

# Income unit—relationship to household reference person

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element Concept
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	669184
<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 relationship of a member of an income unit to a designated person in that same income unit.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Income unit</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	One person or a group of related persons within a <a href="#">household</a> , whose command over income is shared, or any person living in a non private dwelling who is in receipt of personal income.
<b>Context:</b>	Income units are restricted to relationships of marriage (registered or de facto) and of parent/ <a href="#">dependant</a> who usually reside in the same household. This means that an income unit can be defined as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a married couple or sole parent, and dependent children only</li><li>• a married couple only with no dependent children present</li><li>• a person who is not related to any other household member either by marriage or by the parent/dependant relationship.</li></ul> This is the standard statistical unit for analyses of economic wellbeing, and can be an important measure in assessing the needs and circumstances of individuals and families.

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	National Housing Data Development Committee
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## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Relationship to household reference person</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	The type of relationship an individual has with a designated person in a <a href="#">household</a> .
<b>Property group:</b>	<a href="#">Accommodation/living characteristics</a>

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Data element concept attributes

### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes [Person \(income unit member\)—relationship to reference person \(income unit\)](#)

- [Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

**Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:**

[Income unit—relationship to household reference person, code N](#)

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

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