Person with cancer—number of positive sentinel lymph nodes, total code N[NN]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Number of positive sentinel lymph nodes |
| METEOR identifier: | 370549 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 06/03/2009 |
| Definition: | The total number of sentinel lymph nodes reported as containing tumour after examination by a pathologist. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person with cancer—number of positive sentinel lymph nodes](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/370547) |
| Value Domain: | [Total lymph nodes code N[NN]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/370025) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NN] | |
| Maximum character length: | 3 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Supplementary values: | 997 | Number of lymph nodes unknown |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | For cancer registries:  Collection of this data item should only be from notification and pathology reports relating to initial diagnosis and not for recurrent or metastatic disease. |
| Comments: | Sentinel lymph nodes are the first nodes that filter fluid draining away from the area of cancer. The number of lymph nodes with metastasis is important for cancer staging |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | National Breast and Ovarian Cancer Centre (NBOCC)  Australasian Association of Cancer Registries (AACR)  Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) |
| Reference documents: | Johnson CH, Adamo M (eds.), SEER Program Coding and Staging Manual 2007. National Cancer Institute, NIH Publication number 07-5581, Bethesda, MD 2007. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Breast cancer (Cancer registries) DSS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/370008)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 01/09/2012  [Breast cancer (cancer registries) NBPDS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/491771)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 01/09/2012 |