

# Birth event—type of analgesia administered, code N[N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Type of analgesia administered during a birth event
METEOR identifier:	732672
Registration status:	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 17/12/2021
Definition:	The type of <a href="#">analgesia</a> administered to a female during a birth event with labour, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	<a href="#">Birth event—type of analgesia administered</a>
METEOR identifier:	733091
Registration status:	<a href="#">Health</a> , Standard 03/12/2020 <a href="#">Tasmanian Health</a> , Standard 08/11/2023
Definition:	The type of <a href="#">analgesia</a> administered to a female during a birth event.
Context:	Perinatal
Object class:	<a href="#">Birth event</a>
Property:	<a href="#">Type of analgesia administered</a>

### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Perinatal Data Development Committee
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## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	<a href="#">Type of labour analgesia administered code N[N]</a>
METEOR identifier:	732669
Registration status:	<a href="#">Health</a> , Superseded 17/12/2021
Definition:	A code set representing the type of <a href="#">analgesia</a> administered during labour.

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code	
<b>Data type:</b>	Number	
<b>Format:</b>	N[N]	
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	2	
	<b>Value</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>Permissible values:</b>	2	Nitrous oxide
	4	Epidural or caudal block
	5	Spinal block

	6	Systemic opioids
	7	Combined spinal-epidural block
	88	Other analgesia
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	99	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	CODE 6 Systemic opioids  Includes intramuscular and intravenous opioids.  CODE 7 Combined spinal-epidural block  The spinal-epidural block combines the benefits of rapid action of a spinal block and the flexibility of an epidural block. An epidural catheter inserted during the technique enables the provision of long-lasting analgesia with the ability to titrate the dose for the desired effect.  CODE 88 Other analgesia  Includes all non-narcotic oral analgesia and non-pharmacological methods such as hypnosis, acupuncture, massage, relaxation techniques, temperature regulation and aromatherapy.
<b>Comments:</b>	Code 1 (None) and Code 3 (Intra-muscular narcotics) have been omitted as these codes are no longer in use. For information about their meaning in previous data elements, see superseded versions.

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<b>Guide for use:</b>	More than one permissible value may be recorded.  CODE 7 Combined spinal-epidural block  Combined spinal-epidural block should not be recorded if both Code 4 and Code 5 are also recorded.
<b>Comments:</b>	Analgesia use may influence the duration of labour, may affect the health status of the baby at birth and is an indicator of obstetric intervention. Analgesia may also influence a female's satisfaction with her birth experience and is an indicator of access to anaesthesia services, i.e. epidural analgesia is not available for females in birth events where there are no anaesthetic services.

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## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:**

Supersedes [Birth event—type of analgesia administered, code N\[N\] Health](#), Superseded 03/12/2020

Has been superseded by [Birth event—type of analgesia administered, code N\[N\] Health](#), Standard 17/12/2021  
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 08/11/2023

See also [Birth event—analgesia administered indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N Health](#), Superseded 09/12/2022

See also [Birth event—birth method, code N Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

See also [Birth event—labour onset type, code N Health](#), Superseded 17/12/2021

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Perinatal NMDS 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 [Birth event—labour onset type, code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Spontaneous) or Code 2 (Induced) and the [Birth event—analgesia administered indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#) data element is Code 1 (Yes).

**DSS specific information:**

This data element is to be recorded for first and second stage labour, but not for third stage labour, e.g. removal of placenta.

This is a multiple response data element and is therefore operationalised for data collection across 6 individual data items (one data item per permissible value, excluding Code 99 (Not stated/inadequately described)).