

Person—non-school qualification completed, level of non-school qualification code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Non-school qualification completed
METEOR identifier:	772488
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 29/05/2024
Definition:	The non-school qualification attained by a person, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—non-school qualification completed
Value Domain:	Level of non-school qualification code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Trade Certificate (Certificate I-IV)
	2	Diploma
	3	Bachelor's degree
	4	Postgraduate qualification
	5	No qualification
Supplementary values:	9	Unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other metadata, 'Unknown' would map to code 8.

Please note, in earlier versions of this Value Domain, some codes assigned were different to the current list. The former codes are also noted where appropriate below.

Non-school qualifications are awarded for educational attainments other than those of pre-primary, primary or secondary education. They include qualifications at the Postgraduate Degree level, Master Degree level, Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate level, Bachelor Degree level, Advanced Diploma and Diploma level, and Certificates I, II, III and IV levels.

CODE 1 Trade Certificate (Certificate I-IV)

Includes Certificate IV, Statement of Attainment at Certificate IV level, Bridging and Enabling Course at Certificate IV level, Certificate III, Statement of Attainment at Certificate III level, Bridging and Enabling Course at Certificate III level, Certificate II, Statement of Attainment at Certificate II level, Bridging and Enabling Course at Certificate II level, Certificate I, and Statement of Attainment at Certificate I level.

CODE 2 Diploma

Includes Diploma, Statement of Attainment at Diploma level, and Bridging and Enabling Course at Diploma level. Excludes Graduate Diploma.

In earlier versions of this Value Domain, CODE 2 was labelled 'Advanced Diploma and Diploma.'

CODE 3 Bachelor's degree

Includes Bachelor (Honours) Degree, Bachelor (Pass) Degree, Statement of Attainment at Bachelor Degree level, and Bridging and Enabling Course at Bachelor Degree level.

CODE 4 Postgraduate qualification

Includes Graduate Diploma, Graduate Qualifying or Preliminary, Professional Specialist Qualification at Graduate Diploma level, Statement of Attainment at Graduate Diploma level, Bridging and Enabling Course at Graduate Diploma level, Graduate Certificate, Professional Specialist Qualification at Graduate Certificate level, Statement of Attainment at Graduate Certificate level, and Bridging and Enabling Course at Graduate Certificate level, Higher Doctorate, Doctorate by Research, Doctorate by Coursework Professional Specialist Qualification at Doctoral Degree level, Statement of Attainment at Doctoral Degree level, Bridging and Enabling Course at Doctoral Degree level, Master Degree by Research, Master Degree by Coursework, Professional Specialist Qualification at Master Degree level, Statement of Attainment at Master Degree level, Bridging and Enabling Course at Master Degree level.

In earlier versions of this Value Domain, CODE 4 was labelled 'Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate', and 'Postgraduate qualification' had a value of CODE 5.

CODE 5 No qualification

In earlier versions of this Value Domain, CODE 4 was labelled "Postgraduate qualification."

Comments: The categories in this metadata item are based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics Australian Standard Classification of Education, Level of Education (ASCED) 2001.

CODE 1 Trade Certificate (Certificate I-IV) maps to Broad Level, 5 Certificate Level of the ASCED

CODE 2 Diploma maps to Broad Level 4, Advanced Diploma and Diploma of the ASCED

CODE 3 Bachelor's Degree maps to Broad Level 3 Bachelor degree of the ASCED

CODE 4 Postgraduate qualification does not map to the ASCED.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED) 2001. Cat. no. 1272.0. Canberra: ABS

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Operationally, the non-school qualification reported for a person is in any field of education except General Primary and Secondary Education Programmes. Data are obtained by direct question and often sequenced to follow a direct question on 'Highest year of school completed'. The question is worded in terms of qualifications attained.

Excludes partial completion of or current participation in a course of study and Statements of attainment awarded for partial completion of a course of study at a particular level.

Qualifications generally associated with school education, such as the Senior Secondary Certificate of Education, are excluded from this data element even if they are awarded as the result of study at a non-school institution (ABS 2001).

Comments: The non-school qualification categories are based on the ABS Australian Standard Classification of Education, Level of Education (ASCED) 2001.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2001. Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED) 2001. ABS cat. no. 1272.0. Canberra: ABS

ABS 2002. Education variables. ABS cat. no. 1246.0. Canberra: ABS

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person—non-school qualification completed, level of non-school qualification code N](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 29/05/2024

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[Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

See also [Person—non-school qualification indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](#)
[Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Prison entrants NBEDS 2018](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 29/05/2024
DSS specific information:

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Entrants Form:

11. Have you completed a trade certificate, diploma, degree, or any other educational qualification?
Multiple boxes may be ticked unless "Unknown" is chosen.