

Medical indemnity claim—legal and investigative expenses amount, total Australian currency N[N(8)]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Medical indemnity claim legal and investigative expenses amount
METEOR identifier:	482265
Registration status:	HealthI , Standard 21/11/2013
Definition:	The amount of money expended for legal defence, investigation and associated expenses on a medical indemnity claim, excluding administrative costs and net of recoveries from third parties, in Australian dollars.
Data Element Concept:	Medical indemnity claim—legal and investigative expenses amount
Value Domain:	Total Australian currency N[N(8)]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Currency
Format:	N[N(8)]
Maximum character length:	9
Unit of measure:	Australian currency (AU\$)

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	The amount records these expenses cumulatively up to and including the year in which the claim is closed. Except when there have been recoveries from third parties, the amount recorded for this item should be at least as much as that recorded for the same claim in a previous year, including when a claim changes its status from closed to reopened. Claimant legal costs, whether or not paid by the insurer, are excluded. The recorded amount should be \$0 when there have been no legal defence or investigative costs.
Comments:	APRA (2006) data item 25 'Gross Claim Payments by Head of Damage before Third Party Recoveries' for finalised claims has 3 fields, 'Defendant legal costs' (25.9), 'Investigation costs' (25.10), and 'Other' (25.11), whose summed AU\$ equals the AU\$ amount for this Medical indemnity Data Set Specification data item for closed claims.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Steward:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	APRA (Australian Prudential Regulation Authority) 2006. Data specifications National Claims and Policies Database document number 3.1. Canberra: APRA

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

See also [Medical indemnity claim—total amount expended, total Australian currency N\[N\(8\)\]](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 21/11/2013

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Medical indemnity NBPDS 2014-
\[Health!\]\(#\), Standard 21/11/2013](#)
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