BREAST
C50.0–C50.9

(Except for M-9750, 9760–9764, 9800–9820, 9826, 9831–9920, 9931–9964, 9980–9989)

Codes
00 None; no surgery of primary site; autopsy ONLY
19 Local tumor destruction, NOS
   No specimen was sent to pathology for surgical events coded 19 (principally for cases diagnosed prior to January 1, 2003).
20 Partial mastectomy, NOS; less than total mastectomy, NOS
   Partial mastectomy WITH nipple resection
   Lumpectomy or excisional biopsy
   Reexcision of the biopsy site for gross or microscopic residual disease
   Segmental mastectomy (including wedge resection, quadrantectomy, tylectomy)
   Procedures coded 20–24 remove the gross primary tumor and some of the breast tissue (breast-conserving or preserving). There may be microscopic residual tumor.
30 Subcutaneous mastectomy
   A subcutaneous mastectomy is the removal of breast tissue without the nipple and areolar complex or overlying skin.
40 Total (simple) mastectomy
   WITHOUT removal of uninvolved contralateral breast
   Reconstruction NOS
   Tissue
   Implant
   Combined (Tissue and Implant)
   WITH removal of uninvolved contralateral breast
   Reconstruction NOS
   Tissue
   Implant
   Combined (Tissue and Implant)
   A total (simple) mastectomy removes all breast tissue, the nipple, and areolar complex. An axillary dissection is not done.
For single primaries only, code removal of involved contralateral breast under the data item Surgical Procedure/Other Site (NAACCR Item #1294) or Surgical Procedure/Other Site at This Facility (NAACCR Item #674).
If contralateral breast reveals a second primary, each breast is abstracted separately. The surgical procedure is coded 41 for the first primary. The surgical code for the contralateral breast is coded to the procedure performed on that site.
50 Modified radical mastectomy
   WITHOUT removal of uninvolved contralateral breast
   Reconstruction, NOS
   Tissue
   Implant
   Combined (Tissue and Implant)
52 WITH removal of unininvolved contralateral breast
   57 Reconstruction, NOS
   58 Tissue
   59 Implant
   63 Combined (Tissue and Implant)

Removal of all breast tissue, the nipple, the areolar complex, and variable amounts of breast skin in continuity with the axilla. The specimen may or may not include a portion of the pectoralis major muscle.

If contralateral breast reveals a second primary, it is abstracted separately. The surgical procedure is coded 51 for the first primary. The surgical code for the contralateral breast is coded to the procedure performed on that site.

For single primaries only, code removal of involved contralateral breast under the data item Surgical Procedure/Other Site (NAACCR Item #1294) or Surgical Procedure/Other Site at This Facility (NAACCR Item #674).

60 Radical mastectomy, NOS
   61 WITHOUT removal of uninvolved contralateral breast
      64 Reconstruction, NOS
      65 Tissue
      66 Implant
      67 Combined (Tissue and Implant)
   62 WITH removal of uninvolved contralateral breast
      68 Reconstruction, NOS
      69 Tissue
      73 Implant
      74 Combined (Tissue and Implant)

70 Extended radical mastectomy
   71 WITHOUT removal of uninvolved contralateral breast
   72 WITH removal of uninvolved contralateral breast

80 Mastectomy, NOS
90 Surgery, NOS
99 Unknown if surgery performed; death certificate ONLY

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Diffuse (tumor 998)

**Additional Subsite Descriptors**

The position of the tumor in the breast may be described as the positions on a clock

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**O’Clock Positions and Codes Quadrants of Breasts**

**Priority Order for Coding Subsites**

Use the information from reports in the following priority order to code a subsite when the medical record contains conflicting information:

1. Pathology report
2. Operative report
3. Physical examination
4. Mammogram, ultrasound

If the pathology proves invasive tumor in one subsite and in situ tumor in all other involved subsites, code to the subsite involved with invasive tumor

**When to Use Subsites 8 and 9**

A. Code the primary site to C508 when there is a single tumor that overlaps two or more subsites, and the subsite in which the tumor originated is unknown

B. Code the primary site to C508 when there is a single tumor located at the 12, 3, 6, or 9 o’clock position on the breast

Code the primary site to C509 when there are multiple tumors (two or more) in at least two quadrants of the breast

**Laterality**

Laterality must be coded for all subsites.