

Person—illicit substance use frequency, never/sometimes/often/very often/unknown code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Illicit substance use frequency
METEOR identifier:	766078
Registration status:	Health , Standard 29/05/2024
Definition:	How often a person has used a substance in an illegal manner, as represented by code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—illicit substance use frequency
Value Domain:	Never/sometimes/often/very often/unknown code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Never
	2	Sometimes
	3	Often
	4	Very Often
Supplementary values:	9	Unknown

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	For use in Prisoner health data collections. If this value domain is used with other metadata then 'Unknown' would map to code 8.
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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: [Substances used illicitly cluster \(prison dischargee\)](#)
[Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on a CODE 1 yes response to [Person—substance used illicitly indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](#) for illicit drug use in the last 12 months while in the community.

DSS specific information:

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Dischargee Form:

24b. How often did you use these substances in the 12 months you spent in the community prior to your current prison sentence?

[Substances used illicitly cluster \(prison entrants\)](#)

[Health](#), Standard 29/05/2024

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on person using a substance in an illicit manner in the last 12 months.