

National Disability Agreement: h-Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role (h-interim), 2010

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Indicator
Common name:	Carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role (h-interim), 2010
Short name:	Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role (h-interim), 2010
METEOR identifier:	394015
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Superseded 15/12/2011
Description:	Support services for carers.
Indicator set:	National Disability Agreement (2010) Community Services (retired) , Superseded 15/12/2011
Outcome area:	Families and carers are well supported Community Services (retired) , Standard 23/07/2010 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015
Data quality statement:	National Disability Agreement: h-Interim Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role, 2010 QS Community Services (retired) , Superseded 15/12/2011

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age from:	0
Population group age to:	64 years.
Computation description:	(Interim) Performance indicator is restricted to DS NMDS service users aged 0–64 years with an informal carer. Support services to assist in the caring role are defined in 'Reported disaggregation' below.
Computation:	$R/N \times 100$ (Interim) where R = number of DS NMDS service users aged 0–64 years with an informal carer, where the service user accessed services to assist the carer in their caring role in the reporting period and N = number of DS NMDS service users aged 0–64 years with an informal carer in the reporting period.
Numerator:	(Interim) Number of disability support service users aged 0–64 years with an informal carer, where the service user accessed services to assist the carer in their caring role, in the reporting period.

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Source

[Disability Services National Minimum Data Set \(DS NMDS\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—informal carer existence indicator, code N](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Service provider organisation—service activity type, CSTDA support service type code N.NN](#)

Denominator:

(Interim) Number of disability support service users aged 0–64 years with an informal carer in the reporting period.

Denominator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Source

[Disability Services National Minimum Data Set \(DS NMDS\)](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—age, total years N\[NN\]](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—informal carer existence indicator, code N](#)

Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Data element 'Informal carer - age group' to be created.

Data Element / Data Set

[Informal carer—co-residency status, code N](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Person—Australian state/territory identifier, code N](#)

NMDS / DSS

[Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Informal carer—relationship to care recipient, CSTDA code N\[N\]](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Service provider organisation—service activity type, CSTDA support service type code N.NN](#)

Data Element / Data Set

[Informal carer—primary status, code N](#)

Comments:

The following disaggregations will be presented:

State/territory by

- Carer sex (male, female, total) by carer age group (under 45 years, 45–64, 65 years and above)
- Carer primary status (primary carer, non-primary carer, total)
- Carer residency status (co-resident, non-resident, total)

Disaggregations will be presented for each of the following categories of services:

1. In-home accommodation support (service type 1.06)
2. Community access (service types 3.01, 3.02 and 3.03)
3. Respite (service types 4.01, 4.02, 4.03, 4.04 and 4.05).

Representational attributes

Representation class: Percentage

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Person

Data source attributes

Data sources:**Data Source**

[Disability Services National Minimum Data Set \(DS NMDS\)](#)

Frequency

Annual

Data custodian

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Accountability attributes

Organisation responsible for providing data: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

Further data development / collection required: The NDIMG has committed to further work to develop a more broadly based (population) measure of support services for carers. Data development may involve data linkage across administrative data sets.

(Interim) Classifications proposed above are appropriate for the current CSTDA/DS NMDS. Classifications will need to be reviewed in line with any future changes to the NMDS.

Note that the existing DS NMDS counts people with informal carers; it does not count carers. The National Disability Data Network has identified improved carer data as a priority area for NMDS redevelopment. Use of DS NMDS data in the interim only provides a proxy measure for this indicator.

Other issues caveats: Available disaggregation depends on sampling errors and other caveats. Cells with numerator counts less than 5 will be suppressed.

Information about the Indigenous status of the carer, the country of birth of the carer and the remoteness of the carer is not available from the DS NMDS.

Service users with age in the range 0 to 64 years and service users with 'not stated' age are included in calculations for this indicator. Service users with age reported to be 65 years or older are not included.

Treatment of 'not stated' values within disaggregations:

Carer age group (years): Subtotal includes carers with known age only. Total includes carers with 'not stated' age.

Carer sex: Subtotal includes carers with known sex only (derived from carer relationship to service user). Total includes carers for whom sex could not be derived.

Carer primary status: Subtotal includes carers with known carer primary status only. Total includes carers with 'not stated' carer primary status.

Carer residency status: Subtotal includes carers with known carer residency status only. Total includes carers with 'not stated' carer residency status.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [National Disability Agreement: h-Proportion of carers of people with disability accessing support services to assist in their caring role \(h-interim\), 2011](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 05/03/2012