

# Female—number of standard drinks consumed when drinking alcohol in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy, total N[NN]

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Number of standard drinks consumed when drinking alcohol in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	690993
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 12/12/2018</li></ul>
<b>Definition:</b>	The total number of standard drinks consumed on a typical day when drinking alcohol by a female in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Female—number of standard drinks consumed when drinking alcohol in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy</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						
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>998</td><td>Occasional drinking (less than one)</td></tr><tr><td>999</td><td>Not stated/inadequately described</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	998	Occasional drinking (less than one)	999	Not stated/inadequately described
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<b>Unit of measure:</b>	Standard drink						

## Collection and usage attributes

### Guide for use:

Alcohol consumption is usually measured in standard drinks.

An Australian standard drink contains 10 grams of alcohol, which is equivalent to 12.5 millilitres of alcohol. The numbers of Australian standard drinks in common containers of various alcoholic beverages is presented in the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2009 guidelines.

This estimation is based on the person's description of the type (spirits, beer, wine, other) and number of standard drinks, as defined by the NHMRC, consumed per day. When calculating consumption in standard drinks per day, the total should be reported with part drinks recorded to the next whole standard drink (e.g. 2.4 = 3).

## Source and reference attributes

### Submitting organisation:

National Perinatal Data Development Committee

### Reference documents:

NHMRC (National Health and Medical Research Council) 2009. Australian guidelines to reduce health risks from drinking alcohol. Canberra: NHMRC. Viewed 18 July 2019, <https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about-us/publications/australian-guidelines-reduce-health-risks-drinking-alcohol>

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

### Collection methods:

This data element is self-reported.

Recommended question: 'How many standard drinks did you consume on a typical day when drinking alcohol during the first 20 weeks of pregnancy?' where the first 20 weeks of pregnancy is defined as less than or equal to 19 weeks + 6 days.

To ensure consistency of results, this data element should be collected after the first 20 weeks of pregnancy.

## Relational attributes

### Related metadata references:

See also [Female—alcohol consumption frequency in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy, code N](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018

See also [Female—alcohol consumption in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018

See also [Female—number of standard drinks consumed when drinking alcohol after 20 weeks of pregnancy, total N\[NN\]](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018

### Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Perinatal NBEDS 2019–20](#)  
[Health](#), Superseded 20/11/2019

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2019

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2020

**Conditional obligation:**

This data element is only to be recorded if the response to the [Female—alcohol consumption in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Yes).

[Perinatal NBEDS 2020–21 Health](#), Superseded 03/12/2020

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2020

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2021

**Conditional obligation:**

This data element is only to be recorded if the response to the [Female—alcohol consumption in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Yes).

[Perinatal NBEDS 2021–22 Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2021

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2022

**Conditional obligation:**

This data element is only to be recorded if the response to the [Female—alcohol consumption in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Yes).

**DSS specific information:**

This data element is recorded for the mother only.

[Perinatal NBEDS 2022–23 Health](#), Standard 17/12/2021

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2022

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2023

**Conditional obligation:**

This data element is only to be recorded if the response to the [Female—alcohol consumption in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Yes).

**DSS specific information:**

This data element is recorded for the mother only.

[Perinatal NBEDS 2023–24 Health](#), Qualified 02/09/2022

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2023

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2024

**Conditional obligation:**

This data element is only to be recorded if the response to the [Female—alcohol consumption in the first 20 weeks of pregnancy indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Yes).

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