

Person—religious affiliation, code (ASCRG 2011) N[NNN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Religious affiliation
METEOR identifier:	493242
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 30/09/2012 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Tasmanian Health , Standard 01/09/2016
Definition:	The religious group to which a person belongs or adheres, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Person—religious affiliation
METEOR identifier:	269421
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 01/03/2005 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Tasmanian Health , Standard 01/09/2016
Definition:	The religious group to which a person belongs or adheres.
Context:	In some circumstances this item can allow agencies to provide more culturally relevant services to some clients. It also provides a useful indicator of aspects of cultural diversity.
Object class:	Person
Property:	Religious affiliation

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Religious group code (ASCRG 2011) N[NNN]
METEOR identifier:	493240
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 07/11/2012 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Tasmanian Health , Standard 01/09/2016
Definition:	The ASCRG (2011) code set representing religious groups.

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	Australian Standard Classification of Religious Groups 2011
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NNN]
Maximum character length:	4

Value	Meaning
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Permissible values:

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: It is essential that where this question is asked, it be clearly marked as optional.

The following question is recommended.

Q1. What is your / the person's / (name)'s religion? (Answering this question is OPTIONAL.)

For example, Salvation Army, Hinduism, Judaism or Humanism.

If no religion, mark last option.

Catholic (not Eastern Churches)

Anglican (Church of England)

Uniting Church

Presbyterian

Buddhism

Greek Orthodox

Islam

Baptist

Lutheran

Other - please specify: . . .

No religion

While agencies are encouraged to use the recommended question described above, it is acknowledged that this is not always possible in practice. For example, where the data collection is a by-product of the provision of a health or community service, the information may be ascertained using different means. However, the recommended question should be used wherever practically possible.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—religious affiliation, code \(ASCRG 2005\) N\[NNN\] Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 07/11/2012

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Cultural and language diversity cluster](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 10/04/2013
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Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

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