

Pregnancy—birth plurality

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	695301
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Standard 12/12/2018• Indigenous, Standard 02/04/2019
Definition:	The number of births resulting from a single pregnancy.
Context:	Perinatal

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	Pregnancy
Definition:	The period during which a woman carries a developing fetus, normally in the uterus. Pregnancy lasts for approximately 266 days, from conception until the baby is born, or 280 days from the first day of the last menstrual period. During pregnancy menstruation is absent, there may be a great increase in appetite, and the breasts increase in size; the woman may also experience morning sickness. These and other changes brought about by a hormone (progesterone) produced at first by the ovary and later by the placenta. Definite evidence of pregnancy is provided by various pregnancy tests, by the detection of the heartbeat of the fetus, and by ultrasound.
Specialisation of:	Life event

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australia Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	University of Oxford 2002. Concise Colour Medical Dictionary 3rd ed. UK: Oxford University Press

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	Birth plurality
Definition:	The number of births.
Property group:	Birth event

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Data element concept attributes

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Perinatal Data Development Committee
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Birth event—birth plurality](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 14/08/2018
- [Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018
- [Indigenous](#), Superseded 02/04/2019

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept:

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