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ABBREVIATIONS

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

CURF Confidentialised Unit Record File

DVA Australian Government Department of Veterans Affairs

HH household

IU income unit

RADL Remote Access Data Laboratory

RSE relative standard error

SE standard error

SIH Survey of Income and Housing

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

INTRODUCTION

This publication provides information about the Confidentialised Unit Record File (CURF) from the 1996-97 Survey of Income and Housing (SIH), previously known as the Survey of Income and Housing Costs. The CURF is available on CD-ROM or through the Remote Access Data Laboratory (RADL).

The RADL is an on-line database query system, under which microdata are held on a server at the ABS, to which users can submit batch programs to interrogate, analyse, model, etc. the data, and can access the results. Further information about this facility is available on the ABS web site http://www.abs.gov.au (see Services We Provide, CURFs).

The CURFs on CD-ROM and the RADL will be identical. There are no plans to produce an expanded CURF for use through the RADL.

ABOUT THE SURVEY

The SIH was conducted continuously from 1994–95 to 1997–98, and then in 1999–2000, 2000–01, 2002-03 and 2003–04. The 1996-97 survey was conducted throughout Australia from July 1996 to June 1997 and obtained information on sources of income, amount of income received and housing details of persons aged 15 and over, as well as information on a number of demographic and labour force characteristics.

The sample for the SIH up to and including 2002-03 was a sub-sample of private dwellings included in the ABS Monthly Population Survey (MPS). The MPS sample is a multistage selection of private dwellings and a list sample of other dwellings.

The sample is suitable for producing reliable estimates at the Australian level for income of residents in private dwellings, classified by different population groups based on household composition (such as couples with children), income levels or income sources. Estimates at the state and territory level for broad aggregates are generally reliable although some estimates for Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory should be used with caution.

In each month in 1996-97 a sample of dwellings was selected for the SIH from the responding households in the MPS. Over the year, approximately 15,500 persons over the age of 15 were included in the sample, and of these, about 90% responded.

The survey collected information by personal interview from usual residents of private dwellings in urban and rural areas of Australia, covering about 98 per cent of the people living in Australia. Private dwellings are households, flats, home units, caravans, garages, tents and other structures that are used as places of residence at the time of interview. These are distinct from non-private dwellings which include hotels, boarding schools, boarding houses and institutions. Residents of non-private dwellings were excluded.

The survey also excluded:

ABOUT THE SURVEY continued

- households which contain members of non-Australian defence forces stationed in Australia
- households which contain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments
- households in remote and sparsely settled areas of the Northern Territory, accounting for about 20% of the population in the Northern Territory.

Results from the 1996-97 SIH were initially published in *Income Distribution*, *Australia*, 1996-97 (cat. no. 6523.0). The CURF was released in December 1998. An extensive investigation into data for all survey years from 1994-95 to 2000-01 was carried out in 2003 in response to concerns that analysis of income inequality over time may have been affected by changes in ABS survey methodologies and estimation procedures from survey cycle to survey cycle. The need for revisions to all years from 1994-95 to 1999-2000 was identified. Revised data were published in *Household Income and Income Distribution*, *Australia*, 2000-01 (cat. no. 6523.0) in July 2003. That publication also contains information on the scope, definitions and methodology used in the survey.

ABOUT THE CURF

The 1996-97 SIH CURF contains 7,245 household records, 9,276 income unit records and 14,595 person records from the survey. Subject to the limitations of sample size and the data classifications used, it is possible to manipulate the data, produce tabulations and undertake statistical analyses to individual specifications.

The data are released under the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*, which has provision for the release of data in the form of unit records where the information is not likely to enable the identification of a particular person or organisation. Accordingly, there are no names or addresses of survey respondents on the CURF and other steps have been taken to protect the confidentiality of respondents. These include

- the level of detail for many data items has been reduced (for example, State of usual residence of ACT and NT have been combined as ACT/NT; area of usual residence for the ACT and NT has not been made available)
- all income items, and rent payments, have been perturbed
- some variables have had values ranged, collapsed or topcoded
- demographic information of some of the respondents has been changed.

As a consequence, aggregated data obtained from the CURF are slightly different to that published. See Chapter 4 for more information.

Steps to confidentialise the data set made available on the CURF are taken in such a way as to ensure the integrity of the data set and optimise its content, while maintaining the confidentiality of respondents. Intending purchasers should ensure that the data they require at the level of detail they require are available on the CURF; data obtained in the survey but not contained on the CURF may be available in tabulated form on request. Lists of the data items and categories on the CURF are provided as Appendixes 1, 2 and 3 of this paper.

REVISIONS IN THIS ISSUE

The reissued 1996-97 CURF incorporates the changes identified in the investigation referred to above. The 2000-01 CURF released in August 2003 and the 1999-2000 CURF released in November 2003 incorporated the changes, and the 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1997-98 CURFs are also being reissued in August 2005. Further details of the investigation and the resulting changes can be found in the Explanatory Notes of

REVISIONS IN THIS ISSUE continued

Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia, 2000-01 (cat. no. 6523.0), a copy of which is included on the CURF CD-ROM.

The changes in the reissued 1996-97 CURF are:

- revised weights on all records: weights have been calibrated to revised demographic benchmarks that incorporated the 1996 Population Census results; additional benchmarks, by state/territory, for children under 5 years of age and for children from 5 years to under 15 years of age have been included
- 30 replicate weights have been added to each record on the person and income unit files: these enable the calculation of the relative standard error on each estimate produced from the CURF
- some revisions have been made to previous financial year income from government pensions and allowances: amendments were made when people reported current income from a particular benefit and satisfied eligibility requirements for the benefit in the previous financial year but did not report income from the benefit in the previous year; 96 person records had previous financial year income from age pension adjusted, 10 person records had adjustments to the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) disability pension, 7 had adjustments to disability support pension, 4 had adjustments to DVA service pension, 3 had adjustments to war widow's pension and 1 had an adjustment to widow allowance.
- all income and rent items have been re-perturbed, resulting in small changes to these items for all records
- minor changes have been made to loans items to make them consistent with subsequent files
- the following items are no longer topcoded:
 - KID15U, KID16U, KID17U, KID18U, KID1920U, KID2124U, KID1524U (number of children in specified age group)
 - AGE1564U (number of persons aged 15 to 64 in the income unit)
- the format of "Year bought dwelling" has been changed from 2 to 4 digits
- The derivation for NEWDWLCU was in error on the original CURF as the variable did not include recent home buyers who built their dwelling. This error has been rectified.
- household level records have been added; refer to the data item list in Appendix 1 for details of the household level data items.

CHAPTER 2 USING THE DATA

CURF FILE CONTENTS The CURF CD contains the following files:

Data IDS96B.DAT

This file contains the raw confidentialised survey data in hierarchical column delimited

ASCII text format.

SAS files These files contain the data for the CURF in SAS for Windows format.

IDS96HSH.SD2

IDS96UNT.SD2

IDS96PSN.SD2

SPSS files This file contains the data for the CURF in SPSS for Windows format.

IDS96HSH.SAV

IDS96UNT.SAV

IDS96PSN.SAV

STATA files This file contains the data for the CURF in STATA/SE 8.0 for Windows format.

IDS96HSH.DTA

IDS96UNT.DTA

IDS96PSN.DTA

Information files Data Item List and frequencies.TXT

This file contains a list of data items as well as unweighted and weighted frequencies of each code value. This file is in plain text format to facilitate reading or printing using

most word processors.

FORMATS.SC2

This file contains the SAS formats used in the IDS96HSH.SD2, IDS96UNT.SD2 and $\,$

IDS96PSN.SD2 files.

IDS96B.SAS

This file contains the SAS input program which was used to read the data in IDS96B.DAT

into the SAS datasets.

ABS CONDITIONS OF SALE.PDF

Information files continued

This file describes ABS conditions of sale and copyright obligations.

COPYRITE.BAT

This file contains the ABS copyright warning notice, to the effect that copyright to the confidentialised survey data is held by the ABS.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CURF USERS.PDF

This file directs users to the ABS website for more and up to date information on what is available from the ABS.

Responsible Access to ABS CURFs.PDF

This is an acrobat file that explains CURF users' roles and obligations when using confidentialised data.

README.TXT

This file contains a brief description of each of the files comprising a survey CURF package available for purchase by clients of the ABS.

65230 2000-01.PDF

This is an acrobat file that contains the ABS publication *Household Income and Income Distribution*, *Australia*, *2000-01* (cat. no. 6523.0).

65410_1996-97.PDF

This is an acrobat file that contains this Technical Paper.

DATA ITEMS

Data items included on the 1996-97 SIH CURF are listed in Appendixes 1, 2 and 3, while Appendixes 4 and 5 provide listings of the same items based on field name and subject. Unless otherwise stated, all zero values in the code ranges shown in Appendixes 1, 2 and 3 are 'not applicable'.

The data items included on SIH CURFs, and the categories within the data items, are not fully comparable between files for different years. Users should be careful when using the same program to analyse data on different SIH files. All differences are outlined in Chapter 3.

RECORD TYPES

There are three record levels on the SIH CURF - Household, Income unit and Person. Detailed income data are included on the person and income unit levels, while more aggregated information is included at the household level. Tenure and housing cost information is included on the income unit and household levels. Person records exist only for persons aged 15 and over, though some information about dependants aged under 15 is available in the income unit records. The CURF contains 7,245 household records, 9.276 income unit records and 14,595 person records.

There are several identifiers on records at each level of the file.

Each household has a unique random identifier. This identifier appears on the household level (ABSHID), and is repeated on the income unit level records of all income units within that household and on the person level records of all persons within the household.

RECORD TYPES continued

A household is made up of one or more families and each family within the household is numbered sequentially. Family number (ABSFID) appears on the income unit level and the person level. (While it also exists on the household level it is not applicable at that level and is set to zero.) The combination of household and family number uniquely identifies a family.

A family has one or more income units and each income unit within the family is numbered sequentially. Income unit number (ABSIID) appears on the income unit level and the person level. (While it also exists on the household level it is not applicable at that level and is set to zero.) The combination of household, family and income unit number uniquely identifies an income unit.

An income unit has one or more persons and each person within the income unit is numbered sequentially. Person number (ABSPID) appears on the person level. (While it also exists on the household level and income unit level it is not applicable at those levels and is set to zero.) The combination of household, family, income unit and person number uniquely identifies a person.

USE OF WEIGHTS

As the survey was conducted on a sample of private households in Australia, it is important to take account of the method of sample selection when deriving estimates from the CURF. This is particularly important as a person's chance of selection in the survey varied depending on the state or territory in which the person lived. If these chances of selection are not accounted for, by use of appropriate weights, the results will be biased.

Each household, income unit and person record contains a weight. This weight indicates how many population units are represented by the sample unit. Weights for each member of the household are the same as the weight for the household itself. All weights on the CURF need to be divided by 10,000 before use. Information for sampled households can then be multiplied by the weights to produce estimates for the whole population.

In addition, the household and income unit records each include 30 replicate weights which can be used to derive estimates of standard error. Information on the use of these replicate weights is provided in the section *Reliability of the estimates* below.

In deriving weights, an initial weight, equal to the inverse of the probability of selection, was first calculated for each household. To adjust for under-enumeration and to align survey estimates with independent population estimates, the weights were then calibrated against person and household benchmarks.

Three types of benchmark are used in the calibration of the final weights for the 1996-97 survey:

- numbers of persons aged 15 and over
 - by state/territory by age group by sex;
 - $\,\blacksquare\,$ by state or the ACT by labour force status; and
 - by state by capital city / balance of state.
- numbers of children under age 15 -
 - by state/territory by age group (0–4, 5–14)
- numbers of households -

USE OF WEIGHTS continued

 by household composition (number of adults (1, 2 or 3+) and whether or not the household contains children)

The person and household benchmarks were based on preliminary estimates of numbers of persons and households in Australia in 1996-97 based on the 1996 Population Census. The benchmarks used include households and persons residing in occupied private dwellings only and therefore do not, and are not intended to, match estimates of the total Australian resident population published by the ABS. Households in remote and sparsely settled areas of the Northern Territory were also excluded.

If estimates of population sub-groups are to be derived from the CURF, it is essential that they are calculated by adding the weights of persons/households in each category and not just by counting the number in each category. If each person/household's weight were to be ignored when analysing the data to draw inferences about the population, then no account would be taken of a person/household's chance of selection or of different response rates across population groups, with the result that the estimates produced could be seriously biased. The application of weights ensures that estimates will conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population by age, sex etc rather than to the distributions within the sample itself.

It should be noted that as a result of some of the changes made to protect confidentiality on the CURF, estimates of benchmarked items produced from the CURF may not equal the benchmarked values. See Chapter 4 for more information.

PREVIOUS FINANCIAL
YEAR EXCLUSION FLAG

The "financial exclusion flag" at the person level (FINSCOPE) has a value of 1 for females whose family situation changed since 1 July 1995 (by moving in with a new partner, separating from a partner or becoming widowed) and for persons who arrived in Australia during 1996-97. At the income unit level a value of 1 in the financial exclusion flag (FINSCOPU) indicates income units where the reference person or spouse has FINSCOPE=1. At the household level the financial exclusion flag (FINSCOPH) indicates households where the reference person or spouse of one of the income units in the household has FINSCOPE=1. Users wishing to analyse previous financial year income data may wish to exclude such persons from their analysis (by limiting their analysis to records where FINSCOPE=2).

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: non-sampling error and sampling error.

