

# Birth event—setting of birth (intended), code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Intended place of birth
METEOR identifier:	269980
Registration status:	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 12/12/2018
Definition:	The intended place of birth at the onset of labour, as represented by a code.
Context:	Perinatal care
Data Element Concept:	<a href="#">Birth event—setting of birth</a>
Value Domain:	<a href="#">Birth setting code N</a>

## 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

### 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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Guide for use:	Code 1	Hospital, excluding birth centre
		Hospital, excluding birth centre, includes for women who have elective caesarean sections
	Code 4	Home
		Home, should be restricted to the home of the woman or a relative or friend.
	Code 8	Other
		Other, includes community (health) centres.

**Comments:** Women who plan to give birth in birth centres or at home usually have different risk factors for outcome compared to those who plan to give birth in hospitals. Women who are transferred to hospital after the onset of labour have increased risks of intervention and adverse outcomes.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** National Perinatal Data Development Committee

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Birth event—intended setting of birth, code N Health](#), Superseded 03/12/2020  
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