

# Birth event—delivery method, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Method of birth
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	270035
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 06/09/2006
<b>Definition:</b>	The method of complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception in a birth event, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Data element concept:</b>	<a href="#">Birth event—delivery method</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	269506
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 06/09/2006
<b>Definition:</b>	The method of complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception in a birth event.
<b>Context:</b>	Perinatal statistics
<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Birth event</a>
<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Delivery method</a>

## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Value domain:</b>	<a href="#">Method of delivery code N</a>
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Method of birth
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	270644
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Superseded 29/11/2006
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing the method of delivery.

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Spontaneous vaginal
	2	Forceps (assisted vaginal birth)
	3	Vaginal breech
	4	Caesarean section
	5	Vacuum extraction
	8	Other

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes


**Guide for use:** In a vaginal breech with forceps to the after coming head, code as vaginal breech.

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** National Perinatal Data Development Committee

### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Birth event—birth method, code N Health!](#), Superseded 02/08/2017

Is re-engineered from  [Method of birth, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (14.1 KB)  
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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Perinatal NMDS Health!](#), Superseded 06/09/2006  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2006  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2007  
**DSS specific information:**

The method of delivery may affect the health status of the mother and the baby at birth and during the postpartum period.

[Perinatal NMDS Health!](#), Superseded 07/12/2005  
**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2005  
**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2006