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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/775002) |
| Value Domain: | [Never/sometimes/often/very often/unknown code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/772558) |

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| 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 |

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| 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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| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Relational attributes | |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [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  ***Conditional obligation:***  Conditional on a CODE 1 yes response to [Person—substance used illicitly indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/624778) 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)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/768905)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 29/05/2024  ***Conditional obligation:***  Conditional on person using a substance in an illicit manner in the last 12 months. |