

Prison dischargée NBEDS 2018

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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Scope: The Prison dischargee National Best Endeavours Data Set (NBEDS) defines data about all persons aged at least 18 who are going to be discharged from prison in the following 4 weeks from the date of data collection, during the National Prisoner Health Data Collection reporting period. This includes demographics, mental health, chronic diseases, alcohol and other drug use, use of prison clinics and services accessed in prison. The data are used to report against the National Prisoner Health Indicators, assist in monitoring the change in health of prison dischargees and inform prison health service planning and delivery.

In this collection, public and private prisons include those administered by Corrective Services departments, including correctional facilities and remand centres. Excluded from the collection are periodic detention centres, court and police cells, juvenile detention centres, immigration detention centres, secure psychiatric facilities, military prisons, home detention programs, and Australians held overseas.

Collection and usage attributes

Statistical unit: [Prison dischargee](#)

Guide for use: This NBEDS is a component of the Prisoner health NBEDS. Any data element that relates to events during prison only relates to the most recent imprisonment.

Collection methods: Information about the prison dischargee is collected by a health professional during a discharge clinic visit using the Prison Discharge form.

One discharge form should be completed for each person who is going to be discharged from the prison system in the following 4 weeks from the date of data collection, during the National Prisoner Health Data Collection reporting period, which runs for two weeks during different times of the year for different jurisdictions.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Prison dischargee NBEDS](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 29/05/2024

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[Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Prisoner health NBEDS 2018](#)
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Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

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1	<p>Prison—organisation identifier, NNN</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>1a. Correctional facility identifier.</p>	Mandatory	1
2	<p>Establishment—Australian state/territory identifier, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>1b. State or territory.</p>	Mandatory	1
3	<p>Person—person identifier, XXXXXX[X(14)]</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>2. Prisoner identifier (unique to prison).</p> <p>Within this data collection, person identifier refers to the prisoner identifier. The prisoner identifier is assigned by the Department of Corrective Services in each state and territory.</p>	Mandatory	1
4	<p>Person—letters of given and family name, text XXXXX</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>3. AIHW SLK Prisoner Code. For the 1st, 2nd and 3rd letters of the AIHW code please use the 2nd, 3rd and 5th letters of the person's family name. For the 4th and 5th letters use the 2nd and 3rd letters of the person's given name. See manual for more detail.</p>	Mandatory	1
5	<p>Prison dischargee—expected date of release, DDMMYYYY</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>4. Expected date of release.</p>	Mandatory	1
6	<p>Person—date of birth, prisoner health {DDMMYYYY};{N}</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>5. Date of birth.</p>	Mandatory	1

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7	Person—estimated age, total years NN	Conditional	1
	Conditional obligation:		
	Conditional on the date of birth being unknown.		
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	6. Estimated age in years. Complete only if date of birth is unknown.		
	The prisoner must be between 18 and 99 years of age.		
8	Person—country of birth, code (SACC 2016) NNNN	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	7. Country of birth.		
	In the Prison dischargee data collection, the 4 digit SACC codes will be mapped to:		
	Code 1 Australia		
	Code 2 Other (specify)		
	Code 9 Unknown		
	Where the country of birth is not Australia, the data element Person—country of birth, text X[X(99)] should be completed.		
9	Person—country of birth, text X[X(99)]	Conditional	1
	Conditional obligation:		
	Conditional on the country of birth being a country other than Australia.		
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	7. Country of birth.		

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10	<p>Person—main language other than English spoken at home, code (ASCL 2016) N[NNN]</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>8. Main language spoken at home.</p> <p>In the Prison dischargee data collection, the ASCL codes will be mapped to:</p> <p>Code 1 English</p> <p>Code 2 Other (specify)</p> <p>Code 9 Unknown</p> <p>Where the main language spoken at home is a language other than English, the data element Person—main language other than English spoken at home, text X[X(99)] should also be completed.</p>	Mandatory	1
11	<p>Person—main language other than English spoken at home, text X[X(99)]</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on the main language spoken at home being a language other than English.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>8. Main language spoken at home.</p>	Conditional	1
12	<p>Person—sex, code X</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>9a. Sex.</p> <p>In the Prison dischargee data collection, Sex will be mapped to:</p> <p>Code 1 Male</p> <p>Code 2 Female</p> <p>Code 9 Unknown</p> <p>Code 3 'Other' is not collected.</p>	Mandatory	1
13	<p>Person—transgender indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>9b. Transgender.</p>	Mandatory	1