Non-sampling error

Non-sampling error refers to inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfect reporting by respondents, bias resulting from an inability to obtain data from all households, reporting errors and errors made in processing the data. They can occur whether the estimates are derived from a sample or from a complete collection. It is not possible to quantify non-sampling error, but every effort is made to reduce it to a minimum. This is done by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, asking respondents to refer to records whenever possible and by extensive editing and quality control checking at all stages of processing. In editing, particular attention was paid to verification of extreme values reported by respondents and to values outside the range considered plausible. Where possible, records were checked to ascertain their accuracy and amended using other information provided by respondents.

Non-sampling error continued

However, it was not possible to amend all the records or all the data items which may have suspect data. Where there was no additional information available, data items were not changed.

Sampling error

Sampling error arises because the estimates are based on a sample of possible observations and so will differ from estimates that would have been produced if all households had been included in the survey.

One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error (SE), which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three (67%) that a sample estimate will differ by less than one SE from the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about 19 chances in 20 (95%) that the difference will be less than 2 SEs. Another measure of the likely difference is the relative standard error (RSE), which is obtained by expressing the SE as a percentage of the estimate.

For estimates of population sizes, the size of the SE generally increases with the level of the estimate, so that the larger the estimate the larger the SE. However, the larger the sampling estimate the smaller the SE in percentage terms (RSE). Thus, larger sample estimates will be relatively more reliable than smaller estimates. Only estimates with RSEs of 25% or less are considered reliable for most purposes. Estimates with RSEs greater than 25% but less than or equal to 50% should be used with caution, while estimates with RSEs greater than 50% are considered too unreliable for general use and should only be used to aggregate with other estimates to provide derived estimates with RSEs of 25% or less.

As mentioned above, each record on the CURF contains 30 'replicate weights' in addition to the 'main weight'. The purpose of these replicate weights is to enable calculation of the RSE on each estimate produced.

The basic idea behind the replication approach is to select subsamples repeatedly (30 times) from the whole sample. For each of these subsamples the statistic of interest is calculated. The variance of the full sample statistic is then estimated using the variability among the replicate statistics calculated from the subsamples. As well as enabling variances of estimates to be calculated relatively simply, replicate weights also enable unit record analyses such as chi-square tests and logistic regression to be conducted which take into account the complex sample design.

There are various ways of creating replicate subsamples from the full sample. The replicate weights produced for the 1996-97 SIH have been created using a group jack-knife method of replication. The formulae for calculating the standard error (SE) and relative standard error (RSE) of an estimate using this method are:

$$SE(y) = \sqrt{(29/30) \sum_{g} (y_{(g)} - y)^2}$$

where

g = 1,...,30 (the number of replicate groups)

 $y_{(g)}$ = weighted estimate, having applied the weights for replicate group g

y = weighted estimate from the full sample.

Sampling error continued

RSE(y) = SE(y)/y * 100%.

It is not clear that the jackknife method will provide good estimates for the variance of quantile boundaries such as the median (see Rao, J.N.K, Wu, C.F.J., and Yue, K (1992) *Some recent work on resampling methods for complex surveys*, Survey Methodology, Vol 18, pp.209–217). An indirect approach (known as the Woodruff method) is available for estimating the variance of a quantile based on replicate weights (see Sarndal, Swenson, and Wretman: *Model Assisted Survey Sampling*, Springer-Verlag, 1992).

To enable CURF users to check that they are using the replicate weights correctly, RSEs for estimates other than medians in table 4.1 have been calculated using the group jackknife method and are included as table 4.2. The RSEs shown for the medians have been calculated using the Woodruff method.

CHAPTER 3 COMPARISON BETWEEN CURFS

COMPARIBILITY

While efforts have been made to maintain comparability between SIH CURFs, some differences inevitably occur. These are largely a result of changes in government pensions and allowances and changed confidentiality requirements. This section summarises the differences between the already released 1999-2000 and 2000-01 CURFs and the revised 1994-95, 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98 CURFs. Revisions between the original and revised 1996-97 CURF are outlined in Chapter 1.

Table 3.1 shows details of items that are not on all files between 1994-95 and 2000-01. Table 3.2 outlines changes to categories in all files between 1994-95 and 2000-01.

3.1 TABLE 3.1 ITEMS NOT ON ALL FILES FROM 1994-95 TO 2000-01

Field name	Data item label	Details of change
DLOWCA	Australian SEIFA quintiles	Not available from 2000-01
EMPSTAT	Labour force status of worker	New from 1995-96
FTPTACP	Whether works full time or part time in main and second jobs	Not available from 1995-96
FTPTSTAT	Status of employed/unemployed worker	New from 1995-96
IAUSTCP, IAUSTPP, IAUSTCU, IAUSTPU	Income from Austudy/Abstudy	Not available separately from 1999-2000
ICAREACP, ICAREAPP, ICAREACU, ICAREAPU	Income from carer allowance	New from 1999-2000 - replaced child disability allowance
ICAREPCP, ICAREPPP, ICAREPCU, ICAREPPU	Income from carer payment	New from 1999-2000 - previously part of 'income from wife/carer pension'
ICDISBCP, ICDISBPP, ICDISBCU, ICDISBPU	Income from child disability allowance	Not available from 1999-2000 - replaced by carer allowance
IFAMAPU	Income from family and additional family payments	Not available from 1995-96
IFAMPPU	Income from family payments	New from 1995-96
IHCARECP, IHCAREPP, IHCARECU, IHCAREPU	Income from home child care allowance	Not available from 1996-97
IJOBLSCP, IJOBSPP, IJOBLSCU, IJOBSPU	Income from Job Search Allowance	Not available from 1996-97
INSTENRP	Education institution currently enrolled in	New from 1995-96
IOOPCP, IOOPCU	Income from one-off payment to seniors	Exists in 2000-01 only
ISOLEPCP, ISOLEPPP, ISOLEPCU, ISOLEPPU	Income from sole parent pension	Not available from 1999-2000 - became part of parenting payment
IWIFECCP, IWIFECPP, IWIFECCU, IWIFECPU	Income from wife/carer pension	Not available from 1999-2000 - replaced by separate items for wife pension and carer payment
IWIFECP, IWIFEPP, IWIFECU, IWIFEPU	Income from wife pension	New from 1999-2000 - previously part of 'income from wife/carer pension'
KID1012U	No. of dependent children aged 10 to 12	Not available from 2000-01
KID1014U	No. of dependent children aged 10 to 14	New from 2000-01 - combination of KID1012U and KID1314U
KID1314U	No. of dependent children aged 13 to 14	Not available from 2000-01
MOARR	Quarter of arrival in Australia	Not available from 1997-98
NATOCCU, NATOCCH, TENURECU, TENUREH(a)	Tenure type	NATOCCU and NATOCCH were replaced by TENURECU and TENUREH from 1995-96
WHEARNPP	Whether earned income during previous financial year	Not available from 1995-96

⁽a) Prior to 1995-96, tenure type had classified owner occupiers of dwellings to either owners or purchasers. A purchaser had a mortgage or loan secured against the dwelling, and the loan was used to purchase or build the dwelling. An owner had no loan secured against the dwelling for the purpose of building or purchasing. From 1995-96, owner occupiers are classified as owners without a mortgage and owners with a mortgage. This change to the classification was made to reflect the increasing diversity in financial instruments, in particular the increasing use of loans secured against dwellings being used for non-housing purposes. Such secured loans have implications for the security of tenure and a household with such a loan is classified as an owner with a mortgage in the new classification.

TABLE 3.2 CHANGES TO CATEGORIES BETWEEN 1994-95 AND 2000-01

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Field name	Data item label	Details of change
AGEYNGCU	Age of youngest child under 15 in the income unit	Reduced from 12 to 4 categories from 2000-01
COB, COBRU, COBPU, COBH	Country of birth	Reduced to 3 categories from 1999-2000 (Australia, main English speaking countries, other)(a)
DEPKIDSU	No. of dependent children in the income unit	Topcode increased from 5 to 6 in 1995-96 and reduced from 6 to 4 from 1999-2000
DLOWCA	Australian SEIFA deciles/quintiles	In 1994-95 and 1995-96, deciles 9 and 10 for ex-met WA were set to 8, in 1996-97 decile 10 for ex met Qld and WA was set to 9, in 1997-98 decile 10 for all ex met was set to 9. In 1999-2000 quintiles were used rather than deciles
DURUNEMP	Duration of unemployment	Reduced from 12 to 5 categories in 2000-01
DWELLCU, DWELTYPH	Dwelling structure	From 1997-98 the category 'Caravans, houseboats and improvised homes' takes the place of 3 former categories ('Caravan/tent/cabin in a caravan park', 'caravan not in a caravan park, houseboat, etc.' and 'improvised home/campers out'). From 1999-00 'House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc.' combined with 'Caravans, houseboats and improvised homes'. In addition categories were reordered
HQUALCP, HQUALSRU, HQUALSPU	Highest post-school educational qualification	Reduced from 9 to 4 categories from 1999-2000
HRSWK2CP	No. of hours usually worked pw in second job	Topcode reduced from 50 hours to 20 hours in 1999-2000. From 2000-01 hours are ranged largely in 2 hour groups, topcoded to 14
HRSWKMCP, HRSWKACP	No. of hours usually worked pw in main (main and second) job	From 2000-01 hours are ranged largely in 2 hour groups
KID3TO4U	No. of dependent children aged 3 to 4 in the IU	Topcode reduced from 2 to 1 from 1999-2000
KID5T09U	No. of dependent children aged 5 to 9 in the IU	Topcode reduced from 3 to 2 from 1999-2000
LDLORDCU, LNDLDH	Type of landlord	Reduced from 11 to 7 categories in 1995-96
LFST2CP	Labour force status in second job	Reduced from 7 to 3 categories in 1999-2000
LFSTFCP	Labour force status in main job	'Contributory family worker' and 'Employee paid in kind' combined from 1999-2000, and later categories renumbered
MSTATCP, MSTATRU	Current social marital status	Reduced from 3 to 2 categories from 1999-2000
MTHSCHP	Month left school	Reduced from 12 to 4 categories (Jan-May, June-Oct, Nov, Dec) from 2000-01
NILFSTCP	Not in the labour force status	'Unpaid voluntary worker' and 'Other NILF' combined from 2000-01
NRBEDSCU, NBEDH	No. of bedrooms	Topcode increased from 5 to 6 and 'No bedrooms' combined with '1 bedroom' in 1999-2000
OCCCP, OCCRCU, OCCPCU	Occupation in main job	2nd edition of the Australian Standard Classification of Occupations was introduced from 1996-97 with consequent changes to all categories
PERSONSU	No. of persons in the income unit	Topcode reduced from 7 to 6 in 1999-2000. In 2000-01, persons were removed to ensure no household had more than 6 people
STOW	Status in employment	'Contributory family worker' and 'Unpaid voluntary worker' combined from 1999-2000
TPURP2CU	No. of mortgages for alterations/additions	Topcode reduced from 2 to 1 in 2000-01
TPURP3CU	No. of mortgages for other purposes	Topcode reduced from 2 to 1 in 2000-01
TPURPCU	No. of mortgages	Topcode reduced from 3 to 2 in 1999-2000
YOA, YOARU, YOAPU, YRARRVH	Year of arrival in Australia	Categories updated each year from 1994-95 to 1997-98. Reduced to 3 categories from 1999-2000 - 'Born in Australia', 'Arrived before 1990' and 'Arrived 1990 or later'. Categories updated in 2000-01
YRBUYCU, YRBUYH	Year bought dwelling	Bottom code increased from 1940 to 1947 in 1996-97 and to 1948 in 1997-98
YRLSCHCP	Year left school	Up to and including 1999-00 this item was collected from persons aged 15-20. From 2000-01 it was collected from persons aged 15 to 19 only. Categories updated each year.

⁽a) Main English speaking countries comprise New Zealand, United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, United States of America and South Africa

CHAPTER 4

RECONCILIATION OF DATA

RECONCILIATION

It is not possible to reconcile exactly the data produced from the CURF with published data. This is a result of the steps taken to preserve confidentiality. These include:

- the level of detail for many data items has been reduced (for example, State of usual residence of ACT and NT have been combined as ACT/NT; area of usual residence for the ACT and NT has not been made available)
- all income items, and rent payments, have been perturbed
- some variables have had values ranged, collapsed or topcoded
- demographic information of some respondents has been changed.

A sample tabulation (table 4.1) is included here, showing both estimates produced from the CURF and estimates produced from the unconfidentialised file. Reference should be made to this table for validation purposes.

A table showing the relative standard errors (RSEs) of the CURF estimates in the sample table is also included (as table 4.2). For more information on RSEs, see Chapter 2.

