Product of birth—birthweight, total grams N[NNN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Birthweight of baby
METEOR identifier:	733280
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 03/12/2020
Definition:	The first weight of a **live born** or **stillborn** baby obtained after birth, measured in grams.

Data element concept attributes

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Data element concept:	Product of birth—birthweight
METEOR identifier:	733408
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 03/12/2020 Indigenous, Standard 14/07/2021
Definition:	The first weight of a **live born** or **stillborn** baby obtained after birth.
Object class:	Product of birth
Property:	Birthweight

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Total grams N[NNN]
METEOR identifier:	696029
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 12/12/2018
Definition:	Total number of grams.
Context:	Perinatal

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[NNN]	
Maximum character length:	4	
	Value	**Meaning**
Supplementary values:	9999	Not stated/inadequately described
Unit of measure:	Gram (g)	

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: For **live births**, **birthweight** should preferably be measured within the first hour of life before significant postnatal weight loss has occurred. While statistical tabulations include 500 gram groupings for birthweight, weights should not be recorded in those groupings. The actual weight should be recorded to the degree of accuracy to which it is measured.

In perinatal collections, the birthweight is to be provided for **live born** and **stillborn** babies.

Source and reference attributes

Origin: National Health Data Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Product of birth—birthweight, total grams N[NNN]
Health!, Superseded 03/12/2020
Tasmanian Health, Standard 03/07/2020

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: Perinatal NMDS 2021–22
Health!, Superseded 17/12/2021
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