

# Equivalence

## Definition

Equivalence of data elements is the degree to which a [data elements](#) stored in multiple [datasets](#) are conceptually equal.

## Note(s)

Data elements in different datasets could have different formats, different names, subdivided in multiple data elements or even different descriptions, but still have the same meaning.

## Relation(s)

Equivalence is a [characteristic](#) of a [data element](#).

## Reference(s)

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