

# Person—tobacco smoking status (last three months)

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element Concept
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	269775
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 21/09/2005
<b>Definition:</b>	Whether an individual has been a regular smoker (daily or weekly) of any tobacco material over the previous 3 months.
<b>Context:</b>	Public health, health care and clinical settings.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Person</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	A human being.

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Comments:</b>	Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the <i>Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender</i> and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) <i>Standard for Sex and Gender Variables</i> , which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.
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### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<b>Origin:</b>	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd
<b>Reference documents:</b>	Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, <a href="https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx">https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx</a>  ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, <a href="http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012&gt;Main+Features12016?OpenDocument">http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument</a>

## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Tobacco smoking status</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	An indicator of current and/or past tobacco smoking.
<b>Property group:</b>	<a href="#">Lifestyle characteristics</a>

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element concept attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** Smoking is the act of drawing into the mouth and puffing out the smoke of tobacco contained in a cigarette, cigar or pipe. Tobacco smoke contains a number of harmful substances including poisons, various irritant and carcinogenic compounds.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Person—regular tobacco smoking indicator Health](#), Standard 21/09/2005

**Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:** [Person—tobacco smoking status \(previous three months\), code N Health](#), Superseded 21/09/2005