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: | 621350 |
| Registration status: | [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 29/02/2016 |
| Definition: | An indicator of 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/621352) |
| 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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| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—effective communication indicator, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345049)  [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Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 29/02/2016  See also [Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)  [Community Services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: | [Disability Services NMDS 2015–16](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/617391)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 28/09/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2015 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016 ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)'.  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 2016–17](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/637867)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 15/12/2017  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2016 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2017 ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)'.  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, report the most effective method during the reference week.    [Disability Services NMDS 2017–18](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/664954)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Superseded 05/07/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018 ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)'.  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, report the most effective method during the reference week.    [Disability Services NMDS 2018–19](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/698074)  [Disability](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/18), Standard 05/07/2019  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2018 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2019 ***DSS specific information:***  In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element is used in conjunction with '[Person—communication method, code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/345093)'.  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, report the most effective method during the reference week. |