

National Healthcare Agreement: PI 06–Life expectancy, 2019

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
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Short name:	PI 06–Life expectancy, 2019
METEOR identifier:	698928
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Superseded 13/03/2020
Description:	The average number of years a person could expect to live if they experienced the age/sex specific death rates that applied at their birth throughout their lifetime.
Indicator set:	National Healthcare Agreement (2019) Health , Superseded 13/03/2020
Outcome area:	Prevention Health , Standard 07/07/2010

Collection and usage attributes

Computation description:	<p>Life expectancy for total population is calculated for a rolling 3-year period and reported annually.</p> <p>Life expectancy for Indigenous and non-Indigenous populations is calculated for a rolling 3-year period and reported every 5 years.</p> <p>Presented as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• number of years• confidence intervals/variability bands (Indigenous life expectancy only)• difference between Indigenous and non-Indigenous life expectancies at birth• difference between male and female life expectancies at birth (total population).
Computation:	Calculated by direct estimation of life expectancy for all Australians, Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians using the average number of deaths in the 3-year period and the estimated resident population at the mid-point of that period.
Numerator:	The indicator does not have a numerator or denominator. The average number of years a person could expect to live from the day they are born if they experienced mortality rates at each age that are currently experienced by the relevant population.

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Number of years of life expectancy at birth

Data Source

[ABS Life Tables](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Census based and administrative by-product data

Data Element / Data Set

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Number of years of life expectancy at birth.

Data Source

[ABS Indigenous Life Tables](#)

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Disaggregation:

2015–17—State and territory, by:

- sex
- Indigenous status and sex

2015–17—Nationally, by (not reported):

- Indigenous status and sex
- Sex by remoteness (Major City and Inner Regional combined; Outer Regional, Remote and Very Remote combined)

Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—sex, code N](#)

Data Source

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Data Element / Data Set

[Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 2 \(SA2\) code \(ASGS 2016\) N\(9\)](#)

Data Source

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Data source type: Census based and administrative by-product data
Used for disaggregation by state/territory and remoteness

Comments: Most recent data available for 2019 National Healthcare Agreement performance reporting: 2015–17.

Indigenous estimates of life expectancy are not produced for Victoria, South Australia, Tasmania or the Australian Capital Territory due to the small number of Indigenous deaths reported in these jurisdictions.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Mean (average)
Data type: Real
Unit of measure: Time (e.g. days, hours)
Format: NN.N

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions: [Deaths](#)
[Effectiveness](#)

Data source attributes

Data sources: **Data Source**
[ABS Life Tables](#)
Frequency
Annual
Data custodian
Australian Bureau of Statistics
Data Source
[ABS Indigenous Life Tables](#)
Data custodian
Australian Bureau of Statistics

Accountability attributes

Reporting requirements: National Healthcare Agreement
Organisation responsible for providing data: Australian Bureau of Statistics
Benchmark: [PB a–Better health: close the life expectancy gap for Indigenous Australians within a generation, 2019](#)
Further data development / collection required: Specification: Final, the measure meets the intention of the indicator.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 06–Life expectancy, 2018](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 19/06/2019

Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 06–Life expectancy, 2020](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PB a–Better health: close the life expectancy gap for Indigenous Australians within a generation, 2019](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 07–Infant and young child mortality rate, 2019](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 08–Major causes of death, 2019](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 16–Potentially avoidable deaths, 2019](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

See also [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 01–Estimated life expectancy at birth, 2020](#)

- [Indigenous](#), Standard 23/08/2019

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