

Death—date of registration, month M[M]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Month of death registration
METEOR identifier:	771615
Registration status:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, Recorded 01/02/2023
Definition:	The date on which a death is officially recorded, expressed as MM.
Data Element Concept:	Death—date of registration
Value Domain:	Month M[M]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	M[M]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	January
	2	February
	3	March
	4	April
	5	May
	6	June
	7	July
	8	August
	9	September
	10	October
	11	November
	12	December
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	For some deaths, there may be considerable lag between when the death occurred and when it is registered. These 'late registrations' predominantly occur during the month of December.
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Collection methods: Derived during Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages processing.

Comments: Month of Registration is assigned by the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages during processing. If registration month is missing from data provided by the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, it is derived by the ABS as the month of the file in which the record is included. All records are assigned a Month of Registration.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[National mortality database DSS 1964-1967](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 11/08/2023

Implementation start date: 01/01/1964

Implementation end date: 31/12/1967

DSS specific information:

For some deaths, there may be considerable lag between when the death occurred and when it is registered. These 'late registrations' predominantly occur during the month of December.

In the National Mortality Database, month of Registration is assigned by the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages during processing. If registration month is missing from data provided by the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, it is derived by the ABS as the month of the file in which the record is included. All records are assigned a Month of Registration.

[National mortality database DSS 1968-1977](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

Implementation start date: 01/01/1968

Implementation end date: 31/12/1977

DSS specific information:

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[National mortality database DSS 1978](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

Implementation start date: 01/01/1978

Implementation end date: 31/12/1978

DSS specific information:

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[National mortality database DSS 1979](#)

[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

Implementation start date: 01/01/1979

Implementation end date: 31/12/1979

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