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14	<p>Person—Indigenous status, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>10. Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?</p> <p>In the Prison dischargee data collection Indigenous status will be mapped to: Code 1 (No) maps to code 4 (Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander origin) in the Indigenous status data element.</p> <p>If the person is both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, code 2 and code 3 can be checked simultaneously.</p>	Mandatory	1
15	<p>Prison dischargee—length of time imprisoned, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>11. How long have you been in prison this time?</p> <p>For most recent imprisonment.</p>	Mandatory	1
16	<p>Prison dischargee—mode of contact with family, friends and/or elders, prisoner mode of contact code N</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargee-contact with family, friends, and/or elders indicator, yes/no code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>12. In the last four weeks, have you had contact with family, friends and/or elders?</p> <p>In the four weeks prior to the data collection.</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who in the last 4 weeks had contact with family, friends and/or elders.</p>	Conditional	3
17	<p>Psychological distress cluster</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>13. In the past four weeks, how often did you feel...?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees with high or very high level of psychological distress as measured by the Kessler-10 (K10) scale.</p>	Mandatory	1

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1	Person—type of psychological distress, code N[N]	Mandatory	10
2	Person—frequency of symptoms, code N	Mandatory	1
3	Person—level of psychological distress, K-10 score of psychological distress code N	Mandatory	1
18	Prison dischargee level of worry cluster	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	14. How worried are you about...?		
1	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to current imprisonment, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
2	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to upcoming release, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
3	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to family or relationships in the community, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
4	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to relationships in prison, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
5	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to mental health issues, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
6	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to physical health issues, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
7	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to alcohol, tobacco and other drug issues, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
8	Prison dischargee—level of worry related to other issues, a lot/a little/not at all/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
19	Person—self-harm indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	2
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following questions of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	15a. Prior to your current incarceration, have you ever intentionally harmed yourself?		
	15b. While in prison this time, did you intentionally harm yourself?		
	This item is collected once for self-harm prior to imprisonment, and once for self-harm while in prison.		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicators: Proportion of prison entrants who have ever intentionally harmed themselves and Proportion of prison dischargees who have intentionally harmed themselves in prison.		
	In the Prison dischargee NBEDS 2018 this element is collected twice, as follows:		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For persons who have ever intentionally harmed themselves prior to current incarceration. This corresponds to question 15a. of the dischargee form. 2. For persons who have intentionally harmed themselves during their most recent time in prison. This corresponds to question 15b. of the dischargee form. 		

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20	<p>Person—blow to the head indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>16a. While in prison this time, did you receive a head injury/blow to the head resulting in a loss of consciousness or blacking out? (e.g. sporting injury, king hit).</p>	Mandatory	1
21	<p>Person—blow to the head symptoms indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to Person—blow to the head indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>16b. Have you noticed any physical symptoms including headaches, or changes in your memory, behaviour or mood since that head injury?</p>	Conditional	1
22	<p>Person—blow to the head still experiencing symptoms indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to having received a Person—blow to the head symptoms indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>16c. Are you still experiencing these symptoms?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who have ongoing symptoms from a head injury/blow to the head resulting in a loss of consciousness while in prison.</p>	Conditional	1
23	<p>Person—physical assault indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>17a. While in prison this time, were you physically assaulted or attacked by another prisoner?</p> <p>For the most recent imprisonment.</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported being physically assaulted or attacked by another prisoner while in prison.</p>	Mandatory	1

