Date—estimate indicator, code N

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# Date—estimate indicator, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Date estimate indicator |
| Synonymous names: | Date estimate flag, Birth date estimate flag, Estimate indicator, Date accuracy flag |
| METEOR identifier: | 329314 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007 |
| Definition: | An indicator of whether any component of a reported date was estimated. |
| Context: | Record linkage and statistical linkage key. |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Date—estimate indicator](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/329304) |
| METEOR identifier: | 329304 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 26/05/2021  [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/24), Recorded 09/08/2023 |
| Definition: | An indication of whether any component of a reported date was estimated. |
| Object class: | [Date](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/294409) |
| Property: | [Estimate indicator](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/306544) |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [Estimate code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/329307) |
| METEOR identifier: | 329307 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 26/05/2021  [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/24), Recorded 09/08/2023 |
| Definition: | A code set representing whether a unit of data was estimated or not. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Estimated |
|  | 2 | Not estimated |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | This data element may be reported in conjunction with the date of birth when any part of the date represents an estimate rather than the actual or known date. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | NCSIMG Children Services Data Working Group  CSTDA NMDS Network. |
| Origin: | National Community Services Data Dictionary V3, 2004. |
| Reference documents: | Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set (CSTDA NMDS) collection. Data Guide: data items and definitions 2006-07. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Date—estimate indicator, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/742390)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 26/05/2021  See also [Person—date of birth, DDMMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/287007)  [Aged Care](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/19), Standard 30/06/2023  [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/24), Recorded 09/08/2023  [Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/23), Standard 30/08/2022  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 22/11/2016  [Commonwealth Department of Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/10), Retired 19/08/2023  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 25/08/2005  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 07/10/2014  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 21/05/2010  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 04/05/2005  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 23/08/2010  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 20/06/2005  [Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 01/11/2012  [Indigenous](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/6), Standard 11/08/2014  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 31/08/2016  [WA Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/2), Standard 19/03/2015  [Youth Justice](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/4), Standard 15/02/2022  See also [Person—date of birth, MMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/743728)  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 06/05/2021  See also [Person—date of birth, MMYYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/375191)  [Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/7), Standard 20/06/2018  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 10/12/2009  [National Health Performance Authority (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/8), Retired 01/07/2016  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 06/05/2021  See also [Person—date of birth, YYYY](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/743726)  [Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/23), Recorded 27/10/2022  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Recorded 16/07/2024  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Standard 06/05/2021  See also [Record—linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/349895)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 21/05/2010  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 07/10/2014  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 21/05/2010  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 25/01/2018  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 10/08/2018  [Housing assistance](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/11), Standard 23/08/2010  See also [Record—linkage key, code 581 XXXXXDDMMYYYYX](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/686241)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 25/01/2018  [Homelessness](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 10/08/2018 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Child protection and support services (CPSS) client cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/355790)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 30/04/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 22/06/2007  [Child protection and support services (CPSS) client DSS Pilot (2010)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/433689)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Recorded 19/08/2011  ***Conditional obligation:*** Only applicable if date of birth or date of death are uncertain. ***DSS specific information:*** The date estimate indicator is applied to both the date of birth and the date of death (if applicable).  [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS - 1 July 2006](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/317350)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 14/12/2008  ***DSS specific information:*** If the service user's date of birth has been entered as 01/01, because the exact date of birth was not known, then the date estimate flag box should be ticked.  [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS (July 2008)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/372123)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 11/11/2009  ***DSS specific information:*** If the service user's date of birth has been entered as 01/01, because the exact date of birth was not known, then the date estimate flag box should be ticked.  [Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/386485)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***DSS specific information:*** If the service user's date of birth has been entered as 01/01, because the exact date of birth was not known, then the date estimate flag box should be ticked.  [Disability Services NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/428708)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***DSS specific information:*** If the service user's date of birth has been entered as 01/01, because the exact date of birth was not known, then the date estimate flag box should be ticked.  [Disability Services NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/461636)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 13/03/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***DSS specific information:*** If the service user's date of birth has been entered as 01/01, because the exact date of birth was not known, then the date estimate flag box should be ticked.  [Home and Community Care MDS 2009](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/379878)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Recorded 16/11/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 11/05/2006 |