

Person—main source of income, NDA code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Main source of income
METEOR identifier:	639631
Registration status:	Disability , Standard 28/09/2016
Definition:	The source from which a person derives the greatest proportion of his/her income, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—main source of income
Value Domain:	Main source of income NDA code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Disability Support Pension
	2	Other pension or benefit (not superannuation)
	3	Paid employment
	4	Compensation payments
	5	Other (e.g. superannuation, investments etc.)
Supplementary values:	6	Nil income
	7	Not known
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

This item is not applicable to persons aged less than 16 years.

This item refers to the source by which a person derives most (equal to or greater than 50%) of his/her income. If the person has multiple sources of income and none are equal to or greater than 50%, the one which contributes the largest percentage should be counted.

This item refers to a person's own main source of income, not that of a partner or of other household members.

If it is difficult to determine a 'main source of income' over the reporting period (i.e. it may vary over time) please report the main source of income during the reference week.

Code 7 'Not known' should only be recorded when it has not been possible for the service user or their carer/family/advocate to provide the information (i.e. they have been asked but do not know).

Source and reference attributes

Origin:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016. Disability Services National Minimum Data Set: data guide, July 2016. Cat. no. DAT 4. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person—source of cash income \(principal\), NDA code N Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 13/03/2013
[Disability](#), Superseded 28/09/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Disability Services NMDS 2016–17](#)
[Disability](#), Superseded 15/12/2017
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

[Disability Services NMDS 2017–18](#)
[Disability](#), Superseded 05/07/2019
Implementation start date: 01/07/2017
Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

[Disability Services NMDS 2018–19](#)
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