DSS type:</i>	Data Element Cluster
<i>Scope:</i>	The Specialist Homelessness Services activity cluster (the service activity type cluster) captures information on the assessed need for service activities for a client in a Specialist Homelessness Agency setting. Specifically it details the types of service activities, and whether they have been assessed as a requirement for a client, provided to a client, or the client has been referred to another Agency in order to receive those services.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data cluster is designed to facilitate the collection of data from Specialist Homelessness Services clients. Agency workers indicate any service activity which the worker and the client assess together as being needed. Subsequent referral for or provision of those services are also recorded. Information is recorded for this data cluster for each reporting period, i.e. each calendar month.
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Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
-	Client – referral arranged, homelessness activity type code N[N]	Mandatory	53
-	Client – service activity type needed, homelessness activity type code N[N]	Mandatory	53
-	Client – service activity type provided, homelessness activity type code N[N]	Mandatory	53

Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
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Specialist Homelessness Services disability flag cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Set Specification

METeOR identifier: 509290

Registration status: Homelessness, Candidate 13/12/2012

DSS type: Data Element Cluster

Scope: In the Specialist Homeless Services NMDS, these data elements are used together to assess the functional status of a person across a range of life areas.

The cluster combines the two data elements: *Person – activity and participation life area, disability flag homelessness code N* and *Person – need for assistance with activities in a life area, disability flag homelessness code N*, to complete the following matrix:

	Always/ sometimes need help and/or supervision	Have difficulty, but don't need help/supervision	Don't have difficulty, but use aids/equipment	Have no difficulty
Self-care				
Mobility				
Communication				

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: It is expected that the data elements in this cluster will be used to collect information from the individual being assessed, or a proxy/carer or service worker answering on their behalf. The responses are phrased in answer to the question 'For each of the following activities, do you need help/supervision, have difficulty, or use aids/equipment? (choose one answer for each row)'.
Also required is the following preamble to the question:

'The next question is about whether a long-term health condition or disability restricts your everyday activities. A long-term health condition is one that has lasted, or is expected to last, 6 months or more. Examples of long-term health conditions that might restrict your everyday activities include severe asthma, epilepsy, hearing loss, arthritis, depression, autism, kidney disease, chronic pain, speech impairment, stroke.'

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
-	Person – activity and participation life area, disability flag homelessness code N	Mandatory	1
-	Person – need for assistance with activities in a life area, disability flag homelessness code N	Mandatory	1

Data set specification specific attributes

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Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

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

Specialist Homelessness Services financial assistance type and amount cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Set Specification
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508949
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>DSS type:</i>	Data Element Cluster
<i>Scope:</i>	This cluster captures the financial assistance type(s) and amount(s) received by clients during a reporting period. It specifically relates to assistance provided by the specialist homelessness agency and not assistance provided by any other source.

Financial assistance type	Total amount (Dollars)
Payment for short term or emergency accommodation	\$
Payment for establishing/ maintaining a tenancy	\$
Payment for training/ education/ employment	\$
Payment for accessing external specialist services	\$
Other payment	\$

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
-	Person – financial assistance amount, total Australian currency N[NNNN]	Mandatory	5
-	Person – financial assistance type, homelessness code N	Mandatory	5

Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this cluster is collected at the end of the reporting period (for the current service episode only).

Statistical linkage key 581 cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Data Set Specification
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349510
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>DSS type:</i>	Data Element Cluster
<i>Scope:</i>	<p>Statistical data linkage refers to the bringing together of data from different sources to gain a greater understanding of a situation or individual from the combined (or linked) dataset. This facilitates a better understanding of the patterns of service use by groups of clients for research, statistical or policy analysis, planning and evaluation purposes.</p> <p>Its form is: XXXXXDDMMYYYYN</p> <p>The sequence in which the linkage key is completed is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Family name (the first 3 Xs)Given name (the 4th and 5th X)Date of birth by day, month and four-digit yearSex <p>XXX 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of the family name.</p> <p>In the first three spaces the agency should record the 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of the client's family name.</p> <p>For example: If the client's family name is Smith the reported value should be MIH. If the client's family name is Jones the reported value should be ONS.</p> <p>Regardless of the length of a person's name, the reported value should always be three characters long. If the legal family name is not long enough to supply the requested letters (i.e. a legal family name of less than five letters) then agencies should substitute the number '2' to reflect the missing letters. The placement of a number '2' should always correspond to the same space that the missing letter would have within the 3-digit field. A number (rather than a letter) is used for such a substitution in order to clearly indicate that an appropriate corresponding letter from the person's name is not available.</p> <p>Cases where the family name has less than 5 letters:</p> <p>If a person's family name is Farr, then value reported would be AR2 because the 2 is substituting for a missing 5th letter of the family name. Similarly, if the person's family name was Hua, then the value reported would be UA2 because the 2 is substituting for the missing 5th letter of the family name.</p> <p>If a client's family name is missing altogether the agency should record the number 999 for all three spaces associated with the family name, (not the number 2). In some cultures it is traditional to state the family name first. To overcome discrepancies in recording/reporting that may arise as a result of this practice, agencies should always ask the person to specify their legal first given name and their legal family name</p>

separately. These should then be recorded as first given name and family name as appropriate, regardless of the order in which they may be traditionally given.

If the client's family name includes non-alphabetic characters – for example hyphens (as in Lee-Archer), apostrophes (as in O'Mara) or blank spaces (as in De Vries) – these non-alphabetic characters should be ignored when counting the position of each character.

XX 2nd and 3rd letters of given name

In the fourth and fifth spaces the agency should record the 2nd and 3rd letters of the client's given name.

For example: If the client's given name is Elizabeth the reported value should be LI. If the client's given name is Robert the reported value should be OB.

If the client's given name includes non-alphabetic characters – for example hyphens (as in Jo-Anne) or apostrophes (as in D'Arcy), these non-alphabetic characters should be ignored when counting the position of each character.

Regardless of the length of a person's given name, the reported value should always be two characters long. If the given name of the person is not long enough to supply the requested letters (i.e. a name of less than three letters) then agencies should substitute the number '2' to reflect the missing letters. The placement of a number '2' should always correspond to the same space that the missing letter would have within the 2-digit field. A number (rather than a letter) is used for such substitutions in order to clearly indicate that an appropriate corresponding letter from the person's name is not available.

For example: If the person's legal name was Jo then the value reported would be O2 because the 2 is substituting for the missing 3rd letter of the given name.

If the person's given name is missing altogether the agency should record 99 for the two spaces associated with the given name. In some cultures it is traditional to state the family name first. To overcome discrepancies in recording/reporting that may arise as a result of this practice, agencies should always ask the person to specify their given name and their family name separately. These should then be recorded as first given name and family name as appropriate, regardless of the order in which they may be traditionally given.

Date of Birth

DD represents the day in the month a person was born

MM represents the month in the year a person was born

YYYY represents the year a person was born

If date of birth is not known or cannot be obtained, provision should be made to collect or estimate age. Collected or estimated age would usually be in years for adults and to the nearest three months (or less) for children aged less than two years. Additionally, an estimated date flag or a date accuracy indicator should be reported in conjunction with all estimated dates of birth.

For data collections concerned with children's services, it is suggested that the estimated date of birth of children aged under 2 years should be reported to the nearest 3 month period, i.e. 0101, 0104, 0107, 0110 of the estimated year of birth. For

example, a child who is thought to be aged 18 months in October of one year would have his/her estimated date of birth reported as 0104 of the previous year. Again, an estimated date flag or date accuracy indicator

<http://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/index.phtml/itemId/294429> should be reported in conjunction with all estimated dates of birth.

Sex

N represents whether or not the person is a 1. Male or 2. Female.

Operationally, sex is the distinction between male and female, as reported by a person or as determined by an interviewer.

When collecting data on sex by personal interview, asking the sex of the respondent is usually unnecessary and may be inappropriate, or even offensive. It is usually a simple matter to infer the sex of the respondent through observation, or from other cues such as the relationship of the person(s) accompanying the respondent, or first name. The interviewer may ask whether persons not present at the interview are male or female.

A person's sex may change during their lifetime as a result of procedures known alternatively as sex change, gender reassignment, transsexual surgery, transgender reassignment or sexual reassignment. Throughout this process, which may be over a considerable period of time, the person's sex could be recorded as either Male or Female.

In data collections that use the ICD-10-AM classification, where sex change is the reason for admission, diagnoses should include the appropriate ICD-10-AM code(s) that clearly identify that the person is undergoing such a process. This code(s) would also be applicable after the person has completed such a process, if they have a procedure involving an organ(s) specific to their previous sex (e.g. where the patient has prostate or ovarian cancer).

Code 3 Intersex or indeterminate

Is normally used for babies for whom sex has not been determined for whatever reason.

Should not generally be used on data collection forms completed by the respondent.

Should only be used if the person or respondent volunteers that the person is intersex or where it otherwise becomes clear during the collection process that the individual is neither male nor female.

Code 9 Not stated/inadequately described

Is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

Data that has been produced by linkage for statistical and research purposes should not be used subsequently for client management purposes.

This data cluster contains a set of specific data elements to be reported on in a predetermined combination.

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Where a date of birth is estimated the date accuracy indicator

should be used. Please see Relational attributes.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.
<i>Steward:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	AIHW 1998. Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0. Report prepared for the Commonwealth and State/Territory government HACC Officials.
<i>Reference documents:</i>	NCSIMG 2001. Statistical Data Linkage in Community Services Data Collections. Canberra: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Date – accuracy indicator, code AAA](#) Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

<i>Seq No.</i>	<i>Metadata item</i>	<i>Obligation</i>	<i>Max occurs</i>
1	Person – letters of family name, text XXX	Mandatory	1
2	Person – letters of given name, text XX	Mandatory	1
3	Person – date of birth, DDMMYYYY	Mandatory	1
4	Person – sex, code N	Mandatory	1
5	Record – linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN	Mandatory	1
6	Date – accuracy indicator, code AAA	Conditional	1

Data set specification specific attributes

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DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this cluster is collected at the date of presentation.
For the purposes of the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS the SLK of the Presenting Unit Head will be recorded on each their accompanying member's forms.

Address—Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN}

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Australian postcode (address)
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	429894
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Tasmanian Health, Draft 12/09/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area for an address.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Address – Australian postcode

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	Postcode datafile
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	Number
<i>Format:</i>	{NNNN}
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is reported twice, for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• where the person lived one week before the first service contact (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY); and• where the person lived the last time they had a permanent place to live.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Australian postal addresses should include a valid postcode. Refer to the Australia Post Address Presentation Standard for rules on presentation and positioning of postcodes on mail. For a full list of Australian postcodes visit the Australia Post website: www.auspost.com.au This data element may be used in the analysis of data on a geographical basis which involves a conversion from postcodes to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) postal areas. This
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conversion results in some inaccuracy of information as postcodes do not have a geographic definition and boundaries are not well defined. However, in some data sets postcode is the only geographic identifier, therefore the use of other more accurate indicators (e.g. Statistical areas - SA) is not always possible.

When dealing with aggregate data, postal areas, converted from postcodes, can be mapped to Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) codes using an ABS concordance, for example to determine SA2s. For a more advanced concordance, locality, postcode and state, which are all part of an address, used in conjunction can effectively code data to the SA1 level and above in the ASGS.

This data element is one of a number of items that can be used to create a primary address, as recommended by the AS 4590-2006 *Interchange of client information* standard. Components of the primary address are:

- Address site (or Primary complex) name
- Address number or number range
- Road name (name/type/suffix)
- Locality
- State/Territory
- Postcode (optional)
- Country (if applicable).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: Standards Australia 2006. AS 4590 – 2006 Interchange of client information. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Address – statistical area, level 2 \(SA2\) code \(ASGS 2011\) N\(9\)](#) Community Services, Standard 06/12/2011, Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Supersedes [Dwelling – Australian postcode code \(Postcode datafile\) {NNNN}](#) Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006
Supersedes [Housing assistance agency – Australian postcode code \(Postcode datafile\) {NNNN}](#) Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006
Supersedes [Person \(address\) – Australian postcode, code \(Postcode datafile\) {NNNN}](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006, Health, Superseded 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
Supersedes [Service provider organisation \(address\) – Australian postcode, code \(Postcode datafile\) {NNNN}](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Candidate 19/10/2012, Health, Superseded 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012
Supersedes [Workplace \(address\) – Australian postcode, code \(Postcode datafile\) {NNNN}](#) Health, Superseded 07/12/2011
Implementation in Data Set [Activity based funding: Emergency department care DSS 2013-](#)

Specifications:

[2014 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 31/10/2012
[Address details data dictionary](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013
[Cardiovascular disease \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012
[Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
[Juvenile Justice Order file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 09/11/2012
[Public hospital establishment address details DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas \(SEIFA\) cluster 2011](#) Community Services, Standard 21/02/2012
Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
[Surveillance of healthcare associated infection: Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia DSS](#) Health, Standard 15/11/2012

Address—suburb/town/locality name, text X[(46)]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Suburb/town/locality name within address
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Suburb name; Locality name
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	429889
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Tasmanian Health, Draft 12/09/2012 WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The name of the locality/suburb of the address, as represented by text.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Address—suburb/town/locality name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	X[(46)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	46

Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is reported twice, for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• where the person lived one week before the first service contact (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY); and• where the person lived the last time they had a permanent place to live.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The suburb/town/locality name may be a town, city, suburb or commonly used location name such as a large agricultural property or Aboriginal community. This metadata item may be used to describe the location of an organisation or person. It can be a component of a street or postal address. If used for mailing purposes, the format of this data element should be upper case. Refer to Australia Post Address Presentation Standard. Any forced abbreviations shall be done
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by truncation from the right.

This data element is one of a number of items that can be used to create a primary address, as recommended by the AS 4590-2006 *Interchange of client information* standard. Components of the primary address are:

- Address site (or Primary complex) name
- Address number or number range
- Road name (name/type/suffix)
- Locality
- State/Territory
- Postcode (optional)
- Country (if applicable).

Comments: Official locality names and their associated boundary extents are assigned by relevant state naming committees/protocols. Their correct usage is encouraged.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: Standards Australia 2006. AS 4590 – 2006 Interchange of client information. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Address – statistical area, level 2 \(SA2\) code \(ASGS 2011\) N\(9\)](#) Community Services, Standard 06/12/2011, Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Supersedes [Person \(address\) – suburb/town/locality name, text \[A\(50\)\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Superseded 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
Supersedes [Service provider organisation \(address\) – suburb/town/locality name, text \[A\(50\)\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Candidate 19/10/2012, Health, Superseded 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012
Supersedes [Workplace \(address\) – suburb/town/locality name, text \[A\(50\)\]](#) Health, Superseded 07/12/2011
Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Address details data dictionary](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
[Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
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Child—care arrangements, care and protection order code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Care arrangements (care and protection order)
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Living arrangement (care and protection order)
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	367626
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Proposed 09/11/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of a care arrangement in which a child lives, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Child – care arrangements

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																				
<i>Data type:</i>	Number																				
<i>Format:</i>	N[N]																				
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	2																				
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>	99 Not stated/inadequately described																				

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Residential care Where placement is in a residential building where the purpose is to provide placements for children and where there are paid staff.</p> <p>CODE 2 Family group home Family group homes provide care to children in a departmentally or community sector agency provided home. These homes have live-in, non-salaried carers who are reimbursed and/or subsidised for the provision of care.</p> <p>CODE 3 Relatives/kin who are reimbursed Includes family members (other than parents) or a person well known to the child and/or family (based on a pre-existing</p>
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relationship) who is reimbursed by the state/territory.

CODE 4 Foster care

Includes situations in which a child is living with foster parent(s) who receive a foster care allowance from a government or non-government organisation for the care of a child (excluding children in family group homes)

CODE 5 Other home based care (reimbursed)

Any other type of reimbursed home-based care that does not fit into the above categories.

CODE 6 Relative/kin who are not reimbursed

Includes family members (other than parents) or a person well known to the child and/or family (based on a pre-existing relationship) who ARE NOT reimbursed by the state/territory.

CODE 7 Independent living

This includes private board and lead-tenant households.

CODE 8 Other living arrangements

This includes any living arrangements not mentioned above.

CODE 9 Parents

Includes natural or adoptive parents of the child.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Is used when the family in which a child lives in not recorded or is unknown.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Child Protection and Support Services data working group (NCPASS).

Origin: Child Protection and Support Services National Minimum Data Set, Data Collection Manual, AIHW September 2005.

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (Code 1).

This data element is only collected for clients aged less than 18 years, who have a care and protection order.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: This item is for children who were on a care and protection order during the financial year. This item should be filled in for all children, regardless of when they came into care.
If the child was not on an order at 30 June, this should be left blank. This refers to the usual place of residence of the child, as stated in the case plan. If the child is absent, either planned or unplanned, the usual place of residence should still be recorded.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Child Protection and Support Services data group (NCPASS).
Origin: Child protection and support services data dictionary. AIHW Version 1.0 Oct 2005.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Child—care arrangements, child protection code N\[N\]](#) Community Services, Recorded 19/08/2011
Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Client—case management goal status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Case management goal status
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Extent case management goals achieved
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401048
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The extent to which a client has achieved his/her case management goals, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client – case management goal status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code										
<i>Data type:</i>	Number										
<i>Format:</i>	N										
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1										
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4	All										

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 1 Not at all This option is selected if no case management goals were achieved. CODE 2 Up to half This option is used if less than half the case management goals were achieved. CODE 3 Half or more This option is selected if at least half the case management goals were achieved. CODE 4 All This option is used if all case management goals were achieved.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	Conditional on YES (CODE 1) response to Client – case management plan indicator, yes/no code.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the end of each reporting period, ie each calendar month.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question: "To what extent does the case worker think the client has achieved their goals over the past reporting period?"
<i>Comments:</i>	This item is answered from the perspective of the agency worker. It is answered at the end of a reporting period as to whether the case management goals were achieved.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Client – case management plan goal status, code N Community Services, Superseded 02/11/2010 See also Client – case management plan indicator, yes/no code N Community Services, Standard 29/04/2006, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 See also Client – reason case management plan does not exist, code N Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 See also Client – reason case management plan does not exist, text [A(50)] Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Client—case management plan indicator, yes/no code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Case management plan indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	321129
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 29/04/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether or not a current (at the time of recording) case management plan has been developed for the client, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client—case management plan indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>									

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the end of each reporting period, ie each calendar month.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	This metadata item would be collected either at an initial assessment or subsequent assessments of a person(s). Due to the variety across community services as to what constitutes a case management plan, and whether it is considered to be developed, agreed to and implemented, it is up to individual collections to further clearly specify these aspects when collecting data for their individual purposes. This
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could include whether or not the plan is written.

An example of a question used by the Day Therapy Centre program (DTC) to establish whether a care plan has been developed for the client is:

Was a care plan developed for the person?

- Yes
- No

Individual collections may also have certain quality issues regarding case management plans that may be as important as whether or not one has been developed.

