

Person—gender, text X[X(99)]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Gender text |
| METEOR identifier: | 637351 |
| Registration status: | Health , Superseded 15/02/2022 |
| Definition: | The distinction between male, female, and other genders which are a combination of male and female, or neither male nor female, as represented by text. |
| Context: | Gender is an alternative to the commonly used sex metadata item. Gender may be used in a wide range of social, labour and demographic statistics where there is no requirement to collect the biological profile of a person. |
| Data Element Concept: | Person—gender |
| Value Domain: | Text X[X(99)] |

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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| Representation class: | Text |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | X[X(99)] |
| Maximum character length: | 100 |

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

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| Guide for use: | <p>This data element may be used where 'Other' has been selected in the data element: Person—gender, code X.</p> <p>This data element may be used to capture any further (optional) specification of gender descriptors. The inclusion of this write-in facility where the 'Other' code has been selected for Person—gender, code X allows respondents the opportunity to describe their gender using a term they are comfortable with, whilst also maximising the potential for analysis of the responses provided. For example, respondents could report terms such as 'gender diverse', 'non-binary', 'unspecified', 'trans', 'transgender', 'transsexual', 'gender queer', 'pan-gendered', 'androgynous' and 'inter-gender' for gender.</p> <p>Data element sets implementing this data element should include a Conditional obligation with the following text: 'Conditional on 'Other' response in the data element: Person—gender, code X'.</p> |
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Source and reference attributes

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| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | <p>Australian Bureau of Statistics 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables (Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012). Viewed 26 July 2016.</p> <p>Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016.</p> |

Relational attributes

**Related metadata
references:**

Has been superseded by [Person—gender, text X\[X\(99\)\]
Health](#), Standard 15/02/2022

See also [Person—gender, code X
Health](#), Superseded 15/02/2022