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## International Classification of Dying Places

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## The global standard for information about places of death and of end of life care

The International Classification of Dying Places (ICP) provides a standard framework and language to describe and understand “dying places” – this term comprises both the places where people die (places of death) and the places where people are cared for at the end of their life (places of end of life care). In its first version (V1.0), the ICP has seven chapters (chapters A to G) to choose from when recording a dying place. The first five chapters (chapters A to E) have categories to choose from when the chapter applies, and qualifiers to provide extra details about the chosen category. The last two chapters (chapters F and G) are residuals.

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Incl: place of residence, where people live in, including open-air space within it

Excl: health or care facility ([chapter B](#)), other facility ([chapter C](#))

### **A01. INDIVIDUAL**

Incl: private residence including house, flat and others (e.g., caravan, houseboat, shack, hut)

**A0101** own residence (rented, owned or occupied by the person or by the parents/custodians of the person in the case of minors)

**A0102** residence of others (specify, e.g., of family member, friend)

**A0103** unknown if it is/was own residence or of others

### **A02. COLLECTIVE**

Incl: collective residence of communal nature where a group of persons reside

Excl: collective residence of communal nature with health or care provision ([B02](#)), e.g., assisted living community/institution

**A0201** camp/settlement for refugees and internally displaced persons

**A0202** correctional facility (e.g., prison, penitentiary)

**A0203** homeless shelter

**A0204** independent living community/institution or retirement/rest home without health or care provision ([if with health or care provision code under B02](#))

**A0205** military facility/camp

**A0206** religious space or institution (e.g., convent, monastery)

**A0208** other collective residence (specify, e.g., workers' camp, student dormitory, orphanage)

**A0209** type of collective residence unknown

### **A03. OTHER DWELLING OR DOMICILE**

(specify, e.g., street for person who lives/lived on the street)

#### **A qualifiers:**

AQ01 Is/was this place the person's workplace or school? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

AQ02 Is/was this place regarded by the person as their home? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

Incl.: place where people go or stay to receive care (health-related or other), including open-air space within it

Excl.: ambulance (code D01), collective dwelling or domicile without health or care provision (A02), other facility where people go or stay but not to receive care (chapter C)

### **B01. HOSPITAL**

Incl.: facility that provides mostly acute care (medical, nursing and/or other)

Excl.: long-term care facility or nursing home (B02), palliative care facility or hospice facility (code B03) and primary care facility or community health centre (code B04)

**B0101** emergency department

**B0102** intensive care unit

**B0103** palliative care unit or hospice within hospital (if palliative care unit/facility or hospice out-of-hospital code B0201 or B03)

**B0104** other inpatient unit (specify, e.g., internal medicine unit, surgical unit)

**B0108** other area within hospital (specify, e.g., outpatient clinic)

**B0109** area within hospital unknown

### **B02. LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY OR NURSING HOME**

Incl.: facility that provides long-term care, including inpatient or outpatient rehabilitation, skilled nursing care. Includes assisted living community/institution, convalescent or retirement/rest home and day centre with health or care provision.

Excl.: hospice or palliative care facility within hospital (code B0103) or as independent facility (B03)

**B0201** palliative care unit or hospice within long-term care facility or nursing home (if within hospital code B0103; if independent palliative care facility or hospice facility code B03)

**B0208** other area within long-term care facility or nursing home (specify)

**B0209** area within long-term care facility or nursing home unknown

### **B03. PALLIATIVE CARE FACILITY OR HOSPICE FACILITY**

Incl.: facility that provides palliative care for people with advanced diseases

Excl.: palliative care unit or hospice within hospital (code B0103) or within long-term care facility or nursing home (code B0201)

### **B04. PRIMARY CARE FACILITY OR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE**

Incl.: facility that provides primary care, community health or family medicine centre, practice, clinic or office

### **B08. OTHER HEALTH OR CARE FACILITY** (specify, e.g., mobile clinic)

#### **B qualifiers:**

BQ01 Is/was this place the person's workplace or school? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

BQ02 Is/was this place regarded by the person as their home? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

BQ03 Corridor or waiting area? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

BQ04 Maternity or obstetrics facility or unit? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

BQ05 Pediatric facility or unit? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

BQ06 Psychiatric or mental health facility or unit? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

BQ07 Temporary or permanent facility? 1 - temporary / 2 - permanent / 9 - don't know

Incl.: place where people go or stay but not to receive care, including open-air space within it  
Excl.: when the facility is the person's place of residence (code under A02, e.g., when person lives in religious space for example a shrine code A0206), health or care facility (chapter B)

**C01.** Farm or other place of primary production, industrial/construction area (e.g., plant cultivation, factory)

**C02.** Hotel or lodging house (if for living code A0208 and specify)

**C03.** Recreational, cultural or commercial facility or public building (e.g., amusement park, museum, shop, bar, public hall)

**C04.** Religious space or institution (e.g., church, shrine, temple, mosque; if for living code A0206, if to receive care code B08 and specify)

**C05.** School or educational facility (e.g., kindergarten, university; if for living code A0208 and specify)

**C06.** Sport and athletics facility (e.g., indoor sporting hall, skating rink)

**C07.** Transport facility (e.g., train station, airport; if in vehicle code under chapter D; if in outdoor transport area code E01, e.g., public highway, railway)

**C08.** Other type of facility (specify, e.g., data centre)

**C qualifier:**

CQ01 Is/was this place the person's workplace or school? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

Incl.: a means of transport of things or people, with or without engine, located indoor or outdoor  
Excl.: when the vehicle is the person's place of residence (e.g., [caravan](#), [code A01](#)),  
when the vehicle is a place where people go or stay to receive care unless it is an ambulance  
(e.g., [mobile clinic](#), [code B08](#) and [specify](#))

**D01.** Ambulance (in land, water or air)

**D02.** Motorcycle

**D03.** Passenger car

**D08.** Other vehicle (specify, e.g., train, boat, plane)

### **D qualifiers**

DQ01 Is/was this place the person's workplace? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

DQ02 During transport to or from health or care facility? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

DQ03 Land, water or air vehicle? 1 - land / 2 - water / 3 - air / 9 - don't know

Incl.: open-air space

Excl.: open-air space within dwelling or domicile ([chapter A](#)), within health or care facility ([chapter B](#)) or within other facility ([chapter C](#)); when it is the person's place of residence (e.g., [street for person who lives/lived on the street, code A03](#)); when in vehicle ([chapter D](#))

**E01.** Public highway, street, road or other transport area (e.g., railway; [if in transport facility code C07, e.g., train station, airport](#))

**E02.** Water, wetland and their beach/shore/bank (e.g., sea, river, pool, marsh, swamp; [if in recreational facility code C03, if in sports and athletics facility code C06](#))

**E03.** Forest or desert

**E08.** Other outdoor space (specify, e.g., field, park)

**E qualifier:**

EQ01 Is/was this place the person's workplace? 1 - yes / 2 - no / 9 - don't know

## CHAPTER F. ELSEWHERE (SPECIFY)

**F**

When the place cannot be classified under Chapters A to E.

## CHAPTER G. UNKNOWN

**G**

When the place cannot be specified.