SAMPLE TABULATION FOR RECONCILIATION OF DATA PRODUCED FROM THE CONFIDENTIALISED UNIT RECORD FILE, TABLE 4.1 PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 1996-97

4.1

PRIVATE INCOME

Household characteristics	Units	Wages and salaries	Own unincorporated business income	Other income	Total	Government pensions and allowances	All households(a)
			CURF				
Income per week Gross household income Mean income Median income	\$ \$	1 125 999	1 044 799	636 470	1 065 920	305 287	836 677
Number of households Couple, one family households							
Couple only Couple with dependent	no.	717 206	121 505	228 271	1 066 982	511 371	1 597 552
children only Other couple, one	no.	1 275 304	161 231	33 207	1 469 742	179 178	1 660 292
family households	no.	627 398	63 926	24 923	716 247	93 873	812 071
One parent, one family households with							
dependent children	no.	145 215	6 733	14 221	166 170	239 528	407 775
Other family households Non-family households	no.	234 161	17 747	21 175	273 083	99 275	374 854
Lone person	no.	546 827	64 416	179 049	790 292	764 524	1 581 160
Group households	no.	267 688	8 865	13 344	289 897	46 991	336 888
Total	no.	3 813 799	444 422	514 190	4 772 412	1 934 741	6 770 592
Number of persons							
Under 15 years(b)	no.	2 596 857	356 976	71 504	3 025 338	829 448	3 881 432
15 to 64 years	no.	8 743 760	932 095	451 907	10 127 763	1 898 378	12 122 930
65 years and over	no.	227 046	58 956	446 608	732 609	1 319 601	2 061 053
Total	no.	11 567 663	1 348 028	970 019	13 885 710	4 047 427	18 065 415

⁽a) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

⁽b) A maximum of 4 persons under 15 per household are identified on the CURF.

SAMPLE TABULATION FOR RECONCILIATION OF DATA PRODUCED FROM THE CONFIDENTIALISED UNIT RECORD FILE, TABLE 4.1 PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME, 1996-97 continued

PRIVATE INCOME

			•••••		•••••		
			Own			Government	
		Wages	unincorporated			pensions	
		and	business	Other		and	All
Household characteristics	Units	salaries	income	income	Total	allowances	households(a)
		UNC	ONFIDENTIALIS	SED FILE			
Income per week							
•							
Gross household income							
Mean income	\$	1 125	1 045	639	1 065	304	834
Median income	\$	999	801	475	921	288	677
Number of households							
Couple, one family							
households							
Couple only	no.	718 691	121 505	225 920	1 066 116	512 238	1 597 552
Couple with dependent	110.	710 031	121 303	223 320	1 000 110	312 230	1 397 332
children only		1 275 304	161 231	33 207	1 469 742	179 178	1 660 292
,	no.	1 275 304	101 231	33 201	1 409 742	1/9 1/8	1 660 292
Other couple, one							
family households	no.	626 411	63 926	25 910	716 247	93 873	812 071
One parent, one family							
households with							
dependent children	no.	145 215	6 733	14 221	166 170	239 528	407 775
Other family households	no.	234 161	17 747	21 175	273 083	99 275	374 854
Non-family households	110.	201101	21 1 11	21110	210 000	55 210	011001
Lone person	no.	545 604	64 416	179 430	789 450	765 367	1 581 160
Group households	no.	267 688	8 865	14 046	290 599	46 289	336 888
•	110.						
Total	no.	3 813 074	444 422	513 910	4 771 406	1 935 747	6 770 592
Number of persons							
Under 15 years(b)	no.	2 607 927	357 593	72 517	3 038 037	840 776	3 905 458
15 to 64 years	no.	8 744 519	932 095	449 782	10 126 397	1 899 743	12 122 930
65 years and over	no.	225 071	58 956	448 777	732 804	1 319 406	2 061 053
Total	no.	11 577 518	1 348 645	971 076	13 897 239	4 059 925	18 089 441

⁽a) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

⁽b) A maximum of 4 persons under 15 per household are identified on the

SAMPLE TABULATION FOR RECONCILIATION OF DATA PRODUCED FROM THE 4.2 CONFIDENTIALISED UNIT RECORD FILE, TABLE 4.2 PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME, RELATIVE STANDARD ERRORS - 1996-97

PRIVATE INCOME

		••••			•••••		
Household characteristics	Units	Wages and salaries	Own unincorporated business income	Other income	Total	Government pensions and allowances	All households(a)
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	CURF RSEs	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • •
Income per week Gross households income Mean income	%	0.7	3.7	5.2	0.8	1.1	0.8
Median income	%	0.8	3.6	3.6	1.0	0.8	1.1
Number of households Couple, one family households							
Couple only Couple with dependent	%	3.1	9.6	6.0	1.7	3.3	1.1
children only Other couple, one family	%	1.9	9.2	21.1	1.5	8.2	1.0
households	%	3.2	13.7	22.3	2.9	9.8	2.5
One parent, one family households with							
dependent children	%	8.6	31.8	24.2	7.0	4.7	2.8
Other family households Non-family households	%	5.9	28.4	21.4	5.2	9.9	4.5
Lone person	%	3.5	13.1	6.3	2.1	2.1	_
Group households	%	5.2	34.8	31.6	5.2	12.6	4.9
Total	%	0.9	5.5	3.3	0.5	1.4	_
Number of persons							
Under 15 years(b)	%	2.2	10.7	21.7	1.5	5.4	0.1
15 to 64 years	%	1.0	6.0	6.7	0.6	3.2	_
65 years and over	%	7.2	14.8	4.3	3.5	2.0	0.1
Total	%	1.1	6.6	4.6	0.7	2.4	_

nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

⁽a) Includes households with nil or negative total income.

⁽b) A maximum of 4 persons under 15 per household are identified on the

CHAPTER 5

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APPENDIX 1	DATA ITEM	IS AND	RECORD	STRUCTURI	Ξ,
	HOUSEHO	D			

A1.1 DATA ITEMS AND RECORD STRUCTURE(a), Household

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	number, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
H1	Unique household number - unique number allocated to all members of the household	0-99999	ABSHID
H2	Family number - in the household	0	ABSFID
•	Not applicable at higher level	0	
НЗ	Income unit number - within each family in the household	0	ABSIID
	Not applicable at higher level	0	
H4	Person number - within each income unit	0	ABSPID
•	Not applicable at higher level	0	
H5	Household record identifier (=1)	1	IDH
	Household unit	1	
H6	Household financial exclusion flag	1-2	FINSCOPH
	Out of scope for period and in scope for current income analysis	1	
	In scope for both period and current income analysis	2	
H7	Estimated sale price of dwelling	0-999999	HVALUECH
Н8	Weekly housing costs - household	0-99999	HCOSTSH
Н9	Weekly rent payments - household	0-9999	WKRENTCH
H10	Weekly mortgage payments to buy or build - household	0-99999	TRPAY1CH
H11	Weekly mortgage payments to add or alter - household	0-99999	TRPAY2CH
H12	Weekly mortgage payments for other reasons - household	0-99999	TRPAY3CH
H13	Weekly unsecured loan payments for housing purposes - household	0-99999	TRPAY4CH
H14	Weekly rates payments - household	0-9999	RATESCH
H15	Amount owing on mortgages to buy or build - household	0-99999	TOWE1CH
H16	Amount owing on mortgages to add or alter - household	0-99999	TOWE2CH
H17	Amount owing on mortgages for other reasons - household	0-99999	TOWE3CH
H18	Amount owing on unsecured loans for housing purposes - household	0-99999	TOWE4CH
H19	Current weekly HH income from wages and salaries	0-99999	IWSUCH
H20	Current weekly HH income from own unincorporated business	-99999-999999	IOBTCH
H21	Current weekly HH income from superannuation/annuity/allocated pension	0-99999	ISUPERCH
H22	Current weekly HH income from investments	-99999-999999	INVESTCH
H23	Current weekly HH income from other sources	0-999999	OTHSRCH
H24	Current weekly HH income from government pensions and allowances	0-99999	ITGCBCH
H25	Total current weekly HH income from all sources	-99999-999999	INCTOTCH
H26	Principal source of current HH income	0-4	PSRCCH
	Household has zero or negative income	0	
	Wages and salaries	1	
	Own unincorporated business income	2	
	Government pensions and allowances	3	
	Other income	4	
H27	Previous financial year HH income from wages and salaries	0-999999	IWSUPH
H28	Previous financial year HH income from own unincorporated business	-9999999-9999999	IOBTPH
H29	Previous financial year HH income from superannuation/annuity/allocated pension	0-999999	ISUPERPH
H30	Previous financial year HH income from investments	-99999-999999	INVESTPH
H31	Previous financial year HH income from other sources	0-999999	OTHSRPH
H32	Previous financial year HH income from government pensions and allowances	0-999999	ITGCBPH
H33	Total previous financial year HH income from all sources	-9999999-9999999	INCTOTPH
H34	Principal source of previous financial year HH income	0-4	PSRCPH
	Household has zero or negative income	0	=::=: * *
	Wages and salaries	1	
	Own unincorporated business income	2	
	Government pensions and allowances	3	
•	Other income	4	
•	Other Income	₹	

Field n	umber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
H35	Tenure type - household	0-4	TENUREH
	Owner without a mortgage	1	
	Owner with a mortgage	2	
	Renter	3	
	Other	4	
H36	Family composition of household	0-33	DCOMPH
	Unknown	0	500
	Couple only	1	
	Couple with one dependent child only	2	
	Couple with two dependent children only	3	
	Couple with three dependent children only	4	
	Couple with four or more dependent children only	5	
	Not defined	6	
	Couple with non-dependent children only	7	
•	Couple with one dependent child and non-dependent children present only	8	
•	Couple with two dependent children and non-dependent children present only	9	
•	Couple with three dependent children and non-dependent children present only	10	
•	Couple with four or more dependent children and non-dependent children present only		
•	Other couple one family households with one dependent child	12	
•	Other couple one family households with two dependent children	13	
•	Other couple one family households with three dependent children	14	
•	Other couple one family households with four or more dependent children	15	
•	Other couple with no dependent children	16	
•	One parent, one family households with one dependent child only	17	
•	One parent, one family households with two dependent children only	18	
•	One parent, one family households with three dependent children only	19	
•	One parent, one family households with four or more dependent children only	20	
•	Other one parent family with one dependent child	21	
•	Other one parent family with two dependent children	22	
•	Other one parent family with three dependent children	23	
•	Other one parent family with four or more dependent children	24	
•	Not defined	25	
•	Other one family household	26	
•	Multiple family household with one dependent child	27	
•	Multiple family household with two dependent children	28	
•	Multiple family household with three dependent children	29	
•	Multiple family household with four or more dependent children	30	
•	Multiple family household without dependent children	31	
•	Lone person household	32	
•	Group household	33	
Н37	Life cycle group - household	0-11	LIFECYCH
1137	Unknown	0	LILLOTOIT
•	Lone person, aged less than 35		
•	Couple only, reference person aged less than 35	2	
•	Couple only, reference person aged less than 55 Couple and dependants only, eldest child less than 5		
•		3	
•	Couple and dependants only, eldest child 5–14	4	
•	Couple and dependants only, eldest child 15–24	5	
•	One parent and dependants Couple and dependants and non-dependants only	6	
•		7	
•	Couple and non-dependants only	8	

	Couple only, reference person aged 55-64	•	
	Couple only, reference person aged 55–64	9	
	Couple only, reference person aged 65+	10	
	Lone person aged 65+	11	
138	Number of earners in household	0-3	NUMEARNI
	No earners	0	
	1 earner	1	
	2 earners	2	
	3 or more earners	3	
139	Household type	1-9	HHTYPEH
	Person living alone	1	
	Couple only	2	
	Couple with only their unmarried children over 14 years	3	
	Couple with only their children under 15 years	4	
	Couple with their children under 15 years and their unmarried children over 14 years	5	
	One parent with only unmarried children over 14 years	6	
	One parent with only children under 15 years	7	
	One parent with children under 15 years and unmarried children over 14 years	8	
	All other households	9	
140	Age of household reference person	1-29	AGERH
	15 years	1	
	16 years	2	
	17 years	3	
	18 years	4	
	19 years	5	
	20 years	6	
	21 years	7	
	22 years	8	
	23 years	9	
	24 years	10	
	25–29 years	11	
	30–34 years	12	
	35–39 years		
		13	
	40–44 years	14	
	45–49 years	15	
	50–54 years	16	
	55 years	17	
	56 years	18	
	57 years	19	
	58 years	20	
	59 years	21	
	60 years	22	
	61 years	23	
	62 years	24	
	63 years	25	
	64 years	26	
	65–69 years	27	
	70–74 years	28	
	75 years and over	29	
141	Sex of household reference person	1-2	SEXRH

Field nun	nber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Female	2	
H42	Dwelling structure - household	1-11	DWELTYPH
	Separate house	1	
	Semi-detached/row or terrace house/town house - one storey	2	
	Semi-detached/row or terrace house/town house - two or more storeys	3	
	Flat attached to house	4	
	Other flat/unit/apartment - one or two storeys	5	
	Other flat/unit/apartment - three storeys	6	
	Other flat/unit/apartment - four or more storeys	7	
•	Caravan/tent/cabin in a caravan park	8	
•	Caravan not in a caravan park, houseboat, etc.	9	
•	Improvised home/campers out	10	
•	House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc	11	
Н43	Labour force status of household reference person	1-3	LBFSTRH
1145	•	1-3	LDFSIKH
•	Employed	2	
•	Unemployed		
	Not in the labour force	3	OTATELL
H44	State or territory - household	1-7	STATEH
•	New South Wales	1	
	Victoria	2	
•	Queensland	3	
•	South Australia	4	
•	Western Australia	5	
•	Tasmania	6	
	A.C.T. and N.T.	7	
H45	Area - household (excludes ACT/NT)	0-2	AREAH
•	Capital city	1	
	Balance of state	2	
H46	Year purchased dwelling - household	0, 1946-1995	YRBUYH
	Bought dwelling before 1947	1946	
	1947 bought dwelling	1947	
•	1948 bought dwelling	1948	
•	1949 bought dwelling	1949	
•	1950 bought dwelling	1950	
•	1951 bought dwelling	1951	
•	1952 bought dwelling	1952	
	1953 bought dwelling	1953	
	1954 bought dwelling	1954	
	1955 bought dwelling	1955	
	1956 bought dwelling	1956	
•	1957 bought dwelling	1957	
	1958 bought dwelling	1958	
	1959 bought dwelling	1959	
	1960 bought dwelling	1960	
	1961 bought dwelling	1961	
	1962 bought dwelling	1962	
	1963 bought dwelling	1963	
	1964 bought dwelling	1964	
	1965 bought dwelling	1965	
	1966 bought dwelling	1966	

