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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 719698 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Recorded 14/06/2023 |
| Definition: | The Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours code set denoting the presence or absence of regional lymph node metastasis and describing the extent of lymph node metastasis. |

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| Representational attributes |
| Classification scheme: | [Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours 8th edition](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/719664) |
| Representation class: | Code |
| Data type: | String |
| Format: | X[XX] |
| Maximum character length: | 3 |
|   | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Supplementary values: | 997 | Not applicable |
|   | 998 | Unknown |
|   | 999  | Not stated/inadequately described  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Valid N codes from the current edition of the UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours.Record the stage in Arabic numerals and the appropriate upper or lower case alphabetic character omitting the prefix "N". For example, record stage N1b for malignant melanoma of the skin as "1b".Record if the N stage value has a prefix of “c” or “p”. For example, record retinoblastoma N stage pN1 as “p1”.Refer to the TNM Supplement: A Commentary on Uniform Use, 5th Edition for coding rules. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Reference documents: | Wittekind C et al (Editors) 2019. Union for International Cancer Control (UICC): TNM supplement: A commentary on uniform use, 5th edition. Wiley-Blackwell. |

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| Relational attributes  |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [N stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 7th ed) code X[XX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/403672)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 07/12/2011 |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Person with cancer—regional lymph node metastasis status, N stage (UICC TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, 8th ed) code X[XX]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/719701)[Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Recorded 14/06/2023 |