

# Getting started

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There are several ways that you can find the metadata you are looking for in METEOR.

## Searching

[Search](#) is accessible from the home page, as well as in the top menu bar on every page. Use the filters on the left side of the results screen to fine-tune your search.

You can search for any metadata item type within METEOR. If you know the item's METEOR ID number you can also search using this identifier.

You can limit the search by applying filters within a range of parameters such as registration status, metadata item attributes, and metadata item type. Search also includes the non-metadata content on the site, such as the [FAQs page](#). There are more detailed instructions on the [Search page](#).

If you would like to only search the 'general' content of the METEOR website, such as the pages explaining what metadata items are, select 'Topic' in the left-hand menu bar, to restrict your search results to these pages.

## Direct links

Each metadata item in METEOR has a corresponding ID number, which is used in its permanent web address. For example, the METEOR ID for the data element **Name-name title, text X[X(11)]** is **613313**, and its URL is: <https://METEOR.aihw.gov.au/content/613313>.

## Archived metadata

Knowledgebase is the system that existed before METEOR for storing and displaying metadata standards. If you need to find any of these superseded historical metadata records, you can search the [Knowledgebase archive](#).

## Browsing

You may like to 'discover' metadata in METEOR by browsing the collection, especially if you are a new user. A good place to start is the [object classes](#). This will help to build your understanding of what entities are described in METEOR.

To do this simply leave the [Search](#) box empty and select an option from the drop-down menus below the Search box: **Content Types** will probably be the most useful, but you can also select by **Created Date** or **Revision Date**. Then click on the magnifying glass icon to start the search. If you are getting lots of No search results found responses, check that the Create Date and Revision Date options are both set to 'Any time'.

If you are looking for properties or object classes, you can also browse them using the [property groups](#) and [object class specialisations](#) pages.

Please note, if you are signed in to METEOR, closing your web browser will not sign you out of the system. If you don't log out yourself, you will be logged out of the system automatically after 8 hours.