

Injury event—external cause, text X[X(99)]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Narrative description of injury event
METEOR identifier:	268946
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	A textual description of the environmental event, circumstance or condition as the cause of injury, poisoning and other adverse effect.

Data element concept attributes

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Data element concept:	Injury event—external cause
METEOR identifier:	269426
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ACT Health (retired), Candidate 09/08/2018• Health, Superseded 20/10/2021• Tasmanian Health, Standard 02/09/2016
Definition:	Environmental event, circumstance or condition as the cause of injury, poisoning and other adverse effect.
Context:	Injury surveillance
Object class:	Injury event
Property:	External cause

Value domain attributes

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Value domain:	Text X[X(99)]
METEOR identifier:	270662
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commonwealth Department of Health, Incomplete 17/11/2015• Community Services (retired), Standard 14/09/2009• Health, Standard 01/03/2005• Indigenous, Standard 11/08/2014• Tasmanian Health, Standard 04/05/2021• Youth Justice, Standard 15/02/2022
Definition:	A combination of alphanumeric characters.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Text
Data type: String
Format: X[X(99)]
Maximum character length: 100

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Write a brief description of how the injury occurred. It should indicate what went wrong (the breakdown event); the mechanism by which this event led to injury; and the object(s) or substance(s) most important in the event. The type of place at which the event occurred, and the activity of the person who was injured should be indicated.

Comments: The narrative of the injury event is very important to injury control workers as it identifies features of the event not revealed by coded data.

This is a basic item for injury surveillance. The text description of the injury event is structured to indicate context, place, what went wrong and how the event resulted in injury. Further information on the national injury surveillance program can be obtained from the National Injury Surveillance Unit, Flinders University, Adelaide.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Injury Surveillance Unit, Flinders University, Adelaide

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes  [Narrative description of injury event, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.4 KB) *No registration status*

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Injury surveillance DSS Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2008

[Injury surveillance DSS Health](#), Superseded 14/12/2009

[Injury surveillance DSS 2010-13 Health](#), Superseded 02/05/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2010

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

[Injury surveillance NBPDS 2013-Health](#), Standard 02/05/2013

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

[Injury surveillance NMDS Health](#), Superseded 03/05/2006

Implementation start date: 01/07/2005

Implementation end date: 30/06/2006

[Injury surveillance NMDS Health](#), Superseded 07/12/2005

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