# National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 20-Attendance rates - Year 1 to Year 10 2012 QS

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Quality Statement

METEOR identifier: 487239

**Registration status:** <u>Indigenous,</u> Superseded 22/10/2013

## **Data quality**

Relevance:

Institutional environment: Data Collector(s): Each jurisdiction and DEEWR collects this data and provides it

to ACARA.

Collection authority: National Education Agreement, Schools Assistance Act. Data Compiler(s): Jurisdictions and DEEWR compile the data that is sent from

schools. ACARA compiles the data sent by jurisdictions and DEEWR.

**Timeliness:** Collection interval/s: The data is collected annually.

Data available: This data was requested from the jurisdictions and DEEWR and

collected in June 2011.

Referenced Period: 12 months.

Accessibility: Data publicly available? Data are unpublished. Data will be published in the 2010

National report on Schooling, via the ACARA website.

Data are not available prior to public access. Supplementary data are not available.

Interpretability: Other Supporting information: Explanatory notes for attendance data are published

annually in the National Report on Schooling. Attendance data are not comparable

across jurisdictions or states/territories.

For Vic, ungraded attendance includes both primary and secondary students therefore, while both Ungraded columns contain data, the data is the same. The figures for years 1-10 include students in primary, secondary and pri/sec schools.

Ungraded figures include students in special schools only.

For NSW, students whose Indigenous status is unknown or not provided are

included in the 'Non Indigenous' category.

For SA, Indigenous attendance rate include students indicated as being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Non-Indigenous attendance rate includes all other

students.

Wide variation in Indigenous attendance rates may occur in Tasmanian and ACT

Independent schools due to low student numbers.

Level of Geography: Data is available by State and Territory by sector only.

Data Completeness: Data is not available by geo-location. A national attendance

figure is not available.

Indigenous Statistics: Indigenous statistics are available for each sector by

State/Territory for each year (1-10). Socioeconomic status data: NA

 $\label{lem:numerator} \mbox{Numerator/Denominator Source: Yes they are from the same source.}$ 

- For Education indicators, are all types of schools, universities, technical colleges/TAFEs and correspondence schools included? All types of schools are included.
- What does the data not represent or cover? The data doesn't represent year 11-12 attendance rates.

Have standard classifications been used? If not, why not? Yes, standard definitions of Indigenous status have been applied from the MCEECDYA data standards manual.

#### Accuracy:

Method of Collection: Schools record student attendance by using various internal administrative systems.

Known Issues: The collection and reporting of student attendance data is under review to achieve national consistency and comparability. Key issues are:

- · Collection period
- Methodology for collection of the attendance data
- Treatment of part day attendance
- Treatment of ungraded students
- Methodology for calculation of attendance
- Treatment of inclusion/exclusions

Year to year change: Percentages in each cell are rounded to the nearest whole number; therefore smaller changes are not detectable.

Is the data being used attitudinal or data? Data.

#### Coherence:

Consistency over time: This data has been collected since 2007 and has remained fairly consistent during this period. A difference noted has been the collection period; the collection period for South Australian government schools in the first year of collection was one term only rather than the full first semester used in subsequent years.

Numerator/denominator: The numerator is the number of attended days whereas

the denominator is the number of possible attended days.

The numerator and denominator are compiled from a single source. The data is consistent with data supplied in previous reporting round.

Jurisdiction estimate calculation: No

Jurisdiction/Australia estimate calculation: No

Collections across populations: No

### Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 13-

Attendance rates Year 1 to Year 10, 2013 QS Indigenous, Superseded 25/06/2014

Indicators linked to this Data Quality statement:

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2012

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