Female—number of previous pregnancies (spontaneous abortion), total NN

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Previous pregnancies—spontaneous abortion |
| METEOR identifier: | 269934 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 01/03/2005 |
| Definition: | The total number of previous pregnancies of a female resulting in spontaneous abortion (less than 20 weeks' gestational age, or less than 400 g [**birthweight**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/327212) if gestational age is unknown). |
| Data Element Concept: | [Female—number of previous pregnancies](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269454) |
| Value Domain: | [Total pregnancies N[N]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270603) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[N] | |
| Maximum character length: | 2 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Supplementary values: | 99 | Not stated |
| Unit of measure: | Pregnancy | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | A pregnancy resulting in multiple births should be counted as once pregnancy.  In multiple pregnancies with more than one type of outcome, the pregnancies should be recorded in the following order:   * all live births * stillbirth * spontaneous abortion * induced abortion * ectopic pregnancy   Where the outcome was one stillbirth and one live birth, count as stillbirth.  If a previous pregnancy was a hydatidiform mole, code as spontaneous or induced abortion (or rarely, ectopic pregnancy), depending on the outcome. |
| Comments: | The number of previous pregnancies is an important component of the woman's reproductive history. Parity may be a risk factor for adverse maternal and perinatal outcomes.  A previous history of spontaneous abortion identifies the mother as high risk for subsequent pregnancies. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Perinatal Data Development Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Is re-engineered from  [Previous pregnancies, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273172)  (15.1 KB)  *No registration status* |