

Female (pregnant)—estimated gestational age, total weeks NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Gestational age |
| METEOR identifier: | 269965 |
| Registration status: | Health! , Superseded 02/12/2009 |
| Definition: | The estimated gestational age of the baby in completed weeks as determined by clinical assessment. |

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Data element concept: | Female (pregnant)—estimated gestational age |
| METEOR identifier: | 269409 |
| Registration status: | Health! , Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | The estimated gestational age of the baby as determined by clinical assessment. |
| Context: | Perinatal statistics |
| Object class: | Female |
| Property: | Estimated gestational age |

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

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| Value domain: | Total weeks NN |
| METEOR identifier: | 270562 |
| Registration status: | Health! , Superseded 02/12/2009 |
| Definition: | Total number of completed weeks. |

Representational attributes

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| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | String | |
| Format: | NN | |
| Maximum character length: | 2 | |
| | Value | Meaning |
| Supplementary values: | 99 | Not stated/unknown |
| Unit of measure: | Week | |

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This is derived from clinical assessment when accurate information on the date of the last menstrual period is not available for this pregnancy.

Gestational age is frequently a source of confusion when calculations are based on menstrual dates. For the purposes of calculation of gestational age from the date of the first day of the last normal menstrual period and the date of delivery, it should be borne in mind that the first day is day zero and not day one.

Source and reference attributes


Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Origin: International Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10 Revision, WHO, 1992

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Product of conception—gestational age, completed weeks N\[N\]](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 02/08/2017
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 03/07/2020

Is formed using [Pregnancy—first day of the last menstrual period, date DDMMYYYY](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 01/03/2005

Is re-engineered from  [Gestational age, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.7 KB)
No registration status

See also [Pregnancy—estimated duration](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 12/12/2018
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 02/04/2019
[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 03/07/2020
[WA Health](#), Standard 04/03/2014

Implementation in Data Set [Perinatal NMDS](#)**Specifications:**[Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2006**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2006**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2007**DSS specific information:**

The first day of the last menstrual period (LMP) is required to estimate gestational age, which is a key outcome of pregnancy and an important risk factor for neonatal outcomes. Although the date of the LMP may not be known, or may sometimes be erroneous, estimation of gestational age based on clinical assessment may also be inaccurate. Both methods of assessing gestational age are required for analysis of outcomes.

[Perinatal NMDS](#)[Health!](#), Superseded 07/12/2005**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2005**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2006[Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008](#)[Health!](#), Superseded 05/02/2008**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2007**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2008**DSS specific information:**

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[Perinatal NMDS 2008-2010](#)[Health!](#), Superseded 02/12/2009**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2008**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2010**DSS specific information:**

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**Implementation in
Indicators:**

Used as Numerator

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P14-Antenatal care, 2010
Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 04/04/2011

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 09-Antenatal care, 2013
Indigenous](#), Superseded 13/12/2013

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 09-Antenatal care, 2014
Indigenous](#), Superseded 24/11/2014

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 09-Antenatal care, 2015
Indigenous](#), Superseded 18/11/2015

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14-Antenatal care, 2011
Health!](#), Superseded 31/10/2011
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14-Antenatal care, 2012
Indigenous](#), Superseded 13/06/2013

Used as Denominator

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 06-Caesarean section for selected women
giving birth for the first time \(2013\)](#)
Health!, Superseded 02/02/2016

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 07-Normal \(non-instrumental\) vaginal birth for
selected women giving birth for the first time \(2013\)](#)
Health!, Superseded 02/02/2016

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 08-Instrumental vaginal birth for selected
women giving birth for the first time \(2013\)](#)
Health!, Superseded 02/02/2016

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P14-Antenatal care, 2010
Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 04/04/2011

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 09-Antenatal care, 2013
Indigenous](#), Superseded 13/12/2013

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