Health professional—principal role

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element Concept |
| METEOR identifier: | 269605 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | The principal role of a health professional is that in which the person usually works the most hours each week. |
| Context: | Health labour force |

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Object class: | [Health professional](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268985) |
| Definition: | A person whose primary employment role is to diagnose and treat physical and mental illnesses and conditions or recommend, administer, dispense and develop medications and treatment to promote or restore good health. |
| Specialisation of: | [Service/care provider](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/281114) |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Health professionals include medical practitioners, nursing professionals, dental practitioners, pharmacists, physiotherapists and podiatrists. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australia Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 1997. Australian Standard Classification of Occupations, 2nd ed. Cat. no. 1220.0. Canberra: ABS |

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Property: | [Principal role](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269351) |
| Definition: | A descriptor of the role to which the most time is devoted. |
| Property group: | [Labour characteristics](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/274650) |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

## Data element concept attributes

### Relational attributes

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| Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: | [Health professional—principal role, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270145)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 10/12/2009 |