

Service provider organisation (service type)—session start time, hhmm

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Session start time
METEOR identifier:	315152
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Retired 21/05/2010
Definition:	The start time of a session that a service is available for service users in hours and minutes.

Data element concept attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Data element concept:	Service provider organisation (service type)—session start time
METEOR identifier:	315150
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 30/11/2007
Definition:	The start time of a session that a service is available for service users.
Object class:	Service provider organisation
Property:	Session start time

Value domain attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Value domain:	Time hhmm
METEOR identifier:	270568
Registration status:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare , Recorded 09/08/2023 Community Services (retired) , Standard 30/11/2007 Disability , Standard 13/08/2015 Health , Superseded 04/09/2015 Independent Hospital Pricing Authority , Standard 31/10/2012 National Health Performance Authority (retired) , Retired 01/07/2016 Tasmanian Health , Superseded 27/05/2020
Definition:	A valid time measured as hours and minutes using a 24 hour clock.

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Time
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	hhmm
Maximum character length:	4

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats - Information interchange - Representation of dates and times

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods: Collected in conjunction with session end time and day of operation.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: NCSIMG Children's Services Data Working Group
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Implementation start date: 31/01/2007

DSS specific information:

In the Children's services NMDS, this data element refers to the starting time of each session that a child care or preschool service is available for children to use on each day in the collection week.

This data element may be used in conjunction with the data element 'Finish time of session' as a measure of the availability of child care and preschool services and the appropriateness of this in meeting family needs. In addition, this data element can be used to derive the number of hours per day and hours per week a child care or preschool service is available for children to use.

This metadata item enables the identification of sessional provision of child care and preschool services.

Round to the nearest quarter of an hour.

This data element does not include times when staff are working at a service but the service is not open for children to use, such as when staff are planning programs or consulting parents.

Services that do not operate continuously throughout the day should record Start times for each session held on each day.

Mobile children's services should record start times for each session on each day.

Note: This question records responses to 'Days of operation – per week' and 'Finish time of sessions'.

Question: For each day of the week on which you provided child care or preschool activities in the collection week, please indicate start and finish times of each session.

For family day care and in-home care: this question should be asked of caregivers only and asked in the following way: 'For each day of the week on which you provided family day care/in-home care activities, please indicate the start and finish times of day when you were available to care for children.'

Provision should be made for an 'available for overnight care' box.

Provision should be made for recording of service provision times in the morning and afternoon, to allow for services that do not operate continuously throughout the day.

Provision should be made for mobile children's services so that each day should be broken into 3 possible session times. For mobile children's services this question should be asked in conjunction with service address for each session, days of operation and the start and finish time of each session each day.

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Not stated/inadequately described, is not to be used on primary collection forms. It is primarily for use in administrative collections when transferring data from data sets where the item has not been collected.