Service provider organisation—number of children attending a preschool program, total N[NNNN]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Number of children attending a preschool program |
| METEOR identifier: | 441235 |
| Registration status: | [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 28/05/2014 |
| Definition: | The total number of children attending a  [**preschool program**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/436132) at the service. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Service provider organisation—number of children attending a preschool program](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/441237) |
| Value Domain: | [Total number N[NNNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/390339) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NNNN] | |
| Maximum character length: | 5 | |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | A child is defined as attending a preschool program if they attended for at least one hour during the reference period. Children who were absent during the reference period due to illness or extended holiday leave should be excluded. |
| Collection methods: | The number of children attending a preschool program should be collected for each preschool program available at the service. These data should then be aggregated to the service provider level for reporting purposes.  Each child should be counted only once.  Attendance in a preschool program should be reported for the specified reference period.  Jurisdictions which adopt a two week reference period are required to derive their data to a representative reference week. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Early Childhood Data Sub Group (ECDSG). |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Service provider organisation—number of children attending preschool, total N[NNNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/390939)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 21/05/2010  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 07/06/2011  Has been superseded by [Service provider organisation—number of children attending an early childhood education program, total N[NNNN]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/557553)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 01/06/2015 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2011](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/441229)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 09/03/2012  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011  [Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2012](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/466521)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 08/04/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012  [Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2013](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/494145)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 28/05/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 |