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# Participation satisfaction level

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

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Definition: A person's level of satisfaction with their participation in an area of life, in relation to their current life goals. Participation restrictions are problems an individual may experience in involvement in life situations.

Context: The individual's experience of life situations may be described by this data element in conjunction with 'Activities and participation domains' and 'Participation extent'.  
This data element may contribute to the definition of disability and give an indication of the experience of disability from a personal perspective.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

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

Data Domain: 1	High satisfaction with participation
2	Moderate satisfaction with participation
3	Moderate dissatisfaction with participation
4	Extreme dissatisfaction with participation
5	No participation
6	No participation and none desired
8	Not applicable
9	Not stated/inadequately described

Guide For Use: This data element gives a rating of the person's degree of satisfaction with participation in a domain of life, in relation to

their current life goals. Choice and autonomy are key aspects of satisfaction and quality of life for all people. Satisfaction with participation may also be affected by duration, frequency, manner or outcome of participation. Duration and frequency may be less than or more than desired by the individual.

Code 1 High satisfaction with participation, is recorded if a person is involved in the specified life situation as he or she wishes, to fulfil his or her current life goals in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome.

Code 2 Moderate satisfaction with participation, is recorded if the person is reasonably satisfied with their participation in this life situation, in terms of duration, frequency, manner and outcome. This could occur if one of the criteria (duration, frequency, manner or outcome) is not fulfilled and that criterion is not critical to the person's goals. For example, the person does not participate in the specified life situation as frequently as wished, but the other criteria are met and the frequency is not so affected that it is critical to the person's satisfaction.

Code 3 Moderate dissatisfaction with participation, is recorded if two or three criteria (duration, frequency, manner or outcome) are not fulfilled, but are not so badly affected, in relation to the person's goals in that life area, that the person is extremely dissatisfied. For example, a person is able to participate in work, but is placed in supported employment rather than employment in the open labour market. This is not in line with the person's goals, so that the manner and outcome of the participation are not fulfilled.

Code 4 Extreme dissatisfaction with participation, is recorded when all criteria (duration, frequency, manner and outcome) are not fulfilled for the specified life situation, or where any of the criteria are so badly affected in relation to the person's goals that they consider themselves to be extremely dissatisfied with this life area. An example of the latter would arise when a person is extremely dissatisfied with participation in interpersonal activities because his/her goal in terms of duration of social visits is never fulfilled, although other criteria (frequency and manner) may be fulfilled.

Code 5 No participation, is recorded when the person does not participate in this life situation in line with his or her own goals, i.e. in an area where they wish to participate.

Code 6 No participation and none desired, is recorded when the person does not participate in this area, but does not wish to do so.

Code 8 Not applicable, is recorded when participation in a life situation is not relevant, such as employment for an infant.

