# Person with cancer—number of positive regional lymph nodes, total N[N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Regional lymph nodes positive
METEOR identifier:	289205
Registration status:	Health, Superseded 06/03/2009
Definition:	The total number of regional lymph nodes examined by a pathologist and reported as containing tumour.
Data Element Concept:	Person with cancer—number of positive regional lymph nodes
Value Domain:	Total positive regional lymph nodes N[N]

# Value domain attributes

#### **Representational attributes**

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	0	All nodes examined negative
	96	Ninety-six or more lymph nodes positive
	97	Positive nodes but number not specified
	98	No nodes examined
	99	Unknown if nodes are positive or negative; not applicable

#### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 97 Positive nodes but number not specified
	Positive nodes but number not specified, is used when the cytology or histology from a lymph node aspiration is positive for malignant cells.
	CODE 98 No nodes examined
	Positive nodes but number not specified, is used when no nodes are removed or examined.
	CODE 99 Unknown if nodes are positive or negative; not applicable
	Unknown if nodes are positive or negative, is used if information about regional lymph nodes is unknown or if it is not applicable for that site or histology.

# Data element attributes

#### Source and reference attributes

Origin:	Australian Cancer Network
	Commission on Cancer American College of Surgeons
Reference documents:	Australian Cancer Network The pathology reporting of breast cancer. A guide for pathologists, surgeons and radiologists Second Edition Sydney (2001)
	Commission on Cancer, Standards of the Commission on Cancer Registry Operations and Data Standards (ROADS) Volume II (1998)

## **Relational attributes**

Related metadata references:	Has been superseded by <u>Person with cancer—number of positive regional lymph</u> <u>nodes, total N[N]</u> <u>Health</u> , Superseded 07/12/2011
	Is re-engineered from Regional lymph nodes positive, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf (15.0 KB) No registration status
	See also <u>Person with cancer—number of regional lymph nodes examined, total</u> <u>code N[N]</u> <u>Health</u> , Superseded 07/12/2011
Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	Cancer (clinical) DSS Health, Superseded 07/12/2005
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