

# QPDC 2021-2022 - Summary of Changes

Queensland Perinatal Data Collection (QPDC)

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Please be advised that the following changes will be implemented in the Queensland Perinatal Data Collection for the 2021-2022 collection period to meet Department of Health, state and national reporting requirements.

Change Description	Reference Page/s
<p><b>1. New additional 'Actual Place of Birth'</b></p> <p><b>codes: New Codes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5=Born before Arrival</li> <li>• 7=Community, non-medical (freebirth)</li> </ul> <p>These additional categories are required to assist in meeting the intent of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) to capture born before arrival and community, non-medical (freebirth) as distinct categories. Currently they are incorporated with the general category of 'other' and cannot be separately identified.</p> <p>Code 5 Born before arrival has been added to capture those births that occur prior to arrival at hospital or birth centre for planned hospital or birth centre births, or before the arrival of the homebirth midwife for planned home births.</p> <p>Code 7 Community, non-medical (freebirth) has been added to capture those births that occur in the community, that are planned outside of a medical setting and without a midwife or other medical professional in attendance, for example, freebirths. This may include in a home or other location in the community.</p> <p>Note: these categories will be valid for all births on and after 1 July 2021.</p>	<p><b>63</b></p>