Birth mother—marital status, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Birth mother marital status |
| METEOR identifier: | 468508 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 20/05/2013 |
| Definition: | The marital status of the birth (biological) mother of a child at the time of the child's birth, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Birth mother—marital status](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/468502)  |
| Value Domain: | [Marital status code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270666) |

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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 | Never married |
|   | 2 | Widowed |
|   | 3 | Divorced |
|   | 4 | Separated |
|   | 5 | Married (registered and de facto) |
| Supplementary values: | 6  | Not stated/inadequately described  |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Refers to the current marital status of a person.CODE 2     WidowedThis code usually refers to registered marriages but when self-reported may also refer to de facto marriages.CODE 4     SeparatedThis code refers to registered marriages but when self-reported may also refer to de facto marriages.CODE 5     Married (registered and de facto)Includes people who have been divorced or widowed but have since re-married, and should be generally accepted as applicable to all de facto couples, including of the same sex.CODE 6     Not stated/inadequately describedThis code is not for use on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected. |

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| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | The ABS standards for the collection of Social and Registered marital status appear on the ABS Website. Australian Bureau of Statistics. [Family, household and income unit variables. Cat. no. 1286.0.](http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/allprimarymainfeatures/CF63EA0D2C0016C2CA2572AE00227E7E?opendocument) Canberra: ABS. |

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| Data element attributes  |
| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | Marital status of the birth mother is at the time the child was born. |
| Relational attributes |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Adoptions DSS 2011-13](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/467027)[Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 20/05/2013***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2013***Conditional obligation:*** Conditional on adoption type being a 'local' adoption.[Adoptions DSS 2013-14](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/564723)[Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Recorded 20/03/2014***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013***Implementation end date:*** 30/06/2016***Conditional obligation:*** Conditional on adoption type being a 'local' adoption. |