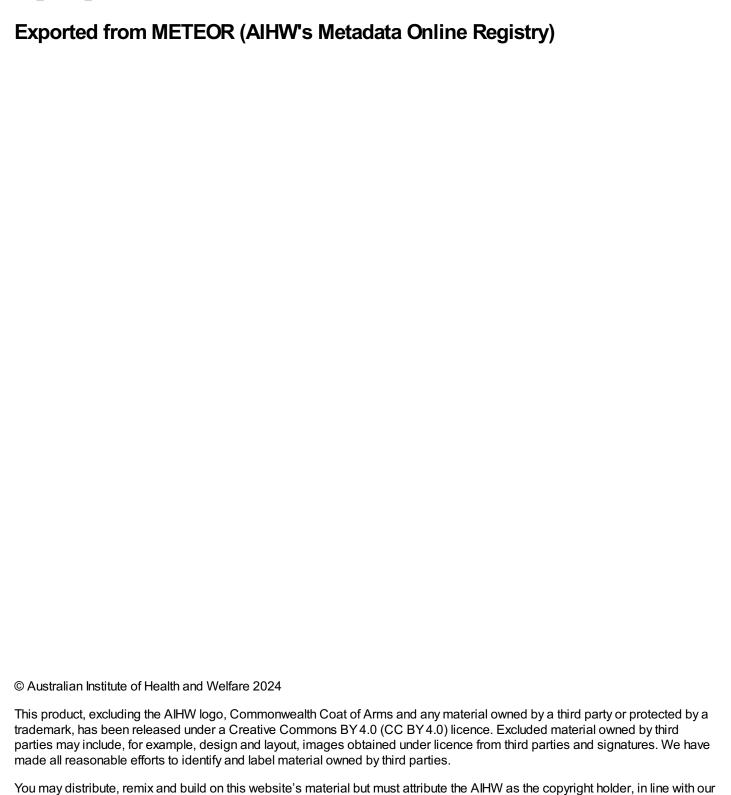
Person—tobacco smoking start age, total years N[NN]



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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Tobacco smoking start age

METEOR identifier: 399292

Registration status: Health!, Superseded 19/11/2015

Definition: The age in years at which a person first started to smoke.

Data Element Concept: Person—tobacco smoking start age

Value Domain: <u>Total years N[NN]</u>

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NN]

Maximum character length: 3

Value Meaning

Supplementary values: 999 Unknown/not stated

Unit of measure: Year

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: In this data collection, cigarette includes manufactured cigarettes, roll-your-own

cigarettes, cigars, pipes and other tobacco products.

Comments: The 2007 National Drug Strategy Household Survey includes a question on the

age at which a person smoked their first full cigarette.

Questions on age first smoked full cigarette can provide some insight into the

pattern of drug use among younger children (DHFS 1996).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: AlHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2008. 2007 National Drug

Strategy Household Survey: first results. Drug Statistics Series number 20.Cat. no.

PHE 98. Canberra: AIHW

Reference documents: AIHW 2009. From corrections to community: a set of indicators of the health of

Australia's prisoners. Bulletin 75. Cat no. AUS 120. Canberra: AlHW.

DHFS (Commonwealth Department of Health and Family Services) 1996. National

Drug Strategy Household Survey: survey report 1995 Canberra: AGPS

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by Person—tobacco smoking start age, total years N[NN]

Health!, Standard 19/11/2015

Implementation in Data Set Smoking status cluster

Specifications:

Health!, Superseded 28/04/2016

Conditional obligation: Conditional on the person indicating that they have ever smoked a full cigarette.

DSS specific information:

In the Prisoner Health DSS 'tobacco smoking start age' refers to the age at which a person smoked their first full cigarette.

This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators includes the indicator: Mean age at which prison entrants smoked their first full cigarette.