

Birth event—anaesthesia administered, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Anaesthesia administered for operative delivery of the baby
METEOR identifier:	292044
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 07/02/2013
Definition:	Anaesthesia administered to the woman for the operative delivery of the baby, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Birth event—anaesthesia administered
Value Domain:	Anaesthesia administered code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	None
	2	Local anaesthetic to perineum
	3	Pudendal
	4	Epidural or caudal
	5	Spinal
	6	General anaesthetic
	7	Combined spinal-epidural
	8	Other
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Operative delivery includes caesarean section, forceps and vacuum extraction. Code 7: this code is used when this technique has been selected for the administration of anaesthesia for the operative delivery of the baby.
Collection methods:	More than one agent or technique can be recorded, except where 1=none applies. This item should only be recorded for the operative delivery of the baby and not third stage labour e.g. removal of placenta.
Comments:	Anaesthetic use may influence the duration of labour, may affect the health status of the baby at birth and is an indicator of obstetric intervention.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

**Related metadata
references:**

Supersedes [Birth event—anaesthesia administered, code N
Health](#), Superseded 07/12/2005

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[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018