Child protection notification—out-of-home care flag, code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Out-of-home care flag (child protection notification) |
| METEOR identifier: | 331680 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 30/04/2008 [Non Dictionary] |
| Definition: | An indicator of the out-of-home care status of a child at the time of the notification, as represented by a code. |

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| Data element concept attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Data element concept: | [Child protection notification—out-of-home care flag](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/331671) |
| METEOR identifier: | 331671 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 30/04/2008 |
| Definition: | An alert of the out-of-home care status of a child at the time of the notification. |
| Context: | This is essential as an alert that the child is recorded in the separate out-of-home care database. |
| Object class: | [Child protection notification](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/314464) |
| Property: | [Out-of-home care flag](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/331667) |

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| Value domain attributes | |
| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Value domain: | [Out-of-home care flag code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/331676) |
| METEOR identifier: | 331676 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 30/04/2008 |
| Definition: | A codeset representing whether a person has been, or is in, out-of-home care. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 1 | Yes - currently in out-of-home care |
|  | 2 | Yes - past history in out-of-home care |
|  | 3 | No - the child is not currently, or previously been, in out-of-home care |
| Supplementary values: | 4 | Not stated |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | This data item should be recorded for all children who were the subject of a contact during the year.  CODE 1 Yes - Currently in out-of-home care.  The child is in a current out-of-home care placement that is being paid for by the community services department.  CODE 2 Yes - Past history of placement in out-of-home care.  If the child has had a previous placement in out-of-home care in any jurisdiction in the past five years.  CODE 3 No  The child is not currently, or has not previously, been in state/territory funded or provided out-of-home care. |
| Collection methods: | This should be recorded at the time of the contact assessment decision. |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Collection methods: | This should be recorded at the time of the contact assessment decision. |
| Comments: | This is essential as an alert that the child is recorded in the separate out-of-home care database. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | National Child Protection and Support Services data group (NCPASS). |
| Origin: | Child protection and support services data dictionary. AIHW Version 1.0 Oct 2005. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Child protection and support services (CPSS) - notifications, investigations, and substantiations NMDS (July 2007)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/314520)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 01/05/2008  [Child protection and support services (CPSS) - notifications, investigations, and substantiations NMDS pilot (2008)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/367251)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Retired 06/02/2012 |