Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 12th edn) ANN{.N[N]}

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | External cause |
| METEOR identifier: | 746659 |
| Registration status: | [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 20/10/2021 |
| Definition: | The environmental event, circumstance or condition as the cause of injury, poisoning, or other adverse effect, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Injury event—external cause](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/746743) |
| Value Domain: | [External cause code (ICD-10-AM 12th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/746687) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Tenth Revision, Australian Modification 12th edition](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/746656) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | ANN{.N[N]} | |
| Maximum character length: | 6 | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This code must be used in conjunction with an injury, poisoning or other adverse effect code and can be used with other ICD-10-AM disease codes.  An external cause code should be sequenced following the related injury, poisoning, or other adverse effect code, or following the group of codes, if more than one injury or condition has resulted from this external cause. Provision should be made to record more than one external cause if appropriate. External cause codes in the range V00 to Y84 must be accompanied by a place of occurrence code.  External cause codes V00 to Y34 must be accompanied by an activity code U50-U73. |
| Comments: | Enables categorisation of injury, poisoning, and other adverse effect, according to factors important for injury control. This information is necessary for defining and monitoring injury control targets, injury costing and identifying cases for in-depth research. It is also used as a quality of care indicator of adverse patient outcomes. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Origin: | Independent Hospital Pricing Authority |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Injury event—external cause, code (ICD-10-AM 11th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/699733)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 20/10/2021  [Tasmanian Health](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Standard 08/04/2019  See also [Injury event—activity type, code (ICD-10-AM 12th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/746663)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 20/10/2021  See also [Injury event—place of occurrence, code (ICD-10-AM 12th edn) ANN{.N[N]}](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/746661)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 20/10/2021 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Admitted patient care NMDS 2022–23](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/742173)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 20/10/2021  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2022 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2023 ***Conditional obligation:***  This data element is only required to be reported if the episode of care contains a principal or additional diagnosis code that refers to an injury, poisoning, or other adverse affect. |