Person—religious affiliation, code (ASCRG 1996) N[NNN]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Religious affiliation |
| METEOR identifier: | 269981 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 08/05/2006 |
| Definition: | The religious group to which a person belongs or adheres, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—religious affiliation](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269421) |
| Value Domain: | [Religious group code (ASCRG 1996) N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270576) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups 1996](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270545) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NNN] | |
| Maximum character length: | 4 | |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Comments: | A 2005 version of this classification has been released March 2006. |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | It is essential that where this question is asked, it be clearly marked as optional.  The following question is recommended.  Q1. What is your / the person's / (name)'s religion? (Answering this question is OPTIONAL.)  For example, Salvation Army, Hinduism, Judaism or Humanism.  If no religion, mark last option.  Catholic (not Eastern Churches)  Anglican (Church of England)  Uniting Church  Presbyterian  Greek Orthodox  Baptist  Lutheran  Islam  Buddhism  Other - please specify:. . . . . . .  No religion  While agencies are encouraged to use the recommended question described above, it is acknowledged that this is not always possible in practice. For example, where the data collection is a by-product of the provision of a health or community service, the information may be ascertained using different means. However, the recommended question should be used wherever practically possible. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person—religious affiliation, code (ASCRG 2005) N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/334326)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 07/11/2012  Is re-engineered from  [Religious affiliation, version 2, DE, NCSDD, NCSIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273937)  (18.1 KB)  *No registration status* |