

3.2 Minor Anomalies and other conditions for Exclusion

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Cases with only minor anomalies and unspecified anomalies for exclusion should not be transmitted to EUROCAT. Minor anomalies should be described in text, coded and transmitted to EUROCAT when they are in association with major anomalies. Where a case with one or more minor anomalies only is transmitted to EUROCAT, it will be excluded by computer if the minor anomalies have specific codes which allow recognition. Some minor anomalies do not however have specific codes and cases with such isolated anomalies must always be recognised and excluded at local level on the basis of the text description.

“Minor” anomalies are excluded, when isolated, because they have lesser medical, functional or cosmetic consequences (although they may be indicators of other problems) and experience shows that their definition and diagnosis and reporting varies considerably. At the present time, it is not useful to collect data at a European level on these anomalies. We also exclude anomalies which are not always truly congenital in origin, sometimes associated with preterm birth. In addition, we exclude poorly specified conditions and recommend that for any such cases more specific information be sought from medical records. Prenatal diagnosis of anomalies of uncertain severity should be confirmed after birth.

For allocation of cases to EUROCAT subgroups, only major malformations will be considered (codes for minor anomalies will be excluded). If a registry use major ICD10 codes to describe a minor anomaly or a syndrome feature, the prevalence will be higher than the true prevalence in the registry area and data will be less comparable to other regions. Use of major ICD10 codes for minor anomalies will also have a negative impact on the classification of cases by the multiple flowchart and the surveillance of multiple congenital anomalies.

Please note that the list is not exhaustive and not all dysmorphic features are mentioned. For some features commonly used by the registries, a code outside the Q-chapter is given.

ICD10 codes marked in red were added in the EUROCAT Guide 1.4 in 2018 and 2019. These codes were implemented in the new software JRC-EUROCAT DMS in 2020.

| | Specified ICD10-BPA – if present |
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| Head | |
| Aberrant scalp hair patterning | |
| Bony occipital spur | |
| Brachycephaly | |
| Compression facies | Q671 |
| Depressions in skull, lacunar skull, temporal flattening | Q6740 |
| Dolichocephaly | Q672 |
| Dysmorphic face | Q189 |
| Broad, prominent forehead | |
| Coarse facies | |
| Flattened face | |
| Frontal bossing / wide forehead | |

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| Mid face hypoplasia | |
| Pointed facies | |
| Round head shape | |
| Sloping forehead | |
| Facial asymmetry | Q670 |
| Flat occiput | |
| Macrocephalus | Q753 |
| Metopic ridge, high metopic suture | |
| Other congenital deformities of skull, face and jaw (including all types of abnormally shaped skull without synostosis) | Q674 |
| Plagiocephaly – head/skull asymmetry | Q673 |
| Third fontanelle | |
| Skull, late closure | |
| Wormian bones | |
| Eyes | |
| Anisocoria | |
| Blue sclera | Q135 |
| Congenital ectropion | Q101 |
| Congenital entropion | Q102 |
| Crocodile tears | Q0782 |
| Dacryocystocele | H046 |
| Downward slanting palpebral fissures | Q103 |
| Dystopia canthorum | Q189 |
| Epicanthic folds | Q189 |
| Epicanthus inversus | Q189 |
| Exophthalmos | H052 |
| Hypertelorism | Q752 |
| Hypotelorism | Q189 |
| Other congenital malformations of eyelid | Q103 |
| Oval shaped pupils | |
| Prominent/protruding eyes | H052 |
| Short palpebral fissures | Q189 |
| Stenosis or stricture of lacrimal duct | Q105 |
| Synophrys | Q1880 |
| Upward slanting palpebral fissures | Q103 |
| Ears | |
| Absent tragus | |
| Accessory auricle, preauricular appendage, tag or lobule | Q170 |
| Asymmetric size | Q173 |
| Auricular pit | |
| Bat ear, prominent, protuberant ear | Q175 |
| Congenital absence of ear lobe | |
| Darwin's tubercle | |
| Double lobule | Q170 |
| Lack of helical fold | Q173 |
| Low set ears | Q174 |
| Macrotia | Q171 |

