

Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	748286
Registration status:	Health , Standard 20/12/2022
Definition:	A code set representing the severity of psychiatric symptoms of an individual aged 65 and over.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	0	No problems within the period stated
	1	Minor problem requiring no action
	2	Mild problem but definitely present
	3	Moderately severe problem
	4	Severe to very severe problem
Supplementary values:	7	Not stated/missing
	9	Unable to rate because not known or not applicable to the consumer

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The HoNOS 65+ is used to rate adult mental health service users. Together, the scales rate various aspects of mental and social health.

HoNOS 65+ is answered on an item-specific anchored 5-point scale with higher scores indicating more problems. Each scale is assigned a value of between 0 and 4, or 8 for unknown. The twelve scales are as follows:

1. behavioural disturbance
2. non-accidental self injury
3. problem drinking or drug use
4. cognitive problems
5. problems related to physical illness or disability
6. problems associated with hallucinations and delusions
7. problems associated with depressive symptoms
8. other mental and behavioural problems
9. problems with social or supportive relationships
10. problems with activities of daily living
11. overall problems with living conditions
12. problems with work and leisure activities and the quality of the daytime environment.

The sum of the individual scores of each of the scales (excluding supplementary values 7 Not stated/Missing and 9 Unable to rate because not known or not applicable to the consumer) represents the total HoNOS 65+ score. The total HoNOS 65+ score ranges from 0 to 48, and represents the overall severity of an individual's psychiatric symptoms.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 06/05/2020

See also [Health of the Nation Outcome Scale for Children and Adolescents score code N](#)
[Health](#), Standard 09/12/2022

See also [Health of the Nation Outcome Scale for Children and Adolescents score code N](#)
[Health](#), Standard 19/02/2021

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[Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

Data elements implementing this value domain:

[Person—level of psychiatric symptom severity, Health of the Nation Outcome Scale 65+ score code N](#)
[Health](#), Standard 20/12/2022
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 23/11/2023