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24	<p data-bbox="268 163 1117 190">Person—sexual assault indicator, yes/no/wish to not answer/unknown code N</p> <p data-bbox="300 230 609 257"><i>DSS specific information:</i></p> <p data-bbox="300 286 1066 347">This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p data-bbox="300 376 1082 436">17b. While in prison this time, were you forced or frightened by another prisoner into doing something sexually that you did not want to do?</p> <p data-bbox="300 465 683 492">For the most recent imprisonment.</p> <p data-bbox="300 521 1152 638">This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported being sexually assaulted by another prisoner while in prisoner.</p>	Mandatory	1
25	<p data-bbox="268 719 1117 779">Prison dischargee—accident or injury requiring a doctor or nurse indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p data-bbox="300 808 609 835"><i>DSS specific information:</i></p> <p data-bbox="300 864 1066 925">This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p data-bbox="300 954 1141 1014">17c. While in prison this time, did you have any accidents or injuries that you had to see a doctor or nurse about?</p> <p data-bbox="300 1043 683 1070">For the most recent imprisonment.</p> <p data-bbox="300 1099 1136 1216">This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who had to see a doctor or nurse due to an accident or injury while in prison.</p>	Mandatory	1
26	<p data-bbox="268 1279 1117 1305">Person—physical activity change, code N</p> <p data-bbox="300 1335 609 1361"><i>DSS specific information:</i></p> <p data-bbox="300 1391 1066 1451">This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p data-bbox="300 1480 1082 1507">18a. Compared to before you came to prison this time, are you now...?</p> <p data-bbox="300 1536 683 1563">For the most recent imprisonment.</p> <p data-bbox="300 1592 1136 1709">This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who report that while in prison their level of physical activity increased or stayed the same.</p>	Mandatory	1

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27	Person—weight change, code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 18b. Compared to before you came to prison this time, has your weight changed? For the most recent imprisonment. Only record overall weight change between the start and finish of imprisonment. This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who report that while in prison their weight increased or stayed the same while in prison.	Mandatory	1
28	Person—intentional weight gain indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 18c. While in prison this time, were you trying to gain weight? Intentional weight gain occurring in prison, for the most recent imprisonment.	Mandatory	1
29	Prison dischargee—tattoo indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 19a. While in prison this time, did you get a tattoo? Received during the most recent imprisonment. This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported receiving a tattoo while in prison.	Mandatory	1
30	Prison dischargee—piercing indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 19b. While in prison this time, did you get any body or ear piercings? Received during the most recent imprisonment. This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported receiving a body or ear piercing while in prison.	Mandatory	1

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31	<p>Person—substance used illicitly indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element is collected twice, once for prior to imprisonment and once for during the current imprisonment, and corresponds to the following questions of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>20a. Prior to your current incarceration, did you use illicit drugs?</p> <p>20b. While in prison this time did you use illicit drugs?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported using illicit drugs in prison.</p>	Mandatory	2
32	<p>Person—injecting drug use indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element is collected twice, once for prior to imprisonment and once for during the most recent imprisonment, and corresponds to the following questions of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>21a. Prior to your current incarceration, did you inject drugs?</p> <p>21b. While in prison this time, did you inject drugs?</p>	Mandatory	2
33	<p>Person—needle sharing frequency, prisoner health frequency code N</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to Person—injecting drug use indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>21c. While in prison this time, how often did you use a needle that had been used by someone else (even if it had been cleaned)?</p> <p>During most recent imprisonment.</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported using a needle that had been used by someone else while in prison.</p>	Conditional	1
34	<p>Opioid pharmacotherapy treatment program cluster (dischargee)</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following questions of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>22a. Have you ever been on a methadone program?</p> <p>22b. Have you ever been on a suboxone program?</p> <p>22c. Have you ever been on a naltrexone program?</p>	Mandatory	3

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1	Person—previous opioid pharmacotherapy treatment program indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	3
	<i>DSS specific information:</i>		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	25a. Have you ever been on a methadone program?		
	26a. Have you ever been on a buprenorphine-naloxone program?		
	27a. Have you ever been on a buprenorphine long-acting injection (LAI) program?		
	28a. Have you ever been on a buprenorphine program? (e.g., Subutex, Probuphine)		
	29a. Have you ever been on a naltrexone program?		
2	Person—current opioid pharmacotherapy treatment program indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	3
	<i>DSS specific information:</i>		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prisoners in custody who received medication for opioid dependence.		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	25b. Are you currently on a methadone program?		
	26b. Are you currently on a buprenorphine-naloxone program?		
	27b. Are you currently on a buprenorphine long-acting injection (LAI) program?		
	28b. Are you currently on a buprenorphine program?		
	29b. Are you currently on a naltrexone program?		

