Number of antenatal care visits

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Property
METEOR identifier:	426460
Registration status:	Health, Superseded 02/08/2017 Tasmanian Health, Superseded 03/07/2020
Definition:	A count of **antenatal care visits** attended. The number of antenatal care visits is an indicator of access and use of health care during pregnancy. The antenatal period presents opportunities for reaching pregnant women with interventions that may be vital to their health and wellbeing and that of their infants. Receiving antenatal care at least four times, as recommended by World Health Organization (WHO), increases the likelihood of receiving effective maternal health interventions during antenatal visits (WHO 2011). Antenatal care visits for women with an uncomplicated pregnancy should include advice, education, reassurance, support and treatment for minor problems of pregnancy, as well as effective screening throughout the pregnancy, to identify problems as they arise, with referral as appropriate (Breeze & Kean 2009).
Property group:	Service provision event

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Perinatal Epidemiology and Statistics Unit
Reference documents:	Breeze A & Kean L 2009. Routine antenatal management at the booking clinic. Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Reproductive Medicine 20 (1): 1-6. World Health Organization (WHO) 2011. Indicator code book: World health statistics - World health statistics indicators. WHO, Geneva. Viewed 15 September 2011, http://www.who.int/whosis/indicators/WHS2011_IndicatorCompendium_20110530.pdf

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Has been superseded by Number of antenatal care visits Health, Superseded 12/12/2018
Data Element Concepts implementing this property:	Female—number of antenatal care visits Health, Superseded 02/08/2017 Tasmanian Health, Superseded 03/07/2020