Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Level of psychiatric symptom severity (HoNOS 65+ score) |
| METEOR identifier: | 640065 |
| Registration status: | [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Recorded 04/08/2016  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 19/01/2018  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 25/01/2018 |
| Definition: | An assessment of the severity of a person's psychiatric symptoms, as represented by a HoNOS 65+ score-based code. |
| Context: | Psychiatric symptom severity, persons aged 65 years and over. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/539187) |
| Value Domain: | [Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/640062) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 0 | No problems within the period stated |
|  | 1 | Minor problem requiring no action |
|  | 2 | Mild problem but definitely present |
|  | 3 | Moderately severe problem |
|  | 4 | Severe to very severe problem |
| Supplementary values: | 8 | Unknown |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | CODE 8 Unknown  This code should be used for Health of the Nation Outcome Scale for elderly people (HoNOS 65+) values that are missing or recorded in the HoNOS 65+ tool as '9 - Unknown'.  The HoNOS 65+ is used to rate adult mental health service users. Together, the scales rate various aspects of mental and social health.  HoNOS 65+ is answered on an item-specific anchored 4-point scale with higher scores indicating more problems. Each scale is assigned a value of between 0 and 4, or 9 for unknown. The twelve scales are as follows:   * Behavioural disturbance * Non-accidental self injury * Problem drinking or drug use * Cognitive problems * Problems related to physical illness or disability * Problems associated with hallucinations and delusions * Problems associated with depressive symptoms * Other mental and behavioural problems * Problems with social or supportive relationships * Problems with activities of daily living * Overall problems with living conditions * Problems with work and leisure activities and the quality of the daytime environment.   The sum of the individual scores of each of the scales represents the total HoNOS 65+ score. The total HoNOS 65+ score ranges from 0 to 48, and represents the overall severity of an individual's psychiatric symptoms. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |

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| Reference documents: | Royal College of Psychiatrists 2017. Health of the Nation Outcome Scales (HoNOS). Viewed 18 January 2017,  <http://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/training/honos/whatishonos.aspx> |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/449363)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 28/02/2017  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 12/11/2015  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 19/01/2018  Has been superseded by [Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/676206)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 18/12/2019  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 06/05/2020  See also [Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Health of the Nation Outcome Scale score code N](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/641215)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 25/01/2018 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Activity based funding: Mental health care NBEDS 2017-18](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/639992)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 25/01/2018  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018 ***Conditional obligation:***  Reporting of the HoNOS 65+ at the start of the mental health phase of care is mandatory for patients in all settings.  Reporting of the HoNOS 65+ is not mandatory if mental health phase of care is reported as Assessment Only.  The HoNOS 65+ should only be reported for patients aged 65 years and over.  [Admitted subacute and non-acute hospital care NBEDS 2017-18](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/639479)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 25/01/2018  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Recorded 04/08/2016  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2017 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2018 ***Conditional obligation:***  Only the HoNOS65+ scores at admission are required to be reported.  Only required to be reported for episodes of admitted patient care with [Hospital service—care type, code N[N]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/584408) recorded as Code 5, Psychogeriatric care. |
| Implementation in Indicators: | [KPIs for Australian Public Mental Health Services: PI 01J – Change in consumer's clinical outcomes, 2017](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/663800)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 14/06/2017 |