

# Product of birth—birthweight, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

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| <b>Metadata item type:</b>   | Data Element  |
| <b>Short name:</b>           | Birth weight of baby  |
| <b>METEOR identifier:</b>    | 742849  |
| <b>Registration status:</b>  | <a href="#">Indigenous</a> , Standard 14/07/2021  |
| <b>Definition:</b>           | The first weight of a <a href="#">live born</a> or <a href="#">stillborn</a> baby obtained after birth, as represented by a code. |
| <b>Data Element Concept:</b> | <a href="#">Product of birth—birthweight</a>  |
| <b>Value Domain:</b>         | <a href="#">Birth weight code N</a>   |

## Value domain attributes

### Representational attributes

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| <b>Representation class:</b>     | Code   |
| <b>Data type:</b>                | Number |
| <b>Format:</b>                   | N      |
| <b>Maximum character length:</b> | 1      |

|                              | <b>Value</b> | <b>Meaning</b>   |
|------------------------------|--------------|--|
| <b>Permissible values:</b>   | 1            | Low birth weight (less than 2,500 grams)                   |
|                              | 2            | Normal birth weight (2,500 grams to less than 4,500 grams) |
|                              | 3            | High birth weight (4,500 grams and over)                   |
| <b>Supplementary values:</b> | 8            | Unknown birth weight                                       |

### Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)

## Data element attributes

### Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** For [live births](#), [birthweight](#) should preferably be measured within the first hour of life before significant postnatal weight loss has occurred.

In perinatal collections the birthweight is to be provided for live born and stillborn babies.

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**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

### Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Product of birth—birthweight, code N Health](#), Standard 12/12/2018  
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 14/07/2021

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

[Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific primary health care NBEDS December 2023](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 27/04/2024

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

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/2023

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to ['Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N'](#).

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date who attended the organisation more than once.

Data are provided to the AIHW for live births.

**DSS specific information:**

In the ATSI SPHC NBEDS only aggregated data with CODE 1, CODE 2, or CODE 3 are provided to the AIHW.

In the ATSI SPHC NBEDS, babies do not need to fulfil all the requirements of being a First Nations regular client, as long as they have a file at the health organisation and attended the organisation more than once.

The birthweight is to be taken from the baby's client record where available. Where the birthweight is not recorded in the baby's client record, the mother's record may be used as a source of birth details.

The birthweight may have been recorded during an appointment or received from sharing client data with other organisations, such as a hospital.

[Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific primary health care NBEDS June 2024](#)

[Indigenous](#), Standard 27/04/2024

**Implementation start date:** 01/01/2024

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

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to ['Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N'](#).

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The birthweight is to be taken from the baby's client record where available. Where the birthweight is not recorded in the baby's client record, the mother's record may be used as a source of birth details.

The birthweight may have been recorded during an appointment or received from sharing client data with other organisations, such as a hospital.

[Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS December 2020](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 03/07/2022

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

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/2020

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to ['Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N'](#), and a 'CODE 1 Singleton'

response to '[Pregnancy—birth plurality, code N.](#)'

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date.

Data are provided to the AIHW for [live births](#) that are at least 20 weeks' gestation or at least 400 grams birthweight.

Data are not provided to the AIHW for babies without a medical record of their own at the health organisation, even if their information is recorded in their mother's record.

Data are not provided to the AIHW for babies with unknown gestational age.

***DSS specific information:***

In the ISPHC NBEDS, babies do not need to fulfil all the requirements of being an [Indigenous regular client](#), as long as they have a file at the health organisation.

The birthweight may have been recorded during an appointment or received from sharing client data with other organisations, such as a hospital.

In the ISPHC NBEDS only aggregated data with CODE 1, CODE 2, or CODE 3 are provided to the AIHW.

[Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS December 2021](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 12/06/2023

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

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/2021

***Conditional obligation:***

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to '[Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N.](#)'

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date who attended the organisation more than once.

Data are provided to the AIHW for [live births](#).

***DSS specific information:***

In the ISPHC NBEDS, babies do not need to fulfil all the requirements of being an [Indigenous regular client](#), as long as they have a file at the health organisation and attended the organisation more than once.

The birthweight is to be taken from the baby's client record where available. Where the birthweight is not recorded in the baby's client record, the mother's record may be used as a source of birth details.

The birthweight may have been recorded during an appointment or received from sharing client data with other organisations, such as a hospital.

In the ISPHC NBEDS only aggregated data with CODE 1, CODE 2, or CODE 3 are provided to the AIHW.

[Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS December 2022](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 18/12/2023

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

**Implementation end date:** 31/12/2022

***Conditional obligation:***

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to '[Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N.](#)'

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date who attended the organisation more than once.

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The birthweight may have been recorded during an appointment or received from sharing client data with other organisations, such as a hospital.

In the ISPHC NBEDS only aggregated data with CODE 1, CODE 2, or CODE 3 are provided to the AIHW.

#### [Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS June 2021](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 06/11/2022

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

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

#### **Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to '[Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N](#)'.

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date who attended the organisation more than once.

Data are provided to the AIHW for [live births](#).

#### **DSS specific information:**

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In the ISPHC NBEDS only aggregated data with CODE 1, CODE 2, or CODE 3 are provided to the AIHW.

#### [Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS June 2022](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 27/08/2023

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

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

#### **Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to '[Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N](#)'.

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date who attended the organisation more than once.

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#### **DSS specific information:**

In the ISPHC NBEDS, babies do not need to fulfil all the requirements of being an Indigenous regular client, as long as they have a file at the health organisation and attended the organisation more than once.

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The birthweight may have been recorded during an appointment or received from sharing client data with other organisations, such as a hospital.

In the ISPHC NBEDS only aggregated data with CODE 1, CODE 2, or CODE 3 are provided to the AIHW.

[Indigenous-specific primary health care NBEDS June 2023](#)

[Indigenous](#), Superseded 25/02/2024

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

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

**Conditional obligation:**

Reporting against this data element is conditional on a 'CODE 1 Yes' response to '[Person—birthweight recorded indicator, yes/no code N](#)'.

Data are only provided to the AIHW for babies born during the preceding 12 months up to the census date who attended the organisation more than once.

Data are provided to the AIHW for live births.

**DSS specific information:**

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In the ISPHC NBEDS, babies do not need to fulfil all the requirements of being an Indigenous regular client, as long as they have a file at the health organisation and attended the organisation more than once.

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**Implementation in Indicators:**

**Used as Numerator**

[First Nations-specific primary health care: PI02a-Number of First Nations babies born within the previous 12 months who attended the organisation more than once, and who have a birthweight result within a specified category, June 2024](#)

[Indigenous](#), Standard 27/04/2024

[First Nations-specific primary health care: PI02b-Proportion of First Nations babies born within the previous 12 months who attended the organisation more than once, and who have a birthweight result within a specified category, June 2024](#)

[Indigenous](#), Standard 27/04/2024