Prison entrant—age at first detention, total years N[NN]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Age at first detention |
| Synonymous names: | Age at first incarceration |
| METEOR identifier: | 631923 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 28/04/2016 |
| Definition: | A prison entrant's age (in years) at the time of their first detention within a corrective services facility. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Prison entrant—age at first detention](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/376067) |
| Value Domain: | [Total years N[NN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/290412) |

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| 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 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Comments: | Individuals who experience detention at a younger age often experience multiple periods of detention (AIHW 2008). |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Reference documents: | AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) 2008. Juvenile justice in Australia 2006-07. Juvenile justice series no. 4. Cat no. JUV 4. Canberra:AIHW |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Prison entrant—age at first detention, total years NN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/376069)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/04/2016  Has been superseded by [Prison entrant—age at first detention, total years NN[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/697137)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Qualified 06/07/2023  See also [Incarceration history cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/627173)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 28/04/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Prison entrants NBEDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/482353)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 28/04/2016  ***Conditional obligation:***  Conditional on the prison entrant being previously detained in a prison or juvenile justice centre. |