Person—level of highest educational attainment, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Level of highest educational attainment
METEOR identifier:	270097
Registration status:	Community Services (retired), Superseded 29/04/2006
Definition:	The highest qualification reported by a person in any field of study, or the highest year of school completed, whichever is the higher, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—level of highest educational attainment
Value Domain:	Highest education level code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Degree or higher
	2	Diploma or Advanced Diploma
	3	Certificate
	4	Senior Secondary Education (e.g. Year 12, Senior Secondary Certificate of Education)
	5	Junior Secondary Education (e.g. Year 10)
	6	Primary School Education
	7	Did not attend primary or secondary school
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	The value domain can be linked to categories specified in the Level of Education classification of the Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED). This classification allows for data to be collected at a greater level of detail if desired. In this case valid codes from the ASCED should be used as the value domain.

Source and reference attributes

Origin:	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED) 2001. Cat. no. 1272.0. Canberra: ABS. Reference through: http://www.abs.gov.au/Ausstats/abs@.nsf/StatsLibrary

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:
The recommended question wording for this metadata item is as follows:

'What is the highest level of education you/the person/(name) has completed?' (Mark one box only).

The focus of the item is completed education so if the client is in Year 11, then the category Junior Secondary Education (Year 10) should be marked as the highest level of education completed.

Primary School Education includes school up to Years 6 in New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory; and up to Year 7 in Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

CODES 1 - 7

The levels should be listed as set out in the value domain above (Codes 1-7 only).

CODE 9   Not stated/inadequately described

This code is not for use on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:
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