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3	Prison dischargée—opioid substitution program continuation on release indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N DSS specific information: This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison discharges on an opiate substitution program while in prison with a plan to continue after release. This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 25c. Do you plan to continue with this methadone program after release from prison? 26c. Do you plan to continue with this buprenorphine-naloxone program after release from prison? 27c. Do you plan to continue with this buprenorphine long-acting injection (LAI) program after release from prison? 28c. Do you plan to continue with this buprenorphine program after release from prison? 29c. Do you plan to continue with this naltrexone program after release from prison?	Mandatory	3
4	Person—type of opioid pharmacotherapy treatment, code N	Mandatory	3
35	Prison dischargée smoking status cluster	Mandatory	1
1	Person—current smoking status indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N DSS specific information: This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison discharges who currently smoke tobacco (in prisons allowing smoking). This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 23a. Do you currently smoke tobacco?	Mandatory	1
2	Prison dischargée—tobacco smoking status prior to imprisonment indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N DSS specific information: Prior to most recent imprisonment. This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison discharges who smoked tobacco on entry to prison. This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 23b. Did you smoke upon entry to prison this time?	Mandatory	1

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3	<p>Prison dischargee—change in tobacco consumption since imprisonment indicator, prisoner health more/less/the same/unknown code N</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a CODE 1 'Yes' response to Person—current smoking status indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>During most recent imprisonment.</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>23c. Compared with before you came to prison this time, how much do you smoke now?</p>	Conditional	1
4	<p>Smoking cessation program cluster</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a CODE 1 'Yes' response to Person—current smoking status indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>Data reported in this cluster corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>23d. While in prison this time, what assistance was available to help you quit smoking?</p>	Conditional	1
1	<p>Prison dischargee—assistance available to quit smoking, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>NB. In the 2018 Prison Dischargee Form the label 'Didn't want help' is mapped to CODE 5 'None.'</p>	Mandatory	5
2	<p>Prison dischargee—assistance used to quit smoking, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>NB. In the 2018 Prison Dischargee Form the label 'Didn't want help' is mapped to CODE 5 'None.'</p>	Mandatory	5

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5	Prison dischargee—plan to continue smoking after release indicator, yes/no/maybe/unknown code N	Conditional	1
	Conditional obligation:		
	Conditional on a CODE 1 'Yes' response to Person—current smoking status indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N		
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who intend to smoke upon release from prison.		
36	AUDIT-C score of risky alcohol consumption cluster (dischargee)	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following questions of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	24a. Prior to your incarceration, how often did you drink containing alcohol?		
	24b. Prior to your current incarceration, how many standard drinks would you have on a typical day that you were drinking?		
	24c. Prior to your current incarceration, how often would you have six or more standard drinks on one occasion?		
1	Person—alcohol consumption frequency, AUDIT frequency alcohol consumption code N	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element refers to prison dischargees only.		
	The AUDIT contains the question 'How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?'. The Prisoner Health Information Group amended the question wording for the National Prisoner Health Census to 'Prior to your current incarcerations, how often did you have a drink containing alcohol?'		

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2	Person—alcohol consumption amount, total standard drinks N[N]	Conditional	1

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the person having had an alcoholic drink prior to their current incarceration.

DSS specific information:

This data element refers to prison dischargees only.

The number of standard drinks reported will be mapped as follows:

Code	Number of standard drinks
0	1 or 2
1	3 or 4
2	5 or 6
3	7 to 9
4	10 or more
9	Unknown

3	Person—consumption of 6 or more standard drinks on one occasion, AUDIT consuming 6 or more standard drinks code N	Conditional	1
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Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the person having had an alcoholic drink prior to their current incarceration.

DSS specific information:

This data element refers to prison dischargees only.

The AUDIT contains the question 'How often do you have six or more standard drinks on one occasion?' The Prisoner Health Information Group amended the question wording for the National Prisoner Health Census to 'Prior to your current incarceration, how often did you have six or more standard drinks on one occasion?'

37	Prison dischargee—alcohol consumption in prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
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DSS specific information:

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:

24d. While in prison this time, did you drink any alcohol?

