

Person—higher education admission rank, Australian Tertiary Admission Rank N[N]{.NN}

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Australian Tertiary Admission Rank
Synonymous names:	ATAR
METEOR identifier:	758251
Registration status:	Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board , Standard 30/08/2022
Definition:	A ranking used to assess higher education admission for a person, as represented by an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).
Data Element Concept:	Person—higher education admission rank
Value Domain:	Australian Tertiary Admission Rank N[N]{.NN}

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]{.NN}	
Maximum character length:	4	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	0	Not available
Unit of measure:	Ranking	

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>The ATAR is a ranking from 0.05 up to 99.95 agreed by Council of Australian Governments (COAG) as a nationally equivalent measure of a person's relative academic ranking within their complete age cohort in the year they graduated from senior secondary school. The ATAR reported on this element is to be the 'raw ATAR' and is not to include any adjustment factors, such as bonus points.</p> <p>Data must be reported for all domestic students and domestic applicants who are recent school leavers as defined in the glossary (Australian Government 2021b). Data should also be reported for other students and applicants if the Provider has this information.</p> <p>For students who completed high school in Queensland before Queensland adopted the ATAR, the "Overall Position" (OP) values are to be reported at the ATAR equivalent.</p> <p>For students who complete the International Baccalaureate in Australia, Scores are to be reported at the ATAR equivalent.</p> <p>Those values are to be reported in full, without rounding.</p> <p>Valid ATAR values range from 0.05 to 99.95, with 0 meaning that an ATAR is not available.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: Australian Government 2021a, Tertiary Collection of Student Information (TCSI): Australian Tertiary Admission Rank, Canberra. Viewed 25 August 2022. www.tcsisupport.gov.au/element/632

Australian Government 2021b, Tertiary Collection of Student Information (TCSI): Glossary, Canberra. Viewed 25 August 2022. www.tcsisupport.gov.au/support/glossary

Data element attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Australian Government 2021. Tertiary collection of student information: Australian Tertiary Admission Rank, Canberra. Viewed 10 August 2022. www.tcsisupport.gov.au/element/632

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Initial Teacher Education \(ITE\) data cluster](#)
[Australian Teacher Workforce Data Oversight Board](#), Standard 30/08/2022

DSS specific information:

Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) has been included in the ATWD since 2021. Prior to this, Tertiary entrance score was collected. For more information refer to expired code e369:

Australian Government 2022. Tertiary collection of student information: Tertiary entrance score, Canberra. Viewed 12 September 2022. www.tcsisupport.gov.au/element/369