

# Person—date of death, DDMMYYYY

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Date of death
METEOR identifier:	646025
Registration status:	<a href="#">Australian Institute of Health and Welfare</a> , Recorded 30/10/2023 <a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 05/10/2016 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 03/05/2021
Definition:	The date upon which a person ceases to live, expressed as DDMMYYYY.
Context:	Required for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• statistical survival analysis for derivation of the length of time between diagnosis with primary cancer and death</li><li>• where it is necessary to identify that a person has died (e.g. in a longitudinal health record or provider index).</li></ul>

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	<a href="#">Person—date of death</a>
METEOR identifier:	646023
Registration status:	<a href="#">Australian Institute of Health and Welfare</a> , Recorded 30/10/2023 <a href="#">Commonwealth Department of Social Services (retired)</a> , Standard 20/06/2018 <a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 05/10/2016 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 03/05/2021
Definition:	The date upon which a person ceases to live.
Object class:	<a href="#">Person</a>
Property:	<a href="#">Date of death</a>

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	<a href="#">Date DDMMYYYY</a>
METEOR identifier:	270566

**Registration status:** [Aged Care](#), Standard 30/06/2023  
[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 09/08/2023  
[Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](#), Standard 30/08/2022  
[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016  
[Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Retired 19/10/2023  
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Disability](#), Standard 07/10/2014  
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 21/05/2010  
[Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Homelessness](#), Standard 23/08/2010  
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 01/03/2005  
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 31/10/2012  
[Indigenous](#), Standard 11/08/2014  
[National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 31/08/2016  
[WA Health](#), Standard 06/03/2014  
[Youth Justice](#), Standard 15/02/2022

**Definition:** The day of a particular month and year.

## Representational attributes

**Representation class:** Date  
**Data type:** Date/Time  
**Format:** DDMMYYYY  
**Maximum character length:** 8

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Recorded for persons who have died.

Where [Person—date of birth, DDMMYYYY](#) is collected, Date of death must be equal to or greater than Date of birth for the same person.

**Collection methods:** It is recommended that in cases where all components of the date of death are not known or where an estimate is arrived at from age, a valid date be used together with a flag to indicate that it is an estimate.

For record identification and/or the derivation of other metadata items that require accurate date of death information, estimated dates of death should be identified by a date accuracy indicator to prevent inappropriate use of date of death data. The linking of client records from diverse sources, the sharing of patient data, and data analysis for research and planning all rely heavily on the accuracy and integrity of the collected data. In order to maintain data integrity and the greatest possible accuracy an indication of the accuracy of the date collected is critical. The collection of [Date—accuracy indicator, code AAA](#) may be essential in confirming or refuting the positive identification of a person. For this reason it is strongly recommended that the [Date—accuracy indicator, code AAA](#) data element also be recorded at the time of record creation to flag the accuracy of the data.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Reference documents:** Standards Australia 2014: AS4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Standards Australia: Sydney.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Person—date of death, DDMMYYYY](#)  
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 30/09/2005  
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015  
[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016  
[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

See also [Person—date of death, DD](#)  
[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 01/02/2023

See also [Person—date of death, month M\[M\]](#)  
[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 02/02/2023

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Baby discharge data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 17/11/2023  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2023  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2025

[Dementia NBPDS](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2022  
**DSS specific information:**

Only to be answered if the person has died. This data element should be collected in conjunction with the [Date—accuracy indicator, code AAA](#) data element as an indicator of the accuracy of the components of a reported date.

[Individual demographic identifiers cluster](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016  
**Conditional obligation:**

Recorded for a person who has died.

[Mother discharge related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 17/11/2023  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2023  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2025

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2018–19](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2018  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2019  
**Conditional obligation:**

Only to be answered if the person has died.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2019–20](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 16/01/2020  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020  
**Conditional obligation:**

Only to be answered if the person has died.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2020–21](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2021  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2021  
**Conditional obligation:**

Only to be answered if the person has died.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2021–22](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2021  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2022

**Conditional obligation:**

Only to be answered if the person has died.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2022–23](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2022

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2023

**Conditional obligation:**

Only to be answered if the person has died.

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program NBEDS 2023–24](#)

[Health](#), Standard 09/12/2022

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2023

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2024

**Conditional obligation:**

Only to be answered if the person has died.

[National mortality database DSS 1964-1967](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 11/08/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/01/1964

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/1967

**DSS specific information:**

In the National Mortality Database, this data element is derived from the elements [Person—date of death, DD](#), [Person—date of death, month M\[M\]](#) and [Person—date of death, YYYY](#).

For some records, a date of death may be unknown (e.g., skeletal remains). Missing information is coded as follows for the different date components:

- If the day of death is not available, then the day is coded to 15.
- If the month of death is not available, then the month is coded to 07 'July.'
- If the year of death is not available, then it is calculated, if possible, from date of birth and age at death. Otherwise, year of death is coded to 9999.

[National mortality database DSS 1968-1977](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/01/1968

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/1977

**DSS specific information:**

In the National Mortality Database, this data element is derived from the elements [Person—date of death, DD](#), [Person—date of death, month M\[M\]](#) and [Person—date of death, YYYY](#).

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[National mortality database DSS 1978](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/01/1978

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/1978

**DSS specific information:**

In the National Mortality Database, this data element is derived from the elements [Person—date of death, DD](#), [Person—date of death, month M\[M\]](#) and [Person—date of death, YYYY](#).

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#### [National mortality database DSS 1979](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/01/1979

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/1979

#### **DSS specific information:**

In the National Mortality Database, this data element is derived from the elements [Person—date of death, DD](#), [Person—date of death, month M\[M\]](#) and [Person—date of death, YYYY](#).

For some records, a date of death may be unknown (e.g., skeletal remains). Missing information is coded as follows for the different date components:

- If the day of death is not available, then the day is coded to 15.
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- If the year of death is not available, then it is calculated, if possible, from date of birth and age at death. Otherwise, year of death is coded to 9999.

#### [Perinatal Mortality NBEDS 2024–25](#)

[Health](#), Qualified 12/09/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2024

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2025

#### **DSS specific information:**

This data element should be collected for the baby.

In the case of multiple births, this data element should be recorded for each perinatal death.

#### [Person related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 10/11/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2021

#### [Person related data elements \(TDLU\) cluster](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 10/11/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2023

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2025

#### **Conditional obligation:**

Only required when the person is deceased

#### [Tasmanian Perinatal Data Set - 2023](#)

[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 23/11/2023

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2023

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2024

#### **Implementation in Indicators:**

#### **Used as Numerator**

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.1.1—Incidence of heart attacks \(acute coronary events\), 2019](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 13/10/2021

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.1.1—Incidence of heart attacks \(acute coronary events\), 2020](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 07/09/2023

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.1.1—Incidence of heart attacks \(acute coronary events\), 2021](#)

[Health](#), Standard 07/09/2023

[National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 11-Colorectal cancer mortality rate](#)

[Health](#), Standard 06/09/2018

