Person—student type, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Student type
METEOR identifier:	690997
Registration status:	Homelessness, Standard 10/08/2018
Definition:	The type of education or training undertaken by a student, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—student type
Value Domain:	Student type code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Preschool student
	2	Primary school student
	3	Secondary school student
	4	University student
	5	Vocational education and training
	6	Other education or training
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 1   Preschool student

This option refers to a person who is enrolled, either full-time or part-time, in an accredited preschool teaching institution, during the school year.

CODE 2   Primary school student

This option refers to a person who is enrolled, either full-time or part-time, in an accredited teaching institution providing instruction up to the end of primary school. The school year is counted from January 1 to December 31, so a school student finishing school and waiting to go on to further training would still be considered a school student.

CODE 3   Secondary school student

This option refers to a person who is enrolled, either full-time or part-time, in an accredited teaching institution providing instruction from the start of secondary schooling up to year 12. The school year is counted from January 1 to December 31, so a school student finishing school and waiting to go on to further training would still be considered a school student. This option also includes any person undertaking secondary school education at a TAFE.

CODE 4   University student

This option refers to part-time or full-time attendance at university; it excludes vocational education students.

CODE 5   Vocational education and training

This option includes:

- a person who receives a training allowance such as Newstart or are required by their employer to attend a post-secondary institution for job training
- a person participating in education in order to enhance employment opportunities (such as migrant English classes and job readiness training)
- a person enrolled in a vocational education course at a TAFE or other type of vocational institution. It excludes students studying secondary school education at a TAFE or Vocational Education and Training (VET) institution, these students are classified to CODE 3
- a person undertaking an apprenticeship.

CODE 6   Other education or training

This option refers to a person undertaking any other education and training not classified above, ie. non-award study (including Post-school Options).

CODE 9   Not stated/inadequately described

Not stated/inadequately described is chosen if there is insufficient information to determine a person's student status either before or after support, or if a client did not want to answer this question.

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Collection of this data element should be preceded by the collection of the data element Person—student/employment training indicator, code N.

Because reference periods may vary it is possible that more than one category of the Value Domain may be a valid response to a question on student type. For example over a number of months a student may move from primary to secondary education. Therefore it is preferable for this Data Element to refer to a specific point in time rather than a period of time. When a period of time is referenced it should be precisely specified.

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

"Which category below best describes your education or training status?" |

Relational attributes

| **Related metadata references:** | Supersedes [Person—student type, code N](#) [Community Services (retired)](#), Standard 17/11/2010 [Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015 [Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018 [Housing assistance](#), Standard 23/08/2010

See also [Person—student/employment training indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) [Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018 |

| **Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** | [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2019-](#) [Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on responding to [Person—student/employment training indicator, Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) with a Yes (Code 1).

DSS specific information:

In the Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS, 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. |