Maternity model of care—midwifery caseload size, number N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Midwifery caseload size
METEOR identifier:	558695
Registration status:	Health, Standard 14/05/2015
Definition:	The total estimated capped number of women (caseload) who will be cared for per year by each full-time equivalent primary midwife working in a **midwifery caseload** model of maternity care, as represented by a number.
Context:	Used in maternal and perinatal healthcare settings.
Data Element Concept:	Maternity model of care—midwifery caseload size
Value Domain:	Number N[NN]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NN]
Maximum character length:	3

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	This should be the total number of women per year that a midwife looks after in the role of primary midwife as a full-time equivalent midwife. If a model of care includes part-time midwives working as primary midwife then the caseload should be recalculated to reflect their caseload if they were working full-time. Do not count the number of women that the midwife is also caring for as a back-up midwife.
Collection methods:	Data are gathered using the Maternity Care Classification System (MaCCS) data collection questionnaire on an annual basis by every maternity service when classifying their models of care or when a new model of care is introduced.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Perinatal Epidemiology and Statistics Unit
Origin:	National Maternity Data Development Project (AIHW and NPESU), Maternity Care Classification System subproject.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also Maternity model of care—midwifery caseload indicator, yes/no code N Health, Standard 14/05/2015

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Maternity model of care NBPDS](#)
[Health](#), Standard 14/05/2015
Conditional obligation:

Reporting of this data element is conditional upon a 'yes' response to the [Maternity model of care—midwifery caseload indicator, yes/no code N](#) data element.