International comparisons in the presence of different versions of ICD



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Major changes from ICD-9 to ICD-10: Nature of injury – Chapter XIX

- Alphanumeric: ICD-9 800-999 ICD-10 "S" or "T" codes
- Primary axis switch
 - ICD-9 Blocks by Nature of injury with body region specified within nature
 - ICD-10 Blocks by body region with nature of injury specified within body region
- Nature of injury matrices:
 - ICD-9-CM Barell matrix
 - ICD-10 Injury Mortality Diagnosis (developed based on Barell)
- Clinical Modifications of ICD-10 from many countries (e.g. ICD-10-CM, ICD-10-AM, Canada, Thialand, Sweden)

Comparability between ICD revision

- Cause of death comparability ratios based on groups of codes not single codes
- Nature of injury groupings
 - Barell matrix uses ICD-9 Clinical Modifications
 - Injury Mortality Diagnosis matrix uses ICD-10 (not the clinical modifications)
- Multiple nature of injury codes possible per injury.
 - ICD-9 Selects most "severe" (referred to as the Precedence list)
 ICD-10 Selects the injury which led to the death (similar to external cause selection)

Diagnosis matrix structure

		Nature of	f injury		
	Fracture	Internal organ	••••	Crushing	Multiple Injuries
Head and neck				200	
Spine and back				COCY	
Torso			inju		
Extremities	*	ure o'			
Unclassifiable	Mai	ure of			
Unspecified					

Body region

Severity within cells of matrix

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Translator ICD10 to ICD9
(includes nature of injury codes)

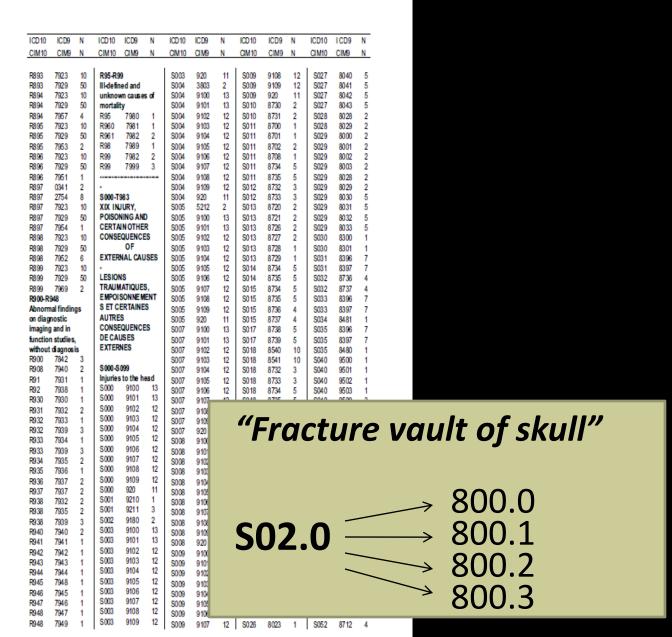
WHO also developed a translator available for Translator ICD9 to ICD10

Developed before ICD10 Implemented

Based on code description and exclusion/inclusion criteria only

No validity of translator done

PDF I have dated -- 1997



Examples: High and Low SRRs for same ICD code New Zealand to Sweden

ICD code	Injury description	Swedish SRR*	NZ SRR*
\$37.8	Injury of other pelvic organs	1.00	.83
T17.2	Foreign body in pharynx	.46	.90
S02.7	Multiple fractures involving skull and facial bones	.97	.21
S01.9	Open wound of head, part unspecified	.98	.81
\$22.5	Flail chest	.35	.71

^{*}SRR is probability of survival ranging from 0 (unsurvivable) to 1 (no threat to life)

Conclusion

- In general, using single codes or groups of codes, the more specificity in the code set, the more similar the severity between revisions
- Comparison on single ICD codes even with the same description can be problematic
- More research needed --- the US has publically available dual coded multiple cause death data to create comparability ratios.

