Household—gross income (annual), dollar range code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Household annual gross income range
METEOR identifier:	290737
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 04/05/2005
Definition:	The value of gross annual income from all sources (before deductions for income tax, superannuation, etc.) for all household members as represented by a dollar range code.
Context:	Gross household income ranges are used as an indicator of the economic status of the household.
Data Element Concept:	Household—gross income
Value Domain:	Dollar range, code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Less than $ 20,000
	2	$ 20,001-$ 30,000
	3	$ 30,001-$ 50,000
	4	$ 50,001 - $ 100,000
	5	More than $ 100,000
Supplementary values:	6	Don't know/not sure
	7	Not stated

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: The main components of gross income are:

- current usual wages and salary;
- income derived from self-employment;
- government pensions, benefits and allowances; and
- other income comprising investments (including interest, dividends, royalties and rent) and other regular income (including superannuation, private scholarships received in cash, workers' compensation, accident compensation, maintenance or alimony, and any other allowances regularly received).

Gross income is regarded as all receipts which are received regularly and are of a recurring nature. Certain receipts such as lump sum receipts, windfall gains and withdrawals from savings are not considered to conform to these criteria and are not included as income.

Please note that this data element is not consistent with the ABS standards for cash income.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Public Health Information Working Group

Reference documents: Refer to the ABS website Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Cash Income Variables:

1200.0 - Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, 1999

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

Computer Assisted Telephone Interview demographic module DSS Health!, Superseded 03/12/2008

DSS specific information:

For data collection using Computer Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI), the suggested question is:

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(Read options: Single response)

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