

# Person—labour force status

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Data Element Concept

**METEOR identifier:** 269466

**Registration status:** [Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/08/2005  
[Homelessness](#), Standard 23/08/2010  
[Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014

**Definition:** The self reported status the person currently has in being either in the labour force (employed/unemployed) or not in the labour force. The categories are determined by a person's status in relation to current economic activity (which is measured by their activities in relation to work in a specified reference period).

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Object class:** [Person](#)

**Definition:** A human being.

### Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the *Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender* and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) *Standard for Sex and Gender Variables*, which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Origin:** Macquarie University 2003. *The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.* Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd

**Reference documents:** Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, <https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx>

ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, [http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument](http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012>Main+Features12016?OpenDocument)

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

**Property:** [Labour force status](#)

**Definition:** An indicator of participation in paid employment or economic inactivity.

**Property group:** [Labour characteristics](#)

# Data element concept attributes

## Relational attributes

**Data Elements  
implementing this Data  
Element Concept:**

[Person—labour force status, acute hospital and private psychiatric hospital admission code N](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Person—labour force status, children's services code N](#)

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 02/08/2007

[Person—labour force status, code N](#)

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Disability](#), Superseded 29/02/2016

[Health!](#), Superseded 17/10/2018

[Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018

[Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/03/2005

[Person—labour force status, code N](#)

[Disability](#), Standard 29/02/2016

[Health!](#), Standard 17/10/2018

[Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018

[Person—labour force status, public psychiatric hospital admission code N](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005