Child protection notification—investigation commencement date, DDMMYYYY

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Investigation commencement date (child protection)
Synonymous names:	Date investigation commenced
METEOR identifier:	455361
Registration status:	Children and Families, Standard 22/11/2016 Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011 [Non Dictionary]
Definition:	The date on which an **investigation** into a child protection notification began, expressed as DDMMYYYY.
Data Element Concept:	Child protection notification—investigation commencement date
Value Domain:	Date DDMMYYYY

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Date
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	DDMMYYYY
Maximum character length:	8

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	An investigation has commenced when a departmental caseworker initiates an appropriate course of action regarding a child protection notification. This date should be recorded when the investigation commences by a departmental case worker after the notification is made. How the investigation commences will vary. For some it will be a phone call, for others it will be a visit to the child and/or persons involved with the child. This data element is used to measure the length of time between the receipt of a notification and the commencement of an investigation. It may also be used in conjunction with Child protection notification—investigation conclusion date, DDMMYYYY to measure the length of time of the investigation.

| **Collection methods:** | This data element should always be recorded as an 8-digit valid date comprising day, month and year. Year should always be recorded in its full 4-digit format. For day and months with a numeric value of less than 10, zeros should be used to ensure that the date contains the required 8 digits. For example, if the investigation commenced on 1 July 2012, the date should be recorded as 01072012.

When an estimate is required, all known fields should be entered (e.g. if year and month are known use 01MMYYYY; if the exact date is unknown but the reporting period to which it relates can be determined, use 0107YYYY).

If the date is not known and can't be estimated, record 01011900.

If it is not applicable to record a date (i.e. the investigation was not commenced by the end of the reference period), record 01019999. |
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Origin:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2013. Child protection national minimum data set, data collection manual 2012-13. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

| **Related metadata references:** | Supersedes Child protection notification—investigation commencement date, DDMMYYYY
Community Services (retired), Standard 30/04/2008

See also Child protection notification—investigation conclusion date, DDMMYYYY
Children and Families, Standard 22/11/2016
Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011

See also Child protection notification—notification date, DDMMYYYY
Children and Families, Standard 22/11/2016
Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011 |
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| **Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** | Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) DSS Pilot 2010
Community Services (retired), Recorded 19/08/2011
Conditional obligation: Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster
Children and Families, Superseded 22/11/2016
Community Services (retired), Recorded 09/10/2014
Implementation start date: 01/07/2011
Implementation end date: 30/06/2013
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster
Children and Families, Superseded 22/11/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2012
Implementation end date: 30/06/2014
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster
Children and Families, Superseded 22/11/2016
Implementation start date: 01/07/2013
Implementation end date: 30/06/2015
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary. |

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/04/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2014
Implementation end date: 30/06/2016
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021
Implementation start date: 01/07/2015
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

DSS specific information:

This collection requires a non-standard format for this data item: DD/MM/YYYY.

[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster](#)
[Children and Families](#), Standard 11/05/2023
Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the outcome of the notification assessment deeming investigation necessary.

DSS specific information:

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[Notifications, investigations, and substantiations (NIS) file cluster](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 11/05/2023
Conditional obligation:

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