

Child protection notification—unborn child status, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Unborn child status (child protection notification)
Synonymous names:	Unborn child flag
METEOR identifier:	316517
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Services (retired), Standard 30/04/2008 [Non Dictionary]
Definition:	An indication of whether the child was unborn when the notification was made to the community services department, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Child protection notification—unborn child status

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code						
Data type:	Number						
Format:	N						
Maximum character length:	1						
Permissible values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Unborn</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Born</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Unborn	2	Born
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Supplementary values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>3</td><td>Not applicable</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>Not stated/inadequately described</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	3	Not applicable	9	Not stated/inadequately described
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Not applicable should be used if unborn children are not covered by the relevant child protection legislation.
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Comments: There are cases where the safety of a child is brought to the attention of child protection authorities before that child is born. While s/he is yet to be born, there are considerable concerns about the safety of the child.

This data element is designed to flag that the client is not yet born. This data element may assist with the record linkage processes, and will also provide valuable data on welfare concerns of unborn children.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Child Protection and Support Services data group (NCPASS).

Origin: Child protection and support services data dictionary. AIHW Version 1.0 Oct 2005.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Child protection notification—unborn child status, code N](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 19/08/2011

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) - notifications, investigations, and substantiations NMDs \(July 2007\)](#)

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 01/05/2008

[Child protection and support services \(CPSS\) - notifications, investigations, and substantiations NMDs pilot \(2008\)](#)

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Retired 06/02/2012

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