

Onset of labour code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Value Domain
METEOR identifier:	695336
Registration status:	Health! , Superseded 17/12/2021
Definition:	A code set representing the manner in which labour started.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N
Maximum character length:	1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Spontaneous
	2	Induced
	3	No labour
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Labour commences at the onset of regular uterine contractions, which act to produce progressive cervical dilatation, and is distinct from spurious labour or pre-labour rupture of membranes.

CODE 1 Spontaneous

Record if prostaglandins were given to induce labour and there is no resulting labour until after 24 hours.

CODE 3 No labour

Can only be associated with a caesarean section.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Onset of labour code N](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Has been superseded by [Onset of labour code N](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 17/12/2021

Data elements implementing this value domain: [Birth event—labour onset type, code N](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

[Birth event—labour onset type, code N](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 03/12/2020