
Estimated date flag

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NCSDD
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Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT
Registration Authority: NCSIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED
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Definition: An indication of whether any component of a reported date was estimated.

Context: Provision of a date is often a mandatory requirement in data collections. However, at times, the actual date or part thereof is not known (eg date of birth or date of injury). This data element is designed to flag that part or parts of a date have been estimated (ie. a date provided is based on an approximation of the date in question rather than reporting of the actual date). This data element may assist with record linkage processes (for example when the date of birth is a component of the linkage key). Reporting that a date is estimated makes it possible to reduce underestimation of total service user numbers and overestimation of service users' ages.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout: N
Minimum Size: 1
Maximum Size: 1

Data Domain: 1	Estimated
2	Not estimated

Guide For Use: .

Collection Methods: This data element should be reported in conjunction with a reported date when any part of the date represents an estimate rather than the actual or known date.

Related metadata: relates to the data element concept Record linkage version 2

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Community Services Data Committee
Standards Australia

Comments: .

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NCSIM Agency role

Data Agreements which include this Data Element
