

# Emergency department stay—urgency related group, URG code [X]N[N]

Exported from METEOR (AIHW's Metadata Online Registry)

© Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2024

This product, excluding the AIHW logo, Commonwealth Coat of Arms and any material owned by a third party or protected by a trademark, has been released under a Creative Commons BY 4.0 (CC BY 4.0) licence. Excluded material owned by third parties may include, for example, design and layout, images obtained under licence from third parties and signatures. We have made all reasonable efforts to identify and label material owned by third parties.

You may distribute, remix and build on this website's material but must attribute the AIHW as the copyright holder, in line with our attribution policy. The full terms and conditions of this licence are available at <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/>.

Enquiries relating to copyright should be addressed to [info@aihw.gov.au](mailto:info@aihw.gov.au).

Enquiries or comments on the METEOR metadata or download should be directed to the METEOR team at [meteor@aihw.gov.au](mailto:meteor@aihw.gov.au).

# Emergency department stay—urgency related group, URG code [X]N[N]

## Identifying and definitional attributes

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Metadata item type:  | Data Element   |
| Short name:          | Urgency related group  |
| Synonymous names:    | URG  |
| METEOR identifier:   | 447862   |
| Registration status: | <a href="#">Independent Hospital Pricing Authority</a> , Superseded 31/10/2012   |
| Definition:          | The <a href="#">urgency related group</a> (URG) into which an episode of <a href="#">emergency department</a> care is categorised, as represented by a code. |

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

|                       |  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Data element concept: | <a href="#">Emergency department care—urgency related group</a>  |
| METEOR identifier:    | 447800   |
| Registration status:  | <a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 07/02/2013<br><a href="#">Independent Hospital Pricing Authority</a> , Standard 01/11/2012                             |
| Definition:           | A patient classification scheme which provides a means of relating the number and types of patients treated in an <a href="#">emergency department</a> . |
| Object class:         | <a href="#">Emergency department stay</a>  |
| Property:             | <a href="#">Urgency related group</a>  |

### Source and reference attributes

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Submitting organisation: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
|--------------------------|--|

## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Value domain:        | <a href="#">Urgency related group code [X]N[N]</a>  |
| METEOR identifier:   | 447860  |
| Registration status: | <a href="#">Independent Hospital Pricing Authority</a> , Superseded 31/10/2012  |
| Definition:          | A code set describing categories of episodes of care based on <a href="#">triage category</a> , <a href="#">episode end status</a> and <a href="#">major diagnostic block</a> . |

### Representational attributes

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Classification scheme: | <a href="#">Urgency related group version 1.2</a> |
| Representation class:  | Code  |
| Data type:             | String  |
| Format:                | [X]N[N]   |

Maximum character length: 3

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Independent Hospital Pricing Authority

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

**Comments:** The urgency related group (URG) is derived from the urgency disposition group (UDG) which classifies patients into 12 groups based on disposition (admitted or discharged) and urgency (triage category 1-5), including a category for patients who did not wait for treatment as well as an optional category for patients who died.

The URG classification system segments the UDG classification system further by using 26 major diagnostic blocks.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Independent Hospital Pricing Authority

**Reference documents:** Jelinek G (1994). Case-mix Classification of Patients Attending Hospital Emergency Departments in Perth Western Australia. Doctor of Medicine Thesis. Perth Australia. University of Western Australia.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Emergency department stay—urgency related group, URG \(v1.2\) code \[X\]N\[N\]](#)  
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Superseded 31/10/2012

See also [Emergency department stay—urgency related group major diagnostic block, code N\[AA\]](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 11/04/2014  
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Standard 31/10/2012

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Emergency department care activity based funding DSS 2012-2013](#)  
[Independent Hospital Pricing Authority](#), Superseded 31/10/2012  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2012  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2013