

# Prison entrant—at risk of suicide or self-harm indicator, yes/no code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	At risk of suicide or self-harm indicator
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	412490
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 28/04/2016
<b>Definition:</b>	An indicator of whether a prison entrant has been identified as being at risk of suicide or self-harm, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Prison entrant—at risk of suicide or self-harm indicator</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Yes/no code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Boolean	
<b>Format:</b>	N	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Yes
	2	No

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	Self-harm is when a person deliberately inflicts physical harm to themselves, often in secret and without anyone else knowing about it. Self-harm is not necessarily a suicide attempt, although it may include suicidal behaviour.
<b>Comments:</b>	Entry to prison can be a time of increased vulnerability and risk of suicide or self-harming behaviours. All prisoners upon reception into prison are assessed to identify those at current risk of suicide or self-harm. These prisoners are then provided with closer observation and monitoring.

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<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
<b>Reference documents:</b>	Kirchner T, Forns M & Mohino S 2008. Identifying the risk of deliberate self-harm among young prisoners by means of coping typologies. <i>Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior</i> 38(4):442-48.

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Has been superseded by [Prison entrant—at risk of suicide or self-harm indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](#)  
[Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Prison entrants DSS](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 28/04/2016

***DSS specific information:***

In this data set specification, risk of suicide/self-harm includes those who have expressed intent to self-harm or commit suicide.

This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison entrants identified as currently at risk of suicide or self-harm.