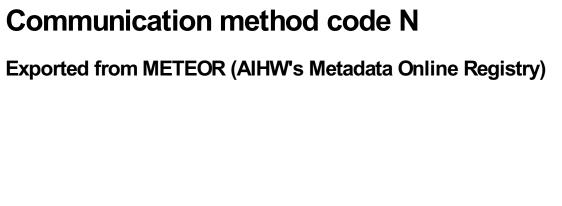
# Communication method code N



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# Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Value Domain

METEOR identifier: 270753

**Registration status:** Community Services (retired), Superseded 29/04/2006

**Definition:** A code set representing methods of communication.

## Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

Value Meaning

**Permissible values:** 0 Child aged under 5 years (not applicable)

1 Little, or no effective communication

2 Sign language

3 Other effective non-spoken communication (e.g. e-mail)

4 Spoken language (effective)

8 Other method of communication

**Supplementary values:** 9 Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** CODE 0 Child aged under 5 years (not applicable)

This metadata item is considered 'not applicable' to children under 5 because of the difficulty in assessing communication at early developmental stages. The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) in the Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers only asks questions about difficulty and assistance with communication for people aged 5 years and older. Hence, children aged 0-4 years should be coded as '0'.

#### Source and reference attributes

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 1999, Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary of

Findings, Australia, 1998, Cat. no. 4430.0, ABS, Canberra.

#### Relational attributes

**Related metadata** Has been superseded by <u>Communication method code N</u> **references:** <u>Community Services (retired),</u> Superseded 27/04/2007

**Data elements** Person—communication method, code N

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