Comments:

A case management plan is a personal plan or a support agreement that usually has a statement of the person(s) problems or needs, some goals for the person(s) and strategies to achieve those goals. It is usually developed between the person and agency as a result of an assessment process. The plan or agreement can relate to services provided by one agency or a number of agencies.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

National Community Services Data Dictionary Version 2, 2000

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Client – case management goal status, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Supersedes [Client – case management plan indicator, code N](#) Community Services, Superseded 29/04/2006

See also [Client – reason case management plan does not exist, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Client – reason case management plan does not exist, text \[A\(50\)\]](#) Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Client—consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Consent obtained indicator
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Consent obtained
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	338737
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether the client has agreed to have personal information recorded, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client – consent indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code						
<i>Data type:</i>	Boolean						
<i>Format:</i>	N						
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1						
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	The data collected in the Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) NMDS will be used for policy development and agency activity reporting in a non-identifiable form. This information will enable better placement of agency services and enhance service provision to clients of homelessness agencies.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Code 1 Yes Information has been provided to the client about the recording of personal information and they have given their consent to being involved. Code 2 No The client has been asked to give consent but has refused, or if consent was not obtained for other reasons.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Supported Accommodation Assistance Program Information Sub-Committee (SAAP-ISC).

Origin: SAAP National Data Collection Agency Collectors Manual July 2005.

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
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Implementation in Indicators: **Used as numerator**
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[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#) Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

Client—reason case management plan does not exist, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Reason case management plan does not exist
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	398443
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason a current case management plan for the client does not exist, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client—reason case management plan does not exist

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Client did not agree to one This option is used if the client was asked about formulating a plan, but they did not agree.</p> <p>CODE 2 Service episode too short Case management plans may not be appropriate for all clients, for example, when a client is supported for a 24 hour period or less. Support may include accommodation or other services.</p> <p>CODE 3 Part of another person's case management plan The client is covered by another client's case management plan.</p> <p>CODE 8 Other If a case management plan was not formulated for a client for some other reason. This other reason should be collected.</p> <p>CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.</p>
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Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	This item is conditional on a response of No (CODE 2) in the data element <i>Client – case management plan indicator yes/no code N</i> .
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the end of each reporting period, ie each calendar month.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This metadata item is answered from the perspective of an agency worker.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question: "Why does a case management plan not exist?" Responses of "other" should request further information by use of the words "please specify".

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Client – case management goal status, code N Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 See also Client – case management plan indicator, yes/no code N Community Services, Standard 29/04/2006, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Supersedes Client – reason case management plan does not exist, SAAP code N Community Services, Superseded 17/11/2010 See also Client – reason case management plan does not exist, text [A(50)] Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Client—reason case management plan does not exist, text [A(50)]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Other reason case management plan does not exist
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	509410
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason a current case management plan for the client does not exist, as represented by text.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client – reason case management plan does not exist

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(50)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	50

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	This data element is conditional on a response of Other (CODE 8) for the data element <i>Client – reason case management plan does not exist, code N</i> .
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the end of each reporting period, ie each calendar month.

Data element attributes

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[code N](#) Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Client—referral arranged, homelessness activity type code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Client service activity referral(s)
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508817
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of service or assistance for which a client has a referral interview or appointment arranged, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client—referral arranged

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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Client – service activity type needed, SAAP accompanying child code N\[N\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 01/07/2011

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See also [Client – service activity type, homelessness code N\[N\]](#)
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 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Client—service activity type needed, homelessness activity type code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Support service type needed
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Support service needs identified
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508813
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of service or assistance needed by a client, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client—service activity type needed

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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Client—service activity type provided, homelessness activity type code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Support service type provided
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Service activity type provided
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508811
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The type(s) of service or assistance provided to a client, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Client—service activity type provided

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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Date—accuracy indicator, code AAA

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Date accuracy indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	294429
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of the accuracy of the components of a reported date, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Date—accuracy indicator

Value domain attributes

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EUU	Day is estimated, month and year are unknown
UAA	Day is unknown, month and year are accurate
UAE	Day is unknown, month is accurate, year is estimated
UAU	Day is unknown, month is accurate, year is unknown
UEA	Day is unknown, month is estimated, year is accurate
UEE	Day is unknown, month and year are estimated
UEU	Day is unknown, month is estimated, year is unknown
UUA	Day and month are unknown, year is accurate
UUE	Day and month are unknown, year is estimated
UUU	Day, month and year are unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Any combination of the values A, E, U representing the corresponding level of accuracy of each date component of the reported date.

This data element consists of a combination of three codes, each of which denotes the accuracy of one date component:

A – the referred date component is accurate

E – the referred date component is not known but is estimated

U – the referred date component is not known and not estimated.

This data element contains positional fields (DMY) that reflects the order of the date components in the format (DDMMYYYY) of the reported date:

Field 1 (D) – refers to the accuracy of the day component;

Field 2 (M) – refers to the accuracy of the month component;

Field 3 (Y) – refers to the accuracy of the year component.

Data domain	Date component (for a format DDMMYYYY)		
	(D)ay	(M)onth	(Y)ear
Accurate	A	A	A
Estimated	E	E	E
Unknown	U	U	U

This data element is valid only for use with dates that are reported/exchanged in the format (DDMMYYYY).

Example 1: A date has been sourced from a reliable source and is known as accurate then the Date accuracy indicator should be informed as (AAA).

Example 2: If only the age of the person is known and there is no certainty of the accuracy of this, then the Date accuracy indicator should be informed as (UUE). That is the day and month are “unknown” and the year is “estimated”.

Example 3: If a person was brought in unconscious to an emergency department of a hospital and the only information available was from a relative who was certain of the age and the

birthday's 'month' then the Date accuracy indicator should be informed as (UAA). A year derived from an accurate month and accurate age is always an accurate year.

The Date accuracy indicator can be useful for operational purposes to indicate the level of accuracy that a date has been collected at any point in time. It can indicate whether the stored date needs to be followed up until it reaches the intended minimal required accuracy. For example, if a person was brought in unconscious to an emergency department of a hospital the level of accuracy of the date collected at that point may not be satisfactory. It is likely that the correct date of birth can be obtained at a later date. The Date accuracy indicator provides information on the accuracy of the entered dates that may require further action.

For future users of the data it may also be essential they know the accuracy of the date components of a reported date.

Data set specification specific attributes

[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#)

Conditional obligation: Where a date of birth is estimated the date accuracy indicator should be used

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Collection constraints:
If constraints for the collection of the date are imposed, such as 'a valid date must be input in an information system for unknown date components', the Date accuracy indicator should be used along with the date as a way of avoiding the contamination of the valid dates with the same value on the respective date components.

Example:

Some jurisdictions use 0107YYYY and some use 0101YYYY when only the year is known. When month and year are known some use the 15th day as the date i.e. 15MMYYYY. Where this occurs in a data collection that is used for reporting or analysis purposes there will be dates in the collection with the attributes 0107YYYY etc that are accurate and some that are not accurate. Without a corresponding flag to determine this accuracy the analysis or report will be contaminated by those estimated dates.

Comments: Provision of a date is often a mandatory requirement in data collections.
Most computer systems require a valid date to be recorded in a date field i.e. the month part must be an integer between 1 and 12, the day part must be an integer between 1 and 31 with rules about the months with less than 31 days, and the year part should include the century. Also in many systems, significant dates (e.g. date of birth) are mandatory requirements.
However, in actual practice, the date or date components are often not known (e.g. date of birth, date of injury) but, as stated

above, computer systems require a valid date. This means that a date MUST be included and it MUST follow the rules for a valid date. It therefore follows that, while such a date will contain valid values according to the rules for a date, the date is in fact an 'unknown' or 'estimated' date. For future users of the data it is essential they know that a date is accurate, unknown or estimated and which components of the date are accurate, unknown or estimated.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Standards Australia
Reference documents: AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: See also [Health-care incident – date health-care incident occurred, DDMMYYYY](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
See also [Individual service provider – occupation end date, DDMMYYYY](#) Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005
See also [Individual service provider – occupation start date, DDMMYYYY](#) Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005
See also [Medical indemnity claim management episode – medical indemnity claim finalisation date, DDMMYYYY](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
See also [Medical indemnity claim management episode – reserve placement date, DDMMYYYY](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
See also [Medical indemnity claim – medical indemnity claim commencement date, DDMMYYYY](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
See also [Person – date of birth, DDMMYYYY](#) *No registration status*
See also [Person – date of birth, DDMMYYYY](#) Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005, Housing assistance, Standard 20/06/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012, WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012, Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012, Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
See also [Person – date of birth, MMYYYY](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
See also [Record – linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYYN](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
See also [Record – linkage key, code XXXXXDDMMYYYYYN](#) *No registration status*
See also [Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

*Implementation in Data Set
Specifications:*

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Medical indemnity DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing
assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services,
Standard 21/05/2010

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person (employed)—full-time/part-time status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Full-time/ part-time status
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269950
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person in paid employment is employed full-time or part-time, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Labour force characteristics.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person (employed) – full-time/ part-time status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
<i>Format:</i>	N								
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1								
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2	Part-time								
9	Not stated/inadequately described								
<i>Supplementary values:</i>									

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the SHS NMDS, this item is only asked of clients. This item is conditional on a response of Employed (CODE 1) in the data element *Person – labour force status, code N*.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 3)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Applies only to people whose labour force status is employed. (See metadata item Person – labour force status, code N for a definition of 'employed'). Paid employment includes persons who performed some work for wages or salary, in cash or in kind, and persons temporarily absent from a paid employment job but who retained a formal attachment to that job.

Code 1 Full-time:

Employed persons are working full-time if they:

- (a) usually work 35 hours or more in a week (in all paid jobs) or
- (b) although usually working less than 35 hours a week, actually worked 35 hours or more during the reference period.

Code 2 Part-time:

Employed persons are working part-time if they usually work less than 35 hours a week (in all paid jobs) and either did so during the reference period, or were not at work in the reference period.

Code 9 Not stated/ inadequately described:

Is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

Collection methods:

Can be collected for an actual week (e.g. a particular reference period), or a usual week (e.g. a person usually works part time though they worked full-time in the last week). Note: if collected for a particular reference period, respondents may report 0 hours if on leave for the reference period. For most purposes the hours usually worked will be more appropriate. This metadata item should be based on the number of hours worked by the person (either actual or usual). It should not be based on the self-enumerated question suggested in the Collection methods of metadata item Person – labour force status, code N. Doing so would result in inaccurate information.

Comments:

See the Australian Bureau of Statistics website for details regarding labour force data items and standard questions.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Australian Bureau of Statistics 1999. Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Labour Force Variables. Full-Time/Part-Time Status.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Employed - working full-time/ part-time, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (16.5 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—activity and participation life area, disability flag homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Homelessness disability flag activity and participation life area
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	509302
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 13/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The life area in which a person may participate or undertake activities, as represented by a homelessness code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person— activity and participation life area

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
<i>Format:</i>	N								
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Value	Meaning								
1	Self-care								
2	Mobility								
3	Communication								

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Self-care This includes showering or bathing; dressing or undressing; toileting; eating food.</p> <p>CODE 2 Mobility This includes moving around the house; moving around outside the home; getting in or out of a chair.</p> <p>CODE 3 Communication This includes understanding or being understood by other people, including people you know.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	This codeset is based on a subset of the 'Activities and participation' domains of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (WHO 2001).
<i>Reference documents:</i>	WHO (World Health Organization) 2001. International classification of functioning, disability and health. Geneva: WHO.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	In the context of health, an activity is the execution of a task or action by an individual. An activity limitation is a difficulty an individual may have in executing an activity. Activity
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limitation varies with the environment, and is assessed in relation to a particular environment; the absence or presence of assistance, including aids and equipment, is an aspect of the environment.

For the 'Communication' life area, a person's level of difficulty is assessed in terms of whether they can understand, or be understood, in their native language or preferred method of communication.

Collection methods:

It is expected that this data element will be used to collect information from the individual being assessed, or a proxy/carer or service worker answering on their behalf. The responses are phrased in answer to the question 'For each of the following activities, do you need help/supervision, have difficulty, or use aids/equipment? (choose one answer for each row)'

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – need for assistance with activities in a life area, disability flag homelessness code N](#) Homelessness, Candidate 13/12/2012

Person—Australian state/territory identifier, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Australian state/territory identifier
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	286919
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian state or territory where a person can be located, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – Australian state/territory identifier

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																				
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The order presented here is the standard for the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). Other organisations (including the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) publish data in state order based on population (that is, Western Australia before South Australia and Australian Capital Territory before Northern Territory).
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Reference documents:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics. Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC). Cat No. 1216.0. Canberra: ABS.
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Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is reported twice, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• where the person lived one week before the first service contact (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY); and• where the person lived the last time they had a permanent place to live.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	Irrespective of how the information is coded, conversion of the codes to the ABS standard must be possible.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2004. Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC) (Cat No. 1216.0). Viewed 13 October 2005.
<i>Reference documents:</i>	AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia In AS4846 and AS5017 alternative codes are presented. Refer to the current standard for more details.

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	<p>See also Injury event – place of occurrence, Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} <i>No registration status</i></p> <p>See also Injury event – place of occurrence, New Zealand postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} <i>No registration status</i></p> <p>See also Person (address) – Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} <i>No registration status</i></p> <p>See also Person (address) – Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} <i>No registration status</i></p> <p>See also Person (address) – Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} <i>No registration status</i></p> <p>See also Person (address) – Australian postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006, Health, Superseded 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010</p> <p>See also Person (address) – New Zealand postcode, code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} <i>No registration status</i></p>
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	<p>Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012</p> <p>Public dental waiting times NMDS 2013-14 Health, Standard 09/11/2012</p> <p>Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010</p>

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Surveillance of healthcare associated infection: Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia DSS](#) Health, Standard 15/11/2012

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 17-The proportion of Indigenous children \(by geographic location as identified by the ASGC\), who are enrolled in \(and attending, where possible to measure\) a preschool program, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

Used as denominator

[National Disability Agreement: c\(1\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: c\(2\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(1\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(2\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: j-Proportion of people with disability receiving income support, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

Person—conditions of occupancy, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Conditions of occupancy
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401708
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A description of the type of conditions of occupancy, for a person's accommodation arrangement, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person— Conditions of occupancy arrangement

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																		
<i>Data type:</i>	Number																		
<i>Format:</i>	N																		
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>																			

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Leased tenure-nominated on lease This code is used for renters who are listed on the contract for the lease and persons having tenure with a rent/buy scheme.</p> <p>CODE 2 Lease in place - not nominated on lease This code is used for those clients living in accommodation where a lease is in place but they are not nominated on the lease agreement.</p> <p>CODE 3 Couch surfer This code is used for any person who typically moves from household to household intermittently, who is not regarded as being part of those households, and who does not have any form of leased tenure over any accommodation.</p> <p>CODE 4 Boarder This code is used for any person who is boarding, and who are supplied with meals and/or lodging in return for payment.</p> <p>CODE 5 Living with relative fee free This code is used for any person who is related to a member of a household, and who are not paying a fee for their lodging.</p>
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CODE 6 Other

This code is used for conditions of occupancy arrangements that are not covered by the other categories.

Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>Please note that <i>Leased tenure - nominated on lease</i> (CODE 1) - and <i>Lease in place - not nominated on lease</i> (CODE 2) are only selected if a lease is in place. Codes 3 to 6 only apply if the person's name is not on a lease.</p> <p>Information specific to this data set:</p> <p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected for clients.</p> <p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);• at the date of presentation;• at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and• at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY). <p>Only one permissible value is selected in each case.</p>

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This information is used to assess how secure the client is in their accommodation.
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Person – housing tenure type, homelessness code N Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
	See also Person – residential type, homelessness code N[N] Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—country of birth, code (SACC 2011) NNNN

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Country of birth
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	459973
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 13/10/2011 Housing assistance, Standard 13/10/2011 Health, Standard 13/10/2011 Homelessness, Standard 13/10/2011 Tasmanian Health, Draft 12/09/2012 WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The country in which the person was born, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – country of birth

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2011
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	Number
<i>Format:</i>	NNNN
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2011 (SACC) is a four-digit, three-level hierarchical structure specifying major group, minor group and country. A country, even if it comprises other discrete political entities such as states, is treated as a single unit for all data domain purposes. Parts of a political entity are not included in different groups. Thus, Hawaii is included in Northern America (as part of the identified country United States of America), despite being geographically close to and having similar social and cultural characteristics as the units classified to Polynesia.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element <i>Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N</i> , must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Some data collections ask respondents to specify their country of birth. In others, a pre-determined set of countries is specified as part of the question, usually accompanied by an 'other (please specify)' category.

Recommended questions are:

In which country were you/was the person/was (name) born?

Australia

Other (please specify)

Alternatively, a list of countries may be used based on, for example common Census responses.

In which country were you/was the person/was (name) born?

Australia

England

New Zealand

Italy

Viet Nam

India

Scotland

Philippines

Greece

Germany

Other (please specify)

In either case coding of data should conform to the SACC.

Sometimes respondents are simply asked to specify whether they were born in either 'English speaking' or 'non-English speaking' countries but this question is of limited use and this method of collection is not recommended.

Comments:

This metadata item is consistent with that used in the [ABS collection methods](#) and is recommended for use whenever there is a requirement for comparison with ABS data (last viewed 2/6/2008).

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person—country of birth, code \(SACC 2008\) NNNN](#) Community Services, Superseded 13/10/2011, Housing assistance, Superseded 13/10/2011, Health, Superseded 22/11/2011, Homelessness, Superseded 13/10/2011

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Activity based funding: Emergency department care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Activity based funding: Non-admitted patient care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Acute coronary syndrome \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012

[Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/03/2012

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Cardiovascular disease \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard

01/09/2012

[Community mental health care NMDS 2013-](#) Health, Standard
07/02/2013

[Non-admitted patient DSS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard
07/12/2011

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 30/01/2012

[Perinatal NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Person details data dictionary](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard
09/11/2012

[Residential mental health care NMDS 2012-14](#) Health, Standard
07/03/2012

Person—date of birth, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Date of birth
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287007
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 20/06/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The date of birth of the person.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person— date of birth

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>If date of birth is not known or cannot be obtained, provision should be made to collect or estimate age. Collected or estimated age would usually be in years for adults, and to the nearest three months (or less) for children aged less than two years. Additionally, an estimated date flag or a date accuracy indicator should be reported in conjunction with all estimated dates of birth.</p> <p>For data collections concerned with children's services, it is suggested that the estimated date of birth of children aged under 2 years should be reported to the nearest 3 month period, i.e. 0101, 0104, 0107, 0110 of the estimated year of birth. For example, a child who is thought to be aged 18 months in October of one year would have his/her estimated date of birth reported as 0104 of the previous year. Again, an estimated date flag or date accuracy indicator should be reported in conjunction with all estimated dates of birth.</p>
<i>Collection methods:</i>	<p>Information on date of birth can be collected using the one question:</p> <p>What is your/(the person's) date of birth?</p> <p>In self-reported data collections, it is recommended that the following response format is used:</p> <p>Date of birth: __ / __ / _____</p>

This enables easy conversion to the preferred representational layout (DDMMYYYY).

For record identification and/or the derivation of other metadata items that require accurate date of birth information, estimated dates of birth should be identified by a date accuracy indicator to prevent inappropriate use of date of birth data. The linking of client records from diverse sources, the sharing of patient data, and data analysis for research and planning all rely heavily on the accuracy and integrity of the collected data. In order to maintain data integrity and the greatest possible accuracy an indication of the accuracy of the date collected is critical. The collection of an indicator of the accuracy of the date may be essential in confirming or refuting the positive identification of a person. For this reason it is strongly recommended that the data element Date – accuracy indicator, code AAA also be recorded at the time of record creation to flag the accuracy of the data.

Comments:

Privacy issues need to be taken into account in asking persons their date of birth.

Wherever possible and wherever appropriate, date of birth should be used rather than age because the actual date of birth allows a more precise calculation of age.

When date of birth is an estimated or default value, national health and community services collections typically use 0101 or 0107 or 3006 as the estimate or default for DDMM.

