Birth event—setting of birth (actual), code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Actual place of birth |
| METEOR identifier: | 269937 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/08/2017 |
| Definition: | The actual place where the birth occurred, as represented by a code. |
| Context: | Perinatal statistics |
| Data Element Concept: | [Birth event—setting of birth](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/269527) |
| Value Domain: | [Birth setting code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270575) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Hospital, excluding birth centre |
|  | 2 | Birth centre, attached to hospital |
|  | 3 | Birth centre, free standing |
|  | 4 | Home |
|  | 8 | Other |
| Supplementary values: | 9 | Not stated |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Comments: | The development of a definition of a birth centre is currently under consideration by the Commonwealth in conjunction with the states and territories. |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This is to be recorded for each baby the mother delivers from this pregnancy.  CODE 4     Home  Should be reserved for those births that occur at the home intended.  CODE 8     Other  Used when birth occurs at a home other than that intended. May also include a community health centre or be used for babies 'born before arrival'. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Perinatal Data Development Committee |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Birth event—setting of birth (actual), code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/668814)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 12/12/2018  Is re-engineered from  [Actual place of birth, version 2, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/274144)  (15.0 KB)  *No registration status* |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Perinatal NMDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/290828)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 06/09/2006  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2006 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2007 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. While most deliveries occur within hospitals, an increasing number of births now occur in other settings. It is important to monitor the births occurring outside hospitals and to ascertain whether or not the actual place of delivery was planned.  [Perinatal NMDS](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/273043)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/12/2005  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2005 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2006  [Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/340684)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 05/02/2008  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2007 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2008 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. While most deliveries occur within hospitals, an increasing number of births now occur in other settings. It is important to monitor the births occurring outside hospitals and to ascertain whether or not the actual place of delivery was planned.  [Perinatal NMDS 2008-2010](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/362313)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 02/12/2009  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2008 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2010 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. While most deliveries occur within hospitals, an increasing number of births now occur in other settings. It is important to monitor the births occurring outside hospitals and to ascertain whether or not the actual place of delivery was planned.  [Perinatal NMDS 2010-2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/363256)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 21/12/2010  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2011 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. While most deliveries occur within hospitals, an increasing number of births now occur in other settings. It is important to monitor the births occurring outside hospitals and to ascertain whether or not the actual place of delivery was planned.  This item is collected for the mother only.  [Perinatal NMDS 2011-12](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/426735)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/03/2012  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2012 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. While most deliveries occur within hospitals, an increasing number of births now occur in other settings. It is important to monitor the births occurring outside hospitals and to ascertain whether or not the actual place of delivery was planned.  This item is collected for the mother only.  [Perinatal NMDS 2012-13](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/461787)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/02/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. While most deliveries occur within hospitals, an increasing number of births now occur in other settings. It is important to monitor the births occurring outside hospitals and to ascertain whether or not the actual place of delivery was planned.  This item is collected for the mother only.  [Perinatal NMDS 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/489433)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Superseded 07/03/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 ***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2014 ***DSS specific information:***  Used to analyse the risk factors and outcomes by place of birth. 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