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Snapshot Census Specifications

Census date: 30 August 2010

Census coverage:

Forensic mental health program type	Census coverage
Forensic community mental health service:	Open cases on the census day
Court liaison services	Activity about an individual client on the census day
Forensic inpatient services	Admitted inpatients on the census day
Prison mental health services	Contacts by the PMHS on the census day

Data submission: Via Excel spreadsheet provided by AMHOCN by 27 September

Community Services: Snapshot Census Data Elements

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DEFINITION

The date of birth of the person.

ATTRIBUTES

DD/MM/YYYY

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Sex

DEFINITION

The biological distinction between male and female.

ATTRIBUTES

Male

Female

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Ethnicity / Country of Birth. Is the client an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?

DEFINITION

Whether a person identifies as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin. Also identifies country in which client was born.

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

If No, please indicate the country in which the person was born according to a world region. See <http://www.un.org/depts/dhl/maplib/worldregions.htm> for countries according to regions.

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<p>ATTRIBUTES</p>

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Legal status

DEFINITION

An indicator of whether care was provided under relevant state or territory mental health legislation compulsory treatment provisions.

ATTRIBUTES

Select just one:

Mental health related:

Crimes mental impairment

MHA community treatment order

Not subject to any legal order

Other

Unfitness to plea

Criminal justice related:

Parole

Community based order

Bail

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Other

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

License (used in some jurisdictions) is equivalent to unfitness to be tried.

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DEFINITION

Most serious offence for which the person is **currently** remanded/ sentenced. If a person is breached, the original offence is the index offence, not the offence related to the breach.

ATTRIBUTES

Please select one from the hierarchy:

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Dangerous or negligent acts endangering persons

Property damage and environmental pollution (*Arson*)

Prohibited and regulated weapons and explosives offences

Unlawful entry with intent/burglary, break and enter

Fraud, deception and related offences

Theft and related offences

Property damage and environmental pollution (*Non-arson*)

Miscellaneous offences

Offences against government procedures, government security and government operations

Illicit drug offences (*Possession*)

Public order offences

Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Primary diagnosis

DEFINITION

The diagnosis established after study to be chiefly responsible for occasioning attendance at the health care establishment.

<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>F10-F19 Mental and Behavioral Disorders due to Psychoactive substance abuse</p> <p>F20-29 Schizophrenia, Schizotypal and Delusional Disorders</p> <p>F30-39 Mood Disorders</p> <p>F40-49 Stress Related Disorders</p> <p>F60-69 Adult Personality Disorders</p> <p>F70-79 Mental Retardation</p> <p>Other</p> <p>Unknown</p>
<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p>
<p><i>Service provided</i></p>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>Service provided to the client.</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Direct care</p> <p>Consultation liaison</p> <p>Court reports</p>
<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p> <p>Comparison of assessment only clients with those who had treatment may be useful. Frequency of contacts could be a proxy measure for whether a person is high risk or not.</p>
<p><i>Number of episodes of Community Forensic Mental Health Service care</i></p>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>The number of episodes of care for a client with the CFMHS. An episode of mental health care is defined as a more or less continuous period of contact between a consumer and a mental health service organisation that occurs within the one episode setting. The episode begins when the person is admitted into care within the given setting and ends when the person is discharged.</p>
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<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p> <p>Number of episodes of care with the specialist service replaces the capturing of data related to days</p>

since referral or days since first referral.

Referral source

DEFINITION

The main source of referral for the current episode of care.

ATTRIBUTES

ATSI Service

Client/Self

Correctional Services

Court

Court Liaison

Criminal Justice System e.g. Magistrates Courts, Supreme Court

Forensic Hospital

NGO

Police Services

Prison mental health services

Prison Services

Psychiatrist

Public Health Service in AHS

Public Mental Health Service in AHS

Solicitor

Watchhouse

Other

Unknown

Not Applicable

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Substance abuse - drugs (past history)

DEFINITION

Does the person have a past history of substance abuse involving drugs? (see DSM-IV for diagnostic criteria for substance abuse)

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

This information might inform the need for staff training in AOD or employment of an AOD worker. This covers a substantial number of people and should continue as a category to be monitored.

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Substance abuse - drugs (current history)

DEFINITION

Does the person have a current history of substance abuse involving drugs? (see DSM-IV for diagnostic criteria for substance abuse)

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Intellectual disability - currently registered**DEFINITION**

Is or has the client been registered with disability services?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE***Intellectual disability - eligible*****DEFINITION**

Is the client eligible for registration with disability services?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE***Support from family*****DEFINITION**

Does the client have support from family / carer?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No
Unknown
COMMENTS / DATA USAGE
<i>Family member primary victim</i>
DEFINITION Was a member of the client's family a primary victim of the offence?
ATTRIBUTES Yes No Unknown
COMMENTS / DATA USAGE This variable might provide information about family support for the client. It will also have implications for planning for discharge. NSW also looked at dependent children, noting that people with disorder have lower levels of fertility.
<i>Dependent children</i>
DEFINITION Does the client have day-to-day care of a child under the age of 18?
ATTRIBUTES Yes If yes, please specify number of males If yes, please specify number of females No Unknown
COMMENTS / DATA USAGE This is a new category. This provides useful information to the service in terms of care planning.

