

Person—underlying cause of death, code (ICD-7) {A}NNN{.N}

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Underlying cause of death
Synonymous names:	UCOD code
METEOR identifier:	774211
Registration status:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare , Recorded 11/08/2023
Definition:	The disease or injury which initiated the train of morbid events leading directly to a person's death or the circumstances of the accident or violence which produced the fatal injury, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—underlying cause of death
Value Domain:	Underlying cause of death code (ICD-7) {A}NNN{.N}

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	International Classification of Diseases, Seventh Revision (ICD-7)
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	String
Format:	{A}NNN{.N}
Maximum character length:	5

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Person—underlying cause of death, code \(ICD-8\) {A}NNN{.N}](#)
[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 30/10/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [National mortality database DSS 1964-1967](#)
[Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#), Recorded 11/08/2023
Implementation start date: 01/01/1964
Implementation end date: 31/12/1967
DSS specific information:

The leading alphabetic character and numeric character following the decimal were not collected as part of this data set.

