Person—effective communication indicator, code N

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# Person—effective communication indicator, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Effective communication indicator |
| METEOR identifier: | 345049 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 29/02/2016 |
| Definition: | Whether a person is able to communicate more than just basic needs to unfamiliar people, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—effective communication indicator](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345058) |
| Value Domain: | [Effective communication indicator code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345052) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Effective communication |
|  | 2 | Little or no effective communication |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1   Effective communication  Ability to communicate more than just basic needs, to unfamiliar people.  CODE 2   Little or no effective communication  Little or no ability to communicate more than just basic needs, to unfamiliar people.  This item is not applicable to young children aged 0-4 years. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes | |
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| Submitting organisation: | CSTDA NMDS Network. |
| Reference documents: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2006. Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set collection: data guide—data items and definitions 2006–07. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person—effective communication indicator, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/621350)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 29/02/2016  See also [Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 07/10/2014 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS - 1 July 2006](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/317350)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 14/12/2008  ***DSS specific information:*** This item is used in conjunction with Communication method.  [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS (July 2008)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/372123)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 11/11/2009  ***DSS specific information:*** This item is used in conjunction with Communication method.  [Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/386485)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***DSS specific information:*** This item is used in conjunction with Communication method.  [Disability Services NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/428708)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***DSS specific information:*** This item is used in conjunction with Communication method.  [Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/461636)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 13/03/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***DSS specific information:*** This item is used in conjunction with Communication method.  [Disability Services NMDS 2012-14](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/461640)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 13/03/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014 ***DSS specific information:***  This item is used in conjunction with 'Communication method'.  In the DS NMDS, the method of communication along with how effective it is are collected in one question using the following codes:  1   Spoken language (effective)  2   Sign language (effective)  3   Other effective non-spoken communication (e.g. Canon Communicator, Compic)  4   Little, or no effective communication  5   Child aged under 5 years (not applicable)  If the communication method varies over time and it is difficult to say what the usual method is, please report the most effective method during the reference week.    [Disability Services NMDS 2014-15](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/569749)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 29/02/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2014 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2015 ***DSS specific information:***  This item is used in conjunction with 'Communication method'.  In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), the method of communication along with how effective it is are collected in one question using the following codes:  1   Spoken language (effective)  2   Sign language (effective)  3   Other effective non-spoken communication (e.g. Canon Communicator, Compic)  4   Little, or no effective communication  5   Child aged under 5 years (not applicable)  If the communication method varies over time and it is difficult to say what the usual method is, please report the most effective method during the reference week. |