
Religious affiliation

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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Registration Authority: NCSIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED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: The religious group to which a person belongs or adheres.
Context: Service provision:
In some circumstances this item can allow agencies to deliver more culturally relevant services to some clients. It also provides a useful indicator of aspects of cultural diversity.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: CODE
Representation layout: NNNN
Minimum Size: 1
Maximum Size: 4
Data Domain: 1 Buddhism
 2 Christianity
 3 Hinduism
 4 Islam
 5 Judaism
 6 Other religions
 7 No religion
 9 Not stated/ inadequately described

Guide For Use: Wherever possible, data should be collected, classified and stored at the base or most detailed level of the classification. This allows the greatest flexibility for the output of data, enables more detailed and complex analyses, facilitates comparisons with previous data using different classifications, and preserves information that may prove historically useful.
Responses provided in statistical and administrative collections

