

Person—main language spoken at home

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	746554
Registration status:	Health , Standard 10/06/2022
Definition:	The language reported by a person as the main language spoken by that person in their home.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	Person
Definition:	A human being.

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the <i>Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender</i> and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) <i>Standard for Sex and Gender Variables</i> , which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd
Reference documents:	Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	Main language spoken at home
Definition:	The primary language spoken at home.

Source and reference attributes

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Data element concept attributes

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Relational attributes

**Data Elements
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