

Patient—number of teeth surfaces affected by caries, total N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Number of teeth surfaces affected by caries (total)
METEOR identifier:	500164
Registration status:	Indigenous , Standard 08/10/2014
Definition:	The total number of a patient's teeth surfaces that are affected by caries as identified by a dental practitioner.
Data Element Concept:	Patient—number of teeth surfaces affected by caries
Value Domain:	Total number N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	In order to identify specific locations on a tooth it is divided into surfaces. The number of teeth surfaces affected by caries is used to determine the caries experience.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.
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Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	Decayed, missing and filled teeth cluster Indigenous , Standard 08/10/2014 Conditional obligation: First occurrence is for the total of deciduous teeth surfaces (dmfs) and the second occurrence is for the total of permanent teeth surfaces (DMFS).
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