

# Person—AUDIT-C result, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	AUDIT-C result
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	741483
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 14/07/2021
<b>Definition:</b>	A person's AUDIT-C test result, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—AUDIT-C result</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">AUDIT-C result code N</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code						
<b>Data type:</b>	Boolean						
<b>Format:</b>	N						
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1						
<b>Permissible values:</b>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Not at risk</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>At risk</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Not at risk	2	At risk
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1	Not at risk						
2	At risk						

### Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 1: Not at risk  Use this code when the AUDIT-C score is < 4 in males or < 3 in females.  CODE 2: At risk  Use this code when the AUDIT-C score is ≥ 4 in males or ≥ 3 in females.
<b>Collection methods:</b>	AUDIT-C is scored on a scale of 0-12. Each AUDIT-C question has 5 answer choices, which are rated from 0 to 5. A total score of ≥ 4 in males or ≥ 3 in females is considered positive, optimal for identifying hazardous drinking or active alcohol use disorders.
<b>Comments:</b>	AUDIT-C is a 3-item alcohol screen that can help identify persons who are hazardous drinkers or have active alcohol use disorders (including alcohol abuse or dependence). The AUDIT-C is a modified version of the 10 question AUDIT instrument.

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)
<b>Reference documents:</b>	Bush K, Kivlahan DR, McDonnell MB et al. 1998. Alcohol consumption questions (AUDIT-C): an effective brief screening test for problem drinking. Archives of Internal Medicine 1998(3): 1789-95.

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

- Guide for use:** AUDIT-C is scored on a scale of 0-12. A total score of 4 or more in males and 3 or more in females is considered positive, optimal for identifying hazardous drinking or active alcohol use disorders.
- Collection methods:** Each AUDIT-C question has 5 answer choices, which are rated from 0 to 5. The scores against the 3 questions are summed to arrive at the total score.
- Comments:** AUDIT-C is a 3-item alcohol screen that can help identify persons who are hazardous drinkers or have active alcohol use disorders (including alcohol abuse or dependence). It is a modified version of the 10 question the Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT) instrument.

## Source and reference attributes

- Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
- Origin:** RACGP: Clinical guidelines for preventive activities in general practice

## Relational attributes

- Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Person—AUDIT-C result, code N Health!](#), Standard 13/03/2015  
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 14/07/2021

- Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS December 2020 Indigenous](#), Standard 14/07/2021

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/2020

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to '[Person—AUDIT-C result recorded indicator, yes/no code N](#)', and on a person being aged  $\geq 15$  years at the census date.

Data are provided to the AIHW for AUDIT-C results recorded within the previous 24 months up to the census date.

**DSS specific information:**

Where the AUDIT-C result does not have an assessment date assigned, it should be treated as being up to date (that is, as having been updated in the 24 months up to the census date).