Household—household composition, housing assistance code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Household composition (housing assistance) |
| METEOR identifier: | 608018 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 30/08/2017 |
| Definition: | The [**composition**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327444) of the  [**household**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/465183) in a housing assistance collection, based on the relationship between household members, as represented by a code. |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Household—household composition](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/608016) |
| METEOR identifier: | 608016 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 30/08/2017 |
| Definition: | The [**composition**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327444) of the  [**household**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/465183) based on the relationship between household members. Households can contain dependent and non-dependent family members as well as non-family members. The differentiation of households is based on the presence or absence of couple relationships, parent-dependant relationships or other blood relationships. |
| Context: | Together with 'family', household is considered one of the basic groups of social aggregation. Information on household numbers and composition aids in identifying groups within the population such as Indigenous households or the number of people living alone. |
| Object class: | [Household](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268977) |
| Property: | [Household composition](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269118) |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [Housing assistance household composition code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/608487) |
| METEOR identifier: | 608487 |
| Registration status: | [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 30/08/2017 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the [**composition**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327444) of a [**household**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/465183) in housing assistance collections, based on the relationship between household members. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Single |
|  | 2 | Sole parent with child/ren aged less than 16 years |
|  | 3 | Couple only |
|  | 4 | Couple with child/ren aged less than 16 years |
|  | 5 | Family (with other family members present including children aged 16 years and over) |
|  | 6 | Family (with other non-related members present) |
|  | 7 | Group (unrelated adults) |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Steward: | [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/246013) |

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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 of more' (Census Dictionary 1996). |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Steward: | [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/246013) |
| 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/455623)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Superseded 30/08/2017 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Community Housing DSS 2018-](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/710899)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), 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)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/605345)  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 30/08/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  Unknown values are recorded as "U", and should be mapped to "9=Not stated/inadequately described". |