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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 14/05/2015 |
| Definition: | The number of  [**biopsy cores**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/598214) 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/587529) |
| Value Domain: | [Number N[NN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/315198) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NN] | |
| Maximum character length: | 3 | |



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| 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 |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | See also [Person with cancer—diagnostic histology indicator, yes/no/unknown code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/487283)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 14/05/2015 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Prostate cancer (clinical) NBPDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/481386)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 14/05/2015  ***Conditional obligation:***  Collect this item if [Person with cancer-diagnostic histology, yes/no/unknown code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/487283) equals yes. |