

Person—highest year of school completed, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Highest year of school completed
Synonymous names:	Highest level of schooling completed
METEOR identifier:	375998
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/02/2012 Health , Superseded 28/04/2016
Definition:	The highest level of schooling that a person has completed, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—highest year of school completed
Value Domain:	Highest year of school completed code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Year 12
	2	Year 11
	3	Year 10
	4	Year 9
	5	Year 8 or below
	6	No schooling
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Highest level of schooling includes study at a secondary education level which might, for example, be undertaken at a Technical and Further Education (TAFE) institution (ABS, 2002). Record the code for the highest year of schooling completed, regardless of the institution or location where that study took place. If a year of schooling had been commenced but not completed, the code for the year below should be used. Only one option may be selected.
Comments:	This metadata item maps to the Australian Bureau of Statistics standard 'Highest year of school completed'.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2002. Education variables. ABS cat. no. 1246.0.
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Person—highest year of school completed, code N Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Prison dischargee DSS](#)
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DSS specific information: This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison entrants by highest level of completed education.