Person—alcohol consumption frequency, AUDIT alcohol consumption frequency code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Alcohol consumption frequency |
| METEOR identifier: | 403077 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/04/2016 |
| Definition: | The self-reported frequency of a person's alcohol consumption, as measured by the Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT). |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—alcohol consumption frequency](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269699) |
| Value Domain: | [AUDIT alcohol consumption frequency code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403071) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 0 | Never |
|  | 1 | Monthly or less |
|  | 2 | 2-4 times a month |
|  | 3 | 2-3 times a week |
|  | 4 | 4 or more times a week |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | [Babor T, Higgins-Biddle JC, Saunders JB, Monteiro MG 2001.The Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test Guidelines for Use in Primary Care. 2nd edn. Switzerland: World Health Organization.](http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/67205/1/WHO_MSD_MSB_01.6a.pdf) |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This data element when used in conjunction with the data elements: *Person—consumption of 6 or more standard drinks on one occasion, AUDIT consumption of 6 or more standard drinks code N* and *Person—alcohol consumption amount (self-reported), total standard drinks NN* provides a score on the AUDIT, and a risk of alcohol-related harm. |
| Comments: | The AUDIT is an alcohol screen that can help identify patients who are hazardous drinkers or have active alcohol use disorders (including alcohol abuse or dependence). |
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| Origin: | [Babor T, Higgins-Biddle JC, Saunders JB, Monteiro MG 2001.The Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test Guidelines for Use in Primary Care. 2nd edn. Switzerland: World Health Organization.](http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/67205/1/WHO_MSD_MSB_01.6a.pdf) |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person—alcohol consumption frequency, AUDIT frequency alcohol consumption code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/632018)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 28/04/2016  See also [Person—consumption of 6 or more standard drinks on one occasion, AUDIT consumption of 6 or more standard drinks code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403107)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/04/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [AUDIT score of risky alcohol consumption cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403067)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/04/2016  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element refers to prison entrants only.  The AUDIT contains the question 'How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?'. The Prisoner Health Information Group amended the question wording for the National Prisoner Health Census to 'Over the last 12 months how often did you have a drink containing alcohol?'  [AUDIT-C score of risky alcohol consumption cluster (dischargee)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/483163)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/04/2016  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element refers to prison dischargees only.  The AUDIT contains the question 'How often do you have a drink containing alcohol?'. The Prisoner Health Information Group amended the question wording for the National Prisoner Health Census to 'Prior to your current incarcerations, how often did you have a drink containing alcohol?' |