Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—number of times previously supplied, total number N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Number of times previously supplied
METEOR identifier:	603916
Registration status:	• Commonwealth Department of Health, Standard 17/12/2015
Definition:	For a given prescription, the total number of times that the prescribed medicinal product has previously been supplied to the patient or Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) consumer, including the original supply.
Data Element Concept:	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—number of times previously supplied

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2
Supplementary values:	

Value	Meaning
99	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	For a 'single supply' prescription, this data item should have a value of 1 (representing the original and only supply).

For a prescription that allows for repeat supplies of the prescribed medicinal product, this data item should have a value of at least 1 (representing the original supply), up to a maximum of one less than the number of repeats specified by the **prescriber**. |

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health

Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) state/territory data extract 2013-14Commonwealth Department of Health](#), Standard 17/12/2015

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