Person—height

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	269792
Registration status:	Health, Standard 01/03/2005
	Tasmanian Health, Standard 20/12/2016
Definition:	The height of a person.
Context:	Public health and health care:

Stature is a major indicator of general body size and of bone length and of nutritional and health status of the individual and the community at large. It is important in screening for disease or malnutrition, and in the interpretation of weight (Lohman et al. 1988). Shortness is known to be a predictor of all cause mortality and coronary heart disease mortality in middle aged men (Marmot et al. 1984) and of less favourable gestational outcomes in women (Kramer 1988). Self-reported or parentally reported height for children and adolescents should be used cautiously if at all. It enables the calculation of body mass index which requires the measurement of height and weight (body mass) for adults.

Object Class attributes

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Object class:	Person
Definition:	A human being.

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	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 *Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender* and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) *Standard for Sex and Gender Variables*, which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Macquarie University 2003. *The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.* Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd
Reference documents:	Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelines ontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx
	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, http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012 Main+Features12016?OpenDocument

Property attributes

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<tr><td>Definition:</td><td>The standing height or recumbent length of a body.</td></tr>
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Data element concept attributes

Relational attributes

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

<u>Person—height (measured), total centimetres NN[N].N</u>
   <u>Health</u>, Standard 01/03/2005
   <u>Tasmanian Health</u>, Standard 15/11/2023

<u>Person—height (self-reported), total centimetres NN[N]</u>
   <u>Health</u>, Standard 01/03/2005
   <u>Tasmanian Health</u>, Standard 20/12/2016