

Person—registered/awaiting government payment indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Registered/awaiting government payment indicator
METEOR identifier:	690709
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homelessness, Standard 10/08/2018
Definition:	An indicator of whether a person has applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, but is still awaiting their first payment, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—registered/awaiting government payment indicator

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code						
Data type:	Number						
Format:	N						
Maximum character length:	1						
Permissible values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Yes</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>No</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Yes	2	No
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1	Yes						
2	No						

Supplementary values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>9</td><td>Not stated/inadequately described</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	9	Not stated/inadequately described
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Collection and usage attributes

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

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data element may be collected twice:

1. if a person has applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, and is still awaiting their first payment before the support period starts; and
2. if a person has applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, and is still awaiting their first payment after the support period commences.

Collection methods: The permissible values for this data element are used to form the response categories to the questions:

"Have you applied for a government benefit?"; and

"Are you waiting for the benefit?"

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—registered/awaiting government payment indicator, code N](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 19/09/2013
- [Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018
- [Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/05/2013

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2019-Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018

Conditional obligation:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, this data element is only collected for clients who report nil income (Code 17) in [Person—principal source of cash income, code NNNN](#).

This question establishes whether clients may have applied for a government benefit, pension or allowance, but are still awaiting their first payment.

DSS specific information:

This data element is collected four times, for the following points in time:

- one week before the start of the support period (the [Service episode—episode start date, DDMMYYYY](#))
- at the date of presentation
- at the end of the reporting period (the [Service event—last service provision date, DDMMYYYY](#))
- at the end of the support period (the [Service episode—episode end date, DDMMYYYY](#)).

Only one permissible value is selected in each case.

This collection records a response of Don't Know (Code 99), which is equivalent to the code Not stated/Inadequately described (Code 9) in the Standard

