

Household—greatest need indicator

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element Concept

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Definition: An indicator of whether a household is in greatest need of priority access to services. Greatest need households are low income households that at the time of allocation were subject to one or more of the following circumstances: they were homeless; their life or safety was at risk in their accommodation; their health condition was aggravated by their housing; their housing was inappropriate to their needs; or they had very high rental housing costs.

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.

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.

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: [Greatest need indicator](#)

Definition: An indicator of whether there is a need for priority access to services.

Property group: [Service/care urgency](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Household—greatest need indicator Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

[Household—greatest need indicator, yes/no code N Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017