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# Arrival time

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## *Identifying and Definitional Attributes*

Data Dictionary: NCHSDD  
Knowledgebase ID: 000906                      Version number: 2  
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT  
Registration Authority: NCSIMG                      Admin status: DRAFT  
Effective date: 01-APR-02

Definition: The time of day that a child arrives at a child care or preschool outlet.

Context: This data element may be used in conjunction with the data element Departure time as a measure of the patterns of utilisation of child care and preschool services. In addition, this data element can be used to calculate the number of hours per day, hours per week and days per week a child uses child care and preschool services.

This data element does not necessarily identify the full duration of child care or preschool service availability on a day.

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## *Relational and Representational Attributes*

Datatype: Alphanumeric  
Representational form: CODE  
Representation layout: HHMMAA  
Minimum Size: 6  
Maximum Size: 6

Data Domain: 999999              Not stated/inadequately described (not for use in pi  
NOVAL              Respondents should use a 12-hour clock with am an

Guide For Use: Round to the nearest quarter of an hour.

Where services are provided that operate on a sessional basis or where it is usual for a group of children to arrive within one quarter of an hour of each other for the commencement of a program of activities for a service, the commencement time for the session or program should be recorded for each child, regardless of children arriving late.



*Data Agreements which include this Data Element*

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Minimum Data Set

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