Person—living arrangement, code N[N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Person living arrangement |
| METEOR identifier: | 775029 |
| Registration status: | [Aged Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/19), Standard 30/06/2023 |
| Definition: | Whether a person usually resides alone or with others, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—living arrangement](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269813) |
| Value Domain: | [Living arrangement code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775024) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | N[N] | |
| Maximum character length: | 2 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Lives alone |
|  | 2 | Lives with family – partner only |
|  | 3 | Lives with family – other |
|  | 4 | Lives with others |
|  | 10 | Other |
| Supplementary values: | 97 | Not applicable |
|  | 98 | Unkown/unable to be determined |
|  | 99 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1     Lives alone  The person lives on their own. A person living alone in a private room within a retirement village, aged care facility, boarding house etc. should be coded as CODE 04 'Lives with others', except in those instances in which they are sharing their own private space/room within the premises with a family member (in which case code as CODE 02 ‘Lives with family – partner only’ or CODE 03 ‘Lives with family – other’).  CODE 2     Lives with family – partner only  The person lives with their partner only. Includes registered marriages and de facto relationships.  CODE 3     Lives with family – other  The person lives with family members. Family members may include the person's partner but if they live with their partner only, the person should be coded as CODE 2 'Lives with family – partner only'. If the person's household includes both family and non-family members, the person should be coded as living with family.  CODE 4     Lives with others  The person lives with non-family members.  CODE 10     Other  The person's living arrangements are not described by CODE 1–CODE 4.  CODE 97     Not applicable   This code is used where an assessment does not include this question.  CODE 98     Unknown/unable to be determined  This code is used where information is unclear, unavailable or insufficient to assign CODE 01–CODE 10.  CODE 99     Not stated/inadequately described  This code is not for use in primary data collections. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Health and Aged Care |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | Generally this metadata item is collected for the person’s usual living arrangement, but may also, if required, be collected for a person’s main living arrangement or living arrangement at a particular time reference point. |
| Comments: | Date collected about the type of living arrangement for a person gives information about the level of support, both physical and emotional, to which a person may have access. |
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| Origin: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (2002) [Aged care assessment program data dictionary version 1.0](https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/aged-care/aged-care-assessment-program-data-dictionary-versi), AIHW, Australian Government, accessed 21 February 2023. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Person—living arrangement, dementia code NN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/737921)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 05/10/2022 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Aged care person cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/777749)  [Aged Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/19), Standard 30/06/2023 |