It is suggested that different rules for reporting data may apply when estimating the date of birth of children aged under 2 years because of the rapid growth and development of children within this age group which means that a child's development can vary considerably over the course of a year. Thus, more specific reporting of estimated age is suggested.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Reference documents:

AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney: Standards Australia

AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Age range from 19 years and under, code N](#) No registration status

See also [Date – accuracy indicator, code AAA](#) Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Date – estimate indicator, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care \(antenatal\) – length of stay \(including leave days\), total N\[NN\]](#) Health, Superseded 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care \(postnatal\) – length of stay \(including leave days\), total N\[NN\]](#)

Health, Superseded 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v 6\) ANNA](#) Health, Standard 22/09/2009, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v 6.0x\) ANNA](#) Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v 7\) ANNA](#) Health, Standardisation pending 13/03/2013

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) ANNA](#) Health, Superseded 22/12/2009

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) ANNA](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v5.2\) ANNA](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – length of stay \(including leave days\) \(antenatal\), total N\[NN\]](#) Health, Standard 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – length of stay \(including leave days\) \(postnatal\), total N\[NN\]](#) Health, Standard 04/07/2007

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v 6\) NN](#) Health, Standard 22/12/2009, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v 7\) NN](#) Health, Standardisation pending 13/03/2013

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) NN](#) Health, Superseded 22/12/2009

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) NN](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v5.2\) NN](#) *No registration status*

See also [Person with cancer – date of initial GP/primary health care consultation, DDMMYYYY](#) Health, Proposed 29/06/2012

See also [Person – age range, from 19 years and under, code N](#) *No registration status*

Supersedes [Person – date of birth, DDMMYYYY](#) Community Services, Superseded 25/08/2005, Health, Superseded 04/05/2005

Is used in the formation of [Pregnancy – actual gestation \(calculated total\), total days NNN](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key 581, statistical code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010,

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) *No registration status*

[Activity based funding: Emergency department care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Activity based funding: Non-admitted patient care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Acute coronary syndrome \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012

[Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/03/2012

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Cardiovascular disease \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) client cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) sibling cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008

[Community mental health care NMDS 2013-](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module DSS](#) Health, Standard 03/12/2008

[Diabetes \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 21/09/2005

[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Juvenile Justice Client file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Medical indemnity DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Non-admitted patient DSS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 30/01/2012

[Perinatal NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Person details data dictionary](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Prison clinic contact DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011

[Prison entrants DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011

[Prisoners in custody repeat medications DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011

[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 09/11/2012

[Radiotherapy waiting times DSS 2012-](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Residential mental health care NMDS 2012-14](#) Health, Standard 07/03/2012

[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services,
Standard 21/05/2010
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Surveillance of healthcare associated infection: Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia DSS](#) Health, Standard 15/11/2012

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 56-People aged 65 years or over receiving sub-acute services, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 61-Teenage birth rate, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 02-Mortality rate \(and excess deaths\) by leading causes, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 04-Rates of current daily smokers, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 10-Mortality rates \(and excess deaths\) by leading causes for children under 5, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 11-Child under 5 hospitalisation rates by principal diagnosis, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 17-The proportion of Indigenous children \(by geographic location as identified by the ASGC\), who are enrolled in \(and attending, where possible to measure\) a preschool program, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

Used as denominator

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 04-Rates of current daily smokers, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

Person—financial assistance amount, total Australian currency N[NNNN]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Financial assistance amount
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401991
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The amount of financial assistance provided to a person, in Australian dollars.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – financial assistance amount

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Total
<i>Data type:</i>	Currency
<i>Format:</i>	N[NNNN]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	5
<i>Unit of measure:</i>	Australian currency (AU\$)

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services financial assistance type and amount cluster](#)

<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected for the current service episode only. It relates specifically to assistance provided by the specialist homelessness agency and not assistance provided by any other source.</p> <p>This item is repeated 5 times to capture the total amounts for the different types of financial assistance.</p> <p>The client should provide dollar amounts for each type of assistance that was provided during the reference period (ie up to 5 valid responses).</p>
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element is collected in whole dollar amounts. If vouchers are given instead of cash the value of the voucher is to be recorded.
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Person – financial assistance type, homelessness code N Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—financial assistance type, homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Financial assistance type (homelessness)
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401980
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of financial assistance provided to a person by a specialist homelessness agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—financial assistance type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code												
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services financial assistance type and amount cluster](#)

<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected for the current service episode only. It relates specifically to assistance provided by the specialist homelessness agency and not assistance provided by any other source.</p> <p>The client may check all types of assistance that applied during the reference period (ie up to 5 valid responses).</p>
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Data element attributes

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Person—financial assistance amount, total Australian currency N[NNNN] Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—first service request indicator, yes/no code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	First service request indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400276
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator that a request for service is the first request made by a person to an Agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – first service request indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is only collected for turnaways. Turnaways are people who have not received any requested services or assessment. This data element is applied to an individual 24-hour reporting period.
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Data element attributes

Relational attributes

<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Person—formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Mental; Health; Status
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	399750
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person has been diagnosed with a mental health condition by a doctor, nurse or other relevant health professional, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. Evidence suggests that the longer persons with mental health problems are supported by specialist homelessness services, the more likely they are to move into public, or community housing or rental housing rather than return to rough sleeping. Access to a range of longer-term supports and community-based services will increase the early intervention and recovery support options for people who are homeless with a mental illness and substance abuse disorders.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Health professionals who may diagnose a mental health condition include:

- Psychologists
- Psychiatrists
- General practitioners
- Mental health registered nurses

Collection methods:

Have you ever been diagnosed to have a mental health condition by a health professional? eg psychologist, psychiatrist, doctor, nurse.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – mental health services received timeframe, code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Person – source of information on a mental health condition indicator, code N](#) Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012

See also [Person – source of information on a mental health condition, code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—government funding identifier, Centrelink customer reference number N(9)A

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Centrelink customer reference number
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	CRN; Centrelink reference number
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	369274
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 12/08/2008 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A unique identifier allocated to a customer or organisation, or other item of interest.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – government funding identifier

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Identifier
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	N(9)A
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	10

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the consent of the client.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	The states and territories have agreed to include Centrelink customer reference numbers in the NMDS, however this information is not currently recorded as issues of confidentiality are yet to be resolved.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This identifier is assigned by Centrelink. The CRN consists of nine digits and one alphabetic character, generated and validation by an internal Centrelink Algorithm.
<i>Comments:</i>	The Centrelink Reference Number (CRN) is a unique identifier assigned to people and certain organisations that have one or more recognised relationships with Centrelink. In most cases, these entities receive services provided by Centrelink. It is used by Centrelink as the primary key for a customer's record.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Centrelink.
<i>Origin:</i>	AS5017 Health Care Client Identification

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person – government funding identifier, Centrelink customer reference number {N\(9\)A}](#) Health, Standard 01/03/2005

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—housing tenure type, homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Tenure type
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	399288
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A person seeking specialist homelessness services legal right to occupy a dwelling, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—housing tenure type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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<i>Supplementary values:</i>	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Renter

CODE 1 Renter - private housing

A person paying money in the private rental market in return for accommodation.

CODE 2 Renter - public housing

A person paying money to a housing authority or housing assistance agency in return for accommodation.

CODE 3 Renter - community housing

A person paying money to a housing association, housing cooperative or other not-for-profit community service organisation in return for accommodation.

CODE 4 Renter - transitional housing

A person paying money to occupy accommodation for transition towards independent living or towards returning home. The accommodation is generally more stable and provided for longer than crisis accommodation, and is linked to external support through another agency.

CODE 5 Renter - caravan park

A person paying money to rent a cabin or caravan in a caravan park.

CODE 6 Renter - boarding/rooming house

A person paying money to rent a place, room or rooms in a boarding or rooming house.

CODE 7 Renter - Emergency accommodation/night shelter/women's refuge/youth shelter where rent is charged.

CODE 8 Other renter

Rent Free

CODE 9 Rent free - private housing

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation in the private rental market. Excludes owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

CODE 10 Rent free - public housing

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation from a housing authority or housing assistance agency. Excludes owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

CODE 11 Rent free - community housing

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation, to a housing association, housing cooperative or other not-for-profit community service organisation. Excludes owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

CODE 12 Rent free - transitional housing

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation for transition towards independent living or towards returning home. The accommodation is generally more stable and provided for longer than crisis accommodation, and is linked to external support through another agency.

CODE 13 Rent free - caravan park

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation, to occupy a cabin or caravan in a caravan park. Excludes owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

CODE 14 Rent free - boarding/rooming house

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation, to occupy a place, room or rooms in a boarding or rooming house. Excludes owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

CODE 15 Rent free - emergency accommodation/night shelter/women's refuge/youth shelter where no rent is charged.

CODE 16 Rent free - other

A person paying no money, in exchange for accommodation, to occupy any other dwelling. Excludes owners with or without a mortgage, house-sitters, and those paying accommodation in goods and services.

CODE 17 Life tenure scheme

A person with a contract to live in the dwelling for the term of his/her life but without the full rights of ownership and usually with limited or no equity in the dwelling. This is a common arrangement in retirement villages.

Owner

CODE 18 Owner - shared equity or rent/buy scheme

A person purchasing a proportion of the equity in the dwelling, and paying rent for the remainder.

CODE 19 Owner - being purchased/with mortgage

A person who owns their dwelling and is repaying a mortgage or loans secured against the dwelling, regardless of the purpose of the mortgage or secured loan.

CODE 20 Owner - fully owned

A person who owns their dwelling and is not making any payments on mortgages or loans secured against the dwelling. (Thus persons who have repaid a loan but technically not discharged the associated mortgage are included in this category).

CODE 21 Other tenure type not elsewhere specified

The tenure does not fit any of the above categories. For example: house-sitting, payment in kind, for a specific service.

CODE 22 No tenure

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data

element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This data element is intended for use specifically for data collections on homeless persons and those at risk of homelessness.

Collection methods:

The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question: 'Which of the following best describes your tenure?'

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – conditions of occupancy, code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Person – residential type, homelessness code N\[N\]](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—Indigenous status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Indigenous status
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	291036
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 15/04/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person identifies as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin, as represented by a code. This is in accord with the first two of three components of the Commonwealth definition.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – Indigenous status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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<i>Supplementary values:</i>	9 Not stated/inadequately described										

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>This metadata item is based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) standard for Indigenous status. For detailed advice on its use and application please refer to the ABS Website as indicated in the Reference documents.</p> <p>The classification for Indigenous status has a hierarchical structure comprising two levels. There are four categories at the detailed level of the classification which are grouped into two categories at the broad level. There is one supplementary category for 'not stated' responses. The classification is as follows:</p> <p>Indigenous:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin.
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- Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin.
- Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

Non-Indigenous:

- Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander origin.

Not stated/ inadequately described:

This category is not to be available as a valid answer to the questions but is intended for use:

- Primarily when importing data from other data collections that do not contain mappable data.
- Where an answer was refused.
- Where the question was not able to be asked prior to completion of assistance because the client was unable to communicate or a person who knows the client was not available.

Only in the last two situations may the tick boxes on the questionnaire be left blank.

Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).

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

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: The standard question for Indigenous Status is as follows:
 [Are you] [Is the person] [Is (name)] of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?
 (For persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, mark both 'Yes' boxes.)
 No.....
 Yes, Aboriginal.....
 Yes, Torres Strait Islander.....
 This question is recommended for self-enumerated or interview-based collections. It can also be used in circumstances where a close relative, friend, or another member of the household is answering on behalf of the subject. It is strongly recommended that this question be asked directly wherever possible.
 When someone is not present, the person answering for them should be in a position to do so, i.e. this person must know well the person about whom the question is being asked and feel confident to provide accurate information about them.
 This question must always be asked regardless of data collectors' perceptions based on appearance or other factors.
 The Indigenous status question allows for more than one

response. The procedure for coding multiple responses is as follows:

If the respondent marks 'No' and either 'Aboriginal' or 'Torres Strait Islander', then the response should be coded to either Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander as indicated (i.e. disregard the 'No' response).

If the respondent marks both the 'Aboriginal' and 'Torres Strait Islander' boxes, then their response should be coded to 'Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Origin'.

If the respondent marks all three boxes ('No', 'Aboriginal' and 'Torres Strait Islander'), then the response should be coded to 'Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Origin' (i.e. disregard the 'No' response).

This approach may be problematical in some data collections, for example when data are collected by interview or using screen based data capture systems. An additional response category

Yes, both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander...

may be included if this better suits the data collection practices of the agency or establishment concerned.

Comments:

The following definition, commonly known as 'The Commonwealth Definition', was given in a High Court judgement in the case of *Commonwealth v Tasmania* (1983) 46 ALR 625.

'An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent who identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and is accepted as such by the community in which he or she lives'.

There are three components to the Commonwealth definition:

- descent;
- self-identification; and
- community acceptance.

In practice, it is not feasible to collect information on the community acceptance part of this definition in general purpose statistical and administrative collections and therefore standard questions on Indigenous status relate to descent and self-identification only.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

National Health Data Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Reference documents:

Australian Bureau of Statistics 1999. [Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables. Cultural Diversity Variables](#), Canberra. Viewed 3 August 2005.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Aboriginal status code N](#) *No registration status*

Has been superseded by [Person – Indigenous status, \(AIHW\) code N](#) Health, Proposed 18/10/2012

Supersedes [Person – Indigenous status, code N](#) Community Services, Superseded 25/08/2005, Health, Superseded 04/05/2005

See also [Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous](#)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[children attending a preschool program, total number N\[NNNN\]](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011, Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

See also [Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous children enrolled in a preschool program, total N\[NNNN\]](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011, Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

See also [Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous children enrolled in a preschool program, total N\[NNNN\]](#) Early Childhood, Standardisation pending 12/12/2012

[Activity based funding: Emergency department care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Activity based funding: Non-admitted patient care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Acute coronary syndrome \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012

[Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 07/03/2012

[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Cardiovascular disease \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) client cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008

[Community mental health care NMDS 2013-](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013

[Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module DSS](#) Health, Standard 03/12/2008

[Diabetes \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 21/09/2005

[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Elective surgery waiting times \(census data\) NMDS 2012-](#) Health, Standard 13/12/2011

[Elective surgery waiting times \(removals data\) NMDS 2012-](#) Health, Standard 13/12/2011

[Estimated resident population \(ERP\) cluster \(early childhood education and care\)](#) Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Indigenous primary health care DSS 2012-14](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Juvenile Justice Client file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Medical indemnity DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Non-admitted patient DSS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard

07/12/2011
[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard 30/01/2012
[Perinatal NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013
[Prison clinic contact DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011
[Prison entrants DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011
[Prisoners in custody repeat medications DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011
[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 09/11/2012
[Radiotherapy waiting times DSS 2012-](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Registered chiropractic labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered dental and allied dental health professional labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered medical professional labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered midwifery labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered nursing professional labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered optometry labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered osteopathy labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered pharmacy labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered physiotherapy labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered podiatry labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered psychology labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Residential mental health care NMDS 2012-14](#) Health, Standard 07/03/2012
[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Surveillance of healthcare associated infection: Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia DSS](#) Health, Standard 15/11/2012

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[Indigenous primary health care: PI01a-Number of Indigenous babies born within the previous 12 months whose birth weight has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI01b-Proportion of Indigenous babies born within the previous 12 months whose birth weight has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI02a-Number of Indigenous babies born within the previous 12 months whose birth weight results were low, normal or high, 2013](#) Health, Standard

07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI02b-Proportion of Indigenous babies born within the previous 12 months whose birth weight results were low, normal or high, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI03a-Number of regular clients who received an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI03b-Proportion of regular clients who received an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI04a-Number of Indigenous children who are fully immunised, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI04b-Proportion of Indigenous children who are fully immunised, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI05a-Number of regular clients with Type II diabetes who have had an HbA1c measurement result recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI05b-Proportion of regular clients with Type II diabetes who have had an HbA1c measurement result recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI06a-Number of regular clients with Type II diabetes whose HbA1c measurement result was within a specified level, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI06b-Proportion of regular clients with Type II diabetes whose HbA1c measurement result was within a specified level, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI07a-Number of regular clients with a chronic disease who have received a GP Management Plan \(MBS Item 721\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI07b-Proportion of regular clients with a chronic disease who have received a GP Management Plan \(MBS Item 721\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI08a-Number of regular clients with a chronic disease who have received a Team Care Arrangement \(MBS Item 723\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI08b-Proportion of regular clients with a chronic disease who have received a Team Care Arrangement \(MBS Item 723\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI09a-Number of regular clients whose smoking status has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI09b-Proportion of regular clients whose smoking status has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI10a-Number of regular clients with a smoking status result, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI10b-Proportion of regular clients with a smoking status result, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI12a-Number of regular clients who are classified as overweight or obese, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI12b-Proportion of regular clients who are classified as overweight or obese, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI13a-Number of regular clients who had their first antenatal care visit within specified periods, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI13b-Proportion of regular clients who had their first antenatal care visit within specified periods, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI14a-Number of regular clients aged 50 years and over who are immunised against influenza, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI14b-Proportion of regular clients aged 50 years and over who are immunised against influenza, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI15a-Number of regular clients with Type II diabetes or COPD who are immunised against influenza, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI15b-Proportion of regular clients with Type II diabetes or COPD who are immunised against influenza, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI16a-Number of regular clients whose alcohol consumption status has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI16b-Proportion of regular](#)

[clients whose alcohol consumption status has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI18a-Number of regular clients with a selected chronic disease who have had a kidney function test, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI18b-Proportion of regular clients with a selected chronic disease who have had a kidney function test, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI22a-Number of female regular clients who have had a cervical screening, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI22b-Proportion of female regular clients who have had a cervical screening, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(1\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(2\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 64a-Indigenous Australians in the health workforce, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 64b-Indigenous Australians in the health workforce, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 17-The proportion of Indigenous children \(by geographic location as identified by the ASGC\), who are enrolled in \(and attending, where possible to measure\) a preschool program, 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

Used as denominator

[Indigenous primary health care: PI01b-Proportion of Indigenous babies born within the previous 12 months whose birth weight has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI02b-Proportion of Indigenous babies born within the previous 12 months whose birth weight results were low, normal or high, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI03b-Proportion of regular clients who received an MBS Health Assessment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People \(MBS Item 715\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[Indigenous primary health care: PI04b-Proportion of Indigenous children who are fully immunised, 2013](#) Health,

Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI05b-Proportion of regular clients with Type II diabetes who have had an HbA1c measurement result recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI06b-Proportion of regular clients with Type II diabetes whose HbA1c measurement result was within a specified level, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI07b-Proportion of regular clients with a chronic disease who have received a GP Management Plan \(MBS Item 721\), 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI09b-Proportion of regular clients whose smoking status has been recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI10b-Proportion of regular clients with a smoking status result, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

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[Indigenous primary health care: PI12b-Proportion of regular clients who are classified as overweight or obese, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

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[Indigenous primary health care: PI14b-Proportion of regular clients aged 50 years and over who are immunised against influenza, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

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Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI22b-Proportion of female regular clients who have had a cervical screening, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI23b-Proportion of regular clients with Type II diabetes who have had a blood pressure measurement result recorded, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI24b-Proportion of regular](#)

[clients with Type II diabetes whose blood pressure measurement result was less than or equal to 130/80 mmHg, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Disability Agreement: f\(1\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Disability Agreement: f\(2\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 24-GP-type services, 2012](#)
Health, Standard 31/10/2011

Person—labour force status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Labour force status
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270112
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The self reported status the person currently has in being either in the labour force (employed/unemployed) or not in the labour force, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—labour force status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Employed:</p> <p>Persons aged 15 years and over who, during the reference week:</p> <p>(a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising 'Employees', 'Employers' and 'Own Account Workers'); or</p> <p>(b) worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. 'Contributing Family Worker'); or</p> <p>(c) were 'Employees' who had a job but were not at work and were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• on paid leave• on leave without pay, for less than four weeks, up to the end of the reference week• stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment, for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week• on strike or locked out• on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job, or• receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
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(d) were 'Employers', 'Own Account Workers' or 'Contributing Family Workers' who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

CODE 2 Unemployed:

Unemployed persons are those aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the reference week, and:

(a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week. Were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week). Or were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or

(b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown. Note: Actively looking for work includes writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work. It also includes answering a newspaper advertisement for a job, checking factory or job placement agency notice boards, being registered with a job placement agency, checking or registering with any other employment agency, advertising or tendering for work or contacting friends or relatives.