Field num	ber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	1967 bought dwelling	1967	
	1968 bought dwelling	1968	
	1969 bought dwelling	1969	
	1970 bought dwelling	1970	
	1971 bought dwelling	1971	
	1972 bought dwelling	1972	
	1973 bought dwelling	1973	
	1974 bought dwelling	1974	
	1975 bought dwelling	1975	
	1976 bought dwelling	1976	
	1977 bought dwelling	1977	
	1978 bought dwelling	1978	
	1979 bought dwelling	1979	
	1980 bought dwelling	1980	
	1981 bought dwelling	1981	
	1982 bought dwelling	1982	
	1983 bought dwelling	1983	
	1984 bought dwelling	1984	
	1985 bought dwelling	1985	
	1986 bought dwelling	1986	
	1987 bought dwelling	1987	
	1988 bought dwelling	1988	
	1989 bought dwelling	1989	
	1990 bought dwelling	1990	
	1991 bought dwelling	1991	
	1992 bought dwelling	1992	
	1993 bought dwelling	1993	
	1994 bought dwelling	1994	
	Bought dwelling after 1994	1995	
H47	Year of arrival in Australia of household reference person	0-11	YRARRVH
	Born in Australia	0	
	Arrived before 1976	1	
	Arrived 1976–1980	2	
	Arrived 1981–1985	3	
	Arrived 1986–1990	4	
	Arrived 1991	5	
	Arrived 1992	6	
	Arrived 1993	7	
	Arrived 1994	8	
	Arrived 1995	9	
	Arrived 1996	10	
	Arrived after 1996	11	
H48	Country of birth of household reference person	1-10	СОВН
	Australia	1	
	Other Oceania and Antarctica	2	
	Europe and former USSR	3	
	Middle East and North Africa	4	
	Southeast Asia	5	
	Northeast Asia	6	
	Southern Asia	7	

Field nu	umber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Northern America	8	
	South and Central America and the Caribbean	9	
	Africa (excluding North Africa)	10	
H49	Type of landlord - household	0-7	LNDLDH
	Real estate agent	1	
	State/territory housing authority	2	
	Persons not in same household - parent/other relative	3	
	Persons not in same household - other person	4	
	Persons in same household - parent/other relative	5	
	Persons in same household - other person	6	
	Other - not specified	7	
H50	Number of bedrooms in dwelling - household	0-5	NBEDH
	No bedrooms/not collected	0	
	1 bedroom	1	
	2 bedrooms	2	
	3 bedrooms	3	
	4 bedrooms	4	
	5 or more bedrooms	5	
H51	Whether dwelling purchased/built in last 3 years is first home owned - household	0-2	FIRSTHH
	First time owned home	1	
	Not first time owned home	2	
H52	Whether dwelling purchased/built in last 3 years was new or established - household	0-2	NEWDWLH
	New	1	
	Established	2	
H53	Age of oldest child in the household	0-3	OLDKIDH
	Eldest child under 5 years	1	
	Eldest child 5 to 14 years	2	
	Eldest child 15 to 24 years	3	
H54	Number of non-dependent children in the household	0-5	NONDEPSH
	1 non-dependent child	1	
	2 non-dependent children	2	
	3 non-dependent children	3	
	4 non-dependent children	4	
	5 non-dependent children	5	
H55	Number of dependent children aged 15 to 24 years in the household	0-4	DEPTO24H
	No dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 15 to 24 years	1	
	2 dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	2	
	3 dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	3	
	4 dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	4	
H56	Number of persons aged 15 years and over in the household	0-7	NUMMEMH
	No household members	0	
	1 household member	1	
	2 household members	2	
	3 household members	3	
	4 household members	4	
	5 household members	5	
	6 household members	6	
	7 or more household members	7	
H57	Type of other household	1-11	OTYPEH

Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Married couple with other married couple(s)	1	
	Married couple with single parent(s)	2	
	Married couple with non-family members	3	
	Married couple with other family members	4	
	Single parent with other single parent(s)	5	
	Single parent with non-family members	6	
	Single parent with other family members	7	
	Related group	8	
	Non-related group	9	
	Person in household out on scope/coverage	10	
	Normal household type	11	
H58	Number of dependent children aged under 15 years in the household	0-4	NUMYDEPH
	No dependent children	0	
	1 dependent child	1	
	2 dependent children	2	
	3 dependent children	3	
	4 or more dependent children	4	
H59	Current weekly HH disposable income	-99999-999999	DISPCH
H60	Previous financial year HH disposable income	-9999999-9999999	DISPPH
H61	Weight - household (needs dividing by 10000)	0-9999999	WTHH
H62-H91	Replicate weight 1-30 - household	0-9999999	REPWTH1-30

⁽a) Unless otherwise stated, all zero values in the code ranges are 'not applicable'

APPENDIX 2	DATA	ITEMS	AND	RECORD	STRUCTURE	, INCOME
	UNIT					

A2.1 DATA ITEMS AND RECORD STRUCTURE(a), Income Unit

Field numbe	r, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
U1	Unique household number - unique number allocated to all units in the household	0-99999	ABSHID
U2	Family number - in the household (income unit)	1-5	ABSFID
	Family no. 1	1	
	Family no. 2	2	
	Family no. 3	3	
	Family no. 4	4	
	Family no. 5	5	
U3	Income unit number - within each family in the household (income unit)	1-5	ABSIID
	Income unit no. 1	1	
	Income unit no. 2	2	
	Income unit no. 3	3	
	Income unit no. 4	4	
	Income unit no. 5	5	
U4	Person number - within each income unit (income unit)	0	ABSPID
	Not applicable at higher level	0	
U5	Income unit record identifier (=3)	3	IDU
	Income unit	3	150
U6	Income unit type (current)	1-4	IUTYPE
00	Couple with dependent children	1	IOTTI
•	Couple without dependent children	2	
•	One parent	3	
•	One person	4	
U7	Income unit financial exclusion flag	1-2	FINSCOPU
07	Out of scope for period and in scope for current income analysis		FINSCOPU
•		1 2	
U8	In scope for both period and current income analysis Quarter of interview		OTDITDW/II
08		1-4	QTRITRWU
•	September quarter	1	
•	December quarter	2	
•	March quarter	3	
	June quarter State of usual residence of income unit	4	CTATEOU
U9	New South Wales	1-7	STATECU
•		1	
•	Victoria	2	
•	Queensland	3	
•	South Australia	4	
•	Western Australia	5	
•	Tasmania	6	
	A.C.T. and N.T.	7	
U10	Area of usual residence of income unit (excludes ACT/NT)	0-2	AREAURU
•	Capital city	1	
	Balance of state	2	
U11	Sex of income unit reference person	1-2	SEXRU
•	Male	1	
•	Female	2	
U12	Age of income unit reference person	1-29	AGERU
•	15 years	1	
•	16 years	2	
	17 years	3	
	18 years	4	
	19 years	5	

A2.1 DATA ITEMS AND RECORD STRUCTURE(a), Income Unit continued

Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	20 years	6	
	21 years	7	
	22 years	8	
	23 years	9	
	24 years	10	
	25–29 years	11	
	30–34 years	12	
	35–39 years	13	
	40–44 years	14	
	45–49 years	15	
	50–54 years	16	
	55 years	17	
	56 years	18	
	57 years	19	
	58 years	20	
	59 years	21	
	60 years	22	
	61 years	23	
	62 years	24	
	63 years	25	
	64 years	26	
	65–69 years	27	
	70–74 years	28	
	75 years and over	29	
U13	Age of partner of income unit reference person		AGEPU
	15 years	1	
	16 years	2	
	17 years	3	
	18 years	4	
	19 years	5	
	20 years	6	
	21 years	7	
	22 years	8	
	23 years	9	
	24 years	10	
	25–29 years	11	
	30–34 years	12	
	35–39 years	13	
	40-44 years	14	
	45–49 years	15	
	50–54 years	16	
	55 years	17	
	56 years	18	
	57 years	19	
	58 years	20	
	59 years	21	
	60 years	22	
	61 years	23	
	62 years	24	
	63 years	25	

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Field number.	Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
,	64 years	26	
•	65–69 years	27	
•	70–74 years	28	
•	75 years and over	29	
U14 N	arital status of income unit reference person	1-3	MSTATRU
014 10	Married or defacto	1	MOTATIO
•	Separated, widowed or divorced	2	
•	Never married	3	
U15 C	puntry of birth of income unit reference person	1-10	COBRU
010 0	Australia	1	COBIC
•	Other Oceania and Antarctica	2	
•	Europe and former USSR	3	
•	Middle East and North Africa	4	
•	Southeast Asia	5	
•	Northeast Asia	6	
•	Southern Asia	7	
•	Northern America	8	
•	South and Central America and the Caribbean	9	
•	Africa (excluding North Africa)	10	
U16 C	puntry of birth of partner of income unit reference person	0-10	COBPU
010 0	Australia	1	OOD! C
•	Other Oceania and Antarctica	2	
•	Europe and former USSR	3	
•	Middle East and North Africa	4	
•	Southeast Asia	5	
•	Northeast Asia	6	
•	Southern Asia	7	
•	Northern America	8	
	South and Central America and the Caribbean	9	
	Africa (excluding North Africa)	10	
U17 Y	ear of arrival in Australia of income unit reference person	0-11	YOARU
	Born in Australia	0	
	Arrived before 1976	1	
	Arrived 1976–1980	2	
	Arrived 1981–1985	3	
	Arrived 1986–1990	4	
	Arrived 1991	5	
	Arrived 1992	6	
	Arrived 1993	7	
	Arrived 1994	8	
	Arrived 1995	9	
	Arrived 1996	10	
	Arrived after 1996	11	
U18 Ye	ear of arrival in Australia of partner of income unit reference person	0-11	YOAPU
	Born in Australia	0	
	Arrived before 1976	1	
	Arrived 1976–1980	2	
	Arrived 1981–1985	3	
	Arrived 1986–1990	4	
	Arrived 1991	5	

Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Arrived 1992	6	
•	Arrived 1993	7	
•	Arrived 1994	8	
•	Arrived 1995	9	
•	Arrived 1996	10	
•	Arrived after 1996	11	
U19	Number of persons in the income unit	1-7	PERSONSU
019	1 person	1	FERSONSO
•	2 persons	2	
•	3 persons	3	
·	4 persons		
•	5 persons	4 5	
·	6 persons		
·		6	
	7 or more persons	7	AOF4 FC 411
U20	Number of persons aged 15 to 64 years in the income unit	0-6	AGE1564U
•	No persons aged 15 to 64 years	0	
•	1 person aged 15 to 64 years	1	
•	2 persons aged 15 to 64 years	2	
•	3 persons aged 15 to 64 years	3	
•	4 persons aged 15 to 64 years	4	
•	5 persons aged 15 to 64 years	5	
	6 persons aged 15 to 64 years	6	
U21	Number of persons aged 65 years or more in the income unit	0-2	AGE6599U
•	No persons aged 65 years or more	0	
•	1 person aged 65 years or more	1	
	2 persons aged 65 years or more	2	
U22	Number of dependent children in the income unit	0-6	DEPKIDSU
•	No dependent children in the income unit	0	
•	1 dependent child	1	
•	2 dependent children	2	
•	3 dependent children	3	
•	4 dependent children	4	
•	5 dependent children	5	
	6 or more dependent children	6	
U23	Number of dependent children aged 0 to 2 years in the income unit	0-2	KID0T02U
•	No dependent children aged 0 to 2 years	0	
•	1 dependent child aged 0 to 2 years	1	
	2 or more dependent children aged 0 to 2 years	2	
U24	Number of dependent children aged 3 to 4 years in the income unit	0-2	KID3TO4U
•	No dependent children aged 3 to 4 years	0	
•	1 dependent child aged 3 to 4 years	1	
	2 or more dependent children aged 3 to 4 years	2	
U25	Number of dependent children aged 5 to 9 years in the income unit	0-3	KID5T09U
•	No dependent children aged 5 to 9 years	0	
•	1 dependent child aged 5 to 9 years	1	
•	2 dependent children aged 5 to 9 years	2	
	3 or more dependent children aged 5 to 9 years	3	
U26	Number of dependent children aged 10 to 12 years in the income unit		KID1012U
•	No dependent children aged 10 to 12 years	0	
•	1 dependent child aged 10 to 12 years	1	

