

Household—greatest need indicator, yes/no code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Greatest need indicator
METEOR identifier:	608411
Registration status:	Housing assistance , Standard 30/08/2017
Definition:	An indicator of whether a household is in greatest need of priority access to services, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Household—greatest need indicator
Value Domain:	Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Boolean	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Yes
	2	No
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described
	This code is not for use in primary data collections.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:	This indicator is applied to a household at the time of service provision.
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Household—greatest need indicator, yes/no 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[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017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:

This collection uses an alternative code set. These codes should be mapped as follows:

Y (yes) = 1 (yes)

N (no) = 2 (no)

U (unknown) = 9 (not stated/inadequately described).

[Community housing waiting list cluster](#)

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

DSS specific information:

This collection uses the alternate code set “Y” = “Yes”, “N” = “No” and “U” = “Unknown”. These codes should be mapped as follows:

Y = 1 (“Yes”)

N = 2 (“No”)

U = 9 (“Not stated/inadequately described”)

[Household \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)

[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

[Household \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)

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

[Public Housing and State Owned and Managed Indigenous housing \(PH & SOMIH\) DSS 2018-](#)

[Housing assistance](#), Standard 10/05/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

DSS specific information:

This metadata item is collected twice, once in each of the household and waitlist files.

[Tenancy/vacancy cluster \(Mainstream community housing\)](#)

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

DSS specific information:

This item determines whether the household is assessed as being in greatest need at the time of allocation. In the Community Housing collection greatest needs households, are households who were subject to one or more of the following circumstances:

- they were homeless; or
- their life or safety was at risk in their accommodation; or
- their health condition was aggravated by their housing; or
- their housing was inappropriate to their needs; or
- they had very high rental housing costs.

A homeless household for the greatest need definition is a household with no housing or a household residing in temporary or emergency accommodation. It includes households who:

- lived in accommodation provided by a specialist homelessness services agency or some other form of emergency accommodation;

- were totally without permanent shelter;
- lived in shelter that was unlawful such as those who were forced to squat in derelict buildings; or
- stayed temporarily with friends or relatives in the short term.

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- Y = 1 (“Yes”)
- N = 2 (“No”)
- U = 9 (“Not stated/inadequately described”).

[Waitlist \(housing assistance\) cluster](#)

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