

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

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Midwifery caseload size
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	558695
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 14/05/2015</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	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 <a href="#">midwifery caseload</a> model of maternity care, as represented by a number.
<b>Context:</b>	Used in maternal and perinatal healthcare settings.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Maternity model of care—midwifery caseload size</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

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

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	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.
<b>Collection methods:</b>	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

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

## Relational attributes

<b>Related metadata references:</b>	See also <a href="#">Maternity model of care—midwifery caseload indicator, yes/no code N</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 14/05/2015</li></ul>
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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Maternity model of care NBPDSHealth](#), 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.