

Person—source of cash income (all) code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Source of income
METEOR identifier:	321156
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 29/04/2006
Definition:	The source from which a person derives any part of his/her income, as represented by a code.
Context:	The metadata item is an indicator of the needs and circumstances of individuals and sometimes, used in assessment of income equity.
Data Element Concept:	Person—source of cash income (all)
Value Domain:	Source of cash income code NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	NN	
Maximum character length:	4	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	11	Employee cash income
	21	Unincorporated business cash income
	31	Allowances for students and the unemployed
	32	Centrelink pensions for the aged and persons with a disability
	39	Other Government cash pensions and allowances
	41	Property cash income
	42	Superannuation/annuities
	43	Transfers from private organisations
	44	Transfers from other households
	45	Scholarships
	49	Other cash income
Supplementary values:	88	Nil income
	99	Not stated/not known/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The value domain categories shown above are directly mappable to the narrow sources of cash income specified in the Statistical Concepts Library of the Australian Bureau of Statistics. This is a three level hierarchical classification and is described at the broad (one-digit), narrow (two-digit) and detailed (four-digit) levels.

This value domain uses the two-digit level. Each of the levels may be associated with one or more sub-categories that may be coded at the 4-digit level if desired.

CODE 11 Employee cash income:

Payments from an employer or own limited liability company, including wages or salary, tips, piece rates, penalty rates, loadings, regular bonuses, payment for time not worked (sick leave, recreation leave, public holidays etc.) and director's fees. An employee is classed as receiving cash from an employer or his/her own incorporated enterprise.

CODE 21 [Unincorporated business](#) cash income:

Unincorporated business cash income is net of operating expenses including: labour costs in the form of wages, salaries and supplements; the value of raw materials and services purchased; the repair and maintenance of equipment (including vehicles); the purchase of fuel; indirect taxes; interest paid in connection with the business; and rent paid for buildings and land used in the business. Unincorporated business cash income is also net of depreciation of capital, such as machinery, vehicles and tools used in the business.

CODE 41 Property cash income:

Includes cash income deriving from the ownership of assets; it comprises returns from financial assets (interest, dividend) from physical assets (rent) and from intellectual assets (royalties).

CODE 43 Transfers from private organisations:

Includes payments from workers compensation, insurance companies etc.

CODE 44 Transfers from other households:

Includes payments from such sources as child support payments, gifts from relatives etc.

Collection methods:

Please note the differences between this Value domain and the ABS classification (that is, Codes 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 49 are mappable to the classification codes 91, 92, 93, 94, 95 and 99. In this value domain code 88 and 99 are supplementary values.).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare for the National Community Services Data Committee.

Reference documents:

Statistical concepts library, Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables, Framework for Standard Cash Income Variables, Classification and Coding, Canberra: Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Reference online through:

[Ausstats Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables, Cash Income Variables](#)

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

All sources of cash income are included in this concept.

Cash income may be received from employment (Employee cash income), as a profit or loss from an unincorporated enterprise ([Unincorporated business](#) cash income), from the ownership of assets (Property cash income). Income may also be derived from current transfers from government (pensions and benefits) or from private sources, such as superannuation funds. An individual may receive cash income from more than one source.

Excluded from this concept is income in kind e.g. barter for goods or services.

Collection methods:

If the person has multiple sources of income, all sources should be counted.

This question is not asked of person's aged less than 15 years because they are generally dependants.

While this standard requires collection of data at the 2-digit level, some agencies may wish to collect at the 4-digit level for their own purposes. The 4-digit level is detailed below:

Detailed (four-digit) level of sources of cash income


1101 Employee cash income
2101 Unincorporated business cash income
3101 Newstart allowance
3102 Youth allowance
3103 Mature age allowance
3104 Sickness allowance
3105 Austudy payment
3106 ABSTUDY payment
3201 Age pension
3202 Disability support pension
3901 Family Tax Benefit (Parts A and B)
3902 Parenting Payment
3903 Double Orphan Pension
3904 Carer Allowance
3905 Wife Pension
3906 Bereavement Allowance
3907 Widow Allowance (Widow B Pension)
3908 Carer Payment
3911 Service pension (DVA)
3912 Disability pension (DVA)
3913 Partner Allowance
3914 War Widow's Pension (DVA)
3915 Special Benefit
3916 Mobility Allowance
3917 CDEP Participant Supplement
3918 Pensions and allowances from overseas governments
3999 Other Government cash pensions and allowances, n.e.c
4101 Interest
4102 Dividends
4103 Rent
4104 Royalties
4199 Other property cash income, n.e.c
4201 Superannuation/annuities
4301 Workers compensation/sickness/accident insurance
4399 Other transfers from private organisations, n.e.c
4401 Child support
4402 Gifts from relatives
4499 Other cash transfers from other households, n.e.c
4501 Scholarships
4999 Other cash income, n.e.c
8888 Nil income
9999 Not stated/not known/inadequately described

Relational attributes

**Related metadata
references:**

Supersedes [Person—income source \(cash\), code N{.N}](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 29/04/2006

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[Disability](#), Superseded 28/09/2016
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 10/02/2006

See also [Person—source of cash income \(principal\), code N](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 29/04/2006