

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

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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:	697137
Registration status:	Health , Standard 29/05/2024
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
Value Domain:	Total years NN[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	NN[N]	
Maximum character length:	3	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	999	Unknown
Unit of measure:	Year	

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other metadata then 'Unknown' would map to code 998.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Comments:	Individuals who experience detention at a younger age often experience multiple periods of detention (AIHW 2008).
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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Supersedes [Prison entrant—age at first detention, total years N\[NN\] Health](#), Superseded 29/05/2024

See also [Incarceration history cluster Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Prison entrants NBEDS 2018 Health](#), Superseded 29/05/2024

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the prison entrant being previously detained in a prison or juvenile justice centre.

DSS specific information:

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

15c. What was your age at first detention?

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

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