

# Prison entrant—mental health service referral, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Mental health service referral
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	365460
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 30/05/2016
<b>Definition:</b>	An indicator of whether a prison entrant has been referred to prison mental health services for observation and further assessment, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Data element concept:</b>	<a href="#">Prison entrant—mental health service referral indicator</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	365458
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 25/08/2011
<b>Definition:</b>	An indicator of whether a prison entrant has been referred to prison mental health services for observation and further assessment.
<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Prison entrant</a>
<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Mental health service referral indicator</a>

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Value domain attributes

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<b>Value domain:</b>	<a href="#">Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	301747
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 21/09/2005 <a href="#">Housing assistance</a> , Standard 10/02/2006 <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 14/02/2006 <a href="#">Early Childhood</a> , Standard 21/05/2010 <a href="#">Homelessness</a> , Standard 23/08/2010 <a href="#">Independent Hospital Pricing Authority</a> , Standard 01/11/2012 <a href="#">Disability</a> , Standard 07/10/2014 <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 13/03/2015 <a href="#">Children and Families</a> , Standard 22/11/2016
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing 'yes', 'no' and 'not stated/inadequately described'.

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Yes
	2	No
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described  
This code is not for use in primary data collections.

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**Comments:** At the prison reception assessment, prison entrants may be referred to prison mental health services for observation and further assessment. Prison mental health services provide access to specialist mental health nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists and in-patient services where the prisoners receive counselling and intervention programs.

Under the *National Action Plan on Mental Health 2006-2011* (COAG 2006) jurisdictions are required to provide details on the prevalence of mental illness among people who are newly sentenced to prison and enhance mental health services for people in contact with the justice system.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Reference documents:** [COAG \(Council of Australian Governments\) 2006. National Action Plan on Mental Health 2006-2011. Canberra: COAG.](#)

### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Prison entrant—mental health service referral indicator, prisoner health yes/no/unknown code N](#)  
[Health!](#), Standard 28/04/2016

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Prison entrants DSS](#)  
[Health!](#), Superseded 28/04/2016

**DSS specific information:**

This data element is included in the Prisoner Health DSS as the National Prisoner Health Indicators include the indicator: Proportion of prison entrants who, at reception, were referred to mental health services for observation and further assessment.