

Household—Indigenous status

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Household—Indigenous status

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

METEOR identifier: 269788

Registration status: [Housing assistance](#), Recorded 28/09/2011

Definition: An Indigenous household is one which contains one or more Indigenous people.

This definition may not be consistent with eligibility requirements for assistance targeted to Indigenous people under a specific program. For example, some programs specify that there must be an Indigenous person aged 15 or over to be classified as an Indigenous household.

Context: Together with [family](#), household is considered one of the basic groups of social aggregation. Information on household numbers and composition aids in identifying groups within the population such as Indigenous households or the number of people living alone.

Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples occupy a unique place in Australian society and culture. In the current climate of reconciliation, accurate and consistent statistics about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are needed in order to plan, promote and deliver essential services, to monitor changes in wellbeing and to account for government expenditure in this area.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class: [Household](#)

Definition: A group of two or more related or unrelated people who usually reside in the same dwelling, and who make common provision for food or other essentials for living; or a single person living in a dwelling who makes provision for his or her own food and other essentials for living, without combining with any other person.

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Specialisation of: [Person/group of persons](#)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For housing data collections, the number of tenancy agreements is a practical proxy for calculating the number of households receiving housing assistance.

The persons in the group may pool their incomes and have a common budget to a greater or lesser extent: they may be related or unrelated persons, or a combination of both.

Only usual residents of the household are included as members of the household. Visitors to a household are, by definition, excluded from the household.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: CSHA Public rental housing data manual 2001-02

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Indigenous status](#)
Definition: An indicator of identification as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.
Property group: [Demographic/social/cultural characteristics](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A household excludes visitors to a household.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Household—Indigenous status Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: [Household—Indigenous status, code N Housing assistance](#), Recorded 28/09/2011