

Dementia

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Glossary Item
Synonymous names:	Dementia
METEOR identifier:	737874
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Definition:	<p>A group of conditions characterised by the gradual impairment of brain function. Dementia is progressive and degenerative, and both health and functional ability decline over time. Commonly associated with memory loss, dementia can affect speech, cognition (thought), behaviour and mobility. Personality changes may also occur.</p> <p>There are many forms of dementia. Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, mixed dementia and frontotemporal dementia are the most common. The cognitive symptoms of different causes of dementia often overlap, and multiple different causes of dementia can be present in a single person.</p> <p>Dementia is increasingly common with advancing age and mainly occurs among people aged 65 and over. It is not a normal part of ageing and can affect younger people.</p>

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	AIHW (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare) (2021), <i>Dementia in Australia</i> , AIHW, Australian Government, accessed 13 July 2022, https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/dementia/dementia-in-aus/contents/about

Relational attributes

Metadata items which use this glossary item:	Clinically-reported dementia type Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia clinical diagnosis cluster Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia clinical diagnosis status Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia clinical diagnosis status code N Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia comorbidities Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia diagnosing clinician code NN Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia living arrangement code NN Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia NBPDS Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia residential setting code NN Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Dementia risk factors Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Diagnosis date of dementia Health , Standard 05/10/2022
	Method of dementia diagnosis Health , Standard 05/10/2022

[Method of dementia diagnosis code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Non-clinical type of dementia code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Non-clinically reported dementia type](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—Clinical type of dementia](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—clinical type of dementia, code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia comorbidities](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia comorbidities, diagnosis code \(ICD-10-AM Twelfth edition\) ANN{,N\[N\]}](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia diagnosing clinician](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia diagnosing clinician, code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia diagnosis status](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia diagnosis status, code N](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia risk factors](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—dementia risk factors, code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—diagnosis date of dementia](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—diagnosis date of dementia, DDMMYYYY](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—living arrangement, dementia code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—method of dementia diagnosis](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—method of dementia diagnosis, code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—non-clinically reported dementia type](#)
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[Person—non-clinically reported dementia type, code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—residential setting](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Person—residential setting, dementia code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Risk factors of dementia code NN](#)
Health, Standard 05/10/2022

[Type of clinician that diagnosed dementia](#)
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[Type of dementia code NN](#)
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