

Pregnancy—primary reason for termination of pregnancy, code N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Primary reason for pregnancy termination
Synonymous names:	Reason for abortion; Reason for induced abortion
METEOR identifier:	716421
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 07/02/2023
Definition:	The primary reason a pregnancy or selected fetus was terminated, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Pregnancy—primary reason for termination of pregnancy
Value Domain:	Pregnancy termination reason code N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[N]
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Fetal congenital anomaly
	2	Maternal medical or obstetric condition
	3	Maternal mental health indication
	4	Maternal circumstantial indication
	5	Selective reduction of multiple pregnancy
	7	No reason provided
	88	Other
Supplementary values:	97	Not applicable
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Fetal congenital anomaly

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was fetal congenital anomaly.

CODE 2 Maternal medical or obstetric condition

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal medical or obstetric condition.

CODE 3 Maternal mental health indication

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal mental health indication.

CODE 4 Maternal circumstantial indication

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was maternal circumstantial indication. Maternal circumstantial indication refers to social or personal factors informing the primary reason for a termination of pregnancy.

CODE 5 Selective reduction of multiple pregnancy

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was selective reduction of multiple pregnancy.

CODE 7 No reason provided

Use this code when the woman did not provide a reason for termination. As a reason for a termination of pregnancy is not required in all jurisdictions under all circumstances, this code can be selected when the women chose not to disclose the reason for the termination.

CODE 88 Other

Use this code when the reason for termination of pregnancy was for another reason not otherwise defined.

CODE 97 Not applicable

Use this code when the pregnancy was not terminated.

CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Use this code when data is missing or inadequately described. It is not intended for use on primary collection instruments.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Only one reason for termination of pregnancy should be recorded.

Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Pregnancy—reason for termination of pregnancy, code N\[N\]](#)
[Health, Standard 07/02/2023](#)

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Perinatal Mortality NBEDS 2022–23](#)
[Health](#), Superseded 07/02/2023
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DSS specific information:

This data element is recorded for the mother only.