

Pregnancy—reason for termination of pregnancy, code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Reason for pregnancy termination
Synonymous names:	Reason for abortion; Reason for induced abortion
METEOR identifier:	756758
Registration status:	Health , Standard 07/02/2023
Definition:	The reason a pregnancy or selected fetus was terminated , as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Pregnancy—reason for termination of pregnancy
Value Domain:	Pregnancy termination reason code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Fetal congenital anomaly
	3	Maternal mental health indication
	4	Maternal circumstantial indication
	5	Selective reduction of multiple pregnancy
	6	Maternal obstetric condition
	8	Maternal medical condition
	77	No reason provided
Supplementary values:	88	Other
	97	Not applicable
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:**CODE 1** Fetal congenital anomaly

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was fetal congenital anomaly.

CODE 3 Maternal mental health indication

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal mental health indication.

CODE 4 Maternal circumstantial indication

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal circumstantial indication. Maternal circumstantial indication refers to social or personal factors informing the primary reason for a termination of pregnancy.

CODE 5 Selective reduction of multiple pregnancy

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was selective reduction of multiple pregnancy.

CODE 6 Maternal obstetric condition

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal obstetric condition.

CODE 8 Maternal medical condition

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal medical condition.

CODE 77 No reason provided

Use this code when the woman did not provide a reason for termination. As a reason for a termination of pregnancy is not required in all jurisdictions under all circumstances, this code can be selected when the women chose not to disclose the reason for the termination.

CODE 88 Other

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was for another reason not otherwise defined.

CODE 97 Not applicable

Use this code when the pregnancy was not terminated.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Use this code when data is missing or inadequately described. It is not intended for use on primary collection instruments.

Collection methods:

Maternal obstetric condition: a physical condition that arises directly from the presence of a fetus and/or a utero-placental unit and only occurs in pregnancy. Examples include pre-eclampsia, intra-uterine or retro-placental haemorrhage, chorioamnionitis, acute fatty liver of pregnancy, hyperemesis gravidarum.

Maternal medical condition: a physical condition in the mother that is not directly related to pregnancy but may be aggravated by the pregnancy. Examples include maternal heart disease, metastatic malignancy, intestinal obstruction. Maternal mental health conditions are not included.

Comments:

Please note, some permissible values have been changed from the previous version of this Value Domain:

- CODE 2 (Maternal medical or obstetric condition) has been split into CODE 6 (Maternal obstetric condition), and CODE 8 (Maternal medical condition.) CODE 2 is now intentionally left blank;
- CODE 7 (No reason provided) has been replaced by CODE 77 (No reason provided.) CODE 7 is now intentionally left blank.

Source and reference attributes

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Data element attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Pregnancy—primary reason for termination of pregnancy, code N\[N\] Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2023

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Perinatal Mortality NBEDS 2023–24 Health](#), Standard 07/02/2023
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