CODE 3 Not in the Labour Force:

Persons not in the labour force are those persons aged 15 years and over who, during the reference week, were not in the categories employed or unemployed, as defined. They include persons who were keeping house (unpaid), retired, voluntarily inactive, permanently unable to work, persons in institutions (hospitals, gaols, sanatoriums, etc.), trainee teachers, members of contemplative religious orders, and persons whose only activity during the reference week was jury service or unpaid voluntary work for a charitable organisation.

Collection methods:

For information about collection, refer to the ABS website:

<http://www.abs.gov.au/Ausstats/abs@.nsf/0/AEB5AA310D68DF8FCA25697E0018FED8?Open>

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Australian Bureau of Statistics 1995. Directory of Concepts and Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables.

Australia 1995. Cat. no. 1361.0.30.001. Canberra: AGPS.

<http://www.abs.gov.au/Ausstats/abs@.nsf/0/AEB5AA310D68DF8FCA25697E0018FED8?Open> (last viewed 21 December 2005)

Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

This data element reflects the ABS Labour force status standard variable. Consequently, the value domain definitions explicitly exclude anyone aged under 15.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:

Labour force status is one indicator of the socio-economic status of a person and is a key element in assessing the circumstances and needs of individuals and families.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Health Data Standards Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Labour force status, version 3, DE, Int. NCSDD & NHDD, NCSIMG & NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (19.5 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Cardiovascular disease \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 01/09/2012

[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Disability Agreement: a\(1\)-Labour force participation rate for people with disability aged 15-64 years, 2012](#)

Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: a\(2\)-Labour force participation rate for people with disability aged 15-64 years, 2012](#)

Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: a\(3\)-Labour force participation rate for people with disability aged 15-64 years, 2012](#)

Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: g-Labour force participation rate for carers aged 15-64 of people with disability, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 21a-Employment to population ratio, for the working age population \(15-64 years\) \(Census Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 21b-Employment to population ratio, for the working age population \(15-64 years\)](#)

[\(Survey Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 22a-Unemployment rate \(Census Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 22b-Unemployment rate \(Survey Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 23a-Labour force participation rate \(Census Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 23b-Labour force participation rate \(Survey Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 25-3 month employment outcomes \(post-program monitoring\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 26a-Proportion of Indigenous 18-24 year olds engaged in full-time employment, education or training at or above Certificate III \(Census Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 26b-Proportion of Indigenous 18-24 year olds engaged in full-time employment, education or training at or above Certificate III \(Survey Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
Used as denominator
[National Disability Agreement: a\(3\)-Labour force participation rate for people with disability aged 15-64 years, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 22a-Unemployment rate \(Census Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012
[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 22b-Unemployment rate \(Survey Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

Person—letters of family name, text XXX

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Letters of family name
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349481
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The combination of 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of a person's family name.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person— letters of family name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	XXX
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	3

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>In the three spaces, the agency should record the 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of the client's family name.</p> <p>For example: If the client's family name is Brown, the reported value should be RON. If the client's family name is Thompson, the reported value should be HOP.</p> <p>If the client's family name includes non-alphabetic characters – for example hyphens (as in Lee-Archer), apostrophes (as in O'Mara) or blank spaces (as in De Vries) – these non-alphabetic characters should be ignored when counting the position of each character.</p> <p>Regardless of the length of a person's name, the reported value should always be three characters long. If the legal family name is not long enough to supply the requested letters (i.e. a legal family name of less than five letters) then agencies should substitute the number '2' to reflect the missing letters. The placement of a number '2' should always correspond to the same space that the missing letter would have within the 3-digit field. A number (rather than a letter) is used for such a substitution in order to clearly indicate that an appropriate corresponding letter from the person's name is not available.</p> <p>For example: If a person's family name is Farr, then value reported would be AR2 because the 2 is substituting for a missing 5th letter of the family name. Similarly, if the person's family name was Hua, then the value reported would be UA2 because the 2 is substituting for the missing 5th letter of the family name.</p>
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If a client's family name is missing altogether the agency should record the number 999 for all three spaces associated with the family name, (not the number 2). In some cultures it is traditional to state the family name first. To overcome discrepancies in recording/reporting that may arise as a result of this practice, agencies should always ask the person to specify their legal first given name and their legal family name separately. These should then be recorded as first given name and family name as appropriate, regardless of the order in which they may be traditionally given.

Comments:

The selected *Letters of family name* can be used in combination with *Letters of given name*, *Date of birth* and *Sex* to develop a statistical linkage key to facilitate the linkage of records for statistical purposes only. This key will also enable linkage to other related databases that either have the same linkage key or the fundamental information to form the same key. The linkage is to assist research and analysis of the data, not for tracking of individuals through the system for case management.

The provision of letters of a person's name can be a sensitive issue because of privacy and confidentiality concerns. The use of this information will be in accordance with privacy principles.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Is formed using [Person \(name\) – family name, text X\[X\(39\)\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Standard 20/06/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Has been superseded by [Person – letters of family name, text XXX](#) No registration status

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key 581, statistical code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) No registration status

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) No registration status

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) client cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008

[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Juvenile Justice Client file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—letters of given name, text XX

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Letters of given name
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349483
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The combination of the 2nd and 3rd letters of a person's given name.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person— letters of given name

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	XX
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	2

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>In the two spaces the agency should record the 2nd and 3rd letters of the client's given name.</p> <p>For example: If the client's given name is Elizabeth the reported value should be LI. If the client's given name is Robert the reported value should be OB.</p> <p>If the client's given name includes non-alphabetic characters – for example hyphens (as in Jo-Anne) or apostrophes (as in D'Arcy), these non-alphabetic characters should be ignored when counting the position of each character.</p> <p>Regardless of the length of a person's given name, the reported value should always be two characters long. If the given name of the person is not long enough to supply the requested letters (i.e. a name of less than three letters) then agencies should substitute the number '2' to reflect the missing letters. The placement of a number '2' should always correspond to the same space that the missing letter would have within the 2-digit field. A number (rather than a letter) is used for such substitutions in order to clearly indicate that an appropriate corresponding letter from the person's name is not available.</p> <p>For example: If the person's legal name was Jo then the value reported would be O2 because the 2 is substituting for the missing 3rd letter of the given name.</p> <p>If the person's given name is missing altogether the agency should record 99 for the two spaces associated with the given name. In some cultures it is traditional to state the family name first. To overcome discrepancies in recording/reporting that</p>
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may arise as a result of this practice, agencies should always ask the person to specify their given name and their family name separately. These should then be recorded as first given name and family name as appropriate, regardless of the order in which they may be traditionally given.

Comments:

The selected *Letters of given name* can be used in combination with *Letters of family name*, *Date of birth* and *Sex* to develop a statistical linkage key to facilitate the linkage of records for statistical purposes only. This key will also enable linkage to other related databases that either have the same linkage key or the fundamental information to form the same key. The linkage is to assist research and analysis of the data, not for tracking of individuals through the system for case management.

The provision of letters of a person's name can be a sensitive issue because of privacy and confidentiality concerns. The use of this information will be in accordance with privacy principles.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Is formed using [Person \(name\) – family name, text X\[X\(39\)\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Standard 20/06/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is formed using [Person \(name\) – given name, text \[X\(40\)\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012, Housing assistance, Standard 20/06/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key 581, statistical code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) *No registration status*

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) client cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008

[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Juvenile Justice Client file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—living arrangement, homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Living arrangement (homelessness)
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401292
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person from a presenting unit resides alone or lives with others, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Client support needs.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—living arrangement

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code														
<i>Data type:</i>	Number														
<i>Format:</i>	N														
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1														
<i>Permissible values:</i>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Lone person</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>One parent with child(ren)</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Couple with child(ren)</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Couple without child(ren)</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Other family</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>Group</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Lone person	2	One parent with child(ren)	3	Couple with child(ren)	4	Couple without child(ren)	5	Other family	6	Group
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5	Other family														
6	Group														
<i>Supplementary values:</i>	9 Not stated/inadequately described														

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Lone person This category is used to record single individuals.</p> <p>CODE 2 One parent with child(ren) This category includes step and adopted parent/child relationships.</p> <p>CODE 3 Couple with child(ren) This category includes step and adopted parent/child relationships.</p> <p>CODE 4 Couple without child(ren) This category includes couples without children.</p> <p>CODE 5 Other family This category includes all other groups with related individuals, including siblings and multi-generational families of more than two generations.</p> <p>CODE 6 Group This category includes two or more unrelated persons who live together. Boarders and lodgers are included in this category</p>
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Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Family, Household and Income Unit Variables, Cat. No. 1286.0, 2005

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This item is collected for each person from a presenting unit.

Collection methods: The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:
"Which category below best describes your living arrangements?"

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—mental health services received indicator, yes/no code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Mental health services received indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508406
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether a person has received mental health services for a mental health issue, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—mental health services received indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code						
<i>Data type:</i>	Number						
<i>Format:</i>	N						
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1						
<i>Permissible values:</i>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Yes</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>No</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Yes	2	No
Value	Meaning						
1	Yes						
2	No						
<i>Supplementary values:</i>	9 Not stated/inadequately described						

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client—consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Person—mental health services received timeframe, code N Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Person—mental health services received timeframe, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Mental health services received timeframe
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400463
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The timeframe in which a person has most recently received mental health services, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—mental health services received timeframe

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code												
<i>Data type:</i>	Number												
<i>Format:</i>	N												
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1												
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>													

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Currently receiving services This code relates to the current reporting period.</p> <p>CODE 2 Received services in the last 12 months This code relates to the 12 months prior to the commencement of the current reporting period.</p> <p>CODE 3 Received services more than 12 months ago This code represents any time more than 12 months prior to the commencement of the current reporting period.</p> <p>CODE 4 Received services no timeframe reported This code includes services received but no date or timeframe is provided.</p>
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client—consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).</p> <p>This item is also conditional on the client responding to the data</p>
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element *Person – mental health services received, code N* with Yes (CODE 1).

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator, code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Person – mental health services received indicator, yes/no code N](#) Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—need for assistance with activities in a life area, disability flag homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Homelessness disability flag need for assistance
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	509295
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 13/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The degree of personal assistance and/or supervision a person needs to perform tasks and actions in a life area, as represented by a homelessness code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—need for assistance with activities in a life area

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code										
<i>Data type:</i>	Number										
<i>Format:</i>	N										
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	1										
<i>Permissible values:</i>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Always/sometimes need help and/or supervision</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Have difficulty, but don't need help/supervision</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Don't have difficulty, but use aids/equipment</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Have no difficulty</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Always/sometimes need help and/or supervision	2	Have difficulty, but don't need help/supervision	3	Don't have difficulty, but use aids/equipment	4	Have no difficulty
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>Where a life area includes a range of examples, (for example, domestic life includes cooking, cleaning and shopping), if a person requires assistance in more than one of these areas, record the highest level of assistance needed.</p> <p>Where need for assistance varies markedly over time (for example, episodic psychiatric conditions), record the average level of assistance needed.</p> <p>Animals used for personal mobility (for example, guide dogs and companion animals) are considered to be aids and/or equipment. Also included in this category are prosthetic and orthotic devices, wheelchairs, transfer devices, etc.</p> <p>Activity is limited when an individual, in the context of a health condition, either has need for assistance in performing an activity in an expected manner, or cannot perform the activity at all.</p> <p>CODE 1 is used when the person always needs or sometimes needs help or supervision in this life area.</p> <p>CODE 2 is used when the person has difficulty but does not need help or supervision in this life area.</p> <p>CODE 3 is used when the person does not have difficulty in this life area, but uses aids and/or equipment.</p>
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CODE 4 is used when the person has no difficulty in this life area and does not need help or supervision and does not use aids or equipment.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

In the context of health, an activity is the execution of a task or action by an individual. An activity limitation is a difficulty an individual may have in executing an activity. Activity limitation varies with the environment, and is assessed in relation to a particular environment; the absence or presence of assistance, including aids and equipment, is an aspect of the environment.

The level of difficulty includes the amount of assistance a person may currently receive (such as from a carer, relative etc) to perform tasks in each life area, not just unmet needs.

Collection methods:

It is expected that this data element will be used to collect information from the individual being assessed, or a proxy/carer or service worker answering on their behalf. The responses are phrased in response to the question 'For each of the following activities, do you need help/supervision, have difficulty, or use aids/equipment? (choose one answer for each row)'.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – activity and participation life area, disability flag homelessness code N](#) Homelessness, Candidate 13/12/2012

Person—new client indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	New client indicator
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Client; New; Indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400548
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether the person has been a client of this Agency before.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—new client indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
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1	Yes								
2	No								
3	Not sure								
<i>Supplementary values:</i>	9 Not stated/inadequately described								

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is used to gain an idea of the 'trend of homelessness'. It does this by collecting data as to whether or not the presenting person has accessed a specialist homelessness agency before.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	Permissible values for this data element are captured using the following question: "Have you ever accessed or tried to access any services from this agency before?"
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Relational attributes

<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Person—number of people in the presenting unit, total N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Number of people in presenting unit
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401596
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The size of the presenting unit, based on the total number of people seeking specialist homelessness services together.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – number of people in the presenting unit

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Total
<i>Data type:</i>	Number
<i>Format:</i>	N[N]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	2
<i>Unit of measure:</i>	Person

Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element captures the size of the presenting unit, children are included in this total.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	How many people are presenting as a unit?

Relational attributes

<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Person—previously homeless status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Previously homeless indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400338
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person has been homeless prior to the current service episode, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – previously homeless status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 1 Sleeping rough or in non-conventional accommodation CODE 2 Short-term or emergency accommodation, due to a lack of other options. This may include refuges; crisis shelters; couch surfing; living temporarily with friends and relatives; insecure accommodation on a short term basis; emergency accommodation arranged in hotels, motels etc by a specialist homelessness agency. CODE 3 Not homeless
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected a minimum of twice (for the client):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• within the previous month• within the previous year. <p>If a client has indicated that they were homeless in the last month, then by default they should be recorded as homeless in the last 12 months.</p> <p>This question allows the client to check all responses that apply,</p>

and therefore the client may have up to 3 valid responses for each instance of this question.

This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—previously resided in institution/facility indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Recently left facility/institution indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508417
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether a person may have previously resided in an institution or facility, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – previously resided in institution/facility indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 1 Person previously resided in a institution or facility CODE 2 Person has not resided in a institution or facility
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Person—principal source of cash income, code NNNN

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Principal income source
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508411
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013 Homelessness, Candidate 10/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The source from which a person derives the greatest proportion of his/her cash income, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – principal source of cash income

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Classification scheme:</i>	Australian Classification for Source of Income 2010
<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	Number
<i>Format:</i>	NNNN
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4
<i>Permissible values:</i>	Value Meaning

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.</p> <p>This data element reflects the ABS Sources of income standard variable. Consequently, the value domain definitions explicitly exclude anyone aged under 15.</p> <p>If income information on children under 15 years is sought for the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, these persons may also be asked the sources of income questions. However, if comparability with ABS collections is required, the SHS data can be filtered using the age data element to remove responses for children aged under 15.</p>
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);• at the date of presentation;• at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and• at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY). <p>Only one permissible value is selected in each case.</p>

For the purposes of the SHS collection the following list is used which aggregates to the ABS Sources of Income Classification.

Government pensions and allowances

Newstart Allowance
Parenting Payment
Disability support pension (Centrelink)
Youth allowance
Age pension
Austudy/ABSTUDY
Disability Pension (DVA)
Service pension (DVA)
War Widow(er)'s Pension (Including income support supplement) (DVA)
Sickness allowance
Carer Allowance
Carer Payment
Other government pensions and allowances

Other sources of income

Employee income
Unincorporated business income
Other income nec
Nil income
Not stated/not known/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

Origin: Australian Bureau of Statistics. [Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables](#). Viewed 3 November 2012.

Person—reason for seeking assistance, homelessness code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Reason for seeking assistance (homelessness)
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Presenting reason
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	506234
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Standardisation pending 17/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason(s) why a person presented to a specialist homelessness agency in order to seek assistance, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – reason for seeking assistance

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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	26	Other
<i>Supplementary values:</i>	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Financial difficulties

Financial difficulties is selected if the person sought assistance because the person had insufficient money to pay for accommodation, food, bills or other essentials; if the person has adequate financial resources but has difficulties managing these resources; or if the person doesn't have the financial resources to meet rental commitments.

CODE 2 Housing affordability stress

Housing affordability stress is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of the current rent on the leased property being too high, or they are having difficulty meeting mortgage repayments, creating stress with general living expenses.

CODE 3 Housing crises

Housing crises is selected if the person was formally evicted from her/his previous accommodation arrangement (for example, by a landlord or public housing official) or if the person was asked to leave their previous accommodation (for example, if the person was asked to leave by flatmates).

CODE 4 Inadequate or inappropriate dwelling conditions

Inadequate or inappropriate dwelling conditions is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of household stress from overcrowded, unsuitable or unsafe dwelling conditions.

CODE 5 Previous accommodation ended

Previous accommodation ended is selected if the person's previous accommodation was no longer available (for example the breakup of a group home or rental property being sold by the owner).

CODE 6 Time out from family/other situation

Time out from family/other situation is selected if the person needed some time away from her/his family or if the person needed some time away from non-related individuals.

CODE 7 Relationship/family breakdown

Relationship/family breakdown is selected if the person sought assistance because of the dissolution of a spouse/partner relationship or other family relationship.

CODE 8 Sexual abuse

Sexual abuse is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of sexual abuse inflicted on the client by a family member or non-related individual.

CODE 9 Domestic and family violence

Domestic/family violence is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of physical or emotional abuse inflicted on

the person by a family member.

CODE 10 Non-family violence

Non-family violence is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of physical or emotional abuse inflicted on the client by a non-related individual; or if the person was homeless or sought assistance as a result of violence or a threat of violence inflicted by a non-related individual.

CODE 11 Mental health issues

Mental health issues is selected if the person sought assistance because of their mental health. This does not include a situation in which the person sought assistance as a result of another person's mental health issues.

CODE 12 Medical issues

Medical issues is selected if the person sought assistance because of any conditions that are, or have been treated or diagnosed by a health professional.

CODE 13 Problematic drug or substance abuse

Problematic drug or substance use is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of his/her drug related problem. This does not include a situation in which the person sought assistance as a result of drug abuse by another person.

CODE 14 Problematic alcohol use

Problematic alcohol use is selected if the person sought assistance as a result of his/her alcohol related problem. This does not include a situation in which the person sought assistance as a result of alcohol use by another person.