Field numbe	r, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	2 or more dependent children aged 10 to 12 years	2	
U27	Number of dependent children aged 13 to 14 years in the income unit	0-2	KID1314U
	No dependent children aged 13 to 14 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 13 to 14 years	1	
	2 or more dependent children aged 13 to 14 years	2	
U28	Number of dependent children aged 15 years in the income unit	0-2	KID15U
	No dependent children aged 15 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 15 years	1	
	2 dependent children aged 15 years	2	
U29	Number of dependent children aged 16 years in the income unit	0-2	KID16U
	No dependent children aged 16 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 16 years	1	
i	2 dependent children aged 16 years	2	
U30	Number of dependent children aged 17 years in the income unit	0-1	KID17U
	No dependent children aged 17 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 17 years	1	
U31	Number of dependent children aged 18 years in the income unit	0-1	KID18U
	No dependent children aged 18 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 18 years	1	
U32	Number of dependent children aged 19–20 years in the income unit	0-2	KID1920U
	No dependent children aged 19–20 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 19–20 years	1	
	2 dependent children aged 19–20 years	2	
U33	Number of dependent children aged 21–24 years in the income unit	0-2	KID2124U
	No dependent children aged 21–24 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 21–24 years	1	
	2 dependent children aged 21–24 years	2	
U34	Number of dependent children aged 15 to 24 years in income unit	0-4	KID1524U
	No dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	0	
	1 dependent child aged 15 to 24 years	1	
	2 dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	2	
	3 dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	3	
	4 dependent children aged 15 to 24 years	4	
U35	Age of youngest child under 15 years in the income unit	0-12	AGEYNGCU
	Less than 1 year old	1	
	1 year old	2	
i	2 years old	3	
	3 years old	4	
i	4 years old	5	
	5 years old	6	
	6 to 9 years old	7	
	10 years old	8	
	11 years old	9	
i	12 years old	10	
	13 years old	11	
	14 years old	12	
U36	Current study status of income unit reference person	1-4	STUDRCU
	Still at school	1	
i	Studying full-time	2	
	Studying part-time	3	
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Field nu	mber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Not currently studying	4	
U37	Highest post-school educational qualification of income unit reference person	1-9	HQUALSRU
	Still at school	1	
	Higher degree	2	
	Postgraduate diploma	3	
	Bachelor degree	4	
	Undergraduate diploma	5	
	Associate diploma	6	
	Skilled vocational qualifications	7	
	Basic vocational qualifications	8	
	No qualifications	9	
U38	Labour force status of all jobs of income unit reference person	1-4	LFSBRCU
	Employed full-time	1	
	Employed part-time	2	
	Unemployed	3	
	Not in the labour force	4	
U39	Occupation in current main job of income unit reference person	0-9	OCCRCU
	Managers and administrators	1	
	Professionals	2	
	Associate professionals	3	
	Tradespersons and related workers	4	
	Advanced clerical and service workers	5	
	Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	6	
	Intermediate production and transport workers	7	
	Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	8	
	Labourers and related workers	9	
U40	Current study status of partner of income unit reference person	0-4	STUDPCU
	Still at school	1	
	Studying full-time	2	
	Studying part-time	3	
	Not currently studying	4	
U41	Highest post-school educational qualification of partner of income unit reference person	0-9	HQUALSPU
	Still at school	1	
	Higher degree	2	
	Postgraduate diploma	3	
	Bachelor degree	4	
	Undergraduate diploma	5	
	Associate diploma	6	
	Skilled vocational qualifications	7	
	Basic vocational qualifications	8	
	No qualifications	9	
U42	Labour force status of all jobs of partner of income unit reference person	0-4	LFSBPCU
	Employed full-time	1	
	Employed part-time	2	
	Unemployed	3	
	Not in the labour force	4	
U43	Occupation in current main job of partner of income unit reference person	0-9	OCCPCU
	Managers and administrators	1	
	Professionals	2	
	Associate professionals	3	
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Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Tradespersons and related workers	4	
	Advanced clerical and service workers	5	
	Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	6	
	Intermediate production and transport workers	7	
_	Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	8	
_	Labourers and related workers	9	
U44	Total current weekly income unit income from wages and salaries	0-99999	IWSUCU
U45	Current weekly income unit income from own unincorporated business	-99999-999999	IOBTCU
U46	Current weekly income unit income from own unincorporated business flag	0-3	IOBTCUF
	Profit	1	
	Loss	2	
	Nil value	3	
U47	Total current weekly income unit earned income	-99999-999999	IEARNCU
U48	Current weekly income unit income from interest	0-99999	IINTCU
U49	Current weekly income unit income from dividends	0-999999	IDIVTCU
U50	Current weekly income unit income from residential property	-99999-99999	IRNTRCU
U51	Current weekly income unit income from residential property flag	0-3	IRNTRCUF
	Profit	1	
	Loss	2	
	Nil value	3	
U52	Current weekly income unit income from non-residential property	-99999-999999	IRNTCCU
U53	Current weekly income unit income from non-residential property flag	-3	IRNTCCUF
000	Profit	1	111110001
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
U54	Total current weekly income unit income from property	-99999-999999	IRENTCU
U55	Total current weekly income unit income from property flag	0-3	IRENTCUF
000	Profit	1	INLINIOOI
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
U56	Current weekly income unit income from royalties	0-999999	IROYALCU
U57	Current weekly income unit income from other investments	0-999999	IINVOTCU
U58	Total current weekly income unit income from investments	-99999-99999	INVESTCU
U59	Current weekly income unit income from family payments adjusted for advance lump sum		IFAMLSCU
payments	canonic woodly moonle drift moonle nom raining paymonte dayacted for datance tamp can	0 000000	II AWILOOO
U60	Current weekly income unit income from age pension	0-999999	IAGECU
U61	Current weekly income unit income from newstart allowance adjusted for lump sum	0-999999	INEWLSCU
payments			
U62	Current weekly income unit income from mature age allowance	0-999999	IMATUCU
U63	Current weekly income unit income from service pension (DVA)	0-999999	ISERVCU
U64	Current weekly income unit income from disability support pension	0-999999	IDSUPPCU
U65	Current weekly income unit income from sole parent pension	0-999999	ISOLEPCU
U66	Current weekly income unit income from wife/carer pension	0-999999	IWIFECCU
U67	Current weekly income unit income from sickness allowance	0-999999	ISICKCU
U68	Current weekly income unit income from widow allowance	0-999999	IWIDOWCU
U69	Current weekly income unit income from special benefit	0-999999	ISPECCU
U70	Current weekly income unit income from partner allowance	0-999999	IPARTNCU
U71	Current weekly income unit income from youth training allowance	0-999999	IYOUTHCU
U72	Current weekly income unit income from war widow's pension (DVA)	0-999999	IWARWCU
U73	Current weekly income unit income from disability pension (DVA)	0-999999	IDISBCU

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U74	Current weekly income unit income from Austudy/Abstudy	0-999999	IAUSTCU
U75	Current weekly income unit income from child disability allowance	0-999999	ICDISBCU
U76	Current weekly income unit income from overseas pensions/benefits	0-999999	IOSEASCU
U77	Current weekly income unit income from parenting allowance	0-999999	IPARENCU
U78	Current weekly income unit income from other government pensions and allowances	0-999999	IOTHPCU
U79	Total current weekly income unit income from government pensions and allowances	0-999999	ITGCBCU
U80	Current weekly income unit income from superannuation/annuity/allocated pension	0-999999	ISUPERCU
U81	Current weekly income unit income from child support/maintenance	0-999999	ICHLDSCU
U82	Current weekly income unit income from workers' compensation etc	0-999999	IWCOMPCU
U83	Current weekly income unit income from persons not living in this household	0-999999	IPNHHCU
U84	Current weekly income unit income from other regular sources	0-999999	IOREGUCU
U85	Total current weekly income unit income from private cash transfers	0-999999	ITREGCU
U86	Total current weekly income unit income from all sources	-999999-9999999	INCTOTCU
U87	Total previous financial year income unit income from wages and salaries	0-99999	
U88	Previous financial year income unit income from own unincorporated business	-999999-9999999	IWSTPU IOBTPU
U89	Previous financial year income unit income from own unincorporated business flag	0-3	IOBTPUF
009	Profit		IOBTPUF
·	Loss	1 2	
•	Nil value		
U90	Total previous financial year income unit earned income	3 -999999-9999999	IEARNPU
U91		0-999999	
U92	Previous financial year income unit income from interest Previous financial year income unit income from dividends	0-999999	IINTPU
U93	•	-99999-99999	IDIVTPU
U93 U94	Previous financial year income unit income from residential property Previous financial year income unit income from residential property flag		IRNTRPUE
094	Profit	0-3	IRNTRPUF
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
U95	Previous financial year income unit income from non-residential property	-99999-999999	IRNTCPU
U96	Previous financial year income unit income from non-residential property	0-3	IRNTCPUF
030	Profit	1	IKITOFOI
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
U97	Total previous financial year income unit income from property	-99999-999999	IRENTPU
U98	Total previous financial year income unit income from property flag	0-3	IRENTPUF
	Profit	1	INCINITION
•	Loss	2	
	Nil value	3	
U99	Previous financial year income unit income from royalties	0-999999	IROYALPU
U100	Previous financial year income unit income from other investments	0-999999	IINVOTPU
U101	Total previous financial year income unit income from investments	-99999-999999	INVESTPU
U102	Previous financial year income unit income from family payments	0-999999	IFAMPPU
U103	Previous financial year income unit income from age pension	0-999999	IAGEPU
U104	Previous financial year income unit income from newstart allowance	0-999999	INEWSTPU
U105	Previous financial year income unit income from mature age allowance	0-999999	IMATUPU
U106	Previous financial year income unit income from service pension (DVA)	0-999999	ISERVPU
U107	Previous financial year income unit income from disability support pension	0-999999	IDSUPPPU
U108	Previous financial year income unit income from sole parent pension	0-999999	ISOLEPPU
U109	Previous financial year income unit income from wife/carer pension	0-999999	IWIFECPU
U110	Previous financial year income unit income from sickness allowance	0-999999	ISICKPU
U111	Previous financial year income unit income from widow allowance	0-999999	IWIDOWPU
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U112	Previous financial year income unit income from special benefit	0-99999	ISPECPU
U113	Previous financial year income unit income from partner allowance	0-99999	IPARTNPU
U114	Previous financial year income unit income from youth training allowance	0-99999	IYOUTHPU
U115	Previous financial year income unit income from war widow's pension (DVA)	0-99999	IWARWPU
U116	Previous financial year income unit income from disability pension (DVA)	0-99999	IDISBPU
U117	Previous financial year income unit income from Austudy/Abstudy	0-99999	IAUSTPU
U118	Previous financial year income unit income from child disability allowance	0-99999	ICDISBPU
U119	Previous financial year income unit income from overseas pensions/benefits	0-99999	IOSEASPU
U120	Previous financial year income unit income from parenting allowance	0-999999	IPARENPU
U121 allowances	Previous financial year income unit income from other government pensions and	0-999999	IOTHPPU
U122 allowances	Total previous financial year income unit income from government pensions and	0-999999	ITGCBPU
U123	Previous financial year income unit income from superannuation/annuity/allocated pension	0-999999	ISUPERPU
U124	Previous financial year income unit income from child support/maintenance	0-999999	ICHLDSPU
U125	Previous financial year income unit income from workers' compensation etc	0-999999	IWCOMPPU
U126	Previous financial year income unit income from persons not living in this household	0-999999	IPNHHPU
U127	Previous financial year income unit income from other sources	0-999999	IOREGUPU
U128	Total previous financial year income unit income from private cash transfers	0-999999	ITREGPU
U129	Total previous financial year income unit income from all sources	-999999-9999999	INCTOTPU
U130	Whether received previous financial year income unit income from interest from banks	0-1	WINBNKPU
	Not applicable/did not receive interest from banks	0	
	Received interest from banks	1	
U131 financial in	Whether received previous financial year income unit income from interest from other	0-1	WINFINPU
III lai loiai II	Not applicable/did not receive interest from other financial institutions	0	
•	Received interest from other financial institutions	1	
U132	Whether received previous financial year income unit income from interest from	0-1	WINDEBPU
debentures		0	WINDEBLO
•	Received interest from debentures	1	
U133		0-1	WINDNIDDLI
0133	Whether received previous financial year income unit income from interest from bonds		WINBNDPU
•	Not applicable/did not receive interest from bonds	0	
	Received interest from bonds	1	WALTET DIE
U134	Whether received previous financial year income unit income from interest from trusts	0-1	WINTRTPU
•	Not applicable/did not receive interest from trusts	0	
	Received interest from trusts	1	
U135 loans to pe	Whether received previous financial year income unit income from interest from personal ersons not in the household	0-1	WINPLNPU
household	Not applicable/did not receive interest from personal loans to persons not in this	0	
	Received interest from personal loans to persons not in this household	1	
U136	Principal source of current weekly income unit income	0-6	PSRCCU
	Wages and salaries	1	
	Own unincorporated business income	2	
•	Government pensions and allowances	3	
	Superannuation	4	
	Property investments	5	
	Other sources	6	
U137	Principal source of previous financial year income unit income	0-6	PSRCPU
	Wages and salaries	1	

Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Own unincorporated business income	2	
•	Government pensions and allowances	3	
•	Superannuation	4	
•	Property investments	5	
•	Other sources	6	
U138	Current weekly income unit income from principal source		IDCDCCII
U139	Previous financial year income unit income from principal source	0-999999	IPSRCCU IPSRCPU
U140			
0140	Dwelling structure - income unit	1-11	DWELLCU
•	Separate house	1	
•	Semi-detached/row or terrace house/town house - one storey	2	
•	Semi-detached/row or terrace house/town house - two or more storeys	3	
•	Flat attached to house	4	
•	Other flat/unit/apartment - one or two storeys	5	
•	Other flat/unit/apartment - three storeys	6	
•	Other flat/unit/apartment - four or more storeys	7	
•	Caravan/tent/cabin in a caravan park	8	
•	Caravan not in a caravan park, houseboat, etc.	9	
•	Improvised home/campers out	10	
-	House or flat attached to a shop, office, etc	11	
U141	Number of bedrooms in dwelling - income unit	0-5	NRBEDSCU
-	No bedrooms/not collected	0	
•	1 bedroom	1	
	2 bedrooms	2	
	3 bedrooms	3	
	4 bedrooms	4	
-	5 or more bedrooms	5	
U142	Tenure type - income unit	1-4	TENURECU
-	Owner without a mortgage	1	
-	Owner with a mortgage	2	
	Renter/boarder	3	
-	Other	4	
U143	Type of landlord - income unit	0-7	LDLORDCU
•	Real estate agent	1	
-	State/territory housing authority	2	
-	Person not in same household - parent/other relative	3	
	Person not in same household - other person	4	
	Person in same household - parent/other relative	5	
	Person in same household - other person	6	
	Other - not specified	7	
U144	Current weekly income unit rent payments	0-999999	WKRENTCU
U145	Year purchased dwelling - income unit	0, 1946-1995	YRBUYCU
-	Bought dwelling before 1947	1946	
	1947 bought dwelling	1947	
	1948 bought dwelling	1948	
	1949 bought dwelling	1949	
	1950 bought dwelling	1950	
	1951 bought dwelling	1951	
	1952 bought dwelling	1952	
	1953 bought dwelling	1953	
	1954 bought dwelling	1954	

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	1955 bought dwelling	1955	
•	1956 bought dwelling	1956	
•	1957 bought dwelling	1957	
	1958 bought dwelling	1958	
	1959 bought dwelling	1959	
	1960 bought dwelling	1960	
	1961 bought dwelling	1961	
	1962 bought dwelling	1962	
	1963 bought dwelling	1963	
	1964 bought dwelling	1964	
	1965 bought dwelling	1965	
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	1970 bought dwelling	1970	
	1971 bought dwelling	1971	
	1972 bought dwelling	1972	
	1973 bought dwelling	1973	
	1974 bought dwelling	1974	
	1975 bought dwelling	1975	
	1976 bought dwelling	1976	
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	1978 bought dwelling	1978	
	1979 bought dwelling	1979	
	1980 bought dwelling	1980	
	1981 bought dwelling	1981	
	1982 bought dwelling	1982	
	1983 bought dwelling	1983	
	1984 bought dwelling	1984	
	1985 bought dwelling	1985	
	1986 bought dwelling	1986	
	1987 bought dwelling	1987	
	1988 bought dwelling	1988	
•	1989 bought dwelling	1989	
•	1990 bought dwelling	1990	
•	1991 bought dwelling	1991	
•	1992 bought dwelling	1992	
•	1993 bought dwelling	1993	
•	1994 bought dwelling	1994	
•	Bought dwelling after 1994	1995	
U146	Whether dwelling purchased/built in last 3 years is first owned home - income unit	0-2	FIRSTHCU
0140	First time owned home	1	TINSTITICO
•	Not first time owned home	2	
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U147	Whether dwelling purchased/built in last 3 years was new or established - income unit		NEWDWLCU
	New Established	1	
	Established Fetimeted current cale price of the dualling	2	LIVALLIE CUI
U148	Estimated current sale price of the dwelling	0-999999	HVALUECU
U149	Current weekly general and water rates flag	0-1	RATESF
•	Asked	1	

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U150	Current weekly general and water rates	0-9999	RATESCU
U151	Number of mortgages to purchase/build	0-2	TPURP1CU
	Not applicable/no mortgages	0	
	1 mortgage	1	
	2 or more mortgages	2	
U152	Current weekly mortgage repayments to purchase/build	0-999999	TRPAY1CU
U153	Amount currently owing on mortgages to purchase/build	0-999999	TOWE1CU
U154	Number of mortgages for alterations/additions	0-2	TPURP2CU
	Not applicable/no mortgages	0	
	1 mortgage	1	
	2 or more mortgages	2	
U155	Current weekly mortgage repayments for alterations/additions	0-999999	TRPAY2CU
U156	Amount currently owing on mortgages for alterations/additions	0-999999	TOWE2CU
U157	Number of mortgages for other purposes	0-2	TPURP3CU
	Not applicable/no mortgages	0	
	1 mortgage	1	
	2 or more mortgages	2	
U158	Current weekly mortgage repayments for other purposes	0-99999	TRPAY3CU
U159	Amount currently owing on mortgages for other purposes	0-99999	TOWE3CU
U160	Number of mortgages	0-3	TPURPCU
	Not applicable/no mortgages	0	
	1 mortgage	1	
	2 mortgages	2	
	3 or more mortgages	3	
U161	Current weekly repayments for all mortgages	0-999999	TOTPAYCU
U162	Amount currently owing on all mortgages	0-9999999	TOTOWECU
U163	Imputed income unit tax payable for previous financial year	0-999999	ITAXPU
U164	Imputed current weekly income unit tax payable	0-999999	ITAXCU
U165	Australian SEIFA decile - for NSW, Vic., Qld and WA (deciles 9 and 10 for Qld and WA	0-10	DLOWCA
ex-met set	·		
	No index assigned	0	
	Lowest decile	1	
•	Second decile	2	
	Third decile	3	
•	Fourth decile	4	
	Fifth decile	5	
	Sixth decile	6	
	Seventh decile	7	
•	Eighth decile	8	
	Ninth decile	9	
	Highest decile	10	
U166	Current weekly income unit payments made for child support/maintenance	0-99999	KSUPPCU
U167	Weight - income unit (needs dividing by 10000)	0-9999999	WTUNIT
U168-U197	Replicate weight 1-30 - income unit	0-9999999	REPWTU1-30

⁽a) Unless otherwise stated, all zero values in the code ranges are 'not applicable'

APPENDIX 3	DATA	ITEMS	AND	RECORD	STRUCTURE,	PERSON

Fiel	d number, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
P1	Unique household number - unique number allocated to all members of the household		ABSHID
P2	Family number - in the household (person)	1-5	ABSFID
12	Family no. 1	1	ABSITID
•	Family no. 2	2	
•	Family no. 3	3	
•	Family no. 4	4	
•	Family no. 5	5	
РЗ	Income unit number - within each family in the household (person)		ADCIID
гэ	Income unit no. 1	1-5	ABSIID
•		1	
•	Income unit no. 2 Income unit no. 3	2	
•		3	
•	Income unit no. 4	4	
D4	Income unit no. 5	5	4 DODID
P4	Person number - within each income unit (person)	1-6	ABSPID
•	Reference person of the income unit	1	
•	Partner of the income unit reference person	2	
•	1st dependent child of reference person	3	
•	2nd dependent child of reference person	4	
•	3rd dependent child of reference person	5	
	4th dependent child of reference person	6	
P5	Person record identifier (=4)	4	IDP
	Person	4	
P6	Person imputation flag to indicate partial or full imputation	0-2	IMPUTFLG
•	Partial imputation to data	1	
•	Full imputation to data	2	
P7	Person financial exclusion flag	1-2	FINSCOPE
•	Out of scope for period and in scope for current income analysis	1	
•	In scope for both period and current income analysis	2	
P8	Position in the household (relationship to household reference person)	1-7	POSHHCP
	Reference person of household	1	
•	Partner of reference person	2	
	Dependent child of reference person	3	
	Dependent relative of reference person	4	
	Non-dependent child of reference person	5	
	Non-dependent relative of reference person	6	
	Non-family member	7	
P9	Position in the family (relationship to family reference person)	1-6	FAMPOS
	Reference person of family	1	
	Partner of reference person of family	2	
•	Dependent child of reference person	3	
	Non-dependent child of reference person	4	
	Non-dependent other relative of reference person	5	
	Non-family individual	6	
P10	Position in income unit (relationship to the income unit reference person)	1-3	IUPOS
	Reference person of income unit	1	
	Partner of reference person of income unit	2	
	Dependent child of reference person	3	
P11	Sex of person	1-2	SEXP
	Male	1	
	Female	2	

Field nu	mber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
P12	Age of person	1-29	AGECP
	15 years	1	
	16 years	2	
	17 years	3	
	18 years	4	
	19 years	5	
	20 years	6	
	21 years	7	
	22 years	8	
	23 years	9	
	24 years	10	
	25–29 years	11	
	30–34 years	12	
	35–39 years	13	
	40-44 years	14	
	45–49 years	15	
	50–54 years	16	
	55 years	17	
	56 years	18	
	57 years	19	
	58 years	20	
	59 years	21	
	60 years	22	
	61 years	23	
	62 years	24	
	63 years	25	
	64 years	26	
	65–69 years	27	
	70–74 years	28	
	75 years and over	29	
P13	Current marital status	1-3	MSTATCP
•	Married or defacto	1	
	Separated, widowed or divorced	2	
•	Never married	3	
P14	Country of birth	1-10	COB
٠	Australia	1	
•	Other Oceania and Antarctica	2	
•	Europe and former USSR	3	
•	Middle East and North Africa	4	
•	Southeast Asia	5	
•	Northeast Asia	6	
•	Southern Asia	7	
•	Northern America	8	
•	South and Central America and the Caribbean		
D1 E	Africa (excluding North Africa)	10	VOA
P15	Year of arrival in Australia	0-11	YOA
	Born in Australia	0	
	Arrived before 1976 Arrived 1976–1980	1	
•	Arrived 1976–1980 Arrived 1981–1985	2	
	WIIIAER TAOT-TAOO	3	

Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Arrived 1986–1990	4	
	Arrived 1991	5	
	Arrived 1992	6	
	Arrived 1993	7	
	Arrived 1994	8	
	Arrived 1995	9	
	Arrived 1996	10	
	Arrived after 1996	11	
P16	Quarter of arrival in Australia (for persons arriving in 1995–96 financial year)	0-4	MOARR
	September quarter	1	
	December quarter	2	
	March quarter	3	
	June quarter	4	
P17	Final family relationship code	1-13	FFAMRLCP
	Husband with dependent children	1	
	Wife with dependent children	2	
•	Husband without dependent children	3	
-	Wife without dependent children	4	
•	One parent with dependent children	5	
•	One parent without dependent children but with non-dependent children	6	
•	Eldest of 2 or more single related persons aged 15+, and not related to anyone with		
codes 1–6		ı	
	Son/daughter aged 15–24 years currently studying full time	8	
	Other relative aged 15–24 years currently studying full time	9	
	Other son/daughter (of any age)	10	
	Other relative of family reference person	11	
	Non-family member living with non relatives	12	
	Lone person	13	
P18	Household type (current) - person	1-9	HHTYPECP
	Person living alone	1	
•	Couple only	2	
	Couple with only their unmarried children over 14 years	3	
-	Couple with only their children under 15 years	4	
•	Couple with their children under 15 years and unmarried their children over 14 years	5	
•	One parent with only unmarried children over 14 years	6	
•	One parent with only children under 15 years	7	
•	One parent with children under 15 years One parent with children under 15 years and unmarried children over 14 years	8	
•	All other households		
P19	Family type (current) - person	9	EAMT/DE
F19		1-16	FAMTYPE
•	Couple with no dependent and no non-dependent children or other relatives	1	
•	Couple with other relatives	2	
•	Couple with dependent children and other relatives	3	
•	Couple with dependent children and other relatives	4	
•	Couple with dependent and non-dependent children	5	
•	Couple with dependent and non-dependent children and other relatives	6	
•	Couple with non-dependent children only	7	
•	Couple with non-dependent children and other relatives	8	
•	One parent with dependent children only	9	
	One parent with dependent children and other relatives	10	
	One parent with dependent and non-dependent children	11	

Field i	number, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	One parent with dependent and non-dependent children and other relatives	12	
	One parent with non-dependent children only	13	
	One parent with non-dependent children only and other relatives	14	
	Related persons	15	
	Non-family individual	16	
P20	Income unit type (current) - person	1-4	IUTYPEP
	Couple with dependent children	1	
	Couple without dependent children	2	
	One parent	3	
	One person	4	
P21	Labour force status in main job	1-8	LFSTFCP
	Employee full-time, paid in cash	1	
	Employee part-time, paid in cash	2	
	Employer	3	
	Own account worker	4	
	Contributing family worker	5	
	Employee paid in kind	6	
	Unemployed	7	
	Not in the labour force	8	
P22	Labour force status in second job	0-7	LFST2CP
	Employee full-time, paid in cash	1	
	Employee part-time, paid in cash	2	
	Employer	3	
	Own account worker	4	
_	Contributing family worker	5	
	Employee paid in kind	6	
_	Unpaid voluntary worker	7	
P23	Number of hours usually worked per week in main job	0-50	HRSWKMCP
	0 hours worked	0	
	1 hour worked	1	
	2 hours worked	2	
	3 hours worked	3	
	4 hours worked	4	
	5 hours worked	5	
	6 hours worked	6	
_	7 hours worked	7	
	8 hours worked	8	
	9 hours worked	9	
	10 hours worked	10	
	11 hours worked	11	
	12 hours worked	12	
	13 hours worked	13	
	14 hours worked	14	
	15 hours worked	15	
	16 hours worked	16	
•	17 hours worked	17	
	18 hours worked	18	
•	19 hours worked	19	
	20 hours worked	20	
•	21 hours worked	21	
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Field number	, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	22 hours worked	22	
	23 hours worked	23	
	24 hours worked	24	
	25 hours worked	25	
	26 hours worked	26	
	27 hours worked	27	
	28 hours worked	28	
	29 hours worked	29	
	30 hours worked	30	
	31 hours worked	31	
	32 hours worked	32	
	33 hours worked	33	
	34 hours worked	34	
	35 hours worked	35	
	36 hours worked	36	
	37 hours worked	37	
	38 hours worked	38	
•	39 hours worked	39	
•	40 hours worked	40	
•	41 hours worked	41	
•	42 hours worked	42	
•	43 hours worked	43	
•	44 hours worked	44	
•	45 hours worked	45	
•	46 hours worked	46	
•	47 hours worked	47	
•	48 hours worked	48	
•	49 hours worked	49	
•	50 or more hours worked	50	
P24 N	Number of hours usually worked per week in second job		HRSWK2CP
124 1	O hours worked	0	IIIOWIZOI
•	1 hour worked	1	
•	2 hours worked	2	
•	3 hours worked	3	
•	4 hours worked	4	
•	5 hours worked	5	
•	6 hours worked	6	
•	7 hours worked	7	
•	8 hours worked	8	
•	9 hours worked	9	
•	10 hours worked	10	
•	11 hours worked		
•	12 hours worked	11 12	
•	13 hours worked	13	
•	14 hours worked	14	
•	15 hours worked		
•		15	
•	16 hours worked	16	
•	17 hours worked 18 hours worked	17	
•		18	
•	19 hours worked	19	

