

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

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Previous pregnancies—induced abortion
METEOR identifier:	269935
Registration status:	Health , Standard 01/03/2005
Definition:	The total number of previous pregnancies of a female resulting in induced abortion (termination of pregnancy before 20 weeks' gestation).
Data Element Concept:	Female—number of previous pregnancies
Value Domain:	Total pregnancies N[N]

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	

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>A pregnancy resulting in multiple births should be counted as once pregnancy.</p> <p>In multiple pregnancies with more than one type of outcome, the pregnancies should be recorded in the following order:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• all live births• stillbirth• spontaneous abortion• induced abortion• ectopic pregnancy <p>Where the outcome was one stillbirth and one live birth, count as stillbirth.</p> <p>If a previous pregnancy was a hydatidiform mole, code as spontaneous or induced abortion (or rarely, ectopic pregnancy), depending on the outcome.</p>
Comments:	<p>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.</p> <p>A previous history of induced abortion may increase the risk of some outcomes in subsequent pregnancies.</p>

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Related metadata references: Is re-engineered from  [Previous pregnancies, version 1, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (15.1 KB)
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