

Resource Utilisation Groups—Activities of Daily Living total score code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	717984
Registration status:	Tasmanian Health , Standard 06/05/2020 Health , Superseded 20/12/2022
Definition:	A code set representing an individual's need for assistance with four activities of daily living.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	Meaning
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described
Unit of measure:	Score	
Unit of measure precision:	0	

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The [Resource Utilisation Groups - Activities of Daily Living](#) (RUG-ADL) is a four item scale measuring a person's motor function for activities of daily living including:

- bed mobility
- toileting
- transfers
- eating.

Valid values for the **bed mobility**, **toileting** and **transfers** item scales:

- 1 - Independent or supervision only
- 3 - Limited physical assistance
- 4 - Other than two persons physical assist
- 5 - Two or more person physical assist

Note: a score of 2 is not valid.

Valid values for the **eating** item scale:

- 1 - Independent or supervision only
- 2 - Limited assistance
- 3 - Extensive assistance/total dependence/tube fed

Note: a score of 4 or 5 is not valid.

Scores are summed for the four Activities of Daily Living (ADL) variables (i.e. bed mobility, toileting, transfers and eating) to reach a total RUG-ADL score. A total RUG-ADL score ranges from a minimum score of 4 to a maximum score of 18.

The RUG-ADL *total* score code is different from the [Resource Utilisation Groups–Activities of Daily Living score code N](#) as it represents the total of all the individual RUG-ADL item scores added together.

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This code should be used in circumstances where the RUG-ADL total score code can not be reported due to one or more item scales not being collected. This code is not to be used on RUG-ADL data collection forms.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Resource Utilisation Groups–Activities of Daily Living total score code N\[N\]](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 18/12/2019

Has been superseded by [Resource Utilisation Groups–Activities of Daily Living total score code N\[N\]](#)

[Health](#), Standard 20/12/2022

See also [Person–level of functional independence, Resource Utilisation Groups - Activities of Daily Living score code N](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 17/01/2020

Data elements implementing this value domain:

[Person–level of functional independence, Resource Utilisation Groups–Activities of Daily Living total score code N\[N\]](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 20/12/2022

[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 28/03/2023