Court Liaison Services: Snapshot Census Data Elements

Date of birth (DOB)

DEFINITION

The date of birth of the person.

ATTRIBUTES

DD/MM/YYYY

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Sex

DEFINITION

The biological distinction between male and female.

ATTRIBUTES

Male

Female

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Ethnicity/ Country of Birth. Is the client an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?

DEFINITION

Whether a person identifies as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin. Also identifies country in which client was born.

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

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- Dangerous or negligent acts endangering persons
- Property damage and environmental pollution (*Arson*)
- Prohibited and regulated weapons and explosives offences
- Unlawful entry with intent/burglary, break and enter
- Fraud, deception and related offences
- Theft and related offences
- Property damage and environmental pollution (*Non-Arson*)
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- Offences against government procedures, government security and government operations
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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTES

Number

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Not Applicable

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Substance abuse - drugs (past history)

DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTES

Yes
No
Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Intellectual disability - currently registered**DEFINITION**

Is or has the client been registered with disability services?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

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Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE***Intellectual disability - eligible*****DEFINITION**

Is the client eligible for registration with disability services?

ATTRIBUTES

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE***Support from family*****DEFINITION**

Does the client have support from family / carer?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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DEFINITION

Was a member of the client's family a primary victim of the offence?

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Dependent children

DEFINITION

Does the client have responsibility for the day-to-day care of a child under the age of 18.

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

If yes, please specify number of males

If yes, please specify number of females

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Inpatient Services: Snapshot Census Data Elements

Date of birth (DOB)

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ATTRIBUTES

DD/MM/YYYY

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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Sex

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Does the patient require an interpreter for formal communications?

DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTES

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Date of admission

DEFINITION

The date on which the episode of mental health care is deemed to have commenced within the specified mental health service setting. In an inpatient setting this is the actual or statistical date of admission.

ATTRIBUTES

DD/MM/YYYY

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Legal status

DEFINITION

Is care provided under relevant state or territory mental health legislation compulsory treatment provisions.

ATTRIBUTES

Select just one:

Mental health related:

Crimes mental impairment

MHA community treatment order

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Other

Unfitness to plea

Criminal justice related:

Serving prisoner

Civil regulation

Remandee

Other

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Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

VIC have noted that their inpatient collection does not collect the most serious offence as it has been their practice to regard index offence as the most serious offence.

Diagnosis

DEFINITION

The diagnosis provisionally assigned after assessment to be chiefly responsible for occasioning attendance at the health care establishment.

ATTRIBUTES

F10-F19 Mental and Behavioral Disorders due to Psychoactive substance abuse

F20-29 Schizophrenia, Schizotypal and Delusional Disorders

F30-39 Mood Disorders

F40-49 Stress Related Disorders

F60-69 Adult Personality Disorders

F70-79 Mental Retardation

Other

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Previous treatment for mental health condition

DEFINITION

Has the person had any previous treatment for a mental health condition?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Prior psychiatric admission

DEFINITION

Does the patient have prior psychiatric admissions?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

<p>If Yes: Number of admissions to General Mental Health Services (put 0 if not known)</p> <p>If Yes: Number of admissions to Forensic Mental Health services (put 0 if not known)</p> <p>No</p> <p>Unknown</p>
<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p> <p>A recent paper reported that 50% of the forensic patients had no prior psychiatric admissions. This would be interesting to compare across snapshot census collections. 2009 snapshot data show that 75% had no prior psychiatric admissions.</p> <p>When reporting this data graphically, the use of box plots would be informative.</p>
<p><i>Approved off campus leave</i></p>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>Does the patient currently have approved off-campus non-medical leave? Non- medical leave is defined as a discrete temporary period of formal absence during an episode of care.</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Yes</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">If Yes: please select leave type approved. If uncertainty about which applies to client, select the least restrictive leave.</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Overnight</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Unescorted</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Accompanied</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">Escorted</p> <p>No</p> <p>Unknown</p>
<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p>
<p><i>Substance abuse - drugs (past history)</i></p>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>Did the patient have any substance abuse problems (drug related) prior to admission to prison or the inpatient unit? (see DSM-IV for diagnostic criteria for substance abuse)</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>No</p>

Unknown
COMMENTS / DATA USAGE
<i>Substance abuse – alcohol (past history)</i>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>Did the patient have any substance abuse problems (alcohol related) prior to admission to prison or the inpatient unit? (see DSM-IV for diagnostic criteria for substance abuse)</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>No</p> <p>Unknown</p>
COMMENTS / DATA USAGE
<i>Intellectual disability</i>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>Is or has the client been registered with disability services?</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>No</p> <p>Unknown</p>
COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Prison Services: Snapshot Census Data Elements

Date of birth (DOB)

DEFINITION

The date of birth of the person.

