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# Household

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NHADD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000750 Version number: 1  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT CONCEPT  
Admin status: SUPERSEDED Effective date: 13-JUL-03  
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 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.  
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.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype:  
Guide For Use: 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.  
Related metadata: relates to the data element Indigenous household version 1  
relates to the data element Tenancy agreement version 1  
relates to the data element Household composition version 1

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## *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document: Standards for statistics on families. ABS Cat. No. 1286.0  
ABS: Directory of concepts and standards for social, labour and demographic statistics, 1995  
Source Organisation: Australian Bureau of Statistics

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## *Data Element Links*

*Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element*

*Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

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