



question will be the year of their only arrival in Australia. However, some respondents may have multiple arrivals in Australia. To deal with these cases in self-enumerated collections, an instruction such as 'Please indicate the year of first arrival only' should be included with the question.

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.

Related metadata: supersedes previous data element Year of arrival in Australia version 1

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### *Administrative Attributes*

Source Document: The ABS standard for the collection of Year of arrival in Australia appears on the ABS Website. From the ABS Home page ([www.abs.gov.au](http://www.abs.gov.au)) select: About Statistics/About Statistical Collections (Concepts & Classifications)/Other ABS Statistical Standards/Standards for Social, Labour and Demographic Variables/Cultural Diversity Variable.

Source Organisation: Australian Bureau of Statistics.

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### *Data Element Links*

#### *Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element*

NCSIM Social-cultural characteristic

#### *Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

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