

Field Description	Field Abbreviation	Field Length	Field Type	Field Version
Standard Occupational Classification 2010 (SOC2010(DLHE)) major grouping	XSOC02	1	Char	1.2.2

VALID ENTRIES

1	Managers, directors and senior officials
2	Professional occupations
3	Associate professional and technical occupations
4	Administrative and secretarial occupations
5	Skilled trades occupations
6	Caring, leisure and other service occupations
7	Sales and customer service occupations
8	Process, plant and machine operatives
9	Elementary occupations
A	Not known/Not applicable

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This field is derived from the DLHE field Employment.SOC02 'Standard Occupational Classification 2010'. It is based on the previous XSOC01 derived field but derived from the first character of SOC02, with the exception of code 00010 'Reserved for instances where occupational information is provided but is inadequate for coding purposes', which is derived to A 'Not known/Not applicable'.

These aggregations represent the nine major groups of the SOC as summarised in the Standard Occupation Classification 2010 Structure and description of unit groups (<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/classifications/current-standard-classifications/soc2010/index.html>).

DEPENDENT FIELDS

XPROFEMP01

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

Employment. SOC02 (CHAR 5)	XSOC02
00010 or blank	A
First character is a 1	1
First character is a 2	2
First character is a 3	3
First character is a 4	4
First character is a 5	5
First character is a 6	6
First character is a 7	7
First character is a 8	8
First character is a 9	9
Otherwise	Null

Where the SOC02 value does not match 00010, blank or first character 1-9, return Null as XSOC02. This is an error, highlighting that a value in the collection's SOC02 field cannot be derived to a valid entry. (This

is designed so the derived function does not fail. Nulls are to be identified at impossible values testing to flag the issue to HESA's Data Management team).
