Indigenous status code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	602545
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 19/11/2015
	Independent Hospital Pricing Authority, Qualified 23/11/2015
	Disability, Standard 29/02/2016
	Tasmanian Health, Standard 01/09/2016
	Housing assistance, Standard 30/08/2017
	Indigenous, Standard 16/10/2017
	Early Childhood, Standard 24/07/2018
	Homelessness, Standard 10/08/2018
	Children and Families, Standard 20/01/2021
	Youth Justice, Standard 15/02/2022
Definition:	A code set representing Indigenous status.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	**Meaning**
Permissible values:	1	Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin
	2	Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin
	3	Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin
	4	Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander origin
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This metadata item is based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) standard for Indigenous status. For detailed advice on its use and application please refer to the ABS website as indicated in the Reference documents.

The classification for Indigenous status has a hierarchical structure comprising two levels. There are four categories at the detailed level of the classification which are grouped into two categories at the broad level. There is one supplementary category for 'Not stated/inadequately described' responses. The classification is as follows:

Indigenous Australians:

- Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin.
- Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin.
- Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

Non-Indigenous Australians:

- Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander origin.

Not stated/inadequately described:

This category is not to be available as a valid answer to the questions but is intended for use:

- Primarily when importing data from other data collections that do not contain mappable data.
- Where the answer cannot be determined without clarification from the respondent (for example, 'No' and 'Yes, Aboriginal' are both selected).
- Where an answer was declined.
- Where the question was not able to be asked because the client was unable to communicate or a person who knows the client was not available.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2014. Indigenous Status Standard Version 1.5, Canberra. Viewed 29 September 2015, http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/a866861f12e106e0ca256a38002791fa/5609d66dcc94996eca257d6a000fb3fc!OpenDocument

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2010. National best practice guidelines for collecting Indigenous status in health data sets. Cat. no. IHW 29. Canberra: AIHW. Viewed 29 September 2015, http://www.aihw.gov.au/publication-detail/?id=6442468342.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Indigenous status code N](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021
[Community Services (retired)](#), Standard 01/03/2005
[Disability](#), Superseded 29/02/2016
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018
[Health!](#), Superseded 19/11/2015
[Homelessness](#), Superseded 10/08/2018
[Housing assistance](#), Superseded 30/08/2017
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 01/11/2012
[Indigenous](#), Standard 16/09/2014
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 01/09/2016
[WA Health](#), Standard 06/03/2014

Data elements implementing this value domain:

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)
[Children and Families](#), Standard 20/01/2021
[Disability](#), Standard 29/02/2016
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 24/07/2018
[Health!](#), Standard 19/11/2015
[Homelessness](#), Standard 10/08/2018
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 30/08/2017
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Qualified 23/11/2015
[Indigenous](#), Standard 16/10/2017
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 01/09/2016
[Youth Justice](#), Standard 15/02/2022

[Person—Indigenous status, code N](#)
[Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care](#), Standard 21/10/2019