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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Cancer staging—TNM stage grouping code |
| METEOR identifier: | 403726 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 16/01/2020 |
| Definition: | The anatomical extent of disease in a person with cancer based on the previously coded T, N and M stage categories, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person with cancer—extent of primary cancer](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/416363) |
| Value Domain: | [TNM stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 7th ed) code X[XX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403728) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [International Union against Cancer (UICC) TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours 7th edition](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403583) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | X[XX] | |
| Maximum character length: | 3 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Supplementary values: | 997 | Not applicable |
|  | 998 | Unknown |
|  | 999 | Not stated/inadequately described |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Record the stage in Arabic numerals and the appropriate upper or lower case alphabetic character omitting the prefix "stage". For example, record Stage IIA2 for cancer of the cervix uteri as "2A2".  Valid stage grouping codes from the current edition of the UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours.  Refer to the TNM Supplement: A Commentary on Uniform Use, 3rd Edition for coding rules. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Reference documents: | Wittekind C et al (Editors) 2003. International Union Against Cancer (UICC): TNM supplement: A commentary on uniform use, 3rd edition. Wiley-Blackwell. |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Record the extent of the primary cancer at the time of diagnosis of the cancer.  TNM staging applies to solid tumours excluding brain tumours.  The current edition of the American Joint Committee on Cancer (AJCC) Cancer Staging Manual provides an equivalent and alternative source of TNM stage grouping codes.  Stage groupings using classification systems other than the TNM classification system are recorded separately. |
| Collection methods: | This information should be obtained from the patient's medical record. |
| Comments: | Cancer stage is an important determinant of treatment and prognosis, and is used to evaluate new treatments and analyse outcomes. Survival analysis is adjusted by stage at diagnosis and distribution of cancer cases by type and stage. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Cancer Australia |
| Reference documents: | Sobin LH, Gospodarowicz MK, Wittekind C (Editors) 2009. International Union Against Cancer (UICC): TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 7th edition. Wiley-Blackwell  American Joint Committee on Cancer 2010. AJCC Cancer Staging Manual, 7th edition. New York: Springer  American College of Surgeons 2002. Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards (FORDS), 2009 revision. Commission on Cancer |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person with cancer—extent of primary cancer, TNM stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 6th ed) code XXXX{[X]XX}](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/341304)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2011  Has been superseded by [Person with cancer—extent of primary cancer, TNM stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 8th ed) code X[XX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/719703)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 16/01/2020  See also [Cancer staging—staging basis of cancer, code A](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/296981)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2011  See also [Cancer staging—staging basis of cancer, code A](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/422604)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/12/2011  See also [Person with cancer—distant metastasis status, M stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 7th ed) code X[XX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403720)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/12/2011  See also [Person with cancer—primary tumour status, T stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 7th ed) code X[XXX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403564)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/12/2011  See also [Person with cancer—regional lymph node metastasis status, N stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 7th ed) code X[XX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403661)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/12/2011 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Bowel cancer diagnosed cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/567581)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/09/2018  ***DSS specific information:*** The data element is used to derive a value describing the patient's [**colorectal cancer clinico-pathological stage**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/569264).  [Bowel cancer diagnosed cluster](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/695155)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 16/01/2020  ***DSS specific information:***  The data element is used to derive a value describing the patient's [**colorectal cancer clinico-pathological stage**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/569264).  [Breast cancer (cancer registries) NBPDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/491771)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/09/2012  [Cancer (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/394731)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 08/05/2014  [Cancer (clinical) DSS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/560813)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 14/05/2015  [Cancer (clinical) NBPDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/597861)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 14/05/2015 |
| Implementation in Indicators: | **Used as Numerator** [National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 08-Cancer clinico-pathological stage distribution](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/533407)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/09/2018  [National Bowel Cancer Screening Program: PI 08-Cancer clinico-pathological stage distribution](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/694183)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 06/09/2018 |