Person—source of death notification, code X[X]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Source of death notification |
| METEOR identifier: | 521245 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 05/10/2016 |
| Definition: | The source of death information relating to the date of a person's death, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—source of death notification](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/521241)  |
| Value Domain: | [Source of death notification code X[X]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/521243) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | X[X] |
| Maximum character length: | 2 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Official death certificate or death register |
|   | 2 | Health care provider |
|   | 3 | Relative |
|   | 4 | Re-instated |
|   | 88 | Other |
| Supplementary values: | 98  | Unknown  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Comments: | The code set described in this value domain aligns with the relevant data element in AS 4846:2014 but is not identical to it. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Reference documents: | Standards Australia 2014. AS 4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Sydney: Standards Australia. |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Alternative codes:D    Official death certificate or death registerP    Healthcare providerR    RelativeX    Re-instatedO    OtherU    UnknownThis data element should always be used in conjunction with a date of death.Source of death notification is required in cases where the date of death is recorded to indicate the likely certainty of the death notification.CODE 1    Official death certificate or death registerDirectly from a death certificate or indirectly from an official State/Territory register of deaths. This includes where the health care provider has signed the death certificate.CODE 2     Health care providerIncludes verbal notification, written in a medical record or other documentation other than the official death certificate.CODE 3    RelativeDeath is highly likely to be certain, but cases of inaccurate reporting of death by relatives have been known and should not be considered equal in certainty to the health care provider as a source of death information.CODE 4     Re-instatedSee the Collection methods section.CODE 88     OtherDeath is identified through newspapers or other sources. These should be considered the least reliable sources of death notification. Many health care organisations do not accept this level of notification.CODE 98     UnknownThe source of information about the subject’s death is not known. This is the least reliable source of death notification. |
| Collection methods: | Any software system dealing with identification of individuals shall have the capacity to re-instate or reverse the notification of death. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Reference documents: | Standards Australia 2014. AS 4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Sydney: Standards Australia. |
| Relational attributes |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Individual demographic identifiers cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/528542)       [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 05/10/2016***Conditional obligation:*** A valid date of death must be present. |