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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Hours worked—paid staff |
| METEOR identifier: | 347870 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 27/04/2007  [Disability](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/16), Standard 07/10/2014 |
| Definition: | The total number of hours actually worked by all paid staff in an agency or organisation. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Service provider organisation—hours worked](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/347874) |
| Value Domain: | [Total hours NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270747) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | NNNNN | |
| Maximum character length: | 5 | |
| Unit of measure: | Hour (h) | |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Total hours expressed as 00000, 00001, 00425 etc. |



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| Data element attributes | |
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| Guide for use: | This metadata item is asking for actual staff hours worked, not the rostered hours or full-time equivalent staff.  Contract staff employed through an agency are included where the contract is for the supply of labour (e.g. nursing) rather than of products (e.g. photocopier maintenance). |
| Collection methods: | In some collections this metadata item may be collected for a specified week. Other collections may specify a 'usual' week or an average week calculated from a number of weeks or the entire year. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2002. Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set collection: Data guide-data items and definitions 2002-03. Canberra: AIHW |
| Reference documents: | Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement National Minimum Data Set (CSTDA NMDS) collection. Data Guide: data items and definitions 2006-07. |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Service provider organisation—hours worked (paid staff), total NNNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/270212)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 27/04/2007 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS - 1 July 2006](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/317350)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 14/12/2008  ***DSS specific information:***  This item is collected for the reference week and a typical week.  **Reference week:** The actual total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in the 7-day week preceding the end of the reporting period.  **Typical week:** The total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in a typical 7-day week.  For funded agencies with multiple service type outlets (and where paid staff hours per service type outlet are not known), all paid staff should be apportioned across service type outlets. 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[Commonwealth State/Territory Disability Agreement NMDS (July 2008)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/372123)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 11/11/2009  ***DSS specific information:***  This item is collected for the reference week and a typical week.  **Reference week:** The actual total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in the 7-day week preceding the end of the reporting period.  **Typical week:** The total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in a typical 7-day week.  For funded agencies with multiple service type outlets (and where paid staff hours per service type outlet are not known), all paid staff should be apportioned across service type outlets. 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[Disability Services NMDS 2009-10](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/386485)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2009 ***DSS specific information:***  This item is collected for the reference week and a typical week.  **Reference week:** The actual total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in the 7-day week preceding the end of the reporting period.  **Typical week:** The total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in a typical 7-day week.  For funded agencies with multiple service type outlets (and where paid staff hours per service type outlet are not known), all paid staff should be apportioned across service type outlets. 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[Disability Services NMDS 2010-11](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/428708)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Superseded 15/12/2011  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2010 ***DSS specific information:***  This item is collected for the reference week and a typical week.  **Reference week:** The actual total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in the 7-day week preceding the end of the reporting period.  **Typical week:** The total hours worked by all paid staff for a service type outlet in a typical 7-day week.  For funded agencies with multiple service type outlets (and where paid staff hours per service type outlet are not known), all paid staff should be apportioned across service type outlets. 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