

# Birth—birth weight, total grams NNNN

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Infant weight, neonate, stillborn
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	269938
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Superseded 02/08/2017</li><li>• <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a>, Superseded 03/07/2020</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The first weight, in grams, of the live-born or stillborn baby obtained after birth, or the weight of the neonate or infant on the date admitted if this is different from the date of birth.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Birth—birth weight</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Total
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	NNNN
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	4
<b>Unit of measure:</b>	Gram (g)

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes


<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>For <a href="#">live births</a>, <a href="#">birthweight</a> should preferably be measured within the first hour of life before significant postnatal weight loss has occurred. While statistical tabulations include 500 g groupings for birthweight, weights should not be recorded in those groupings. The actual weight should be recorded to the degree of accuracy to which it is measured.</p> <p>In perinatal collections the birthweight is to be provided for liveborn and stillborn babies.</p> <p>Weight on the date the infant is admitted should be recorded if the weight is less than or equal to 9000g and age is less than 365 days.</p>
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## Source and reference attributes

<b>Origin:</b>	National Health Data Committee
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## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes  [Infant weight, neonate, stillborn, version 3, DE, NHDD, NHIMG, Superseded 01/03/2005.pdf](#) (15.2 KB) *No registration status*

Has been superseded by [Birth—birth weight, total grams NNNN](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 14/08/2018
- [Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018
- [Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 03/07/2020

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Perinatal NMDSHealth](#), Superseded 06/09/2006

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2006

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2007

***DSS specific information:***

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

Weight is an important indicator of pregnancy outcome, is a major risk factor for neonatal morbidity and mortality and is required to analyse perinatal services for high-risk infants.

This metadata item is required to generate Australian National Diagnosis Related Groups.

[Perinatal NMDSHealth](#), Superseded 07/12/2005

*Implementation start date:* 01/07/2005

*Implementation end date:* 30/06/2006

***DSS specific information:***

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

[Perinatal NMDS 2007-2008Health](#), Superseded 05/02/2008

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2007

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2008

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

Weight is an important indicator of pregnancy outcome, is a major risk factor for neonatal morbidity and mortality and is required to analyse perinatal services for high-risk infants.

This metadata item is required to generate Australian National Diagnosis Related Groups.

[Perinatal NMDS 2008-2010Health](#), Superseded 02/12/2009

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2008

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2010

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

Weight is an important indicator of pregnancy outcome, is a major risk factor for neonatal morbidity and mortality and is required to analyse perinatal services for high-risk infants.

This metadata item is required to generate Australian National Diagnosis Related Groups.

[Perinatal NMDS 2010-2011Health](#), Superseded 21/12/2010

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2010

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2011

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

Weight is an important indicator of pregnancy outcome, is a major risk factor for neonatal morbidity and mortality and is required to analyse perinatal services for high-risk infants.

This metadata item is required to generate Australian National Diagnosis Related Groups.

In the case of multiple births, this item should be recorded for each baby born.

[Perinatal NMDS 2011-12Health](#), Superseded 07/03/2012

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2011

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2012

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

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[Perinatal NMDS 2012-13Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2013

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2012

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2013

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

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[Perinatal NMDS 2013-14Health](#), Superseded 07/03/2014

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2013

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2014

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

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[Perinatal NMDS 2014-18Health](#), Superseded 02/08/2017

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2014

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2018

**DSS specific information:**

For the provision of state and territory hospital data to Commonwealth agencies this metadata item must be consistent with diagnoses and procedure codes for valid grouping.

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[Tasmanian Perinatal Data Set - 2016Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 30/01/2017

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2016

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2017

[Tasmanian Perinatal Data Set - 2019](#)[Tasmanian Health](#), Superseded 23/06/2020

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020

**Implementation in  
Indicators:**

**Used as Numerator**

[Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 3.1.6—Proportion of babies born with low birthweight, 2019](#)[Health](#), Standard 09/04/2020

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 10—Small babies among births at or after 40 weeks gestation \(2013\)](#)[Health](#), Superseded 02/02/2016

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 10—Small babies among births at or after 40 weeks gestation \(2016\)](#)[Health](#), Superseded 06/09/2018

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 10—Small babies among births at or after 40 weeks gestation, 2018](#)[Health](#), Superseded 19/06/2019

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 10—Small babies among births at or after 40 weeks gestation, 2019](#)[Health](#), Superseded 16/09/2020

[National Core Maternity Indicators: PI 10—Small babies among births at or after 40 weeks gestation, 2020](#)[Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

[National Health Performance Authority Healthy Communities: Percentage of live singleton births that were of low birthweight, 2007–2011](#) [National Health Performance Authority \(retired\)](#), Retired 01/07/2016

[National Healthcare Agreement: P01-Proportion of babies born with low birth weight, 2010](#)[Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2011](#)[Health](#), Superseded 30/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2012](#)[Health](#), Superseded 25/06/2013

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2013](#)[Health](#), Superseded 30/04/2014

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2014](#)[Health](#), Superseded 14/01/2015

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2015](#)[Health](#), Superseded 08/07/2016

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01—Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2016](#)[Health](#), Superseded 31/01/2017

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01—Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2017](#)[Health](#), Superseded 30/01/2018

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01–Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2018Health](#), Superseded 19/06/2019

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01–Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2019Health](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01–Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2020Health](#), Standard 13/03/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01–Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2021Health](#), Standard 16/09/2020

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01–Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2022Health](#), Standard 24/09/2021

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: P12-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2010Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 04/04/2011

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2013Indigenous](#), Superseded 13/12/2013

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2014Indigenous](#), Superseded 24/11/2014

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2015Indigenous](#), Superseded 18/11/2015

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07—Proportion of babies born of low birthweight, 2016Indigenous](#), Superseded 01/07/2016

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07—Proportion of babies born of low birthweight, 2017Indigenous](#), Superseded 06/06/2017

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birthweight, 2018Indigenous](#), Superseded 31/07/2018

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birthweight, 2019Indigenous](#), Superseded 23/08/2019

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 07-Proportion of babies born of low birthweight, 2020Indigenous](#), Standard 23/08/2019

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 12-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2011Indigenous](#), Superseded 01/07/2012

[National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 12-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2012Indigenous](#), Superseded 13/06/2013

#### **Used as Denominator**

[National Healthcare Agreement: P01-Proportion of babies born with low birth weight, 2010Health](#), Superseded 08/06/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2011Health](#), Superseded 30/10/2011

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2012Health](#), Superseded 25/06/2013

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2013Health](#), Superseded 30/04/2014

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2014Health](#), Superseded 14/01/2015

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2015Health](#), Superseded 08/07/2016

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2016Health](#), Superseded 31/01/2017

[National Healthcare Agreement: PI 01-Proportion of babies born of low birth weight, 2017Health](#), Superseded 30/01/2018