

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

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Alcohol consumption in standard drinks per day
METEOR identifier:	696835
Registration status:	Health , Standard 29/05/2024
Definition:	The total number of standard drinks consumed by a person on a typical day when drinking.
Context:	Prisoner health

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Person—alcohol consumption amount
METEOR identifier:	269833
Registration status:	Health , Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	The ethyl alcohol (ethanol) consumed by a person in alcoholic beverages such as beer, cider, wine, spirits and mixed drinks.
Context:	Public health, health care and clinical settings.
Object class:	Person
Property:	Alcohol consumption amount

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Total standard drinks N[N]
METEOR identifier:	696832
Registration status:	Health , Standard 29/05/2024
Definition:	Total number of standard drinks.
Context:	Prisoner health

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	9	Unknown
Unit of measure:	Standard drink	

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other metadata 'Unknown' would be mapped to code 8.

Alcohol consumption is usually measured in standard drinks.

An Australian standard drink contains 10 grams of alcohol, which is equivalent to 12.5 millilitres of alcohol. The numbers of Australian standard drinks in common containers of various alcoholic beverages is presented in the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2009 guidelines.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: NHMRC (National Health and Medical Research Council) 2009. Australian guidelines to reduce health risks from drinking alcohol. Canberra: NHMRC. Viewed 3 May 2018, https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/files_nhmrc/publications/attachments/ds10-alcohol.pdf

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This estimation is based on the person's description of the type (spirits, beer, wine, other) and number of standard drinks, as defined by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NH&MRC), consumed per day. One standard drink contains 10 grams of alcohol.

When calculating consumption in standard drinks per day, the total should be reported with part drinks recorded to the next whole standard drink (e.g. 2.4 = 3).

Collection methods: The *World Health Organisation's 2000 International Guide for Monitoring Alcohol Consumption and Related Harm* document suggests that in assessing alcohol consumption patterns a 'Graduated Quantity Frequency' method is preferred. This method requires that questions about the quantity and frequency of alcohol consumption should be asked to help determine short-term and long-term health consequences.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: The World Health Organisation's 2000 International Guide for Monitoring Alcohol Consumption and Related Harm document -National Health and Medical Research Council's Australian Alcohol Guidelines, October 2001.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—alcohol consumption amount, total standard drinks NN Health](#), Superseded 29/05/2024

See also [Person—alcohol consumption frequency, AUDIT frequency alcohol consumption code N Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

See also [Person—consumption of 6 or more standard drinks on one occasion, AUDIT consuming 6 or more standard drinks code N Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [AUDIT score for risky alcohol consumption cluster](#)
[Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the person having had an alcoholic drink in the last 12 months.

DSS specific information:

This data element refers to prison entrants 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

[AUDIT-C score of risky alcohol consumption cluster \(dischargee\)](#)

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

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