Consumed during most recent imprisonment.

This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who reported consuming alcohol in prison.

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38	Prison dischargée—alcohol treatment program participation indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	<i>DSS specific information:</i>		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	24e. While in prison this time, did you access an alcohol treatment program?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison discharges who accessed an alcohol treatment program in prison.		
39	Prison dischargée—prison health assessment indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	<i>DSS specific information:</i>		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	25a. While you came into custody this time, did you receive a health assessment?		
	During most recent imprisonment.		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison discharges who received a health assessment upon entry to prison.		
40	Person—referral or appointment for further care indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Conditional	1
	<i>Conditional obligation:</i>		
	Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargée—prison health assessment indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N .		
	<i>DSS specific information:</i>		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	25b. If yes, were you referred or provided with an appointment for further care?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison discharges who on release have a referral or appointment to see a health professional.		

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41	Prison dischargee—type of health-care professional referred to, prisoner health code N[NN]	Mandatory	12
	Conditional obligation:		
	Conditional on a yes response to Person—referral or appointment for further care indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.		
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	25c. If you were referred, who was it to? Multiple boxes may be ticked unless the answer is "Unknown".		
42	Person—ease of access to medical practitioners indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	26a. While in prison this time, could you easily see a medical practitioner (doctor/GP) if you had a health problem?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who could easily see a medical professional (GP or nurse) in prison if they had a health problem.		
43	Person—ease of access to nurses indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	26b. While in prison this time, could you easily see a nurse if you had a health problem?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who could easily see a medical professional (GP or nurse) in prison if they had a health problem.		

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44	Prison dischargee—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>		
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>		
	<p>27a. While in prison this time, did you visit the prison clinic?</p>		
	<p>During most recent imprisonment for visits apart from the discharge clinic visit.</p>		
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who visited the prison clinic.</p>		
45	Prison dischargee—reason for non-utilisation of prison clinic, code N	Conditional	4
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p>		
	<p>Conditional on a no response to Prison dischargee—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p>		
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>		
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>		
	<p>27b. If no, why didn't you go?</p>		
	<p>During most recent imprisonment.</p>		
46	Prison dischargee—type of health-care professional consulted, prisoner health code N[NN]	Conditional	12
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p>		
	<p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargee—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p>		
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>		
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>		
	<p>28. While in prison this time, which of the following health care professionals did you visit for your own health?</p>		
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees' clinic visits by type of health professional seen.</p>		

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47	<p data-bbox="268 163 1107 192">Prison dischargée—type of health-care professional consulted, text X[X(99)]</p> <p data-bbox="301 230 576 259">Conditional obligation:</p> <p data-bbox="301 286 1134 347">Conditional on an 'Other' response to Prison dischargée-type of health-care professional consulted, code N[NN].</p> <p data-bbox="301 374 608 403">DSS specific information:</p> <p data-bbox="301 430 1066 490">This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p data-bbox="301 517 1134 573">28. While in prison this time, which of the following health care professionals did you visit for your own health?</p>	Conditional 99
48	<p data-bbox="268 633 1091 663">Prison dischargée—satisfaction with information from prison clinic, code N</p> <p data-bbox="301 701 576 730">Conditional obligation:</p> <p data-bbox="301 757 1086 817">Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargée—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p data-bbox="301 844 608 873">DSS specific information:</p> <p data-bbox="301 900 1066 960">This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p data-bbox="301 987 1134 1070">29a. In the previous 12 months when you visited the prison clinic, were you satisfied with the information you received from the health care professional about your condition and treatment?</p> <p data-bbox="301 1097 820 1126">For visits to prison clinics in the last 12 months.</p> <p data-bbox="301 1153 1134 1272">This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargées who were satisfied with the amount of information on their condition received at a clinic visit.</p>	Conditional 1
49	<p data-bbox="268 1350 1158 1411">Prison dischargée—understanding of answers to questions at prison clinic, code N</p> <p data-bbox="301 1449 576 1478">Conditional obligation:</p> <p data-bbox="301 1505 1086 1565">Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargée—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p data-bbox="301 1592 608 1621">DSS specific information:</p> <p data-bbox="301 1648 1066 1709">This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p data-bbox="301 1736 1123 1796">29b. In the previous 12 months when you visited the prison clinic, when you asked questions at the clinic, did you understand the answers you got?</p> <p data-bbox="301 1823 820 1852">For visits to prison clinics in the last 12 months.</p> <p data-bbox="301 1879 1158 1957">This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargées who received answers they could understand at the prison clinic.</p>	Conditional 1