Comparable Nature of injury

Comparable group	ICD-9CM Barell modified	ICD-10 IMD
fx	Fracture	FRACTURE
disl	Dislocation	DISLOCATION
internal	Internal organ injury	INTERNAL
ow	Open wound	OPEN WOUND
ampu	Amputation	AMPUTATIONS
bv	Blood vessel	BLOOD VESSELS
super/con	Superficial & contusion	CONTUSION /SUPERFICIAL
crush	Crushing	CRUSH
burn	Burn	BURNS
FB	Effect of foreign bodies entering orifice	Foreign body
OEEC	Other effects of external causes	Other effects of external causes
Pois	Poisoning	Poisoning
TE	Toxic effects	Toxic effects
Other /multiple	Multiple injuries	SPRAINS & STRAINS
	Other specified injury	NERVES
		Early complications
		Child/adult maltreatment
Unspe	Unspecified injury	UNSPECIFIED

Barell matrix body regions

H		1
itic	1	Type 1 TBI
d Neck Traumatic Brain Injury	2	Type 2 TBI
Head and Neck r head, Traum e and Brain Ir	3	Type 3 TBI
a ,	_	Other Head
ad eag nd		Face
Heg.		Eye
Head ar ther head, face and	_	Neck
5 +		Head, Face and
39 38	8	Neck Unspecified
		Cervical SCI
	9	
		Thoracic/ Dorsal
	10	SCI
		Lumbar SCI
<u> </u>	11	
back Spinal Cord (SCI)		Sacrum Coccyx
)ac	12	SCI
		Spine+ Back
a 40	13	unspecified SCI
e ⊆		Cervical VCI
Spine and back	14	
spine ral Column (VCI)	4 =	Thoracic /Dorsal
E	15	VCI
	4.0	Lumbar VCI
	16	
<u>J</u>		Sacrum Coccyx

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				Chest (Thorax)
			19	
				Abdomen
		0	20	
Torso		Torso		Pelvis
P		P		& Urogenital
			_ 1	Trunk
			00	irunk
			22	
	43		23	Back and Buttock
		Upper	24	Shoulder &
				upper arm
			25	Forearm & elbow
			26	Wrist, hand
				& fingers
"				
tie			27	Oher & unspecified
Extremities	44			
ctre		Lower	28	Hip
Û			29	Upper leg & thigh
			30	Knee
			31	Lower leg & ankle
				Foot & toes
			22	Other 8
			33	Other &
46	45			unspecified

Unclassifiable by site	Other &	cified	34	Other/ multiple
Unclassifia	47	unspecified	35	Unspecified
				site
				System-wide &
48	System	wide	36	

Comparable body regions

Group called	Barell modified	IMD
TBI	1TYPE 1 TBI	Traumatic brain injury
	2TYPE 2 TBI	
	3TYPE 3 TBI	
Other Head	4OTHER HEAD	Other head
	5FACE	Neck
	6EYE	Head and neck, other
	7NECK	
	8HEAD,FACE,NECK UNSPEC	
Spinal cord	9CERVICAL SCI	Spinal cord
	10THORACIC/DORSAL SCI	
	11LUMBAR SCI	
	12SACRUM COCCYX	
	13SPINE+BACK, UNSPECIFIED	
Vertebral column	14CERVICAL VCI	Vertebral column
	15THORACIC/DORSAL VCI	
	16LUMBAR VCI	
	17SACRUM COCCYX VCI	
	18SPINE,BACK UNSPEC VCI	
Thorax	19CHEST (thorax)	Thorax
Abdomen	20ABDOMEN	Abdomen
Other trunk'	21PELVIS+UROGENITAL	Pelvis and lower back
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Upper ext	24 SHOULDER&UPPER ARM	Upper extremity
	25 FOREARM&ELBOW	
	26HAND&WRIST&FINGERS	
	27 OTHER&UNSPEC UPPER EXTREM	
Hip	28HIP	Hip
Low ext	29UPPER LEG&THIGH	Other lower extremity
	30 KNEE	
	31 LOWER LEG&ANKLE	
	32FOOT&TOES	
	33 OTHER&UNSPEC LOWER EXTREM	
Mult	34OTHER,MULTIPLE,NEC	Multiple body regions
	SYSTEM WIDE & LATE EFFECTS	
Sys wide	36 ****	Systemwide
	*** Frost bite distribted by body region	
	Foreign body distributed by body	
	region	
	Early complications of trauma	
	distributed by body region	
	, , ,	
	Poisoning	
	Toxic effect	
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Unsp	35 UNSPECIFIED	Unspecified
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