Person—reason for readmission following acute coronary syndrome episode, code N[N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Reason for readmission—acute coronary syndrome |
| METEOR identifier: | 359404 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/10/2008 |
| Definition: | The main reason for the [**admission**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327206), to any hospital, of a person within 28 days of discharge from an episode of admitted patient care for acute coronary syndrome, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—reason for readmission following acute coronary syndrome episode](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/359406)  |
| Value Domain: | [Reason for readmission following acute coronary syndrome episode code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/359408) |

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| Value domain attributes |
| Representational attributes |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | Number |
| Format: | N[N] |
| Maximum character length: | 2 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | ST-segment-elevation myocardial infarction |
|   | 2 | non-ST-segment-elevation ACS with high-risk features |
|   | 3 | non-ST-segment-elevation ACS with intermediate-risk features |
|   | 4 | non-ST-segment-elevation ACS with low-risk features |
|   | 5 | Percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI) |
|   | 6 | Coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) |
|   | 7 | Heart Failure (without MI) |
|   | 8 | Arrhythmia (without MI) |
| Supplementary values: | 99  | Not stated/inadequately described  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | CODE 1     ST-segment-elevation myocardial infarctionThis code is used when the reason for admission is persistent ST elevation of >=1mm in two contiguous limb leads, or ST elevation of >=2mm in two contiguous chest leads, or with new left bundle-branch block (BBB) pattern on the ECG.CODE 2     Non-ST-segment-elevation ACS with high-risk featuresThis code is used when the reason for admission is clinical features consistent with an acute coronary syndrome with high-risk features which include any of the following:* repetitive or prolonged (> 10 minutes) ongoing chest pain or discomfort;
* elevated level of at least one cardiac biomarker (troponin or creatine kinase-MB isoenzyme);
* persistent or dynamic ECG changes of ST segment depression >= 0.5mm or new T wave >= 2mm;
* transient ST-segment elevation (>= 0.5 mm) in more than 2 contiguous leads;
* haemodynamic compromise: Blood pressure < 90 mmHg systolic, cool peripheries, diaphoresis, Killip Class > 1, and/or new onset mitral regurgitation;
* sustained ventricular tachycardia;
* syncope;
* left ventricular systolic dysfunction (left ventricular ejection fraction < 0.40);
* prior percutaneous coronary intervention within 6 months or prior coronary artery bypass surgery;
* presence of known diabetes (with typical symptoms of ACS); or
* chronic kidney disease (estimated glomerular filtration rate < 60mL/minute) (with typical symptoms of ACS).

CODE 3     Non-ST-segment-elevation ACS with intermediate-risk featuresThis code is used when the reason for admission is clinical features consistent with an acute coronary syndrome and any of the following intermediate-risk features AND NOT meeting the criteria for high-risk ACS:* chest pain or discomfort within the past 48 hours that occurred at rest, or was repetitive or prolonged (but currently resolved);
* age greater than 65yrs;
* known coronary heart disease: prior myocardial infarction with left ventricular ejection fraction >= 0.40, or known coronary lesion more than >50% stenosed;
* no high-risk changes on electrocardiography (see high-risk features);
* two or more of the following risk factors: of known hypertension, family history, active smoking or hyperlipidaemia;
* presence of known diabetes (with atypical symptoms of ACS);
* chronic kidney disease (estimated glomerular filtration rate < 60mL/minute) (with atypical symptoms of ACS); or
* prior aspirin use.

CODE 4     Non-ST-segment-elevation ACS with low-risk featuresThis code is used when the reason for admission is clinical features consistent with an acute coronary syndrome without intermediate or high-risk features of non-ST-segment-elevation ACS. This includes onset of anginal symptoms within the last month, or worsening in severity or frequency of angina, or lowering of anginal threshold.CODE 5     Percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI)This code is used when the reason for admission is for a PCI, where the PCI is not immediately precipitated by a recurrent ischaemic event. If a recurrent ischaemic event precipitates a readmission with an associated PCI undertaken, one of codes 1-4 should be coded.CODE 6     Coronary artery bypass graft (CABG)This code is used when the reason for admission is for a CABG, where the CABG is not immediately precipitated by a recurrent ischaemic event. If a recurrent ischaemic event precipitates a readmission with an associated CABG undertaken, one of codes 1-4 should be coded.CODE 7     Heart failure (without MI)This code is used when the reason for admission is for the treatment of heart failure, where heart failure is not immediately precipitated by a recurrent ischaemic event. If a recurrent ischaemic event precipitates a readmission, one of codes 1-4 should be coded.CODE 8     Arrhythmia (without MI)This code is used when the reason for admission is for the treatment of an arrhythmia, where the arrhythmia is not immediately precipitated by a recurrent ischaemic event. If a recurrent ischaemic event precipitates a readmission, one of codes 1-4 should be coded. |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | To determine if this item should be collected ask the person being admitted if they have been discharged from an episode of admitted patient care for acute coronary syndrome within the last 28 days.  |
| Comments: | This metadata item is designed to identify recurrent admissions following an initial presentation with acute coronary syndromes (ACS), not necessarily to the hospital responsible for the index admission. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Acute coronary syndrome data working group |
| Steward: | [The National Heart Foundation of Australia and The Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/312806) |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—reason for readmission following acute coronary syndrome episode, code N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/285173)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 01/10/2008 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/372930)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 01/09/2012[Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/482119)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/05/2013[Acute coronary syndrome (clinical) NBPDS 2013-](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/523140)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 02/05/2013***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 |