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Field number,	Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	20 hours worked	20	
	21 hours worked	21	
	22 hours worked	22	
	23 hours worked	23	
	24 hours worked	24	
	25 hours worked	25	
	26 hours worked	26	
	27 hours worked	27	
	28 hours worked	28	
	29 hours worked	29	
	30 hours worked	30	
	31 hours worked	31	
	32 hours worked	32	
	33 hours worked	33	
	34 hours worked	34	
	35 hours worked	35	
	36 hours worked	36	
	37 hours worked	37	
	38 hours worked	38	
	39 hours worked	39	
	40 hours worked	40	
	41 hours worked	41	
	42 hours worked	42	
	43 hours worked	43	
	44 hours worked	44	
	45 hours worked	45	
	46 hours worked	46	
	47 hours worked	47	
	48 hours worked	48	
	49 hours worked	49	
	50 or more hours worked	50	
P25 N	umber of hours usually worked per week in main and second jobs	0-50	HRSWKACP
	0 hours worked	0	
	1 hour worked	1	
	2 hours worked	2	
	3 hours worked	3	
	4 hours worked	4	
	5 hours worked	5	
	6 hours worked	6	
	7 hours worked	7	
	8 hours worked	8	
	9 hours worked	9	
	10 hours worked	10	
	11 hours worked	11	
	12 hours worked	12	
	13 hours worked	13	
	14 hours worked	14	
	15 hours worked	15	
	16 hours worked	16	
	17 hours worked	17	

Field number,	Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	18 hours worked	18	
•	19 hours worked	19	
•	20 hours worked	20	
•	21 hours worked	21	
	22 hours worked	22	
	23 hours worked	23	
	24 hours worked	24	
•	25 hours worked	25	
•	26 hours worked	26	
	27 hours worked	27	
•	28 hours worked	28	
•	29 hours worked	29	
•	30 hours worked	30	
	31 hours worked	31	
	32 hours worked	32	
	33 hours worked	33	
	34 hours worked	34	
	35 hours worked	35	
	36 hours worked	36	
	37 hours worked	37	
	38 hours worked	38	
	39 hours worked	39	
	40 hours worked	40	
	41 hours worked	41	
	42 hours worked	42	
	43 hours worked	43	
	44 hours worked	44	
	45 hours worked	45	
	46 hours worked	46	
•	47 hours worked	47	
•	48 hours worked	48	
•	49 hours worked	49	
•	50 or more hours worked	50	
P26 La	bour force status in main and second jobs	1-4	LFSTBCP
•	Employed full-time	1	
•	Employed part-time	2	
•	Unemployed	3	
•	Not in the labour force	4	
P27 Du	uration of unemployment	0-12	DURUNEMP
•	Under 2 weeks	1	
•	2 weeks and under 4 weeks	2	
	4 weeks and under 8 weeks	3	
	8 weeks and under 13 weeks	4	
	13 weeks and under 26 weeks	5	
	26 weeks and under 39 weeks	6	
•	39 weeks and under 52 weeks	7	
	52 weeks and under 65 weeks	8	
	65 weeks and under 78 weeks	9	
	78 weeks and under 91 weeks	10	
	91 weeks and under 104 weeks	11	

Field	number, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	104 weeks and over	12	
P28	Occupation in main job	0-9	OCCCP
	Managers and administrators	1	
	Professionals	2	
	Associate professionals	3	
	Tradespersons and related workers	4	
	Advanced clerical and service workers	5	
	Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	6	
	Intermediate production and transport workers	7	
	Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	8	
	Labourers and related workers	9	
P29	Industry of main job	0-17	INDCP
0	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1	
	Mining	2	
•	Manufacturing	3	
	Electricity, gas and water supply	4	
•	Construction	5	
•	Wholesale trade	6	
•	Retail trade	7	
•	Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	8	
•	Transport and storage	9	
•	Communication services	10	
•	Finance and insurance	11	
•	Property and business services	12	
•	Government administration and defence	13	
•	Education	14	
•	Health and community services	15	
•	Cultural and recreational services	16	
•	Personal and other services	17	
Р30	Status in employment	0-5	STOW
1 30	Employee	1	Slow
•	Employer	2	
•	Own account worker	3	
•	Contributing family worker	4	
•	Unpaid voluntary worker	5	
P31	Looked for work	0-5	LKFTPTCP
131	Looked for full-time work	1	LN IFIGE
•	Looked for part-time job	2	
•	Unpaid voluntary worker	3	
•	Did not look for full-time work	4	
•	Permanently unable to work	5	
P32	Not in the labour force status	0-5	NILFSTCP
132	Permanently unable to work		NILFSTOP
•	Still at school	2	
•	Studying full-time	3	
•		4	
•	Unpaid voluntary worker Other - not in the labour force		
Doo		5	ND IODSCD
P33	Number of jobs currently held One job	0-2	NRJOBSCP
•	More than one job	1	
•	More than one job	2	

Field nu	mber, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
P34	Highest post-school educational qualification	1-9	HQUALCP
	Still at school	1	
	Higher degree	2	
	Postgraduate diploma	3	
	Bachelor degree	4	
	Undergraduate diploma	5	
	Associate diploma	6	
	Skilled vocational qualifications	7	
	Basic vocational qualifications	8	
	No qualifications	9	
P35	Current study status	1-4	STUDSTCP
	Still at school	1	
	Studying full-time	2	
	Studying part-time	3	
	Not currently studying	4	
P36	Educational institution currently enrolled in	0-4	INSTENRP
	School	1	
	TAFE college	2	
	Higher education	3	
	Other	4	
P37	Year left school (for persons aged 15–20 only)	1-9	YRLSCHCP
	Still attending school	1	
	Left before 1992	2	
	Left in 1992	3	
	Left in 1993	4	
	Left in 1994	5	
	Left in 1995	6	
	Left in 1996	7	
	Left in 1997	8	
	Aged 21 years and over	9	
P38	Month left school (for persons aged 15–20 only)		MTHSCHCP
	January	1	
-	February	2	
•	March	3	
•	April	4	
•	May	5	
•	June	6	
•	July	7	
•	August		
•		9	
•	September October		
•	November	10	
•		11	
	December	12	FMPOTAT
P39	Labour force status	1-3	EMPSTAT
•	Employed	1	
•	Unemployed	2	
	Not in the labour force	3	T. (70.0)
P40	Labour force status in month minus one	0-3	EMPD6M1
•	Employed	1	
	Unemployed	2	

Field numbe	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
	Not in the labour force	3	
P41	Labour force status in month minus two	0-3	EMPD6M2
	Employed	1	
	Unemployed	2	
	Not in the labour force	3	
P42	Labour force status in month minus three	0-3	EMPD6M3
	Employed	1	
	Unemployed	2	
	Not in the labour force	3	
P43	Labour force status in month minus four	0-3	EMPD6M4
	Employed	1	
	Unemployed	2	
	Not in the labour force	3	
P44	Labour force status in month minus five	0-3	EMPD6M5
	Employed	1	
	Unemployed	2	
	Not in the labour force	3	
P45	Labour force status in month minus six	0-3	EMPD6M6
	Employed	1	2 266
	Unemployed	2	
	Not in the labour force	3	
P46	Labour force status in month minus seven	0-3	EMPD6M7
	Employed	1	2 25
•	Unemployed	2	
•	Not in the labour force	3	
P47	Full-time/part-time status	0-2	FTPTSTAT
	Full-time	1	THISTAL
•	Part-time	2	
P48	Full-time/part-time status in month minus one	0-2	FTPTD7M1
1 70	Full-time	1	THIBNNI
•	Part-time	2	
P49	Full-time/part-time status in month minus two	0-2	FTPTD7M2
1 40	Full-time	1	TH IDNIE
•	Part-time	2	
P50	Full-time/part-time status in month minus three	0-2	FTPTD7M3
1 30	Full-time	1	THIBNNS
•	Part-time	2	
P51	Full-time/part-time status in month minus four	0-2	FTPTD7M4
131	Full-time	1	T TF ID / IVI4
•	Part-time	2	
P52	Full-time/part-time status in month minus five	0-2	FTPTD7M5
1 32	Full-time		TEIDTNIS
•	Part-time	1 2	
P53	Full-time/part-time status in month minus six		ETDTD 7MG
1 00	Full-time	0-2	FTPTD7M6
•		1	
DE 4	Part-time	2	FTDTD 7.4.7
P54	Full-time/part-time status in month minus seven	0-2	FTPTD7M7
•	Full-time	1	
	Part-time	2	WELLDDOD
P55	Current weekly payments made for child support/maintenance	0-999999	KSUPPCP

Field numb	per, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
P56	Total current weekly employee income from wages and salaries from main and second jobs	0-99999	IWSUCP
P57	Current weekly income from own unincorporated business	-99999-99999	IOBTCP
P58	Current weekly income from own unincorporated business flag	0-3	IOBTOP
100	Profit	1	IODIOII
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P59	Total current weekly earned income	-99999-999999	IEARNCP
P60	Current weekly income from interest	-999999	IINTCP
P61	Current weekly income from dividends	-999999	IDIVTCP
P62	Current weekly income from residential property	-99999-99999	IRNTRCP
P63	Current weekly income from residential property flag	0-3	IRNTRCPF
100	Profit	1	INNINGFI
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P64	Current weekly income from non-residential property	-99999-999999	IRNTCCP
P65	Current weekly income from non-residential property flag	-3	IRNTCCPF
105	Profit	1	IKNICCPF
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P66	Total current weekly income from property	-99999-999999	IRENTCP
P67	Total current weekly income from property flag	0-3	IRENTOF
101	Profit	1	INLINIOFI
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P68	Current weekly income from royalties	0-999999	IROYALCP
P69	Current weekly income from other investments	0-999999	IINVOTCP
P70	Total current weekly income from investments	-99999-99999	INVESTCP
P71	Current weekly income from family payments adjusted for advance lump sum payments	0-999999	IFAMLSCP
P72	Current weekly income from age pension	0-999999	IAGECP
P73	Current weekly income from newstart allowance adjusted for advance lump sum payments	0-999999	INEWLSCP
P74	Current weekly income from mature age allowance	0-999999	IMATUCP
P75	Current weekly income from service pension (DVA)	0-999999	ISERVCP
P76	Current weekly income from disability support pension	0-999999	IDSUPPCP
P77	Current weekly income from sole parent pension	0-999999	ISOLEPCP
P78	Current weekly income from wife/carer pension	0-999999	IWIFECCP
P79	Current weekly income from sickness allowance	0-999999	ISICKCP
P80	Current weekly income from widow allowance	0-999999	IWIDOWCP
P81	Current weekly income from special benefit	0-999999	ISPECCP
P82	Current weekly income from partner allowance	0-999999	IPARTNCP
P83	Current weekly income from youth training allowance	0-999999	IYOUTHCP
P84	Current weekly income from war widow's pension (DVA)	0-999999	IWARWCP
P85	Current weekly income from disability pension (DVA)	0-999999	IDISBCP
P86	Current weekly income from Austudy/Abstudy	0-999999	IAUSTCP
P87	Current weekly income from child disability allowance	0-999999	ICDISBCP
P88	Current weekly income from overseas pensions or benefits	0-999999	IOSEASCP
P89	Current weekly income from parenting allowance	0-999999	IPARENCP
P90	Current weekly income from other government pensions and allowances	0-999999	IOTHPCP
P91	Total current weekly income from government pensions and allowances	0-999999	ITGCBCP
P92	Current weekly income from superannuation/annuity/allocated pension	0-999999	ISUPERCP
P93	Current weekly income from child support /maintenance	0-999999	
1 33	outlent weekly income from child support/maintenance	0-33333	ICHLDSCP