ATTRIBUTES

DD/MM/YYYY

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Reporting of data across age bands / percentile provides useful information in addition to mean, mode, etc.

Sex

DEFINITION

The biological distinction between male and female.

ATTRIBUTES

Male

Female

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Ethnicity /Client's country of birth. Is the client an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?

DEFINITION

Whether a person identifies as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin. Also identifies country in which client was born.

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

If No, please indicate the country in which the person was born according to a world region. See <http://www.un.org/depts/dhl/maplib/worldregions.htm> for countries according to regions.

Europe

Africa

Asia

<p>North America</p> <p>South America</p> <p>Oceania</p>
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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

This information can be used to review access issues in relation to ATSI people and also gender. It may also inform the need for aboriginal mental health workers on the forensic team. The indigenous population may be over-represented in the prison population but under-represented in forensic mental health.

Collection of this data has assisted in ensuring greater accuracy in data collection (e.g. in one service, if the field was not completed, the default was to Australia, giving an inaccurate picture of their clients.)

In the first version of the snapshot census reports, AMHOCN aggregated the reporting of other countries into regions (Europe, Asia, Africa), rather listing the numerous individual countries.

Language - English main language

DEFINITION

Is English the language reported by a person as their primary language?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

If No, what is the main language? Please select language according to an appropriate world region. See <http://www.un.org/depts/dhl/maplib/worldregions.htm> for countries according to regions.

Europe

Africa

Asia

North America

South America

Oceania

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Collection of this data has assisted in ensuring greater accuracy in data collection (e.g. in one service, if the field was not completed, the default was to English, giving an inaccurate picture of their clients.)

Does the patient require an interpreter for formal communications?

DEFINITION

An indicator of the need for a translator or translation service

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

This data can be used to inform the development of translations of service information and the development of education programs such as ESL, numeracy and literacy programs.

The data can also be used to inform initiatives associated with access and under/ over representation of people from different countries.

The data can also assist the work of consumer consultants to ensure that there is relevant information and resources for people from different backgrounds.

Legal status

DEFINITION

Is care provided under relevant state or territory mental health legislation compulsory treatment provisions.

ATTRIBUTES

Select just one:

Mental health related:

Crimes mental impairment

MHA community treatment order

Not subject to any legal order

Other

Unfitness to plea

Criminal justice related:

Serving prisoner

Civil regulation

Remandee

Other

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

License (used in some jurisdictions) is equivalent to unfitness to be tried.

Index offence

DEFINITION

Most serious offence for which the person is **currently** remanded/ sentenced. If a person is breached, the original offence is the index offence, not the offence related to the breach.

ATTRIBUTES

Please select one from the hierarchy:

Following list is from the National Offence Index:

Homicide and related offences (*Manslaughter*)

Sexual assault and related offences (*Threatening to sexual assault*)

Illicit drug offences (*Trafficking*)

Acts intended to cause injury (*Stalking*)

Threats to kill - Abduction, harassment and other offences against the person

Robbery, extortion and related offences

Dangerous or negligent acts endangering persons

Property damage and environmental pollution (*Arson*)

Prohibited and regulated weapons and explosives offences

Unlawful entry with intent/burglary, break and enter

Fraud, deception and related offences

Theft and related offences

Property damage and environmental pollution (*Non-arson*)

Miscellaneous offences

Offences against government procedures, government security and government operations

Illicit drug offences (*Possession*)

Public order offences

Traffic and vehicle regulatory offences

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Participants agreed that the sex offenders should have a mental illness to be included in the data.

Diagnosis

DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTES

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F20-29 Schizophrenia, Schizotypal and Delusional Disorders

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Previous treatment for mental health condition

DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTES

Yes

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COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

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DEFINITION

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ATTRIBUTES

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<p><i>Outpatient contacts</i></p>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>What is the reason for the outpatient appointment?</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Post reception review</p> <p>Continuing assessment</p> <p>Medication review</p> <p>Other</p>
<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p>
<p><i>Reception assessment</i></p>
<p>DEFINITION</p> <p>What is the outcome of the reception assessment? Reception assessment screens people for the presence of mental disorder on entry into prison.</p>
<p>ATTRIBUTES</p> <p>Requires mental health care</p> <p>Requires care in prison mental health unit</p> <p>Requires mental health care in inpatient unit</p> <p>Requires no treatment</p>
<p>COMMENTS / DATA USAGE</p>

Substance abuse - drugs (past history)

DEFINITION

Did the patient have any substance abuse problems (drug related) prior to admission to prison?(see DSM-IV for diagnostic criteria for substance abuse)

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Substance abuse - alcohol (past history)

DEFINITION

Did the patient have any substance abuse problems (alcohol related) prior to admission to prison? (see DSM-IV for diagnostic criteria for substance abuse)

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE

Intellectual disability

DEFINITION

Is or has the client been registered with disability services?

ATTRIBUTES

Yes

No

Unknown

COMMENTS / DATA USAGE