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| Microtia/small ears | Q172 |
| Narrow external auditory meatus | |
| Posterior angulation | Q173 |
| Primitive shape | Q173 |
| Pointed ear, Vulcan ear, simple ear | Q173 |
| Unspecified and minor malformation of ear | Q179 |
| Nose | |
| Anteverted nares | Q189 |
| Bifid tip of nose | Q189 |
| Broad nasal root, anomaly of nasal root | Q189 |
| Depressed nasal bridge | Q189 |
| Deviation of nasal septum | Q6741 |
| Dysmorphic nose | Q189 |
| Flat nose | Q189 |
| Flattened nasal bridge | Q189 |
| Notched alas | |
| Pinched nose | Q189 |
| Prominent nasal bridge | Q189 |
| Saddle nose | Q189 |
| Small/hypoplastic nares | Q189 |
| Small pointed nose | Q189 |
| Underdeveloped nasal bones | Q189 |
| Upturned nose | Q189 |
| Wide nasal root | Q189 |
| Oral regions | |
| Aberrant frenula | |
| Absent /hypoplasia depressor anguli oris (asymmetric crying face) | |
| Alveolar crest | |
| Anomalies of philtrum, elongated philtrum | Q189 |
| Bifid uvula / cleft uvula | Q357 |
| Borderline small mandible/ minor micrognathia | |
| Disturbances in tooth eruption | |
| Enamel hypoplasia | |
| Glossoptosis | |
| High arched palate | Q3850 |
| Macrocheilia | Q186 |
| Macroglossia / hemi-hypertrophy of tongue | Q382 |
| Macrostomia | Q184 |
| Malformed teeth | |
| Microcheilia | Q187 |
| Microglossia | |
| Microstomia | Q185 |
| Mid-oral tongue position | |
| Neonatal teeth | |
| Prominent jaw | Q189 |
| Ranula | |
| Retrognathia/ receding chin | Q674 |

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| Short philtrum | Q189 |
| Thin lips | Q189 |
| Tongue tie or cyst of tongue | Q381 |
| Neck | |
| Broad neck | Q189 |
| Congenital malformation of face and neck, unspecified | Q189 |
| Congenital thymic hypoplasia | |
| Mild webbed neck | |
| Other branchial cleft malformations | Q182 |
| Preauricular sinus or cyst | Q181 |
| Short neck | Q189 |
| Sinus, fistula or cyst of branchial cleft | Q180 |
| Thymus involution | |
| Thyreoglossal cyst | |
| Torticollis | Q680 |
| Hands | |
| Accessory carpal bones | Q7400 |
| Arachnodactyly | |
| Clinodactyly (5 th finger) | Q6810 |
| Duplication of thumbnail | |
| Enlarged or hypertrophic nails | Q845 |
| Other congenital malformations of nails | Q846 |
| Overlapping fingers | |
| Short fingers (4. 5. th finger) | |
| Single/abnormal palmar crease | Q8280 |
| Small fingers | |
| Subluxation of phalangeal bones | |
| Unusual dermatoglyphics | |
| Feet -Limb | |
| Bulbous toes | |
| Clicking hip, subluxation or unstable hip | Q653-Q656 |
| Hip dysplasia and other specified/unspecified hip anomalies | Q658, Q659 |
| Clubfoot of postural origin - other cong deformities of feet | Q668 |
| Congenital deformity of feet, unspecified | Q669 |
| Congenital pes planus | Q665 |
| Enlarged or hypertrophic nails | Q845 |
| Gap between toes (1st-2nd) | |
| Hallux varus – other congenital varus deformities of feet | Q663 |
| Metatarsus varus – other congenital valgus deformities of feet | Q666 |
| Metatarsus varus or metatarsus adductus | Q662 |
| Overlapping toes | |
| Pes cavus | Q667 |
| Prominent calcaneus | |
| Recessed toes (4th, 5th) | |
| Rocker bottom feet | Q6680 |
| Short great toe | |
| Syndactyly (2nd-3rd toes) | |

