

Person—date of death

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
Synonymous names:	Date of death
METEOR identifier:	287299
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 30/09/2005 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Health , Superseded 05/10/2016 WA Health , Standard 19/03/2015
Definition:	The date of death of the person.
Context:	Required for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• statistical survival analysis for derivation of the length of time between diagnosis with primary cancer and death• where it is necessary to identify that a person has died (e.g. in a longitudinal health record or provider index).

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	Person
Definition:	A human being.

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the <i>Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender</i> and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) <i>Standard for Sex and Gender Variables</i> , which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd
Reference documents:	Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property: [Date of death](#)
Definition: The date on which an individual died.
Property group: [Demographic/social/cultural characteristics](#)

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element concept attributes

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Person—date of death](#)
[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023
[Commonwealth Department of Social Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 20/06/2018
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 03/05/2021

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: [Person—date of death, DDMMYYYY](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/09/2005
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016
[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015