

Child—preschool service received indicator, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Preschool service received indicator
METEOR identifier:	357010
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Retired 21/05/2010 Early Childhood , Superseded 07/06/2011
Definition:	Whether a child received a preschool service, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Child—preschool service received indicator
Value Domain:	Yes/no code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code						
Data type:	Boolean						
Format:	N						
Maximum character length:	1						
Permissible values:	<table><thead><tr><th>Value</th><th>Meaning</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Yes</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>No</td></tr></tbody></table>	Value	Meaning	1	Yes	2	No
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1	Yes						
2	No						

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Preschool comprises a structured educational programme usually provided by a qualified teacher on a sessional basis in dedicated preschools. Similar educational programs or curricula may be provided in long day care and other settings. These are primarily aimed at children in the year or two before they commence full-time schooling.

The terms most commonly used to describe preschool services in various states and territories are:

- Kindergarten—Tasmania, WA and Queensland (In Queensland between 2003-07 Kindergarten is being replaced with a year called Preschool);
- Kindergarten or Preschool—Victoria;
- Preschool (including Child Parent Centres)—SA;
- Preschool— NSW, ACT and NT.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Child—preschool program attendance indicator, yes/no code N](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 28/05/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Children's Services NMDS](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 21/05/2010
[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2010](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 07/06/2011

Implementation start date: 01/07/2010

DSS specific information:

The child is defined as having attended preschool if they attended at least once within the census week.

Children who were absent during the census week due to illness or extended holiday leave should not be included.

Implementation in Indicators:

Used as Numerator

[National Partnership Agreement on Early Childhood Education: 2009, P01.2- Proportion of children who are attending a preschool program, 2010](#)

[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 08/08/2012

[National Partnership Agreement on Early Childhood Education: 2009, P05.2- Proportion of disadvantaged children who are attending a preschool program, 2010](#)

[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 08/08/2012

[National Partnership Agreement on Early Childhood Education: 2009, P06.2- Proportion of Indigenous children \(by geographic location\) who are attending a preschool program, 2010](#)

[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 08/08/2012

Used as Denominator

[National Partnership Agreement on Early Childhood Education: 2009, P03.2- Average number of hours per week of attendance at a preschool program, 2010](#)

[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 08/08/2012