Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 4th edn) ANN{.N[N]}

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | External cause - admitted patient |
| METEOR identifier: | 333851 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005 |
| Definition: | The environmental event, circumstance or condition as the cause of injury, poisoning and other adverse effect, as represented by a code. |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Injury event—external cause](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269426) |
| METEOR identifier: | 269426 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 20/10/2021  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 18/10/2023 |
| Definition: | Environmental event, circumstance or condition as the cause of injury, poisoning and other adverse effect. |
| Context: | Injury surveillance |
| Object class: | [Injury event](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268967) |
| Property: | [External cause](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269034) |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [External cause code (ICD-10-AM 4th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/333624) |
| METEOR identifier: | 333624 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005 |
| Definition: | The ICD-10-AM (4th edition) code set representing external cause of injury, poisoning or other adverse effect. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification 4th edition](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/325387) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | ANN{.N[N]} | |
| Maximum character length: | 6 | |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | International Classification of Diseases - Tenth Revision - Australian Modification (4th Edition 2004) National Centre for Classification in Health, Sydney |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This code must be used in conjunction with an injury or poisoning code and can be used with other disease codes. Admitted patients should be coded to the complete ICD-10-AM classification.  An external cause code should be sequenced following the related injury or poisoning code, or following the group of codes, if more than one injury or condition has resulted from this external cause. Provision should be made to record more than one external cause if appropriate. External cause codes in the range W00 to Y34, except Y06 and Y07 must be accompanied by a place of occurrence code.  External cause codes V01 to Y34 must be accompanied by an activity code. |
| Comments: | Enables categorisation of injury and poisoning according to factors important for injury control. This information is necessary for defining and monitoring injury control targets, injury costing and identifying cases for in-depth research. It is also used as a quality of care indicator of adverse patient outcomes.  An extended activity code is being developed in consultation with the National Injury Surveillance Unit, Flinders University, Adelaide. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | National Centre for Classification in Health  National Data Standards for Injury Surveillance Advisory Group  National Health Data Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 3rd edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/268945)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/06/2004  Has been superseded by [Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 5th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/333853)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008 |