

Female—caesarean section at most recent previous birth indicator, yes/no/not applicable/not stated/inadequately described code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Caesarean section at most recent previous birth indicator
METEOR identifier:	732743
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 03/12/2020
Definition:	An indicator of whether a female's most recent previous pregnancy that ended with a birth was by caesarean section, as represented by a code.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Female—caesarean section at most recent previous birth indicator
METEOR identifier:	673245
Registration status:	Health! , Standard 02/08/2017
Definition:	An indicator of whether a female's most recent previous pregnancy that ended with a birth was by caesarean section.
Object class:	Female
Property:	Caesarean section at most recent previous birth indicator

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Perinatal Data Development Committee
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Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Yes/no/not applicable/not stated/inadequately described code N
METEOR identifier:	464978
Registration status:	Housing assistance , Recorded 26/10/2011 Early Childhood , Recorded 26/10/2011 Homelessness , Recorded 26/10/2011 Community Services (retired) , Standard 06/02/2012 Health! , Standard 07/03/2014 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Children and Families , Standard 22/11/2016
Definition:	A code set representing 'yes', 'no', 'not applicable', and 'not stated/inadequately described'.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N

Maximum character length: 1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Yes
	2	No
Supplementary values:	7	Not applicable
	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: This data element should be completed for all females who gave birth.

CODE 7 Not applicable

This code should be recorded if the female has not had a previous pregnancy that resulted in a birth at or after 20 weeks gestation or of a baby weighing 400 grams or more.

Comments: Previous caesarean sections are associated with a higher risk of complications, and when recorded with other data elements, provides important information on the risk of obstetric care.

This data element can be used to determine a vaginal birth occurring after a caesarean section delivery (VBAC) when recorded in conjunction with the [Birth event—birth method, code N](#) data element

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Female—caesarean section at most recent previous birth indicator, yes/no/not applicable/not stated/inadequately described code N Health!](#), Superseded 03/12/2020

See also [Birth event—birth method, code N Health!](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

See also [Birth event—birth method, code N Health!](#), Standard 17/12/2021

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Perinatal NMDS 2021–22](#)
[Health!](#), Superseded 17/12/2021
Implementation start date: 01/07/2021
Implementation end date: 30/06/2022
DSS specific information:

This data element is recorded for the mother only.

[Perinatal NMDS 2022–23](#)
[Health!](#), Standard 17/12/2021
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