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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Provider occupation category (self-identified) (ANZSCO 1st edition) |
| Synonymous names: | Health care provider field of practice |
| METEOR identifier: | 350896 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 01/10/2013  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/10/2016 |
| Definition: | A health care occupation that an individual provider identifies as being one in which they provide a significant amount of services, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Individual service provider—occupation (self-identified)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/289043) |
| Value Domain: | [Occupation code (ANZSCO 1st edition) N[NNN]{NN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/350888) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [Australian and New Zealand Standard Classification of Occupations, First edition, 2006](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/350882) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NNN]{NN} | |
| Maximum character length: | 6 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The following is a list of the more common health care occupations, however, it is not intended to represent all the possible health care occupations:  Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker (ANZSCO code 411511)  Acupuncturist (ANZSCO code 252211)  Aged or disabled carer (ANZSCO code 423111)  Ambulance officer (ANZSCO code 411111)  Anaesthetist (ANZSCO code 253211)  Audiologist (ANZSCO code 252711)  Chiropractor (ANZSCO code 252111)  Clinical psychologist (ANZSCO code 272311)  Complementary Health Therapists n.e.c. (ANZSCO code 252299)  Dental assistant (ANZSCO code 423211)  Dental hygienist (ANZSCO code 411211)  Dental specialist (ANZSCO code 252311)  Dental technician (ANZSCO code 411213)  Dental therapist (ANZSCO code 411214)  Dentist (ANZSCO code 252312)  Dermatologist(ANZSCO code 253911)  Dietician (ANZSCO code 251111)  Drug and Alcohol Counsellor (ANZSCO code 272112)  Enrolled nurse (ANZSCO code 411411)  General medical practitioner (ANZSCO code 253111)  Health professionals (ANZSCO code 25)  Hospital pharmacist (ANZSCO code 251511)  Intensive care ambulance paramedic (AUS) / ambulance paramedic (NZ) (ANZSCO code 411112)  Massage therapist (ANZSCO code 411611)  Medical diagnostic radiographer (ANZSCO code 251211)  Medical practitioners n.e.c. (ANZSCO code 253999)  Medical radiation therapist (ANZSCO code 251212)  Midwife (ANZSCO code 254111)  Naturopath (ANZSCO code 252213)  Nuclear medicine technologist (ANZSCO code 251213)  Nurse educator (ANZSCO code 254211)  Nurse manager (ANZSCO code 254311)  Nurse practitioner (ANZSCO code 254411)  Nurse researcher (ANZSCO code 254212)  Nursing assistant support worker (ANZSCO code 423312)  Occupational therapist (ANZSCO code 252411)  Ophthalmologist (ANZSCO code 253914)  Optometrist (ANZSCO code 251411)  Orthoptist (ANZSCO code 251412)  Orthotist or Prosthetist (ANZSCO code 251912)  Osteopath (ANZSCO code 252112)  Paediatrician (ANZSCO code 253321)  Pathologist (ANZSCO code 253915)  Physiotherapist (ANZSCO code 252511)  Podiatrist (ANZSCO code 252611)  Psychiatrist (ANZSCO code 253411)  Psychologists n.e.c. (ANZSCO code 272399)  Radiologist (ANZSCO code 253916)  Registered nurse (developmental disability)(ANZSCO code 254416)  Registered nurse (mental health)(ANZSCO code 254422)  Registered Nurses n.e.c. (ANZSCO code 254499)  Rehabilitation counsellor (ANZSCO code 272114)  Retail pharmacist (ANZSCO code 251513)  Social worker (ANZSCO code 272511)  Sonographer (ANZSCO code 251214)  Specialist physician (general medicine) (ANZSCO code 253311)  Speech pathologist (AUS) / speech language therapist (NZ) (ANZSCO code 252712)  Surgeon (general) (ANZSCO code 253511)  Therapy aide (ANZSCO code 423314) |
| Collection methods: | Data is collected at the time a health care provider identification record is created.  Multiple instances of health care occupation may be collected where the individual provides a significant amount of services in more than one category. For example, a dentist who is also a medical practitioner may practice as both.  Record as many as apply.  Accurate data are best achieved using computer assisted coding. A computer assisted coding system is available from the ABS to assist in coding occupational data to ANZSCO codes.  Data coded at the 4-digit and 6-digit level will provide more detailed information than that collected at the higher levels and may be more useful. However, the level at which data are coded and reported will depend on the purpose of collecting this information. |
| Comments: | ANZSCO defines ‘occupation’ as ‘a set of jobs with similar sets of tasks’. Operationally this is defined as ‘a collection of jobs which are sufficiently similar in their main tasks to be grouped together for purposes of the classification’. Job is defined as ‘a set of tasks designed to be performed by one individual for a wage or salary’. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia. |
| Reference documents: | AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2006, Sydney: Standards Australia. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Individual service provider—occupation (self-identified), code (ASCO 2nd edn) N[NNN]{-NN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/289047)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 27/03/2007  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/10/2016  Has been superseded by [Individual service provider—occupation (self-identified), code (ANZSCO 2013 Version 1.2) N[NNN]{NN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/571000)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 01/10/2013  Has been superseded by [Individual service provider—occupation, code (ANZSCO 2013 Version 1.2) N[NNN]{NN}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/523811)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 05/10/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Health care provider identification DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/356020)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 03/12/2008  [Health care provider identification DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/374199)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 20/03/2013 |