CODE 15 Employment difficulties

Employment difficulties is selected where the person is experiencing difficulties or changes to their employment, that negatively impacts on their ability to work or on their life outside work. This includes cases where employment difficulties are creating current or future financial problems. Examples include difficulty maintaining employment; recently losing employment, or a change in employment conditions, such as reduction in pay/hours etc; bullying or harassment; unsafe employment conditions, (i.e. health safety risks), or unfair or illegal workplace practices/conditions (i.e. excessive workload, inflexible hours).

CODE 16 Unemployment

Unemployment is selected where the person sought assistance because of difficulties obtaining or maintaining employment and is currently unemployed.

CODE 17 Problematic gambling

Problematic gambling is selected if the person was homeless or sought assistance because they had insufficient means to cover the cost of living as a consequence of a one-off instance or an ongoing gambling problem.

CODE 18 Transition from custodial arrangements

Transition from custodial arrangements is selected if the person was recently released from a custodial institution such as a prison.

CODE 19 Transition from foster care and child safety residential placements

Child safety placements include a range of services provided to

children and young people under 18 years of age who are in need of care and protection. This service provides alternative overnight accommodation for children and young people who are unable to live with their parents. These arrangements include foster care, placements with relatives or kin, and residential care.

CODE 20 Transition from other care arrangements

Transition from other care arrangements is selected if the person was recently released from a care institution such as a hospital or disability care arrangement.

CODE 21 Discrimination including racial and sexual discrimination

Discrimination including racial discrimination is selected if the person was homeless or sought assistance because of discrimination based on their sex, age, race, religion or other personal attributes.

CODE 22 Itinerant

Itinerant is selected if the person was moving from place to place or had no fixed address.

CODE 23 Unable to return home due to environmental reasons

Unable to return home due to environmental reasons is selected if the person is unable to return home due to environmental reasons; (e.g. wet season flooding).

CODE 24 Disengagement with school or other education and training

Disengagement with school or other education and training is selected where the person sought assistance for their difficulty with engaging within their education or training, creating difficulties for the person to establish connection with community and develop skills that will help them for future employment.

CODE 25 Lack of family and/or community support

The person has no family or community support structure which has led them to seek agency support.

CODE 26 Other

Other is selected if the person sought assistance because s/he recently arrived in the area (from another town or another country) and had nowhere to stay; if the person's previous accommodation was no longer available (for example, the death of a family member); if the person sought assistance as a result of his/her sexuality or sexual identification, or if the person is seeking assistance for a reason not listed above. The reason should be specified.

Data set specification specific attributes

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Conditional obligation:

In the SHS NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

This data element is collected twice (for the client):

- for all the presenting reasons for seeking assistance; and subsequently

- for the main presenting reason for seeking assistance

In both cases the reasons are those nominated by the client.

This question allows the client to check all responses that apply for all the presenting reasons for seeking assistance (up to 26 valid responses). The client should also select one main reason for seeking assistance.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This data element is intended to focus on the reason(s) the person presented to the agency as opposed to the underlying reasons or causes that may have built up over a lifetime.

There may be more than one reason why a person seeks assistance. This data element may be used to collect the main presenting reason or all presenting reasons.

If this data element is used to collect both , the main reason should be collected second, that is after 'all' reasons have been ascertained.

If a person does not nominate a list category record their response as 'Other' and record the description.

Collection methods:

The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question(s):

'Which reason(s) listed, best describes why you are seeking assistance?'

and

'Of the reasons you have identified as why you are seeking assistance, which one, do you consider, to be the main reason?'

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person – reason for seeking assistance, SAAP code N\[NN\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 23/08/2010

See also [Person – reason for seeking assistance, text \[A\(50\)\]](#) Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012

Person—reason for seeking assistance, text [A(50)]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Other reason for seeking assistance (homelessness)
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Presenting reason (other)
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508409
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason why a person presented to a specialist homelessness agency in order to seek assistance, as represented by text.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – reason for seeking assistance

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(50)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	50

Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This data element is conditional on the person responding with Other (CODE 26), in the data element Person – reason for seeking assistance, code N[N].
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element is intended to focus on the reason the person presented to the agency as opposed to the underlying reasons or causes that may have built up over a lifetime.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Person – reason for seeking assistance, homelessness code N[N] Homelessness, Standardisation pending 17/12/2012
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Person—reason services not provided, code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Reason(s) services not provided
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400286
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason(s) services were not provided to a person seeking assistance, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—reason(s) services not provided

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																								
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected only for 'turnaways'. Turnaways are people who have not received any requested services or assessment.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	This question allows the person to check all responses that apply, and therefore the person may have up to 11 valid responses.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This item provides information about why agencies are unable to meet people's requests for services. There may be more than one reason why services are not provided to people seeking them. This data element is used to collect all of these reasons.

Collection methods: The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question: 'Which one of the following reason(s) best describes why the person was not provided assistance?'

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person – main reason accommodation not offered, SAAP code N\[NN\]](#) Community Services, Superseded 01/07/2011

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—registered/awaiting government payment indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Registered/awaiting government payment indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	506085
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Standardisation pending 17/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person has applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, but is still awaiting their first payment, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – registered/awaiting government payment indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

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<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is only collected for clients who report nil income (CODE 17) in Person – principal source of cash income, code NNNN.</p> <p>This question establishes whether clients may have applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, but are still awaiting their first payment.</p>
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>This data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);• at the date of presentation;• at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and• at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.
This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This data element may be collected twice:

1. if a person has applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, and is still awaiting their first payment before the support period starts; and
2. if a person has applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, and is still awaiting their first payment after the support period commences.

Collection methods:

The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the questions:

"Have you applied for a government benefit?"; and
"Are you waiting for the benefit?"

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person – registered/awaiting government payment indicator, code N](#) Community Services, Superseded 01/07/2011

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

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Relationship to presenting unit head
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401608
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The relationship of a person within the presenting unit to the presenting unit head, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – relationship to the presenting unit head

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	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
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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, eg 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 set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

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

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

Relational attributes

*Implementation in Data Set
Specifications:*

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance,
Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—relationship to the presenting unit head, text [A(50)]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Other relationship to presenting unit head
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508399
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Standardisation pending 17/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The relationship of a person within the presenting unit to the presenting unit head, as represented by text.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – relationship to the presenting unit head

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Text
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	[A(50)]
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	50

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	This data element is conditional on the person responding with Other relationship (CODE 15), in the data element <i>Person – relationship to the presenting unit head</i> , code N[N].
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<i>Collection methods:</i>	<p>'Which category best describes your relationship to the presenting unit head?'</p> <p>What is person's 1 relationship to Person 2? Person 1 (Presenting unit head) Person 2 Other relationship to Person 1 please specify</p> <p>Please note : Questions used for person 2 are repeated for each person within the presenting unit.</p>

Person—residential type, homelessness code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Residential type
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	398935
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A person's type of residential arrangement, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—residential type

Value domain attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 1 House/townhouse/flat Includes bedsits, flats attached to houses or shops etc.
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CODE 7 No dwelling/street/park/in the open
Includes those people who are sleeping in public transport, eg riding on trains/buses etc. because they have no other option.

CODE 10 Emergency accommodation
Includes night shelter/women's refuge/youth shelter.

CODE 12 Hospital (excluding psychiatric)
Includes hospitals and other health care facilities but not specialised prison health facilities.

CODE 13 Psychiatric hospital/unit
Includes mental health units and forensic health units of corrective services systems.

CODE 14 Disability support
Includes all units whose primary role is disability support.

CODE 15 Rehabilitation facility
Includes facilities that cater for drug and alcohol rehabilitation. Excludes rehabilitation in prisons and correctional facilities.

CODE 16 Adult correctional facility
Includes those facilities whose main role is to detain and rehabilitate adult prisoners.

CODE 17 Youth/juvenile justice correctional centre
Includes those facilities whose main role is to detain and rehabilitate youth or juveniles. Community custodial facilities are included in this category.

CODE 19 Aged care facility
Nursing home, aged care hostel or non-self contained accommodation for the aged.

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.
This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 99)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The question in 'Collection Methods' could be used for different

contexts, ie before, during and immediately after assistance as the question can be adapted for past and present tenses. The context as to when the question is asked dictates the time period to which it relates, that being during or after assistance. By using the word 'did' instead of 'do' the question can be used for the period before assistance.

Collection methods:

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

'What category, from the list best describes the type of residence/dwelling did/do you live in?'

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – conditions of occupancy, code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Person – housing tenure type, homelessness code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—school enrolment and attendance status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Education at presentation
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401809
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The school enrolment and attendance status of a person, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—school enrolment and attendance status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Enrolled and attending school This option is used when the person is enrolled in school and regularly attends school.</p> <p>CODE 2 Enrolled in school but not always attending This option is used when the person is enrolled in school but regularly does not attend school for reasons other than health related reasons.</p> <p>CODE 3 Enrolled in school but not attending This option is used when the person is not attending school and the school year or term is considered to be fully commenced.</p> <p>CODE 4 Enrolled in school but waiting to commence This option is used when the person is enrolled in school but the school year or term has not yet commenced.</p> <p>CODE 5 Home schooled This option is used when the person is educated at home, typically by parents but sometimes by tutors, rather than in other formal settings of public or private school. It may also refer to instruction in the home under the supervision of correspondence schools, distance education, or School of the Air.</p>
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CODE 6 Neither enrolled nor home schooled

This option is used when the person is neither enrolled in a school, nor is home schooled.

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS this data element is collected for all clients from age 4 to 18 years (inclusive). This data element is not collected for children aged 4 years who have not started school.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 99)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This item is collected at the time of presentation to an agency for assistance.

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—service requested, homelessness code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Service requested
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400408
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The service(s) requested by a person of a Specialist Homelessness Agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – services requested

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is only collected for 'turnaways'. Turnaways are people who have not received the requested services or assessment.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	This question allows the client to check all responses that apply, and therefore the client may have up to 4 valid responses for this question.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 1 Short-term or emergency accommodation Assistance with accommodation in a refuge, a crisis shelter, or in emergency accommodation arranged in hotels, motels by a specialist homelessness agency. CODE 2 Other housing/accommodation Other housing/accommodation should be selected where a person is requiring assistance for any other form of housing or accommodation that is not short term or emergency accommodation. This may include assistance to access other forms of accommodation, such as medium term or transitional
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accommodation, or assistance to maintain their current form of housing/accommodation (i.e. prevent foreclosure on a mortgage, assistance with rental arrears, etc.).

CODE 3 General assistance and support

General assistance and support refers to a wide range of support provided by an agency worker that it is not a specialised service. That is, the support is provided without the expectation that the worker has completed formal, specialised training in that area of assistance. General assistance may cover a range of assistance from financial assistance/information, employment/training assistance, to assistance for domestic/family violence and family/relationship assistance. For a more comprehensive list of possible services see, Service activity - type of service activity.

CODE 4 Specialised services

Specialised services refer to assistance that can be provided only by a person with formal, specialised training in that area of assistance. Specialised services may range from Psychological/psychiatric services to Professional legal services (For a more comprehensive list of possible specialised services see, Service activity - type of service activity). Specialised services may be provided by agency workers, or may require an agency worker to assist the client in receiving external services.

Collection methods:

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

'Please indicate the service(s) the person requires from your agency, from the list below:'

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—sex, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Sex
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	287316
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The biological distinction between male and female, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—sex

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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<i>Supplementary values:</i>	9 Not stated/inadequately described								

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Diagnosis and procedure codes should be checked against the national ICD-10-AM sex edits, unless the person is undergoing, or has undergone a sex change or has a genetic condition resulting in a conflict between sex and ICD-10-AM code. CODE 3 Intersex or indeterminate Intersex or indeterminate, refers to a person, who because of a genetic condition, was born with reproductive organs or sex chromosomes that are not exclusively male or female or whose sex has not yet been determined for whatever reason. Intersex or indeterminate, should be confirmed if reported for people aged 90 days or greater.
<i>Comments:</i>	The definition for Intersex in Guide for use is sourced from the ACT Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Capital Territory 2003. Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003
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Reference documents:

Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Act 2003. See <http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2003-14/20030328-4969/pdf/2003-14.pdf>.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:

Operationally, sex is the distinction between male and female, as reported by a person or as determined by an interviewer. When collecting data on sex by personal interview, asking the sex of the respondent is usually unnecessary and may be inappropriate, or even offensive. It is usually a simple matter to infer the sex of the respondent through observation, or from other cues such as the relationship of the person(s) accompanying the respondent, or first name. The interviewer may ask whether persons not present at the interview are male or female.

A person's sex may change during their lifetime as a result of procedures known alternatively as sex change, gender reassignment, transsexual surgery, transgender reassignment or sexual reassignment. Throughout this process, which may be over a considerable period of time, the person's sex could be recorded as either Male or Female.

In data collections that use the ICD-10-AM classification, where sex change is the reason for admission, diagnoses should include the appropriate ICD-10-AM code(s) that clearly identify that the person is undergoing such a process. This code(s) would also be applicable after the person has completed such a process, if they have a procedure involving an organ(s) specific to their previous sex (e.g. where the patient has prostate or ovarian cancer).

CODE 3 Intersex or indeterminate

Is normally used for babies for whom sex has not been determined for whatever reason.

Should not generally be used on data collection forms completed by the respondent.

Should only be used if the person or respondent volunteers that the person is intersex or where it otherwise becomes clear during the collection process that the individual is neither male nor female.

CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described

Is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) National Mortality Database 1997/98 AIHW 2001 National Diabetes Register, Statistical Profile, December 2000 (Diabetes Series No. 2.)

Reference documents:

Australian Bureau of Statistics
AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney:
Standards Australia
AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney:

Standards Australia

In AS4846 and AS5017 alternative codes are presented. Refer to the current standard for more details.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v 6\) ANNA Health](#), Standard 22/09/2009, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v 7\) ANNA Health](#), Standardisation pending 13/03/2013

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) ANNA Health](#), Superseded 22/12/2009

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) ANNA](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – diagnosis related group, code \(AR-DRG v5.2\) ANNA](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v 6\) NN Health](#), Standard 22/12/2009, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v 7\) NN Health](#), Standardisation pending 13/03/2013

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) NN Health](#), Superseded 22/12/2009

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v5.1\) NN](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Episode of admitted patient care – major diagnostic category, code \(AR-DRG v5.2\) NN](#) *No registration status*

Supersedes [Person – sex \(housing assistance\), code N](#) Housing assistance, Superseded 10/02/2006

Supersedes [Person – sex, code N](#) Community Services, Superseded 31/08/2005, Health, Superseded 04/05/2005

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key 581, statistical code XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) *No registration status*

Is used in the formation of [Record – linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

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Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Activity based funding: Emergency department care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012

[Activity based funding: Non-admitted patient care DSS 2013-2014](#) Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard

31/10/2012
[Acute coronary syndrome \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard
01/09/2012
[Admitted patient mental health care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health,
Standard 07/12/2011
[Admitted patient palliative care NMDS 2012-13](#) Health,
Standard 07/03/2012
[Alcohol and other drug treatment services NMDS 2013-14](#)
Health, Standard 07/02/2013
[Cancer \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Cardiovascular disease \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard
01/09/2012
[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) client cluster](#)
Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) sibling cluster](#)
Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Community mental health care NMDS 2013-](#) Health, Standard
07/02/2013
[Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module
DSS](#) Health, Standard 03/12/2008
[Diabetes \(clinical\) DSS](#) Health, Standard 21/09/2005
[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services,
Standard 15/12/2011
[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS
2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
[Indigenous primary health care DSS 2012-14](#) Health, Standard
07/12/2011
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Juvenile Justice Client file cluster](#) Community Services,
Standard 14/09/2009
[Medical indemnity DSS](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Non-admitted patient DSS 2012-13](#) Health, Standard
07/12/2011
[Non-admitted patient emergency department care NMDS 2012-
13](#) Health, Standard 30/01/2012
[Perinatal NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013
[Person details data dictionary](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
[Prison clinic contact DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011
[Prison entrants DSS](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011
[Prisoners in custody repeat medications DSS](#) Health, Standard
25/08/2011
[Public dental waiting times NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard
09/11/2012
[Radiotherapy waiting times DSS 2012-](#) Health, Standard
07/12/2011
[Registered chiropractic labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard
10/12/2009
[Registered dental and allied dental health professional labour
force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered medical professional labour force DSS](#) Health,
Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered midwifery labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard

10/12/2009
[Registered nursing professional labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered optometry labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered osteopathy labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered pharmacy labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered physiotherapy labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered podiatry labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Registered psychology labour force DSS](#) Health, Standard 10/12/2009
[Residential mental health care NMDS 2012-14](#) Health, Standard 07/03/2012
[Sex of prison entrants cluster](#) Health, Standard 25/08/2011
[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
 Health, Standard 07/12/2011
 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Surveillance of healthcare associated infection: Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia DSS](#) Health, Standard 15/11/2012

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator
[Indigenous primary health care: PI22a-Number of female regular clients who have had a cervical screening, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
 Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI22b-Proportion of female regular clients who have had a cervical screening, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
 Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 44-Survival of people diagnosed with cancer, 2012](#) Health, Standard 20/10/2011
[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 48-Rates of services: Hospital procedures, 2012](#) Health, Standard 20/10/2011
Used as denominator
[Indigenous primary health care: PI13b-Proportion of regular clients who had their first antenatal care visit within specified periods, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
 Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[Indigenous primary health care: PI22b-Proportion of female regular clients who have had a cervical screening, 2013](#) Health, Standard 07/12/2011
 Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Disability Agreement: c\(1\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
[National Disability Agreement: c\(2\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
[National Disability Agreement: f\(1\)-Number of Indigenous](#)

[people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(2\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: j-Proportion of people with disability receiving income support, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 04-Incidence of selected cancers, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 10-Breast cancer screening rates, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 32-Proportion of people with mental illness with GP treatment plans, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 44-Survival of people diagnosed with cancer, 2012](#) Health, Standard 20/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 48-Rates of services: Hospital procedures, 2012](#) Health, Standard 20/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 61-Teenage birth rate, 2012](#) Health, Standard 31/10/2011

Person—source of information on a mental health condition indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Source of information indicating mental illness indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508415
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a source of information is available that indicates a person may have a mental illness or mental health condition, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—source of information on a mental health condition

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
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2	No								
9	Not stated/inadequately described								
<i>Supplementary values:</i>									

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client—consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1)
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question: "Is there additional information about the client, either formal or informal, that indicates a mental health condition?"
<i>Comments:</i>	This data element is based on the PHaMs (Personal Helpers and Mentors Program) screening tool; it is a useful flag for mental

health issues where more accurate evidence is not available.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – source of information on a mental health condition, code N](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—source of information on a mental health condition, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Source of information indicating mental illness
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400112
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Source of information available that indicates a person may have a mental illness or mental health condition, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—source of information on a mental health condition

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>																	

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Agency worker The person appears to the agency worker to have an undiagnosed mental health condition.</p> <p>CODE 2 Health professional The person has been diagnosed with a mental health condition by a doctor, nurse or other health professional.</p> <p>CODE 3 Non-government agency A non-government agency offering disability support programs, or a local community support program, whose target population includes those with a mental illness.</p> <p>CODE 4 Family, friends, carers Family, carers, friends or others who know the applicant well, and are concerned that the person may have an undiagnosed mental illness.</p> <p>CODE 5 Self identified The person reports that they have a mental illness but does not have contact with specialised mental health service or other relevant service providers at this point in time.</p>
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Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1).</p> <p>It is also conditional on a response of Yes (CODE 1) to <i>Person – source of information on a mental health condition indicator, code N</i>.</p>
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation.</p> <p>This data element is collected from the perspective of the agency worker. The agency worker may answer this question based on their personal observations, or from information volunteered by the client. If the client does not agree to answer the questions which require consent, the agency worker will be unable to report this information.</p>

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	<p>The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:</p> <p>"Is there additional information about the client, either formal or informal, that indicates a mental health condition?"</p>
<i>Comments:</i>	<p>This data element is based on the PHaMs (Personal Helpers and Mentors Program) screening tool; it is a useful flag for mental health issues where more accurate evidence is not available.</p>

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	<p>See also Person – source of information on a mental health condition indicator, code N Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012</p>
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	<p>Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010</p>

Person—student type, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Student type
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	398244
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of education or training undertaken by a person, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – student type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>																	

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Preschool student This option refers to a person who is enrolled, either full-time or part-time, in an accredited preschool teaching institution, during the school year.</p> <p>CODE 2 Primary school student This option refers to a person who is enrolled, either full-time or part-time, in an accredited teaching institution providing instruction up to the end of primary school. The school year is counted from January 1 to December 31, so a school student finishing school and waiting to go on to further training would still be considered a school student.</p> <p>CODE 3 Secondary school student This option refers to a person who is enrolled, either full-time or part-time, in an accredited teaching institution providing instruction from the start of secondary schooling up to year 12. The school year is counted from January 1 to December 31, so a school student finishing school and waiting to go on to further training would still be considered a school student. This option also includes any person undertaking secondary school education at a TAFE.</p>
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CODE 4 University student

This option refers to part-time or full-time attendance at university; it excludes vocational education students.

