

Registered health professional—labour force status, registered health professional code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Employment status—health professional
METEOR identifier:	383389
Registration status:	Health , Standard 10/12/2009
Definition:	An indicator of whether a registered health professional is in paid employment, and if so whether the employment is within their registered profession.
Data Element Concept:	Registered health professional—labour force status
Value Domain:	Labour force status of registered health professional code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Employed in the registered profession
	2	Employed outside the registered profession
	3	Not employed
Supplementary values:	9	Unknown/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1 EMPLOYED IN THE REGISTERED PROFESSION**

Health professionals employed in the registered profession may be working in Australia or they may be working overseas.

CODE 2 EMPLOYED OUTSIDE OF THE REGISTERED PROFESSION

Health professionals who are employed in Australia or overseas, but not in the registered profession.

CODE 3 NOT EMPLOYED

Health professionals in this category may be unemployed (not employed and seeking work) or not in the labour force (not employed and not seeking work). This is consistent with the ABS Labour Force standard which allows the aggregation of 'Unemployed' and 'Not in the labour force' to form the category 'Not employed'.

FURTHER DEFINITIONS

The term 'employed' includes employees, employers, own account workers and contributing family workers.

The definitions of employed and unemployed in this data element differ slightly from Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) definitions. The main differences are:

- The labour force collection includes health professionals working in the Defence Forces. ABS does not, with the exception of the population census.
- ABS uses a tightly defined reference period for employment and unemployment; the labour force collection reference period is self-defined by the respondent as his/her usual status during the week before registration.
- The scope of the labour force collection is all health professionals listed by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency, regardless of their residential status in Australia. The scope of the ABS Labour Force Survey is usual residents of Australia. That is, those persons who will be living in Australia for at least 12 months.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

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Guide for use: Data is self-reported based on the health professional's status in the registered profession in the week before registration.

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Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 1996 Standards for Labour Force Statistics Cat. no. 1288.0 Canberra: ABS

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Health professional—labour force status, code N{.N}](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 10/12/2009

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Labour force status cluster](#)
[Health](#), Standard 10/12/2009

