Person—needle sharing indicator, yes/no code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Needle sharing |
| METEOR identifier: | 761974 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 29/05/2024 |
| Definition: | An indicator of whether a person has used a needle which had been used by someone else, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person—needle sharing indicator](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775688) |
| Value Domain: | [Yes/no code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270732) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Boolean | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Yes |
|  | 2 | No |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Needle may refer to a hypodermic, tattoo needle, etc. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—needle sharing frequency, code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/483015)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 28/04/2016 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Prison dischargee NBEDS 2022](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/760891)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 29/05/2024  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:  23a. While in prison this time, did you get a tattoo or body piercing using a needle or other equipment that had been used by someone else, even if it had been cleaned?  [Substances used illicitly cluster (prison dischargee)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/766090)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 29/05/2024  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:  24f. While in prison this time, did you inject substances using a needle that had been used by someone else, even if it had been cleaned? |