

# Caries

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Glossary Item
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	551229
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
<b>Definition:</b>	Dental caries, or dental decay, is a common disease, which causes cavities and discoloration of both permanent and "baby" teeth. As the disease progresses in a tooth it becomes weaker and its nerve may be damaged.

## Source and reference attributes

<b>Reference documents:</b>	Australian Dental Association Inc 2002. <a href="#">Frequently Asked Questions, Dental caries. Sydney, Australia</a> . Viewed 25/02/2014, <a href="http://www.ada.org.au/faqs/faq,documentid,26781,category,Dental_Caries.aspx">http://www.ada.org.au/faqs/faq,documentid,26781,category,Dental_Caries.aspx</a>
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## Relational attributes

<b>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</b>	<a href="#">Closing the Gap in the Northern Territory: Dental Services DSS, 2011</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Decayed, missing and filled teeth cluster</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Number of teeth affected by caries</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Number of teeth surfaces affected by caries</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Patient—number of teeth affected by caries, total N[N]</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Patient—number of teeth surfaces affected by caries, total N[N]</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Patient—result of caries experience on teeth surfaces, deciduous code a</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Patient—result of caries experience on teeth surfaces, permanent code A</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Patient—result of caries experience on teeth, deciduous code a</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Patient—result of caries experience on teeth, permanent code A</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Result of caries experience on teeth</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014
	<a href="#">Result of caries experience on teeth surfaces</a> <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 08/10/2014