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# Domestic services

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000241                      Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NHIMG                      Admin status: SUPERSEDED  
Effective date: 01-MAR-05  
Definition: The costs of all domestic services including electricity, other fuel and power, domestic services for staff, accommodation and kitchen expenses but not including salaries and wages, food costs or equipment replacement and repair costs. Gross expenditure should be reported with no revenue offsets, except for inter-hospital transfers.  
Context: Health expenditure:  
This is a significant element of non-salary recurrent expenditure for most establishments within the data set and is thus required for any health expenditure analysis at the national level.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Numeric  
Representational form: QUANTITATIVE VALUE  
Representation layout: \$999,999,999  
Minimum Size: 2  
Maximum Size: 12  
Data Domain: NOVAL              Australian dollars. Rounded to nearest whole dollar.  
Guide For Use: Record values up to hundreds of millions of dollars.  
Verification Rules:  
Related metadata: relates to the data element Establishment type version 1

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## *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Health Data Committee

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Comments: The possibility of separating fuel, light and power from domestic services which would bring the overall non-salary recurrent expenditure categories closer to the old Hospitals and Allied Services Advisory Council categories was briefly considered by the Resources Working Party but members did not hold strong views in this area.

## *Data Element Links*

### *Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element*

NHIM                                                  Recurrent expenditure

### *Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

NMDS - Public hospital establishments                          From 01-Jul-89 to

NMDS - Community mental health establishments                  From 01-Jul-03 to

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