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50	Prison dischargée—involvement in treatment decision, code N	Conditional 1
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p>	
	<p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargée—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p>	
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>	
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>	
	<p>29c. In the previous 12 months when you visited the prison clinic, were you able to be involved in your treatment decision?</p>	
	<p>For visits to prison clinics in the last 12 months.</p>	
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargées who were able to be involved in their treatment decision at a clinic visit.</p>	
51	Prison dischargée—enough time at prison clinic, always/most of the time/sometimes/rarely/never/unknown code N	Conditional 1
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p>	
	<p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargée—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p>	
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>	
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>	
	<p>29d. In the previous 12 months when you visited the prison clinic, did you have enough time with the health care professional to discuss your health?</p>	
	<p>For visits to prison clinics in the last 12 months.</p>	
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargées who had enough time at a clinic visit.</p>	

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52	Prison dischargee—rating of quality of health care received at prison clinic, code N	Conditional	1
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p>		
	<p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargee—prison clinic visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p>		
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>		
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>		
	<p>29e. In the previous 12 months when you visited the prison clinic, overall, how would you rate the health care you received?</p>		
	<p>During most recent imprisonment.</p>		
	<p>For visits to prison clinics in the last 12 months.</p>		
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who rated the health care they received in the prison clinic as excellent.</p>		
53	Prison dischargee—appointment outside of prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>		
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>		
	<p>30a. While in prison this time, have you been to a medical appointment outside prison?</p>		
	<p>During most recent imprisonment.</p>		
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who went to a medical appointment outside the prison.</p>		
54	Prison dischargee—admission to hospital indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory	1
	<p>DSS specific information:</p>		
	<p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p>		
	<p>30b. While in prison this time, have you been admitted to a general hospital or psychiatric hospital?</p>		
	<p>During most recent imprisonment.</p>		
	<p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who were admitted to a general or psychiatric hospital.</p>		

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55	Prison dischargee—type of hospital admitted to, hospital type code N	Conditional 2
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargee—admission to hospital indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>30b. While in prison this time, have you been admitted to a general hospital or psychiatric hospital?</p> <p>Refers to the most recent imprisonment.</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who were admitted to a general or psychiatric hospital.</p>	
56	Prison dischargee—planned hospital admission indicator, type of hospital admission code N	Conditional 2
	<p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to Prison dischargee—admission to hospital indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>30c. If yes, was the hospital admission planned or unplanned?</p>	
57	Prison dischargee—emergency department visit indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Mandatory 1
	<p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>30d. While in prison this time, have you visited an emergency department about your health?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who visited an emergency department.</p>	
58	Prison dischargee—type of health condition diagnosed prior to imprisonment, prisoner health code NN	Mandatory 1
	<p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>31a. Have you ever been told that you have...? Please tick health conditions where appropriate.</p>	

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59	Prison dischargee—type of health condition diagnosed during imprisonment, prisoner health code NN DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 31b. Were you diagnosed for the first time while in prison? Please tick health conditions where appropriate.	Mandatory	1
60	Prison dischargee—hepatitis C test indicator, result code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 32. While in prison this time, have you been tested for Hepatitis C? This data element is recorded relating to Hepatitis C tests taken during a prison dischargee's most recent imprisonment.	Mandatory	1
61	Education qualification cluster DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 33. While in prison this time, did you do any study? Please tick multiple boxes where appropriate. This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who completed qualifications while in prison.	Mandatory	1
1	Prison dischargee—education qualification whilst in prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N[N] DSS specific information: No verification of the qualification is necessary. Refers to study undertaken in prison, for the most recent imprisonment.	Mandatory	1
2	Prison dischargee—type of qualification started during imprisonment, code N[N] Conditional obligation: Conditional on a 'yes' response to the data element Prison dischargee—education qualification whilst in prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N and the prisoner starting a qualification in prison.	Conditional	5

