

# Data Set Specification type - Data Set Specification

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This information is applicable to data set specifications only.

## Definition

Information on whether a data set specification is a national minimum data set, other data set specification or data element cluster.

## Obligation

Mandatory completion.

## Development rules

There are currently three forms of data set specification:

- National Minimum Data Set (NMDS), which reflects a national agreement to collect a consistent data set for a specified purpose;
- Data set specification (DSS); and
- Data element cluster

A data set specification must be agreed by relevant stakeholders for mandatory national reporting before it will be approved as a national minimum data set.