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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Technical name: | Survey—language, code (ASCL 2016) N[NNN] |
| METEOR identifier: | 740012 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 15/04/2021 |
| Definition: | The system of verbal or written communication used in a survey, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Survey—language](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/740010)  |
| Value Domain: | [Language code (ASCL 2016) N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659404) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Classification scheme: | [Australian Standard Classification of Languages 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659337) |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N[NNN] |
| Maximum character length: | 4 |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | The ASCL has a three-level hierarchical structure. The most detailed level of the classification consists of languages which are represented by four-digit codes. The second level of the classification comprises narrow groups of languages (the Narrow group level), identified by two-digit and three-digit codes. The most general level of the classification consists of broad groups of languages (the Broad group level) and is identified by one-digit codes. The classification includes Australian Indigenous languages and sign languages.For example, the Lithuanian language has a code of 3102. In this case 3 denotes that it is an Eastern European language, while 31 denotes that it is a Baltic language. The Pintupi Aboriginal language is coded as 8713. In this case 8 denotes that it is an Australian Indigenous language and 87 denotes that the language is a Western Desert language.Language data may be output at the Broad group level, Narrow group level or the language level of the classification. Also, significant languages within a Narrow group can be presented separately with the remaining languages of the Narrow group aggregated. The same principle can be adopted to highlight significant Narrow groups within a Broad group. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Survey—survey language, code (ASCL 2016) N[NNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/655753)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 15/04/2021 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Mental Health Carer Experience of Service NBEDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/745391)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 10/06/2022***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022[Your Experience of Service National Best Endeavours Data Set 2019–](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/738452)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 15/04/2021***DSS specific information:*** The Your Experience of Service questionnaire is available in the following languages:* Arabic
* Armenian
* Assyrian
* Auslan
* Bengali
* Bosnian
* Burmese
* Chinese (Mandarin)–Simplified
* Chinese (Mandarin)–Traditional
* Croatian
* Dari
* Dinka
* English
* French
* Greek
* Hindi
* Indonesian
* Italian
* Japanese
* Khmer
* Korean
* Macedonian
* Nepali
* Persian (Farsi)
* Polish
* Punjabi
* Russian
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* Serbian
* Spanish
* Tagalog
* Tamil
* Thai
* Tibetan
* Turkish
* Urdu
* Vietnamese

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