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| Talipes or pes calcaneovalgus | Q664 |
| Talipes calcaneovarus | Q661 |
| Skin | |
| Accessory nipples | Q833 |
| Accessory skin tags | Q8281 |
| Angioma | |
| Cafe-au-lait spot | |
| Depigmented spot | |
| Epibulbar dermoid | |
| Hemangioma if no treatment is required | |
| Heterochromia of hair | |
| Hypoplasia of toe nails | Q846 |
| Lymphangioma if no treatment is required | |
| Mongoloid spot (whites) | Q8252 |
| Neavus flammeus | Q8250 |
| Persistent lanugo | |
| Pigmented naevus – congenital non-neoplastic naevus | Q825 |
| Strawberry naevus | Q8251 |
| Unusual placement of nipples/ wide spaced nipples | |
| Skeletal | |
| Abortive 12 th rib | |
| Absence of rib/hypoplastic rib | Q7660 |
| Accessory rib | Q7662 |
| Bipartite vertebrae | |
| Bifid ribs | |
| Cervical rib | Q765 |
| Congenital bowing of femur | Q683 |
| Congenital bowing of fibula and tibia | Q684 |
| Congenital bowing of long bones of leg, unspecified | Q685 |
| Congenital bowing of upper limb | |
| Congenital deformity of spine | Q675 |
| Congenital lordosis, postural | Q7643 |
| Coronal clefts of vertebrae, incomplete | |
| Cubitus valgus | |
| Depressed sternum | |
| Duplication of ribs | |
| Fused rib, single | |
| Genu recurvatum | Q6821 |
| Genua valgum | |
| Genua varum | |
| No ossification of os coccyx | |
| Ovoid configuration of vertebrae | |
| Prominent sternum | |
| Sacral dimple | L059 |
| Shieldlike chest, other congenital deformities of chest | Q678 |
| Spina bifida occulta | Q760 |
| Sternum bifidum | Q7671 |

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| Depressed sternum / pectus excavatum | Q676 |
| Prominent sternum / pectus carinatum | Q677 |
| Brain | |
| Anomalies of septum pellucidum | |
| Arachnoid cysts | |
| Asymmetric ventricles, normal size | |
| Banana shaped cerebellum | |
| Cerebellar hypoplasia, mild | |
| Cerebral atrophy | |
| Choroid plexus cysts | |
| Cyst of septum pellucidum | |
| Enlarged cisterna magna, isolated | |
| Jaw-winking syndrome, Marcus Gunn's syndrome | Q0780 |
| Periventricular leukomalacia | |
| Single congenital cerebral cyst | Q0461 |
| Thin or hypoplastic corpus callosum | |
| Ventriculomegaly < 15 mm | |
| Cardiovascular | |
| Absence or hypoplasia of umbilical artery, single umbilical artery | Q270 |
| Absence of vena cava superior | |
| Functional or unspecified cardiac murmur | R011 |
| Cardiomegaly | I517 |
| Cardiomyopathy | I429 |
| Deviation of the heart axis | |
| Patent ductus arteriosus if GA < 37 weeks | Q250 if GA <37 weeks |
| Patent or persistent foramen ovale | Q2111 |
| Peripheral pulmonary artery stenosis | Q256 if GA < 37 weeks |
| Persistent left superior vena cava | Q261 |
| Persistent right aortic arch | Q2541 |
| Persistent right umbilical vein | |
| Congenital heart block | Q246 |
| Pulmonary | |
| Accessory lobe of lung | Q331 |
| Azygos lobe of lung | Q3310 |
| Bronchomalacia | Q322 |
| Congenital laryngeal stridor | Q314 |
| Single cyst of the lung | Q3300 |
| Hyperplasia of thymus | |
| Laryngomalacia | Q3140 |
| Pleural effusion | |
| Pulmonary hypoplasia, secondary | |
| Relaxation of diaphragm | |
| Thymus involution | |
| Tracheomalacia | Q320 |
| Vocal cord palsy | |
| Gastro-intestinal | |
| Abdominal cyst not needing surgery | |

