

Prison—number of pregnant prisoners, number N[NN]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Number of pregnant prisoners
METEOR identifier:	626260
Registration status:	Health , Standard 28/04/2016
Definition:	The total number of prisoners who were pregnant within a prison anytime over a specified 12 month period.
Data Element Concept:	Prison—number of pregnant prisoners
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:	Pregnancy includes babies which were carried full term, abortions and miscarriages.
Comments:	Imprisonment may place pregnant women and their unborn child at increased health risk due to prison-related stressors. Alternatively, it may enhance pregnancy outcomes for women from disadvantaged backgrounds as it provides shelter, regular meals and medical care (Scott & Gerbasi 2005).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	Scott C & Gerbasi J 2005. Handbook of correctional mental health. Virginia: American Psychiatric Publishing.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes Establishment (prison)—number of pregnant prisoners, number N[NN] Health , Superseded 28/04/2016
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Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Prison establishments NBEDS](#)
[Health](#), Standard 28/04/2016

[Prison establishments NBEDS 2018](#)
[Health](#), Qualified 07/03/2024

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the prison including female prisoners.

DSS specific information:

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Establishment Form:

8. During the period 1 January to 31 December 2017, how many female prisoners were pregnant while in prison?

[Prison establishments NBEDS 2022](#)
[Health](#), Qualified 06/07/2023

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the prison including female prisoners.

DSS specific information:

This data element corresponds to the following question of the Prison Establishment form:

8. During the period 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021, how many female prisoners were pregnant while in prison?