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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Property |
| METEOR identifier: | 269114 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 01/03/2005[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 13/03/2015 [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016 |
| Definition: | A measure of body fat that gives an indication of nutritional status. Body mass index is the weight in kilograms divided by the square of the height in meters. |
| Property group: | [Physical characteristics](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/274658) |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Origin: | Dorland's Illustrated Medical Dictionary 30th ed. Philadelphia: Saunders |
| Relational attributes |
| Data Element Concepts implementing this property: | [Adult—body mass index](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269556)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 01/03/2005 [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 01/07/2016[Child—body mass index](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269557)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 01/03/2005[Person—body mass index (classification)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/269558)[Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 01/03/2005[Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 13/03/2015 |