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| Accessory spleen | |
| Anterior anus without surgery | |
| Choledochal cyst | Q444 |
| Congenital adrenal hypoplasia | Q8911 |
| Congenital cholestasis | |
| Congenital mesenteric cyst | Q4583 |
| Cyst of spleen | |
| Diastasis recti | |
| Dilatation of intestine | |
| Functional gastro-intestinal disorders | Q4021, Q4320, Q4381, Q4382 |
| Hepatomegaly | R160 |
| Hiatus hernia | Q401 |
| Inguinal hernia | K409 |
| Liver cyst | |
| Meckel's diverticulum | Q430 |
| Plica of anus | |
| Pyloric stenosis | Q400 |
| Splenomegaly | R161 |
| Transient choledochal cyst | |
| Umbilical hernia | |
| Renal | |
| Enlarged/thickened bladder | |
| Hydronephrosis with a pelvis dilatation less than 10 mm | |
| Hyperplastic and giant kidney | Q633 |
| Single renal cyst | Q610 |
| Vesico-ureteral-renal reflux | Q627 |
| External genitals | |
| Bifid scrotum | Q5521 |
| Buried penis | |
| Congenital chordee | Q544 |
| Congenital adrenogenital disorders | E250 |
| Congenital malformation of vulva | Q527 |
| Congenital torsion of ovary | Q502 |
| Curvature of penis | |
| Cysts of vulva | |
| Deficient or hooded foreskin/prepuce | N47 |
| Developmental ovarian cyst(s) | Q501, Q5010, Q5011 |
| Embryonic cyst of broad ligament | Q505 |
| Enlarged clitoris | |
| Foreskin tethered to the scrotum | N47 |
| Fusion of labia | Q525 |
| Hydrocele of testis | P835 |
| Hymen imperforate | Q523 |
| Hypertrophy of hymen | |
| Hypoplasia of penis/micropenis | |
| Phimosis | N47 |
| Prominent labia minora | |

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| Retractile testis | Q5520 |
| Seminal vesicle cyst | |
| Testicular torsion | N44 |
| Transient ovarian cyst | |
| Undescended testicle | Q53 |
| Unspecified ectopic testis | Q530 |
| Vaginal skin tag | |
| Other | |
| Congenital malformation, unspecified | Q899 |
| Chromosomal | |
| Balanced chromosomal rearrangements | Q95 |
| Balanced translocations or inversions in normal individuals | |
| Balanced autosomal rearrangement in abnormal individual | Q952 |
| Individuals with marker heterochromatin | |
| Individuals with autosomal fragile site | |

“Non-congenital” anomalies

Pyloric stenosis – there is controversy about the congenital nature of the majority of cases.

Patent ductus arteriosus in babies <37 weeks

Hydrocephaly where a result of preterm birth rather than congenital: all cases among preterm births should be thoroughly checked before registration.

Poorly specified anomalies

Functional or unspecified cardiac murmur

Laryngomalacia and tracheomalacia

Functional gastro-intestinal disorders

Undescended testicle. Registries may choose to record this locally if they can follow-up all babies to ascertain whether the testis descends normally.

Unspecified ectopic testis

Vesico-ureteral reflux. Registries should record and transmit to EUROCAT the underlying anomaly, if present.

Clicking hip

Clubfoot where there is no further specification of whether malformation or postural origin