Income unit—relationship to household reference person

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	669184
Registration status:	Housing assistance, Standard 30/08/2017
Definition:	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

Object class:	Income unit
Definition:	One person or a group of related persons within a **household**, whose command over income is shared, or any person living in a non private dwelling who is in receipt of personal income.
Context:	Income units are restricted to relationships of marriage (registered or de facto) and of parent/**dependant** who usually reside in the same household. This means that an income unit can be defined as:

- a married couple or sole parent, and dependent children only
- a married couple only with no dependent children present
- a person who is not related to any other household member either by marriage or by the parent/dependant relationship.

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

Submitting organisation:	National Housing Data Development Committee

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	Relationship to household reference person
Definition:	The type of relationship an individual has with a designated person in a **household**.
Property group:	Accommodation/living characteristics

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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	[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017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