Field numb	er, Data item label and categories	Codes	Field name
P94	Current weekly income from workers' compensation etc.	0-999999	IWCOMPCP
P95	Current weekly income from persons not living in this household	0-999999	IPNHHCP
P96	Current weekly income from other regular sources	0-999999	IOREGUCP
P97	Total current weekly income from private cash transfers	0-999999	ITREGCP
P98	Total current weekly income from all sources	-99999-99999	INCTOTCP
P99	Total previous financial year income from wages and salaries	0-999999	IWSTPP
P100	Previous financial year income from own unincorporated business	-999999-9999999	IOBTPP
P101	Previous financial year income from own unincorporated business flag		IOBTPPF
. 101	Profit	1	1021111
	Loss	2	
	Nil value	3	
P102	Total previous financial year earned income	-999999-9999999	IEARNPP
P103	Previous financial year income from interest	0-999999	IINTPP
P104	Previous financial year income from dividends	0-999999	IDIVTPP
P105	Previous financial year income from residential property	-99999-99999	IRNTRPP
P106	Previous financial year income from residential property	0-3	IRNTRPPF
1 100	Profit	1	IIMIMI
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P107	Previous financial year income from non-residential property	-99999-999999	IRNTCPP
P108	Previous financial year from non-residential property	0-3	IRNTCPPF
1 100	Profit	1	IKINIOFFI
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P109	Total previous financial year income from property	-99999-999999	IRENTPP
P110	Total previous financial year income from property Total previous financial year income from property flag	0-3	IRENTPPF
1 110	Profit	1	IIILINIIII
•	Loss	2	
•	Nil value	3	
P111	Previous financial year income from royalties	0-999999	IROYALPP
P112	Previous financial year income from other investments	0-999999	IINVOTPP
P113	Total previous financial year income from investments	-99999-99999	INVESTPP
P114	Previous financial year income from family tax payments	0-999999	IFAMPPP
P115	Previous financial year income from newstart allowance	0-999999	INEWSTPP
P116	Previous financial year income from mature age allowance	0-999999	IMATUPP
P117	Previous financial year income from service pension (DVA)	0-999999	ISERVPP
P118	Previous financial year income from disability support pension	0-999999	IDSUPPPP
P119	Previous financial year income from sole parent pension	0-999999	ISOLEPPP
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P121	Previous financial year income from sickness allowance	0-999999	ISICKPP
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P130	Previous financial year income from child disability allowance	0-999999	ICDISBPP
P131	Previous financial year income from overseas pensions and benefits	0-999999	IOSEASPP
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	Received interest from banks	1	
P143 institution	Whether person received previous financial year income from interest from other financial is	0-1	WINFINPP
	Not applicable/did not receive interest from other financial institutions	0	
	Received interest from other financial institutions	1	
P144	Whether person received previous financial year income from interest from debentures	0-1	WINDEBPP
	Not applicable/did not receive interest from debentures	0	
	Received interest from debentures	1	
P145	Whether person received previous financial year income from interest from bonds	0-1	WINBNDPP
	Not applicable/did not receive interest from bonds	0	
	Received interest from bonds	1	
P146	Whether person received previous financial year income from interest from trusts	0-1	WINTRTPP
	Not applicable/did not receive interest from trusts	0	
	Received interest from trusts	1	
P147 to person	Whether person received previous financial year income from interest from personal loans s not in the household	0-1	WINPLNPP
household	Not applicable/did not receive interest from personal loans to persons not in this	0	
	Received interest from personal loans to persons not in this household	1	
P148	Principal source of current weekly income	0-6	PSRCCP
	Wages and salaries	1	
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	Property investments	5	
	Other sources	6	
P149	Principal source of previous financial year income	0-6	PSRCPP
	Wages and salaries	1	
	Own unincorporated business income	2	
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	Property investments	5	
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P150	Current weekly income from principal source	0-99999	IPSRCCP
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GLOSSARY

Capital cities

Australia's six State capital city statistical divisions. For the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory the estimates related predominantly to urban areas.

Couple, one family household

One family household consisting of:

- one couple only
- one couple, with their dependent and/or non-dependent children only
- one couple, with or without children, plus other relatives
- one couple, with or without children and other relatives, plus unrelated individuals.

Couple

Two people in a registered or de facto marriage, who usually live in the same household.

Dependent children

All persons aged under 15 years; and people aged 15-24 years who are full-time students, have a parent in the household and do not have a partner or child of their own in the household

Disposable income

Gross income after income tax and the Medicare levy are deducted. Income tax and the Medicare levy are imputed based on each person's income and other characteristics as reported in the survey. Disposable income is sometimes referred to as net income.

Earners

Persons (excluding dependent children) who receive income from wages or salaries, who are engaged in their own business or partnership, or are silent partners in a business or partnership.

Employed persons

Persons aged 15 years and over who, during the week before the interview:

- worked one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (includes employees, employers and own account workers), or
- worked one hour or more, without pay, in a family business or on a family farm, or
- had a job, business or farm but was not at work because of holidays, sickness or other reason

Employee

An employed person who, for most of his/her working hours:

- works for a public or private employer and receives remuneration in wages or salary, or is paid a retainer fee by his/her employer and works on a commission basis, or works for an employer for tips, piece-rates or payment in kind, or
- operates his or her own incorporated enterprise with or without hiring employees.

Employer

A person who operates his or her own unincorporated economic enterprise or engages independently in a profession or trade, and hires one or more employees.

Family

Two or more people, one of whom is at least 15 years of age, who are related by blood, marriage (registered or de facto), adoption, step or fostering, and who usually live in the same household. A separate family is formed for each married couple, or for each set of parent-child relationships where only one parent is present.

First home buyer

A household which bought their dwelling in the three years prior to the survey reference period, and neither the reference person nor partner had owned or been purchasing a house previously.

Flat, unit or apartment

Includes all self-contained dwellings in blocks of flats, units or apartments. These dwellings do not have their own private grounds and usually share a common entrance foyer or stairwell. This category includes houses converted into flats and flats attached to houses such as granny flats. A house with a granny flat attached is regarded as a separate house

Full-time employed

Employed persons who usually work 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs).

Full-time student

A person 15 years or over who is classified as a full-time student by the institution they attend, or considers himself/herself to be a full-time student. Full-time study does not preclude employment.

Government pensions and allowances

Regular, recurring receipts from government to persons under social security and related government programs. Included are pensions and allowances received by aged, disabled, unemployed and sick persons, families and children, veterans or their survivors, and study allowances for students. All overseas pensions and benefits are included here, although some may not be paid by overseas governments.

Gross income

Regular cash receipts before income tax or the Medicare levy are deducted.

Group household

A household consisting of two or more unrelated people where all people are aged 15 years and over. There are no reported couple relationships, parent-child relationships or other blood relationships in these households.

Household

A group of related or unrelated people who usually live in the same dwelling and make common provision for food and other essentials of living; or a lone person who makes provision for his or her own food and other essentials of living without combining with any other person. Lodgers who receive accommodation only (not meals) are treated as separate household. Boarders who receive accommodation and meals, are treated as part of the household.

Household composition

Classifies households into three broad groupings based on the number of families present (one family, multiple family and non-family). One family households are further disaggregated according to the type of family (such as couple family or one parent family) and according to the number of dependent and non-dependent children, other relatives and individuals present. Non-family households are disaggregated into lone person households and group households.

Household reference person

The reference person for each household is chosen by applying, to all household members aged 15 years and over, the selection criteria below, in the order listed, until a single appropriate reference person is identified:

- the person with the highest tenure when ranked as follows: owner without a mortgage, owner with a mortgage, renter, other tenure
- one of the partners in a registered or de facto marriage, with dependent children
- one of the partners in a registered or de facto marriage, without dependent children
- a lone parent with dependent children
- the person with the highest income
- the eldest person

For example, in a household containing a lone parent with a non-dependent child, the person with the highest tenure will become the reference person. If the non-dependent child is an owner with a mortgage and the lone parent lives in the dwelling rent free, the non-dependent child will become the reference person. If both individuals have the same tenure, the one with the higher income will become the reference person. However, if both individuals have the same income, the elder will become the reference person.

Housing costs

Housing costs on this file are defined as follows for each of the tenure type categories:

- owner without a mortgage rates payments (general and water);
- owner with a mortgage rates payments plus mortgage payments if the purpose of the mortgage was to buy, build, add to or alter the dwelling; and
- renter rent payments

Income

Regular and recurring cash receipts including moneys received from wages and salaries, government pensions and allowances, and other regular receipts such as superannuation, workers' compensation, child support, scholarships, profit or loss from own unincorporated business or partnership and investment income. Gross income is the sum of the income from all these sources before income tax or the Medicare levy are deducted. See also disposable income.

Income unit

One person or a group of related persons within a household, whose command over income is assumed to be shared. Income sharing is assumed to take place within married (registered or de facto) couples, and between parents and dependent children.

Income unit reference person

The male partner in a couple income unit, the parent in a one parent income unit and the person in a one person income unit.

Labour force status

Classifies all people aged 15 years and over according to whether they were employed, unemployed or not in the labour force.

Landlord type

For renters, the type of entity to whom rent is paid or with whom the tenure contract or arrangement is made. Renters belong to one of the following categories:

- state/territory housing authority where the household pays rent to a state or territory housing authority trust
- private landlords where the household pays rent to a real estate agent or to another person not in the same household
- other where the household pays rent to the owner/manager of a caravan park, an employer (including a government authority), a housing cooperative, a community or church group, or any other body not included elsewhere.

Lone person

A household consisting of a person living alone.

Main English speaking countries

For the purposes of the country of birth classification used on SIH CURFs from 1999-2000, main English speaking countries comprise New Zealand, United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, United States of America and South Africa.

Mean income

The total income received by a group of units divided by the number of units in the group.

Median income

That level of income which divides the units in a group into two equal parts, one half having incomes above the median and the other half having incomes below the median.

Mortgage

Mortgage on this file includes all loans which have been raised using the dwelling as security.

Negative income

Income may be negative when a loss accrues to a household as an owner or partner in unincorporated enterprises or rental properties. Losses occur when operating expenses and depreciation are greater than gross receipts.

Non dependent children

All people aged 15 years and over who:

- do not have a spouse or offspring of their own in the household
- have a parent in the household, and
- are not full-time students aged 15-24 years.

Non-family household

Consists of unrelated people only. A non-family household can be either a person living alone or a group household.

Not in the labour force

Persons not in the categories of employed or unemployed as defined.

One parent, one family household

A one family household comprising a lone parent with at least one dependent or non-dependent child. The household may also include other relatives and unrelated

individuals.

Other family household

A household with an extended family (e.g. grandparents, parents and children); and a household with multiple families.

Other landlord type

Where the household pays rent to the owner/manager of a caravan park, an employer (including a government authority), a housing cooperative, a community or church group, or any other body not included elsewhere.

Other tenure type

A household which is not an owner, a purchaser or a renter

Own account worker

A person who operates his or her own unincorporated economic enterprise or engages independently in a profession or trade and hires no employees.

Own unincorporated business income

The profit/loss that accrues to persons as owners of, or partners in, unincorporated enterprises. Profit/loss consists of the value of gross output of the enterprise after the deduction of operating expenses (including depreciation). Losses occur when operating expenses are greater than gross receipts and are treated as negative income.

Owner (of dwelling)

A household in which at least one member owns the dwelling in which it usually resides. Owners are divided into two classifications - owners without a mortgage and owners with a mortgage. If there is any outstanding mortgage or loan secured against the dwelling the household is an owner with a mortgage. If there is no mortgage or loan secured against the dwelling the household is an owner without a mortgage.

Previous financial year income

Income earned in the period July 1995 to June 1996

Property income

Income received as a result of ownership of assets. It comprises returns from financial assets (interest, dividends), from non-financial assets (rent) and from royalties.

Principal source of income

That source from which the most positive income is received. If total income is nil or negative the principal source is undefined.

Private income

Regular, recurring receipts from private organisations, including superannuation, regular workers compensation, income from annuities, interest, dividends, royalties, income from rental properties, scholarships and child support.

Quintiles

Groupings that result from ranking all households or people in the population in ascending order according to some characteristic such as their household income and then dividing the population into five equal groups, each comprising 20% of the estimated population.

Renter

A household which pays rent to reside in the dwelling. See further classification by Landlord type.

Semi-detached, row or terrace house or townhouse

A dwelling with its own private grounds and no dwelling above or below. A key feature of this dwelling is that it is either attached in some structural way to one or more dwellings or is separated from neighbouring dwellings by less than one-half metre. Examples include semi-detached, row or terrace houses, townhouses or villa units. Multistorey townhouses or units are separately identified from those which are single storey.

Separate house

A dwelling which is self-contained and separated from other houses (or other buildings or structures) by a space to allow access on all sides (at least one-half metre). This category also includes houses that have an attached flat (e.g. a granny flat). The attached flat will be included in the flat, unit or apartment category.

Tenure type

The nature of a household's legal right to occupy the dwelling in which the household members usually reside. Tenure is determined according to whether the household owns the dwelling outright, owns the dwelling but has a mortgage or loan secured against it, is paying rent to live in the dwelling or has some other arrangement to occupy the dwelling.

Unemployed persons

Persons aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the week before the interview and

- had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks before the interview and:
 - were available for work in the week before the interview, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks before the interview), or
 - were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the interview and would have started in the week before the interview if the job had been available then or
- were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks before the interview for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

 $\label{prop:comporated} \textbf{Unincorporated business} \qquad \textbf{A business in which the owner}(s) \ \text{and the business are the same legal entity, so that, for}$

example, the owner(s) are personally liable for any business debts that are incurred.

Unsecured loan A loan not requiring any security or collateral.

Value of dwelling The estimated value of the dwelling and its land, as estimated and reported by the

respondent. The data are only collected for owners.

Wages and salaries The gross cash income received as a return to labour from any employer or from a

person's own incorporated business.

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