

Person—age

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	290402
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 04/05/2005 Community Services (retired) , Standard 04/05/2005 Housing assistance , Standard 17/06/2005 Early Childhood , Standard 21/05/2010 WA Health , Standard 06/03/2014 Indigenous , Standard 13/03/2015 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016 Tasmanian Health , Standard 05/09/2016 Children and Families , Standard 22/11/2016
Definition:	The age of the person.
Context:	Age is a core data element in a wide range of social, labour and demographic statistics.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	Person
METEOR identifier:	268955
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 01/03/2005 Community Services (retired) , Standard 01/03/2005 Housing assistance , Standard 01/03/2005 Early Childhood , Standard 21/05/2010 Homelessness , Standard 23/08/2010 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority , Standard 01/11/2012 WA Health , Standard 06/03/2014 Indigenous , Standard 11/08/2014 Disability , Standard 07/10/2014 Commonwealth Department of Health , Standard 14/10/2015 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016 Tasmanian Health , Standard 31/08/2016 Children and Families , Standard 22/11/2016 Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired) , Standard 20/06/2018 Youth Justice , Standard 15/02/2022
Definition:	A human being.

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the <i>Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender</i> and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) <i>Standard for Sex and Gender Variables</i> , which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd

Reference documents: Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, <https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx>

ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, <http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument>

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Age](#)

METEOR identifier: 269152

Registration status: [Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/03/2005
[Health!](#), Standard 04/05/2005
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 04/05/2005
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 21/05/2010
[WA Health](#), Standard 06/03/2014
[Indigenous](#), Standard 13/03/2015
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 05/09/2016
[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016

Definition: The length of life or existence.

Property group: [Physical characteristics](#)

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Data element concept attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—age \(community services\)](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 04/05/2005

**Data Elements
implementing this Data
Element Concept:**

[Person—age \(community services\), total years N\[NN\]](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 30/09/2005

[Person—age, total months N\[N\]](#)
[Indigenous](#), Standard 14/07/2021

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)
[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 29/04/2006
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 21/05/2010
[Health!](#), Standard 08/02/2006
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 10/02/2006
[Indigenous](#), Standard 13/03/2015
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 05/09/2016
[WA Health](#), Standard 04/03/2014

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 08/02/2006