

# Person—marital status, recipient code AAA

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Marital status
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	645225
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired)</a> , Standard 20/06/2018
<b>Definition:</b>	A person's current relationship status in terms of a couple relationship or, for those not in a couple relationship, the existence of a current or previous registered marriage, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—marital status</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Marital status of recipient code AAA</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code																				
<b>Data type:</b>	String																				
<b>Format:</b>	AAA																				
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	3																				
<b>Permissible values:</b>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>DEF</td><td>De facto</td></tr><tr><td>DIV</td><td>Divorced</td></tr><tr><td>MAR</td><td>Married</td></tr><tr><td>REG</td><td>Registered</td></tr><tr><td>SEP</td><td>Separated</td></tr><tr><td>SIN</td><td>Single</td></tr><tr><td>WID</td><td>Widowed</td></tr><tr><td>NRE</td><td>Not required</td></tr><tr><td>UNK</td><td>Unknown</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	DEF	De facto	DIV	Divorced	MAR	Married	REG	Registered	SEP	Separated	SIN	Single	WID	Widowed	NRE	Not required	UNK	Unknown
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## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Government Department of Social Services

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:**

CODE DEF De facto

This code should generally be accepted as applicable to all de facto couples, including those of the same sex.

CODE MAR Married

This code also includes people who have been divorced or widowed but have since re-married.

CODE SEP Separated

This code refers to registered marriages but when self-reported may also refer to de facto relationships.

CODE WID Widowed

This code usually refers to registered marriages but when self-reported may also refer to de facto relationships.

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## Relational attributes

**Implementation in Data Set** [Demographics Cluster](#)

**Specifications:** [Commonwealth Department of Social Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 20/06/2018

***DSS specific information:***

Marital status refers to the variable MARITAL\_STS\_CODE in the PIA research data set.