

Person—age at onset of disability, total years N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Age at onset of disability
Synonymous names:	Onset of disability
METEOR identifier:	490104
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 10/04/2013 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	The age at which a person first experiences an impairment, activity limitation or participation restriction, represented as total years.
Context:	The onset of disability may indicate a current or future need for assistance.
Data Element Concept:	Person—age at onset of disability
Value Domain:	Total years N[NN]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[NN]	
Maximum character length:	3	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	999	Unknown/not stated
Unit of measure:	Year	

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	This data element relates to the age of onset of an impairment, activity limitation or participation restriction (including present at birth), which may be different from the age that a person needs assistance because of that impairment, limitation, or restriction. The onset of disability may be later than the first appearance of a health condition that eventually results in disability.
Collection methods:	Count age in completed years. If onset of disability occurs before the second birthday, record age in months (see the data element Person—age at onset of disability, total months N[N]).

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	Disability and need for assistance cluster Community Services (retired) , Standard 10/04/2013 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015
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