CODE 5 Vocational education and training

This option includes:

- a person who receives a training allowance such as Newstart or are required by their employer to attend a post-secondary institution for job training
- a person participating in education in order to enhance employment opportunities (such as migrant English classes and job readiness training)
- a person enrolled in a vocational education course at a TAFE or other type of vocational institution. It excludes students studying secondary school education at a TAFE or Vocational Education and Training (VET) institution, these students are classified to CODE 3.
- a person undertaking an apprenticeship.

CODE 6 Other education or training

This option refers to a person undertaking any other education and training not classified above, ie. non-award study (including Post-school Options).

CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described

Not stated/inadequately described is chosen if there is insufficient information to determine a person's student status either before or after support, or if a client did not want to answer this question.

Data set specification specific attributes

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Conditional obligation:

Conditional on responding to *Person – student/employment training indicator, code N with a Yes (CODE 1)*.

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);
- at the date of presentation;
- at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and
- at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9)** in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Collection of this data element should be preceded by the collection of the data element *Person – student/employment*

training indicator, code N.

Because reference periods may vary it is possible that more than one category of the Value Domain may be a valid response to a question on student type. For example over a number of months a student may move from primary to secondary education. Therefore it is preferable for this Data Element to refer to a specific point in time rather than a period of time. When a period of time is referenced it should be precisely specified.

Collection methods:

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

"Which category below best describes your education or training status?"

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person – student type, SAAP code N\[N\]](#)
Community Services, Superseded 17/11/2010

See also [Person – student/employment training indicator, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—student/employment training indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Student indicator
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349588
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a person is undertaking formal study or vocational education or employment training, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – student/employment training indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
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<i>Supplementary values:</i>									

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• one week before the start of the support period (the Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY);• at the date of presentation;• at the end of the reporting period (the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY); and• at the end of the support period (the Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY). <p>Only one permissible value is selected in each case.</p> <p>This collection records a response of Don't Know (CODE 99), which is equivalent to the code Not stated/Inadequately described (CODE 9) in the Standard.</p>

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The person must be formally enrolled in an academic institution or technical college, or other accredited teaching institution, and or engaged in employment related formal training. This can include migrant English classes.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Person – student type, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 26a-Proportion of Indigenous 18-24 year olds engaged in full-time employment, education or training at or above Certificate III \(Census Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 26b-Proportion of Indigenous 18-24 year olds engaged in full-time employment, education or training at or above Certificate III \(Survey Data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 27a-Proportion of Indigenous 20-64 year olds with or working towards a post-school qualification in Certificate level III or above, \(Census data\) 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 27b-Proportion of Indigenous 20-64 year olds with or working towards a post-school qualification in Certificate level III or above \(Survey data\), 2012](#) Indigenous, Endorsed 01/07/2012

Person—time elapsed since last permanent residence, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Time since most recent address
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401738
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The period of time elapsed since the person last had a permanent place to live, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – time elapsed since last permanent residence

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This collection records a response of Don't Know (CODE 99) , which is equivalent to the code Don't know/Not sure (CODE 9) in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element allows a calculation of the length of time a person has experienced homelessness. A permanent place to live is defined as a conventional dwelling, typically with its own residential address. It refers to a person's usual residence that lasts for at least 3 months. The characteristics
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of the accommodation must be such, that it is considered outside the scope of the definition of homelessness.

Ascertaining that a person did at some time have a permanent place to live indicates that their experience of homelessness commenced subsequently. Thus the length of the period of homelessness is measured from that time.

Collection methods:

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

"How long is it since you had a permanent place to live?"

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—type of institution recently left, homelessness code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Type of facility recently left
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	404019
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A description of the type(s) of facilities which a person may have resided in within a designated time period previously, and has now left, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – type of institution recently left

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Hospital (excluding psychiatric) Includes hospitals and other health care facilities but not specialised prison health facilities.</p> <p>CODE 2 Psychiatric hospital/unit Includes mental health units and forensic health units of corrective services systems.</p> <p>CODE 3 Disability support Includes all units whose primary role is disability support.</p> <p>CODE 4 Rehabilitation facility Includes facilities that cater for drug and alcohol rehabilitation. Excludes rehabilitation in prisons and correctional facilities.</p> <p>CODE 5 Adult correctional facility Includes those facilities whose main role is to detain and rehabilitate adult prisoners.</p> <p>CODE 6 Youth/juvenile justice correctional centre Includes those facilities whose main role is to detain and</p>
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rehabilitate youth or juveniles. Community custodial facilities are included in this category.

CODE 7 Immigration detention centre

Includes immigration residential housing and immigration transit accommodation.

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is conditional on the client providing consent to release their personal data to the AIHW. The data element Client – consent obtained indicator, yes/no code N, must receive a response of Yes (CODE 1). This item is also conditional on a response of Yes in the data element *Person – previously resided in institution/facility indicator, code N*.

DSS specific information: In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This data element refers to institutions or facilities the client may have been in during the last 12 months. This question allows the client to check all responses that apply, and therefore the client may have up to 7 valid responses.
The value Other (CODE 98) is not used by this collection.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The question allows multiple responses.

Collection methods: The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:
"Have you recently been in any of these facilities?"

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—urgency of requested assistance, time period code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Urgency of requested assistance
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400421
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The time period within which a person requires the assistance which has been requested, as represented by a code.
<i>Context:</i>	Provides an indication of the urgency of need for people requesting services.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person – urgency of requested assistance

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																		
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is only collected for 'turnaways'. Turnaways are people who have not received the requested services or assessment.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	This collection records a response of Don't Know (CODE 99) , which is equivalent to the code Don't know/Not sure (CODE 7) in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	If a person does not know or is unsure as to when they may need assistance select the code 7 'Don't know/unsure'.
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Collection methods:

Immediately is covered in code 1 'Within 24 hours'.

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

'How long is it until you need assistance from this agency?'

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Person—year of first arrival in Australia, date YYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Year of arrival in Australia
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269929
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The year a person (born outside of Australia) first arrived in Australia, from another country, with the intention of staying in Australia for one year or more.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Person—year of first arrival in Australia

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	YYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	4

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this Data Element is ascertained for all clients who have indicated that their Country of Birth is not Australia.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. The supplementary code Don't know (Code 9999) is used to process client data if a valid year of arrival is not provided.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	Actual year of arrival in Australia. Recommended question: In what year did you/the person first arrive in Australia to live here for one year or more? (Write in the calendar year of arrival or mark the box if here less than one year) Calendar year of arrival Will be here less than one year It is anticipated that for the majority of people their response to the question will be the year of their only arrival in Australia. However, some respondents may have multiple arrivals in Australia. To deal with these cases in self-enumerated collections, an instruction such as 'Please indicate the year of first
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arrival only' should be included with the question. While agencies are encouraged to use the recommended question described above, it is acknowledged that this is not always possible in practice. For example, where the data collection is a by-product of the provision of a health or community service, the information may be ascertained using different means. However, the recommended question should be used wherever practically possible.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: The Australian Bureau of Statistics Standard for [Year of Arrival in Australia](#). (last viewed 05/12/2006)

Reference documents: The ABS standard for Year of arrival in Australia appears on the ABS website <http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/4AD888364A44E87DCA25697E0018FE4C?opendocument> select Other ABS Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Cultural Diversity Variable.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Year of arrival in Australia, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (15.5 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module DSS Health](#), Standard 03/12/2008
[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Record—linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Statistical linkage key 581
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349895
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A key that enables two or more records belonging to the same individual to be brought together. It is represented by a code consisting of the second, third and fifth characters of a person's family name, the second and third letters of the person's given name, the day, month and year when the person was born and the sex of the person, concatenated in that order.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Record – linkage key

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	XXXXXDDMMYYYYN
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	14

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	Information about whether or not the person's date of birth is accurate should be noted. By knowing that date of birth is accurate it is possible to reduce underestimation of total service user numbers and overestimation of service users' ages.
<i>Comments:</i>	The linkage key is designed to make it possible to count number of clients and services they received, without counting the same client more than once. It can also be used for linking to other related data collections. It is for statistical linkage purposes only, not for case management or the tracking of individual persons. This may be done using a range of identifiers and/or keys.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.
<i>Steward:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Date – accuracy indicator, code AAA Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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See also [Date – estimate indicator, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012

Is formed using [Person – date of birth, DDMMYYYY](#)

Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005, Housing assistance, Standard 20/06/2005, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010, Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012, WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012, Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012, Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012

Is formed using [Person – letters of family name, text XXX](#)

Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Is formed using [Person – letters of given name, text XX](#)

Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Health, Standard 07/12/2011, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Is formed using [Person – sex, code N](#) Community Services, Standard 25/08/2005, Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006, Health, Standard 04/05/2005, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010, WA Health, Draft 23/08/2012, Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012, Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Statistical linkage key 581 cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Health, Standard 07/12/2011

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#)

Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

Used as denominator

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#)

Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

Referral—formal referral source, homelessness code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Formal referral source
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401340
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The person, entity or agency responsible for the formal referral of a client to an agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Referral – referral source

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected at the date of presentation. This collection records a response of Don't Know (CODE 99) , which is equivalent to the code Don't know/Not sure (CODE 22) in the Standard.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Only formal referrals are collected in this data element. The list of forms of referrals in the classification or value domain are regarded as formal referrals. A formal referral is any form of verbal or written contact with the person, group or organisation from which the individual or group could be referred.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question: 'From the referral list below please select one that represents the source of formal referral for this client.'

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	See also Person – formal referral indicator, code N Housing assistance, Proposed 01/07/2010 Supersedes Referral – referral source, SAAP code N[N] Community Services, Recorded 07/08/2007
<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Service episode—episode end date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Episode end date
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Service exit date, Exit date, End date, Support period end date, Date of expiry, Date of exit, Order end date, Detention end date
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270160
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which a service episode was completed.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service episode – episode end date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS this data element is the support period end date.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>May occur after or on the same day as date of last delivery of service.</p> <p>Due to the considerable variation in the types of services provided in the community services sector, it is not possible at this stage to define in generic terms what will constitute completion of a service episode. Individual collections should however define what constitutes completion for their own purposes.</p> <p>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 a service episode is completed on July 1 2000 the date assistance completed should be recorded as 01072000 as specified by the format.</p>
<i>Collection methods:</i>	The end date must be related to a particular service episode. For each separate service episode a separate end date should be recorded.

Comments: This metadata item may be used in the calculation of measures of periods of support and duration of assistance.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Juvenile Justice Detention file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Juvenile Justice Order file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#) Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

[National Disability Agreement: c\(1\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: c\(2\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(1\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: f\(2\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012

[National Disability Agreement: h-Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role \(h-interim\), 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

Used as denominator

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#) Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

[National Disability Agreement: h-Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role \(h-interim\), 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

Service episode—episode start date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Episode start date
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Service start date, Entry date, Support period start date, Date of effect, Date of entry, Order start date, Detention start date
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	338558
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 16/05/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which a service episode commenced.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service episode – episode start date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS this data element is the support period start date.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Due to the considerable variation in the types of services provided in the community services sector, it is not possible at this stage to define in generic terms what will constitute commencement of a service episode. Individual collections should however define what constitutes commencement for their own purposes. For example, it may be at contact stage in some instances or in others when a case plan is formulated.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	Date assistance commenced must be related to a particular service episode. For each separate service episode a separate 'service episode – start date, DDMMYYYY' should be recorded.
<i>Comments:</i>	This metadata item is used in calculation of measures of periods of support and duration of assistance.

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [First service contact date, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.7 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011

[Juvenile Justice Detention file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Juvenile Justice Order file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as numerator

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#)
Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

Used as denominator

[National Affordability Housing Agreement: 4: Proportion of people experiencing repeat periods of homelessness, 2010](#)
Homelessness, Standard 16/02/2011

Service episode—reporting period, date MMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Collection month
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508383
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Standardisation pending 17/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The calendar month and year during which service episode information is collected, represented as MMYYYY.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service episode – reporting period

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	MMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	6

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>DSS specific information:</i>	This data element reflects the month that information was collected from the person. It is recorded for both clients and turnaways.
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Service episode—service cessation reason, homelessness code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Service episode end reason
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401582
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason a service episode ended for a client of an agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service episode—service cessation reason

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code																										
<i>Data type:</i>	Number																										
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected for clients. CODE 1 Client referred to another specialist homelessness agency Selected when the client is referred to another Specialist Homelessness agency or to another program within the same organisation/agency that has a different organisation identifier. CODE 2 Client referred to another mainstream agency Selected when the client referred is referred to an agency other than a Specialist Homelessness agency and no longer requires support
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from your agency.

CODE 3 Client's immediate needs met/ case management goals achieved

Selected when the client no longer requires support because their immediate needs have been met and/or case management goals have been achieved.

CODE 4 Maximum service period reached

This is selected when the agency has ended a support period because the maximum time period for which they can provide a service has been reached. That is, an agency may have conditions placed on their services relating to how long they can provide support to a client, for example 6 months.

CODE 5 Service withdrawn from client and no referral made

Selected when the client's support period is ended because the client has not complied with agency's rules or behaved inappropriately.

CODE 6 Client no longer requested assistance

Selected when the client has decided that they no longer require assistance or they have moved from the state/territory or region.

CODE 7 Client did not turn up

Selected when the client had an appointment with the agency and failed to show up and at the end of the collection period, there is no contact with the client the support period is closed.

CODE 8 Lost contact with client

Selected when the client has moved without notifying the agency and the agency has not been able to contact the client.

CODE 9 Client institutionalised

This is selected when a client has been placed in an institution, either voluntarily or involuntarily, for example a rehabilitation facility, or Psychiatric ward of a hospital, and as a result the client no longer requires a service, or the service can no longer be provided to the client.

CODE 10 Client incarcerated

This is selected when a client has been placed in a facility whose main role is to detain and rehabilitate either adult prisoners, or youth/juveniles, and as a result no longer requires a service, or the service can no longer be provided to the client.

CODE 11 Client died

Selected when the client has died during the period he/she was receiving assistance from your agency.

CODE 12 Other

Selected when the support period ended for a reason not covered by the categories above.

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients if the support period has finished.

DSS specific information:

This collection records a response of **Don't Know (CODE 99)**, which is equivalent to the code **Not stated/unknown (CODE 99)** in

the Standard.

Data element attributes

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Service episode—service ongoing indicator, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Service ongoing indicator
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Support period ongoing
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401349
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a client was receiving ongoing assistance or support by the agency, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service episode – service ongoing indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code								
<i>Data type:</i>	Number								
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	CODE 9 Not stated/ inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	The code Not stated/inadequately described (CODE 9) is not used by this collection.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This information enables an accurate count of clients assisted at the agency to be made at the end of the reporting period.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	Was the client receiving support at the end of the reporting period?

Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	SAAP National Data Collection Agency Collectors Manual July
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2005.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Service episode – service ongoing indicator, code N](#)
Community Services, Superseded 17/11/2010

*Implementation in Data Set
Specifications:*

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing
assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Service event—accommodation period end date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Accommodation period end date
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	347334
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date at which an accommodation period was completed.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service event – accommodation period end date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services accommodation type and start/end date cluster](#)

<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the SHS NMDS, accommodation end date may be asked for three types of accommodation: 1) Short term or emergency, 2) Medium term or transitional, and 3) Long term. Clients may have breaks in accommodation, or move between different types of accommodation. Clients may have multiple start and end dates for the various types of accommodation.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element refers to a discrete accommodation period within a service episode. There may be a number of accommodation periods within a service episode.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	This data element is collected in conjunction with the Accommodation period start date and supported accommodation type.

Relational attributes

<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Service event—accommodation period start date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Accommodation period start date
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	348138
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date at which an accommodation period commences.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service event – accommodation period start date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services accommodation type and start/end date cluster](#)

<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the SHS NMDS accommodation end date may be asked for three types of accommodation: 1) Short term or emergency, 2) Medium term or transitional, and 3) Long term. Clients may have breaks in accommodation, or shift between different types of accommodation. Clients may have multiple start and end dates for the various types of accommodation.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This data element refers to a discrete accommodation period within a service episode. There may be a number of accommodation periods within a service episode.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	This data element is collected in conjunction with the Accommodation period end date and Supported accommodation type.

Relational attributes

<i>Implementation in Data Set Specifications:</i>	Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Service event—assistance request date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Assistance request date
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270043
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which assistance was requested.
<i>Context:</i>	Service provision and planning: This item can be useful for measuring the immediacy of response times and the responsiveness to people's requests for assistance (in conjunction with the date the assistance commenced and the reason assistance was requested). It also has important uses in measuring actual assistance provided and unmet demand.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service event – assistance request date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>DSS specific information:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this Data Element is relevant to 'turnaways' and clients. It captures the date on which a person sought assistance from a Specialist Homelessness Agency. This may not be the same date the assistance or service is received by the client.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	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 a person requested assistance from an agency on 1 July 2000 the Date assistance requested should be recorded as 01072000 as specified in the representational layout.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	This item should be collected on the date on which a person(s) made the initial request for assistance. The person(s) requesting assistance need not necessarily be a client as a request does not necessarily result in provision of a service.

May be collected for individual types of assistance or service requested.

