
Dwelling structure

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHADD
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Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT
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Definition: Describes the physical structure of the individual dwelling that a tenant occupies.
Context: Data on dwelling structure are used to monitor changes in housing characteristics, to help formulate housing policies and to review existing housing stock.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout: NN
Minimum Size: 1
Maximum Size: 2
Data Domain: 1 Separate house
 10 Not stated/inadequately described
 2 Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc.
 3 Flat or apartment
 4 Caravan, tent, cabin etc. in caravan park, houseboat in marina, etc.
 5 Caravan not in caravan park, houseboat not in marina, etc.
 6 Improvised home, campers out
 7 House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc
 8 Boarding / rooming house room / unit
 9 Other

Guide For Use: 1. Separate house: This is a house separated from other houses (or other buildings or structures) by space to allow access on all sides

(at least 1/2 a metre). This category also includes houses which have an attached flat (e.g. a granny flat). The attached flat will be included in the 'Flat or apartment' category.

2. Semi-detached, row or terrace house, townhouse, etc.: This category covers dwellings with their own private grounds and no dwelling above or below. A key feature of these dwellings is that they are either attached in some structural way to one or more dwellings or are separated from neighbouring dwellings by less than 1/2 a metre. Examples include semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses, and villa units. Multi-storey townhouses or units are separately identified from those which are single storey.

3. Flat or apartment: This category covers all dwellings in blocks of flats, units or apartments. These dwellings do not have their own private grounds and usually share a common entrance foyer or stairwell. This category includes houses converted into flats, and flats attached to houses such as granny flats.

4. Caravan, tent, cabin etc. in caravan park, houseboat in marina, etc.: This category includes all types of accommodation within a caravan park. It also includes all occupied water craft in marinas.

5. Caravan not in caravan park, houseboat not in marina, etc.: This category includes all mobile units, on water or land, occupied on a permanent or semi-permanent basis by people (e.g. caravans, campervans, mobile houses, small boats, houseboats) that are not in caravan parks or marinas.

6. Improvised home, campers out: This category covers all structures not elsewhere classified that are occupied by people on a permanent or semi-permanent basis. This category typically includes garages, sheds, tents, shacks, etc. These structures are only included in this category if they are not in a caravan park.

7. House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.: This category includes all houses or flats that are attached to a non-residential building. Examples of these dwellings are manses attached to a church, a flat or apartment over a shop, and a caretaker's house or flat attached to a school, factory or storage facility.

8. Boarding/rooming house room: A boarding/rooming house room is usually a bedroom within a boarding house that is not self-contained, and usually shares a common kitchen and/or bathroom. Boarding house bedrooms are usually accessed via a common entrance such as a foyer or hallway. Please note: this structure type identifies the individual rooms in a boarding/rooming house, not the complete building.

Related metadata: relates to the data element Building function version 1
relates to the data element Dwelling identifier version 2
relates to the data element Number of bedrooms version 2
relates to the data element concept Tenancy (rental) unit version 1

relates to the data element concept Dwelling version 1
relates to the data element concept Boarding house room version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document: 1996 Census listing of Census classifications
QLD Housing Boarding House Program Guidelines

Source Organisation: Australian Bureau of Statistics
QLD Department of Housing

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

Data Agreements which include this Data Element
