Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 6th 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: | 361926 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 22/12/2009 |
| Definition: | The environmental event, circumstance or condition as the cause of injury, poisoning and other adverse effect, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Injury event—external cause](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269426) |
| Value Domain: | [External cause code (ICD-10-AM 6th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/360993) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification 6th edition](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/360927) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | ANN{.N[N]} | |
| Maximum character length: | 6 | |



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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 5th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/333853)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008  Has been superseded by [Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 7th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/391330)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/05/2013 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted patient care NMDS 2008-09](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/361679)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 04/02/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2009 ***DSS specific information:*** As a minimum requirement, the external cause codes must be listed in the ICD-10-AM classification.  [Admitted patient care NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/374205)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 22/12/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010 ***DSS specific information:*** As a minimum requirement, the external cause codes must be listed in the ICD-10-AM classification.  [Injury surveillance DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/361954)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 14/12/2009  ***DSS specific information:*** As a minimum requirement, the external cause codes must be listed in the ICD-10-AM (3rd edition) classification. |
| Implementation in Indicators: | **Used as Numerator** [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 41-Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421611)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 41-Falls resulting in patient harm in hospitals, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/443705)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 42-Intentional self-harm in hospitals, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421609)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 42-Intentional self-harm in hospitals, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/443709)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 52-Falls in residential aged care resulting in patient harm and treated in hospital, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421559)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 52-Falls in residential aged care resulting in patient harm and treated in hospital, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/435893)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 62-Hospitalisation for injury and poisoning, 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/421587)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 31/10/2011  [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 62-Hospitalisation for injury and poisoning, 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/435901)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Retired 25/06/2013 |