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3	<p>Prison dischargee—type of qualification continued during imprisonment, code N[N]</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a 'yes' response to the data element Prison dischargee—education qualification whilst in prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N and the prisoner continuing a qualification in prison.</p>	Conditional	5
4	<p>Prison dischargee—type of qualification completed during imprisonment, code N[N]</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a 'yes' response to the data element Prison dischargee—education qualification whilst in prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N and the prisoner completing a qualification in prison.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who completed qualifications, while in prison.</p>	Conditional	5
62	<p>Prison dischargee—self-assessed physical health status, general level of health code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>34a. In general, would you say that your physical health is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who rate their physical health as generally good or better.</p>	Mandatory	1
63	<p>Prison dischargee—self-assessed mental health status, general level of health code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>34b. In general, would you say that your mental health is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who rate their mental health as generally good or better.</p>	Mandatory	1

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64	Prison dischargee—extent of physical health change since imprisonment, code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 35a. Do you think your physical health has changed since you have been in prison this time?	Mandatory	1
65	Prison dischargee—extent of mental health change since imprisonment, code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 35b. Do you think your mental health has changed since you have been in prison this time?	Mandatory	1
66	Prison dischargee—expected sleeping arrangement on first night of release, code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 36. On release from prison where do you expect to sleep on the first night? This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who on release are expecting to be homeless (including short-term and emergency accommodation).	Mandatory	1
67	Prison dischargee—paid employment within two weeks of release indicator, yes/no/don't know code N DSS specific information: This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form: 37. Do you have paid employment starting within two weeks of leaving prison? This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who on release have organised paid employment which will start within 2 weeks of leaving prison.	Mandatory	1

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68	<p>Prison dischargée—type of Centrelink payment on prison release, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>38. On release from prison, are you expecting to receive any of the following government payments through centrelink?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargées who on release are expecting to receive government payments through Centrelink.</p>	Mandatory	1
69	<p>Prison dischargée—Medicare card available on release indicator, yes/no/don't know code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>39. Will you have a valid Medicare card available for your use on the day of your release?</p> <p>This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargées who have a valid Medicare card available on release.</p>	Mandatory	1
70	<p>Prison dischargée—continuation of prescription medication on release, code N</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>40. Are you taking any prescribed medication that will continue after you are released from prison?</p>	Mandatory	1
71	<p>Prison dischargée—type of health professional or service referred to on release, code N</p> <p>Conditional obligation:</p> <p>Conditional on a yes response to Person—referral or appointment for further care indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N.</p> <p>DSS specific information:</p> <p>This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:</p> <p>41. Do you have a referral or appointment to see any of the following health professionals after your release from custody?</p>	Mandatory	6

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72	Prison dischargee—level of preparedness for release, code N	Mandatory	1
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	42. How prepared do you feel for your release?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison dischargees who felt prepared for their upcoming release from prison.		
73	Prison dischargee—female health screening test type, code N	Conditional	2
	Conditional obligation:		
	Conditional on a response of 2 for Person—sex, code X .		
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following questions of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	43. Female only: While in prison this time, did you have a Pap Test?		
	44. Females only: While in prison this time, did you have a mammogram?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of female prison dischargees who had a cervical cancer screening in prison and Number of female prison dischargees who had a mammogram in prison.		
74	Prison dischargee—culturally appropriate health care in prison indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Conditional	1
	Conditional obligation:		
	Conditional on a value of 1, 2 or 3 for Person—Indigenous status, code N .		
	DSS specific information:		
	This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:		
	45. Indigenous persons only: While in prison this time, do you think you received culturally appropriate care?		
	This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of Indigenous prison dischargees who received treatment or consultation from an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) or an Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS).		

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75	Prison dischargee—Aboriginal primary health care service consultation indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N	Conditional	1

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a value of 1, 2 or 3 for [Person—Indigenous status, code N](#).

DSS specific information:

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:

46. Indigenous persons only: While in prison this, did you receive any treatment or consultation from an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) or Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS)?

This data element is included in the Prisoner health NBEDS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of Indigenous prison dischargees who received treatment or consultation from an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) or an Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS).