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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/337591) |
| Value Domain: | [Student type code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/398242) |

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| 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 |

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| 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. |



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| 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/398244)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 17/11/2010  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 13/08/2015  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 10/08/2018  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 23/08/2010  See also [Person—student/employment training indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/691041)  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 10/08/2018 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Specialist Homelessness Services NMDS 2019-](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/689064)  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 10/08/2018  ***Conditional obligation:***  Conditional on responding to [Person—student/employment training indicator, Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/691041)  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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/338558)) * at the date of presentation * at the end of the reporting period (the [Service event—last service provision date, DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/323253)) * at the end of the support period (the [Service episode—episode end date, DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270160)).   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. |