

# Household—household composition, housing assistance code N

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Household composition (housing assistance)
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	608018
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Housing assistance</a>, Standard 30/08/2017</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The <b>composition</b> of the <b>household</b> in a housing assistance collection, based on the relationship between household members, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Household—household composition</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code																
<b>Data type:</b>	String																
<b>Format:</b>	N																
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1																
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<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** It should be noted that only usual residents of a household are considered when describing and categorising households by Household type. Visitors to a household are, by definition, excluded from the household. Usual residence of members of a household is defined as '...that address at which the person has lived or intends to live for a total of 6 months or more' (Census Dictionary 1996).

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**Reference documents:** AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2014. Community housing national data collection, Jurisdiction process manual 2013-14. Canberra: AIHW.

### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Household—household composition, housing assistance code N](#)

- [Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

### Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Community Housing DSS 2018-  
Housing assistance](#), Standard 10/05/2019

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2018

**DSS specific information:**

Record unknown values as 'U' and map to code 9 (not stated/inadequately described).

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

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

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