# Person with cancer—positive biopsy core, number N[NN]

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#### Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

**Short name:** Positive biopsy core number

METEOR identifier: 490961

Registration status: Health, Standard 14/05/2015

**Definition:** The number of biopsy cores found positive for cancer in pathology testing of

tissue from a person with cancer, presented as a number.

**Context:** To be collected for a person with cancer who has had surgically removed tissue

or a core biopsy taken for pathology testing the purpose of cancer diagnosis.

Data Element Concept: Person with cancer—positive biopsy core number

Value Domain: Number N[NN]

#### Value domain attributes

#### Representational attributes

Representation class: Total

Data type: Number

Format: N[NN]

Maximum character length: 3

#### Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Record the number of biopsy cores found positive for cancer in pathology testing of

a tissue biopsy. Positive cores are cores that have been found to contain any

cancerous cells.

This is generally collected in relation to tissue that has been surgically removed due

to the presence of cancer.

**Collection methods:** Collect from pathology reports or electronic databases.

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Cancer Australia

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Relational attributes

Related metadata See also Person with cancer—diagnostic histology indicator, yes/no/unknown code

references:

Health, Standard 14/05/2015

Implementation in Data SetProstate cancer (clinical) NBPDSSpecifications:Health, Standard 14/05/2015

Conditional obligation:

Collect this item if Person with cancer-diagnostic histology, yes/no/unknown code N equals yes.