Comments: A request does not necessarily result in provision of a service.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP)
National Data Collection Agency 2001. National Data Collection
Data Dictionary. Version 2. Unpublished

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Assistance request date, version 1, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.9 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing
assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Service event—first service contact date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	First service contact date
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270163
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which the agency provides the first service to the client.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service event – first service contact date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected for all clients.</p> <p>This data element is collected for the first service contact date within the reporting period. If the first service contact was also the start of the service episode, as recorded by the data element Service episode – episode start date, DDMMYYYY, then the same date will be recorded for both data elements. If the service episode is ongoing but the service event is new, then the actual date of the new service event should be recorded.</p> <p>This data element should ascertain the actual date of service, not the date when the data is recorded.</p>

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	Due to the considerable variation in the types of services provided in the community services sector, it is not possible at this stage to define in generic terms what will constitute the first service contact date.
<i>Collection methods:</i>	For each separate service episode a separate 'Service event – first service contact date, DDMMYYYY' should be recorded.
<i>Comments:</i>	This metadata item is used in calculation of measures of periods of support and duration of assistance.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [First service contact date, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.7 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Juvenile Justice Client file cluster](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Service event—last service provision date, DDMMYYYY

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Last service provision date
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Last service contact date, Date service last received
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	323253
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 29/04/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which a service was last provided.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service event—last service provision date

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Date
<i>Data type:</i>	Date/Time
<i>Format:</i>	DDMMYYYY
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	8

Data set specification specific attributes

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2013-14](#)

<i>Conditional obligation:</i>	In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this item is only asked of clients.
<i>DSS specific information:</i>	<p>In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is collected for all clients.</p> <p>This data element is collected for the last service provision date within the reporting period. If the last provision of a service was also the end of the service episode, as recorded by the data element Service episode – episode end date, DDMMYYYY, then the same date will be recorded for both data elements.</p> <p>If the last provision of a service is not the end of the service episode (i.e. where other services continue to be provided) the actual date of the end of the service event should be recorded. However if the service event within the service episode is ongoing to the next reporting period, ie ongoing to the following month, then the Service event – last service provision date, DDMMYYYY will be recorded as the last day of the current month.</p> <p>This data element should ascertain the actual date of service, not the date when the data is recorded.</p>

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Collection methods:</i>	Last service contact date must be related to a particular service event.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Last service contact date, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.6 KB)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](#) Community Services, Standard 15/12/2011
[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Implementation in Indicators: **Used as numerator**
[National Disability Agreement: c\(1\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
[National Disability Agreement: c\(2\)-Proportion of the potential population accessing disability services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
[National Disability Agreement: f\(1\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Disability Agreement: f\(2\)-Number of Indigenous people with disability receiving disability services as a proportion of the Indigenous potential population requiring services, 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Indigenous, Endorsed 11/09/2012
[National Disability Agreement: h-Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role \(h-interim\), 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012
Used as denominator
[National Disability Agreement: h-Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role \(h-interim\), 2012](#) Community Services, Standard 05/03/2012

Service event—supported accommodation type, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Supported accommodation type
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Accommodation type
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	399396
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of supported accommodation that is provided to a client, based on length of stay and level of service, as represented by a code.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service event – supported accommodation type

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Code										
<i>Data type:</i>	Number										
<i>Format:</i>	N										
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Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>CODE 1 Short term or emergency accommodation This option refers to accommodation that is generally provided for up to three months.</p> <p>CODE 2 Medium term accommodation This option refers to accommodation that is generally provided for three months or longer and for a fixed term. Support provided is generally less intensive than that provided in short-term emergency or crisis accommodation. This accommodation is not expected to be ongoing.</p> <p>CODE 3 Long term accommodation This option refers to accommodation that is generally provided for three months or longer and with the expectation that it will be ongoing. It includes accommodation provided under programs such as Common Ground.</p> <p>CODE 4 Other supported accommodation Accommodation that has not been demarcated as being either short-term emergency or crisis, or medium or long-term accommodation.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data set specification specific attributes

Specialist Homelessness Services accommodation type and start/end date cluster

DSS specific information: In the SHS NMDS, the accommodation type *Other* (CODE 4) is not a valid permissible value.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data element refers to a discrete accommodation period within a service episode. There may be a number of accommodation periods within a service episode.

Collection methods: The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the question:
"Which category best describes the accommodation provided to the client?"

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Service event – supported accommodation type, code N](#) Community Services, Superseded 17/11/2010

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2011](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Service provider organisation—organisation identifier, NNNNNA

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Short name:</i>	Agency identifier
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Agency number
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	506313
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Standardisation pending 23/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A unique identifier comprised of a logical combination of numeric and alphanumeric characters which identifies an agency.
<i>Data Element Concept:</i>	Service provider organisation – organisation identifier

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

<i>Representation class:</i>	Identifier
<i>Data type:</i>	String
<i>Format:</i>	NNNNNA
<i>Maximum character length:</i>	6

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	This identifier should remain in use and not change for the life of the Agency to which it is assigned.
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Service provider organisation – organisation identifier, NNNNA Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Supporting items

Object Classes

Address

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	428657
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Tasmanian Health, Draft 14/09/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A collection of information used for describing the location of an entity and/or details describing how the entity can be contacted.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Location

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Address – address currency status Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
	Address – address end date Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
	Address – address end time Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
	Address – address site name Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011
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	Address – building/complex sub-unit type Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
	Address – complex road name Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Address – complex road number 1](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Address – complex road number 2](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Address – complex road suffix](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – complex road type](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Address – country identifier](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – electronic communication address](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

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[Address – electronic contact preference indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – floor/level type](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – geocode containment indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – geocode feature](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – geocode geographic datum](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – geocode height](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – geocode latitude](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012

[Address – geocode longitude](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012

[Address – geocode positional uncertainty](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – geocode vertical datum](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – international country code](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – Internet voice product name](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – Internet voice product user identifier](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – Internet voice service provider](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – level number](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Address – location descriptor](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
[Address – lot number](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
[Address – physical address indicator](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012
[Address – postal delivery number](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
[Address – postal delivery point identifier](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012
[Address – postal delivery service type identifier](#) Community
Services, Standard 06/02/2012
[Address – purpose of address](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
[Address – road name](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Address – road number 1](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Address – road number 2](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
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[Address – road type](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Address – secondary complex name](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Address – statistical area](#) Community Services, Standard
06/12/2011
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
[Address – sub-dwelling unit number](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Address – suburb/town/locality name](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012
Tasmanian Health, Draft 14/09/2012
[Address – telephone non-standard functionality](#) Community
Services, Standard 06/02/2012
[Address – telephone number](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
[Address – telephone service line](#) Community Services, Standard
06/02/2012
[Address – telephone standard functionality](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012
[Address – Uniform Resource Locator](#) Community Services,

Standard 06/02/2012

[Address – unstructured address line](#) Community Services,
Standard 06/02/2012

Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012

Child

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268987
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/12/2004 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 25/02/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An individual under the age of 18 years.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Person/group of persons

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Child – abuse and neglect type Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
	Child – body mass index Health, Standard 01/03/2005
	Child – care arrangements Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
	Child – eligibility for subsidy indicator Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
	Child – fees charged in the census week Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
	Child – household parental care type Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
	Child – maximum preschool program hours available Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
	Child – maximum preschool program hours available per week Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
	Child – preschool program attendance indicator Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
	Child – preschool program enrolment indicator Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
	Child – preschool program fees charged per week Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
	Child – preschool program hours attended Community Services, Retired 21/05/2010 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
	Child – preschool program hours enrolled Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
	Child – Preschool program received from a qualified teacher indicator Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
	Child – preschool program repeater indicator Early Childhood,

Standard 07/06/2011

[Child – preschool service enrolment indicator](#) Community Services,
Standard 21/05/2010

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Child – preschool service received indicator](#) Community Services,
Standard 30/11/2007

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Child – recorded as fully immunised indicator](#) Health, Standard
07/12/2011

Client

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Client
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268969
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A person, group or organisation eligible to receive services either directly or indirectly from an agency.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Agencies may provide assistance to individual persons, groups of persons (e.g. support groups) or to other organisations. All of these may be considered clients of an agency. Specific data collections may circumscribe the Type of clients that are included in the collection. For example, at the current stage of development of the Home and Community Care (HACC) Minimum Data Set (MDS), HACC funded agencies are only required to report on clients who are individual persons. Future developments may extend the coverage of the HACC MDS collection to include organisational or group clients.</p> <p>The definition of a 'client' may also be circumscribed by the definition of 'assistance'. What is included as 'assistance' may depend on what activities are considered significant enough to warrant separate recording and reporting of the nature and/or amount of the assistance provided to a person. For example, an agency worker answering a telephone call from an anonymous member of the public seeking some basic information (e.g. a phone number for someone) would not usually consider that this interaction constituted assistance of sufficient significance to warrant recording that person as a 'client'.</p> <p>Furthermore, what constitutes 'assistance' may be influenced by the type of assistance the agency was established to provide. In the above example, the agency in question was funded specifically to provide telephone advice, and referral information, to members of the public or specific sub-groups of the public. The agency may have a policy that all persons telephoning the agency for information are classified as clients, albeit anonymous clients.</p> <p>The level of support or the amount of support given to a person by an agency can also be used to define them as a client or not. For example in the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP) National data collection, clients are defined by either taking up an amount of time of an agency; being accommodated by an agency; or by entering an ongoing support relationship with an agency.</p>
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Person/group of persons

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

*Data Element Concepts
implementing this Object Class:*

Supersedes [Client, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (15.7 KB)

[Client – amount of assistance](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Client – case management goal status](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Client – case management plan indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Client – case plan review date](#) Community Services, Standard 18/12/2007

[Client – caseworker allocation date](#) Community Services, Standard 18/12/2007

[Client – consent indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012

[Client – first care and protection order indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008

[Client – group type](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007

[Client – initial case plan date](#) Community Services, Standard 18/12/2007

[Client – injecting drug use status](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Health, Standard 01/03/2005

[Client – method of drug use \(principal drug of concern\)](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012
Health, Standard 01/03/2005

[Client – needs assessment service activity outcome](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Client – reason case management plan does not exist](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007

Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Client – service activity type](#) Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010

Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

[Client – service activity type needed](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007

Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012

[Client – service activity type provided](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007

Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012

[Client – service activity type referral arranged](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007

Date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	294409
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The day of the month and year as specified by a number.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Service/care event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Oxford English dictionary.

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Date – accuracy indicator Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Date – estimate indicator Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
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Person

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	268955
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A human being, whether man, woman or child.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Person/group of persons

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Person (address) – address line Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Person (address) – address type Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Person (address) – Australian postcode Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Superseded 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Person (address) – building/complex sub-unit type Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Person (address) – country identifier Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Person (address) – electronic communication address Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Person (address) – electronic communication medium Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Etc. (Long list removed)
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Record

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	300208
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An account of something, preserved in a lasting form.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Service/care event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Record – identifier Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Record – linkage key Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Referral

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269015
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Recorded 13/05/2008 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A recommendation for further care or services.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Service/care event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Referral – contact method Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Referral – referral receipt date Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Recorded 13/05/2008 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Referral – referral source Community Services, Standard 02/06/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Recorded 13/05/2008 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Service episode

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320994
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 29/04/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A period of time during which a client receives assistance from an agency.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Service provision and planning:</p> <p>The concept of a service episode (and associated metadata items) is necessary for the analysis, of the length of provision of assistance to clients. In conjunction with information about the amount and type of assistance received by clients, information about the length of the service episode also gives some indication of the intensity of assistance provided by agencies.</p> <p>A client's service episode always begins and ends with dates that mark the first and last time that the person received assistance from the agency. That is, a service episode will always begin and end with service event (see metadata item the service event).</p> <p>The pathway or process followed by a person entering or exiting from a service episode varies from one agency to another and from one type of assistance to another. It cannot be assumed, for example, that every client has undergone an assessment (or the same type of assessment) before entering a service episode. At times, a client may receive services from an agency on the basis of a referral from an established source with which the agency has well-developed referral protocols. At other times, a client who has been previously assisted by the agency may begin to receive services again without undergoing the same level of assessment on entry into a subsequent service episode.</p> <p>The definition of service episode has not assumed that any standard sequence of events applies to all service episodes for all clients across all types of agencies and across all programs. Rather, the definition of a service episode allows for the receipt of any of the types of assistance to serve as a trigger for the beginning of a service episode. That is, the service activity associated with the beginning of a service episode (i.e. the first service event) will vary across agencies.</p> <p>While agency policies and practices will impact upon the determination of a Service episode to some extent (e.g. different policies for taking clients 'off the books') the basic feature across agencies remain the first and the last Service events received by a client within a period of receipt of assistance. Establishing greater consistency in the determination of Service episodes would require a national cross-program approach to standardising entry and exit procedures across the community service sector.</p>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin: Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Service episode, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (15.3 KB)

Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:

[Service episode – care and protection order type](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service episode – detention end reason](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Service episode – detention type](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Service episode – episode end date](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service episode – episode identifier](#) Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007
[Service episode – episode start date](#) Community Services, Standard 16/05/2006
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service episode – financial payment indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service episode – legal order indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service episode – legal order/arrangement indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service episode – legal order/arrangement type](#) Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007
[Service episode – order end reason](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Service episode – order identifier](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Service episode – placement type](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service episode – reason for order expiry](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service episode – reporting period \(financial year\)](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Service episode – service cessation reason](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service episode – service ongoing indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
[Service episode – service ongoing indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service episode – transfer source](#) Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007

Service episode – type of goods and equipment received
Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005

Service event

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	320989
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 07/03/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An instance or occasion of assistance received by a client from a service provider.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>Information about individual instances of the receipt of assistance by a client from a service agency is of fundamental interest to service providers, but may or may not be required for national reporting purposes. However, information about an individual service event is a basic building block for other information that is of relevance to national reporting and statistical analysis. For example, if information about the length of time that certain types of persons have received particular types of assistance from specific types of agencies is required, then information about each instance of service provision should be recorded in a standard way. This should enable reliable, valid and comparable data to be reported nationally.</p> <p>Generally, a service event is described by a cluster of data elements that provide information about when it happened, where it happened, what assistance was received, how much and from whom. The need for information about service events reflects an interest in locating community service assistance to clients in time. This information may help to identify the intensity of assistance received by a person during a time period. Knowing when a person received assistance from an agency also helps to identify those records that are of interest to particular data collections. For example, an agency may be required to report on all assistance provided to clients during, say 1999-2000.</p> <p>As with the definition of <i>client</i>, what constitutes a <i>service event</i> is influenced by the definition of 'assistance'. That is, every interaction between an agency and a client may not be considered of sufficient significance to warrant recording as a <i>service event</i>. Furthermore, decisions about what is included or excluded from the definition of 'assistance' may be affected by specific program requirements as well as practical considerations related to the amount of time and resources it takes to record every interaction between an agency and a client.</p>

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Reference documents:</i>	Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0, 1998

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Service event – accommodation period end date Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
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Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service event – accommodation period start date](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service event – assessment date](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
[Service event – assistance received date](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 23/10/2012
[Service event – assistance request date](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service event – assistance type](#) Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008
[Service event – assistance urgency](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
[Service event – first service contact date](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service event – last service provision date](#) Community Services, Standard 07/03/2006
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service event – reason assistance not provided](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
[Service event – service delivery setting](#) Community Services, Standard 02/05/2006
[Service event – supported accommodation type](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service event – type of goods and equipment received](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005

Service provider organisation

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Object Class
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269022
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An organisation that provides services and/or care.
<i>Specialisation of:</i>	Organisation

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Object Class:</i>	Service provider organisation (address) – address line Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Housing assistance, Candidate 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
	Service provider organisation (address) – address type Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – building/complex sub-unit type Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – electronic communication address Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – electronic communication medium Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – floor/level type Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – international postcode Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – lot/section identifier Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – non-Australian state/province Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – postal delivery point identifier Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005
	Service provider organisation (address) – street suffix Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012

Health, Standard 04/05/2005
[Service provider organisation \(name\) – name type](#) Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012
Health, Standard 04/05/2005
[Service provider organisation \(name\) – organisation name](#)
Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 04/05/2005
Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012
[Service provider organisation \(service type\) – mobile service indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 19/12/2007
[Service provider organisation \(service type\) – session end time](#)
Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
[Service provider organisation \(service type\) – session start time](#)
Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
[Service provider organisation - number of preschool enrolments](#)
Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
[Service provider organisation – accommodation places](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
[Service provider organisation – Australian state/territory identifier](#)
Community Services, Standard 07/12/2005
Housing assistance, Candidate 19/10/2012
Health, Standard 04/05/2005
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
[Service provider organisation – coordinator of volunteers indicator](#)
Health, Standard 05/12/2007
[Service provider organisation – corporation indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
[Service provider organisation – custody location](#) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
[Service provider organisation – day of operation](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Service provider organisation – design capacity](#) Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007
[Service provider organisation – eligibility for subsidy indicator](#)
Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
[Service provider organisation – fee schedule amount](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007
Early Childhood, Superseded 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – fee schedule for activity type](#)
Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
[Service provider organisation – feedback collection indicator](#)
Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013
Health, Standard 05/12/2007
[Service provider organisation – feedback collection method](#)
Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013
Health, Standard 05/12/2007
[Service provider organisation – full financial year funding indicator](#)
Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff](#)
Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005

[Service provider organisation – full-time equivalent staff](#)
Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Health, Standard 07/12/2011

[Service provider organisation – funded service type](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007

[Service provider organisation – funding allocated](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – funding end date](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

[Service provider organisation – funding source](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – funding start date](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

[Service provider organisation – geographic location](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Health, Standardisation pending 14/11/2011
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Service provider organisation – government funding type](#) Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012

[Service provider organisation – hours worked](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – Indigenous specific organisation indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012

[Service provider organisation – level of government](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – level of service delivery](#) Health, Standard 05/12/2007

[Service provider organisation – main service activity type indicator](#) Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

[Service provider organisation – management type](#) Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Service provider organisation – management type](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011

[Service provider organisation – maximum preschool program hours available per week](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Service provider organisation – most common service delivery setting](#) Health, Standard 05/12/2007

[Service provider organisation – number of available places](#) Community Services, Standard 19/12/2007

[Service provider organisation – number of children attending a preschool program](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011

[Service provider organisation – number of children attending preschool](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Superseded 07/06/2011

[Service provider organisation – number of clients](#) Community Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – number of detainees](#) Community Services, Standard 22/05/2007

[Service provider organisation – number of escapes](#) Community

Services, Standard 22/05/2007
[Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous children attending a preschool program](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous children attending preschool](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Superseded 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous children enrolled in a preschool program](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of Indigenous children enrolled in preschool](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Superseded 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of licensed places](#) Community Services, Standard 19/12/2007
[Service provider organisation – number of preschool program enrolments](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of preschool program hours enrolled](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of preschool program hours enrolled per week](#) Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010
Early Childhood, Superseded 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of preschool program service operation weeks](#) Early Childhood, Standard 11/07/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of service operation days](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of service operation hours](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
[Service provider organisation – number of service operation weeks](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Health, Standard 07/12/2011
Early Childhood, Superseded 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – organisation end date](#) Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005
Health, Standard 04/05/2005
[Service provider organisation – organisation identifier](#) Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
[Service provider organisation – Organisation identifier](#) Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006
[Service provider organisation – organisation start date](#) Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005
Health, Standard 04/05/2005
[Service provider organisation – partner organisation type](#) Health, Standard 05/12/2007
[Service provider organisation – preschool program attendance hours](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011
[Service provider organisation – preschool program weekly tuition fee schedule amount](#) Early Childhood, Standard 07/06/2011

[Service provider organisation – recurrent funding commitments](#)

Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

[Service provider organisation – region identifier](#) Community

Services, Standard 15/09/2007

[Service provider organisation – sector](#) Community Services,

Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – service activity type](#) Community

Services, Standard 15/09/2007

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Service provider organisation – service delivery setting](#) Community

Services, Standard 29/04/2006

Health, Standard 05/12/2007

Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010

[Service provider organisation – standards assessment indicator](#)

Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013

Health, Standard 05/12/2007

[Service provider organisation – standards assessment level](#)

Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013

Health, Standard 05/12/2007

[Service provider organisation – standards assessment method](#)

Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013

Health, Standard 05/12/2007

[Service provider organisation – tax exempt indicator](#) Community

Services, Standard 27/04/2007

[Service provider organisation – temporary closure end date](#)

Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

[Service provider organisation – temporary closure start date](#)

Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007

[Service provider organisation – working partnership indicator](#)

Health, Standard 05/12/2007

Properties

Accommodation period end date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	350906
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date at which a period of lodging is completed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – accommodation period end date Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Accommodation period start date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	350925
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date at which a period of lodging commences.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – accommodation period start date Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Accuracy indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	294414
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The level of detail to which recorded information is correct.
<i>Property group:</i>	Performance indicators

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Date – accuracy indicator Community Services, Standard 30/09/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Activity and participation life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	324432
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 16/10/2006 Health, Standard 29/11/2006 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	Life areas in which individuals may participate or undertake activities.
<i>Property group:</i>	Physical characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—activity and participation life area Community Services, Standard 16/10/2006 Health, Standard 29/11/2006 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
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Assistance request date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269250
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an assistance is formally requested.
<i>Property group:</i>	Entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – assistance request date Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Australian postcode

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269316
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place.
<i>Context:</i>	Postcode is an important part of a postal address and facilitates written communication. It is one of a number of geographic identifiers that can be used to determine a geographic location.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Standards Australia Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Address – Australian postcode Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Tasmanian Health, Draft 14/09/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012 Dwelling – Australian postcode Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Housing assistance agency – Australian postcode Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Person (address) – Australian postcode Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Superseded 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Australian state/territory identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269056
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An identifier of the Australian state or territory.
<i>Context:</i>	This is a geographic indicator which is used for analysis of the distribution of clients or patients, agencies or establishments and services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Address – Australian state/territory identifier Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Dwelling – Australian state/territory identifier Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Establishment – Australian state/territory identifier Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance agency – Australian state/territory identifier Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Jurisdiction – Australian state/territory identifier Health, Standard 05/12/2007 Medical indemnity claim management episode – Australian state/territory identifier Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Person – Australian state/territory identifier Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Service provider organisation – Australian state/territory identifier Community Services, Standard 07/12/2005 Housing assistance, Candidate 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
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Care arrangements

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	367634
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of care arrangements.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Child – care arrangements Community Services, Standard 30/04/2008 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Case management goal status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	348557
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The extent to which case management goals have been achieved.
<i>Property group:</i>	Performance indicators

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client—case management goal status Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Case management plan indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269312
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of the extent to which a case management plan has been implemented in the provision of a service.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client – case management plan indicator Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Conditions of occupancy arrangement

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	411827
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A description of the type of conditions of occupancy.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – Conditions of occupancy arrangement Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Consent indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	338733
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indication of consent obtained.
<i>Property group:</i>	Legal characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client – consent indicator Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
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Country of birth

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269206
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The country in which an individual was born.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – country of birth Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 27/07/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
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Date of birth

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269318
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Proposed 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an individual was born.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – date of birth Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 27/07/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
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Episode end date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269252
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 16/05/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an episode is completed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Exit/leave from service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Episode of residential care – episode end date Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Non-admitted patient emergency department service episode – episode end date Health, Standard 30/01/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Service episode – episode end date Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Episode start date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269253
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 16/05/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The date on which an episode commenced.
<i>Property group:</i>	Entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Episode of residential care – episode start date Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Residential stay – episode start date Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Service episode – episode start date Community Services, Standard 16/05/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Financial assistance amount

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401987
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The value of monetary assistance.
<i>Property group:</i>	Financial characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – financial assistance amount Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Financial assistance type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401974
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of financial assistance.
<i>Property group:</i>	Financial characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – financial assistance type Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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First service contact date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269346
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Date on which the first service contact occurs.
<i>Property group:</i>	Entry into service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Health service event – first service contact date Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Service event – first service contact date Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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First service request indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400249
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether this is the first request for a service.
<i>Property group:</i>	Entry into service event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – first service request indicator Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	404163
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether a mental health condition has been diagnosed by an appropriately qualified health professional.
<i>Property group:</i>	Health and wellbeing

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – formally diagnosed mental health condition indicator Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Full-time/part-time status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	318676
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 14/12/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A categorisation by actual hours worked or intent to work.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person (employed) – full-time/part-time status Community Services, Standard 14/12/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Government funding identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269238
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 31/08/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An identifier allocated by a government department for the purpose of identifying those eligible for specific services.
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – government funding identifier Community Services, Standard 31/08/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
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Housing tenure type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269296
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of legal right to occupy a dwelling.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Household – tenure type Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Person – housing tenure type Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Indigenous status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269161
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of identification as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – Indigenous status Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
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Labour force status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	Employment status
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269067
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of participation in paid employment or economic inactivity.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Health professional – labour force status Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Person – labour force status Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 01/08/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Registered health professional – labour force status Health, Standard 10/12/2009
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Last service provision date

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269246
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Date on which the last service occurred.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – last service provision date Community Services, Standard 07/03/2006 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Letters of family name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349486
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A specific combination of letters selected from a family name (surname).
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – letters of family name Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Letters of given name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	314125
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A specific combination of letters selected from a person's first name.
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – letters of given name Community Services, Standard 27/03/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/01/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Linkage key

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349889
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A key that enables the bringing together of two or more things.
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Record – linkage key Community Services, Standard 21/05/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Living arrangement

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269314
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 19/04/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An arrangement of living alone or with others.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – living arrangement Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 19/04/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Mental health services received indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	508403
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether mental health services have been received.

Mental health services received timeframe

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400436
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The length of time since the last mental health service.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – mental health services received timeframe Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Need for assistance with activities in a life area

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	324428
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 16/10/2006 Health, Standard 29/11/2006 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The need for personal assistance and/or supervision to perform tasks and actions in a life area.
<i>Property group:</i>	Health and wellbeing

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—need for assistance with activities in a life area Community Services, Standard 16/10/2006 Health, Standard 29/11/2006 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
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New client indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400371
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether the person has previously been a client.
<i>Property group:</i>	Client characteristic

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – new client indicator Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Number of people in the presenting unit

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401591
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The number of people in the presenting unit.
<i>Property group:</i>	Client characteristic

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – number of people in the presenting unit Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Organisation identifier

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269367
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 01/03/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A sequence of characters which identify an organisation.
<i>Property group:</i>	Identifier characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Contracted hospital care – organisation identifier Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Division of general practice – organisation identifier Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Establishment (prison) – organisation identifier Health, Standard 25/08/2011 Establishment – organisation identifier Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012 Establishment – organisation identifier (state/territory) Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Healthcare provider – organisation identifier Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Laboratory – organisation identifier Health, Standard 15/11/2012 Service provider organisation – Organisation identifier Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Service provider organisation – organisation identifier Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Specialised mental health service organisation – organisation identifier Health, Standard 07/12/2011
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Previously homeless status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400340
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	Whether there has been an episode of homelessness prior to the current episode of homelessness.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – previously homeless status Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Previously resided in institution/facility indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	403703
<i>Registration status:</i>	Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether a person has previously resided in an institution or facility.

Principal source of cash income

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	462226
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The main source from which cash income is derived.
<i>Property group:</i>	Financial characteristics

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	This property relates to a cash income, as opposed to all income that includes income in kind (e.g. barter for goods or services etc).
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Reason case management plan does not exist

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	350391
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason a case management or personal support plan does not exist.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client – reason case management plan does not exist Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Reason for seeking assistance

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	337015
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason for seeking assistance.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service/care urgency

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – reason for seeking assistance Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Reason(s) services not provided

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	407450
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason or reasons why services were not provided.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Main reason accommodation not offered Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – reason(s) services not provided Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Referral arranged

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	338269
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of service activity, for a service where an appointment or interview is created.
<i>Property group:</i>	Referral event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client—service activity type referral arranged Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007
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Referral source

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269061
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 02/06/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 17/09/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A person or organisation from which a person or group of people is referred.
<i>Property group:</i>	Referral event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Episode of admitted patient care – referral source Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Tasmanian Health, Draft 17/09/2012 Episode of treatment for alcohol and other drugs – referral source Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Referral – referral source Community Services, Standard 02/06/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Recorded 13/05/2008 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Registered/awaiting government payment indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	350303
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of whether an application has been made for a government benefit, pension or allowance, with the first payment is still being awaited.
<i>Property group:</i>	Financial characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – registered/awaiting government payment indicator Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Relationship to the presenting unit head

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401603
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The relationship between a person and another person who is a presenting unit head.
<i>Property group:</i>	Client characteristic

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – relationship to the presenting unit head Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Reporting period

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	387416
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
<i>Definition:</i>	The timeframe during which information is related.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – reporting period (financial year) Community Services, Standard 14/09/2009
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Residential type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	398896
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The physical or functional description of an individual dwelling.
<i>Property group:</i>	Material resource characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – residential type Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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School enrolment status

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401799
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A categorisation of school enrolment and attendance.
<i>Property group:</i>	Educational characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – school enrolment and attendance status Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Service activity type needed

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269332
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of service activity needed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Client characteristic

Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Has been superseded by Service activity type Community Services, Standardisation pending 22/03/2013, Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010, Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010, Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client – service activity type needed Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012 Person – service activity type Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005

Service activity type provided

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	357196
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of service activity provided.
<i>Property group:</i>	Client characteristic

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Client – service activity type provided Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Homelessness, Candidate 18/12/2012
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Service cessation reason

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269358
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason why the delivery of a service ceased.
<i>Property group:</i>	Exit/leave from service event

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – service cessation reason Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Service ongoing indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	338781
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of the provision of ongoing assistance and support.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service provision event

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service episode – service ongoing indicator Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Service episode – service ongoing indicator Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Services requested

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400402
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The main services which are requested.
<i>Property group:</i>	Client characteristic

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – services requested Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Sex

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269231
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The biological distinction between male and female.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 1999. Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables Demographic Variables, Sex

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – sex Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012 Indigenous, Draft 18/10/2012
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Source of information on a mental health condition

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400467
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The origin of information regarding a person's mental health condition.
<i>Property group:</i>	Health and wellbeing

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – source of information on a mental health condition Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Student type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	337602
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of a student based on level and type of study.
<i>Property group:</i>	Educational characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person—student type Community Services, Standard 15/09/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Student/employment training indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	349604
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	An indicator of formal engagement in a course of study or employment training.
<i>Property group:</i>	Labour characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – student/employment training indicator Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Suburb/town/locality name

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269335
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2011 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The full name of the general locality containing the specific address.
<i>Property group:</i>	Location characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Address – suburb/town/locality name Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Tasmanian Health, Draft 14/09/2012 Person (address) – suburb/town/locality name Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Superseded 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Supported accommodation type

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	350876
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	A descriptor of the class of supported accommodation.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Service event – supported accommodation type Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Time elapsed since last permanent residence

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	401730
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The period of time since a permanent place to live has been occupied.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – time elapsed since last permanent residence Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Type of institution recently left

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	404006
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The type of institution or facility in which a person previously resided.
<i>Property group:</i>	Accommodation/living characteristics

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – type of institution recently left Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Urgency of requested assistance

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	400297
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The time period in which services are needed.
<i>Property group:</i>	Service/care urgency

Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – urgency of requested assistance Community Services, Standard 17/11/2010 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Year of first arrival in Australia

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Property
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	269050
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The calendar year in which an individual first arrived in Australia.
<i>Property group:</i>	Demographic/social/cultural characteristics

Source and reference attributes

<i>Submitting organisation:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

<i>Data Element Concepts implementing this Property:</i>	Person – year of first arrival in Australia Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Health, Standard 04/05/2005 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Classification Schemes

Australian Classification for Source of Income 2010

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	412558
<i>Registration status:</i>	Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) classification for sources from which persons, income units, families and households receive income. 'Sources of income' applies to all persons, income units, families and households reporting a value for 'Total income' in surveys.</p>
<i>Classification structure:</i>	<p>The classification is a three level hierarchal classification that groups sources of income at the broad, narrow and detailed levels. At the broad, or top, level of the classification for 'Total income', the income components are grouped according to whether they are received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• an employer, including their own incorporated business;• a profit or loss from their own unincorporated business;• a government pension or allowance paid by a government entity under social security and related government programs;• any other source. This is output as 'Other income'. <p>At the narrow, or second, level of the classification, 'Any other source' is classified according to whether income is received from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• investments, that is income received as a result of the ownership of financial and non-financial assets;• superannuation pensions and annuities;• other current transfers. <p>At the detailed, or third, level of the classification, investment income, government pensions and allowances and other current transfers are further broken down into their component groupings.</p>

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	<p>An individual may receive income from more than one source. 'Total income' is the sum of the following income components, before income tax and the Medicare Levy are taken out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• employee income;• profit or loss from self employment (own unincorporated business income)• government pensions and allowances;• investment income;• superannuation pensions and annuities;• other current transfers received.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2010. Standards for Income Variables, 2010 Cat no. 1287.0 Canberra: ABS. Viewed 2 August 2010.
<i>Revision status:</i>	If you require further information about this classification please email: social.classifications@abs.gov.au or telephone the Standards Support Hotline on (02) 6252 5736.

Relational attributes

*Value Domains based on this
Classification Scheme:*

[Sources of income code NNNN](#) Community Services,
Standardisation pending 22/03/2013
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Postcode datafile

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	270561
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The numeric descriptor for a postal delivery area, aligned with locality, suburb or place for the address of a party (person or organisation), as defined by Australia Post.
<i>Context:</i>	Postcode is an important part of a persons or organisations postal address and facilitates written communication. It is one of a number of geographic identifiers that can be used to determine a geographic location. Postcode may assist with uniquely identifying a person or organisation.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The postcode book is updated more than once annually as postcodes are dynamic entities and are constantly changing.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australia Post Postcode book. Reference through: http://www1.auspost.com.au/postcodes/
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Relational attributes

<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} Community Services, Superseded 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standard 10/02/2006 Health, Superseded 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Australian postcode code (Postcode datafile) {NNNN} Community Services, Standard 06/02/2012 Housing assistance, Standardisation pending 19/10/2012 Health, Standard 07/12/2011 Early Childhood, Standard 09/03/2012 Tasmanian Health, Draft 13/09/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 31/10/2012
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Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2011

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Classification Scheme
<i>Synonymous names:</i>	SACC 2011
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	459967
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 17/11/2011 Housing assistance, Standard 17/11/2011 Health, Standard 17/11/2011 Homelessness, Standard 17/11/2011 Tasmanian Health, Draft 13/09/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012
<i>Definition:</i>	The Australian Bureau of Statistics classification for countries.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	The Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2011 (SACC) Edition 1 supersedes the Australian Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2008 (SACC) Edition 2.
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2011. Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2011 (SACC). Cat No. 1269.0. Canberra: ABS (last viewed 22 August 2011)
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2008 Community Services, Superseded 22/11/2011, Housing assistance, Superseded 22/11/2011, Health, Superseded 22/11/2011
<i>Value Domains based on this Classification Scheme:</i>	Country code (SACC 2011) NNNN Community Services, Standard 13/10/2011 Housing assistance, Standard 13/10/2011 Health, Standard 13/10/2011 Homelessness, Standard 13/10/2011 Tasmanian Health, Draft 13/09/2012 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Standard 01/11/2012

Glossary Items

Accommodation period

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	357096
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The period during which a client was in supported accommodation. A client may have no accommodation periods or one or more accommodation periods within a support period.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Guide for use:</i>	The dates on which each accommodation period began and ended during the support period are collected for clients but not for accompanying children. However, it can be reasonably assumed that an accompanying child will have the same accommodation period start and end dates as their parent(s) or guardians(s) in the majority of cases.
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Relational attributes

<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Service event – accommodation period end date, DDMMYYYY Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010 Service event – accommodation period start date, DDMMYYYY Community Services, Standard 30/11/2007 Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010
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Assistance request reason

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327204
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 02/08/2010 Homelessness, Standard 02/08/2010
<i>Definition:</i>	The reason(s) why a person has sought or requires assistance from an agency.
<i>Context:</i>	To better identify the needs of clients, to identify needs that are not being met and to target assistance to clients more effectively.

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>A person may seek or require assistance for a number of reasons, some of which are the immediate presenting reason, while others will be underlying or longer term reasons. These will require particular and usually different responses and services.</p> <p>For example, a person's immediate reason for seeking assistance may be that they have lost their accommodation and require accommodation support. However, the underlying reasons as to why they have no accommodation may be because of a psychiatric condition, alcohol or drug dependency, a gambling addiction, or because they are being abused at home. These underlying reasons may or may not have directly resulted in the homelessness, but have been contributing factors.</p> <p>Underlying reasons for a person requiring a service are likely to be complex and more difficult to ascertain than the immediate presenting reason.</p> <p>A second example is in child protection. Many children that come to the attention of community services agencies as being in need of care and protection come from families in crisis (for example, parents have psychiatric illnesses, financial stress, domestic violence etc.). Without providing a service to the family as well as the child then the child is likely to be re-notified.</p> <p>Providing a service for the client's immediate need will not necessarily assist the client in the longer term, resulting in the client continually requiring short term assistance, while at the same time continuing to have an underlying problem or need that is not being addressed.</p> <p>Therefore by attempting to collect information on both the immediate and the underlying reasons for a person's current situation, agencies may be able to better assist them both in the short and longer term, while at the same time more effectively utilising the services available.</p> <p>Many children that come to the attention of community services agencies as being in need of care and protection come from families in crisis (for example, parents have psychiatric illnesses, financial stress, domestic violence etc.).</p> <p>Further research is required to develop a data domain to enable</p>
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the measurement of this concept.

It is possible that a number of data elements could be developed out of this concept, such as 'Immediate reason for seeking assistance' and 'Underlying reason for seeking assistance'. Such items would need a great deal of consultation with input from community service agencies to develop meaningful and well structured data domains.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Assistance request reason, version 1, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (15.6 KB)

Metadata items which use this glossary item: [Service event – assistance request date, DDMMYYYY](#)
Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005
Housing assistance, Standard 23/08/2010
Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Geographic indicator

Identifying and definitional attributes

<i>Metadata item type:</i>	Glossary Item
<i>METeOR identifier:</i>	327306
<i>Registration status:</i>	Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Homelessness, Standard 22/10/2005
<i>Definition:</i>	<p>A classification scheme that divides an area into mutually exclusive sub-areas based on geographic location.</p> <p>Some geographic indicators are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australian Standard Geographical Classification (ASGC, ABS Cat No. 1216.0),• administrative regions,• electorates,• Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA),• Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area Classification (RRMA), and• country.
<i>Context:</i>	<p>To enable the analysis of data on a geographical basis.</p> <p>Facilitates analysis of service provision in relation to demographic and other characteristics of the population of a geographic area.</p>

Collection and usage attributes

<i>Comments:</i>	<p>Person (address) – Australian postcode (Postcode datafile), code [NNNN] is not included in the above listing, as it is, strictly speaking, not a geographic indicator. Sometimes postcodes are used in the analysis of data on a geographical basis, which involves a conversion to Statistical Local Area (an Australian Bureau of Statistics geographical structure). This conversion results in some inaccuracy of information. However, in some data sets Person (address) – Australian postcode (Postcode datafile), code [NNNN]; is the only geographic identifier, therefore the use of other more accurate indicators (for example, conversion from address line to Statistical Local Area) is not always possible.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

<i>Origin:</i>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.
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Relational attributes

<i>Related metadata references:</i>	Supersedes Geographic indicator, version 2, DEC, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf (14.0 KB)
<i>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</i>	Australian state/territory identifier Community Services, Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance, Standard 22/10/2005 Health, Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood, Standard 21/05/2010 Tasmanian Health, Draft 23/07/2012 Female – number of antenatal care visits, total N[N] Health,

Standard 12/10/2011

[Perinatal NMDS 2013-14](#) Health, Standard 07/02/2013