

# Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services episodes of care cluster

Exported from METEOR (AIHW's Metadata Online Registry)

© Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2024

This product, excluding the AIHW logo, Commonwealth Coat of Arms and any material owned by a third party or protected by a trademark, has been released under a Creative Commons BY 4.0 (CC BY 4.0) licence. Excluded material owned by third parties may include, for example, design and layout, images obtained under licence from third parties and signatures. We have made all reasonable efforts to identify and label material owned by third parties.

You may distribute, remix and build on this website's material but must attribute the AIHW as the copyright holder, in line with our attribution policy. The full terms and conditions of this licence are available at <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/>.

Enquiries relating to copyright should be addressed to [info@aihw.gov.au](mailto:info@aihw.gov.au).

Enquiries or comments on the METEOR metadata or download should be directed to the METEOR team at [meteor@aihw.gov.au](mailto:meteor@aihw.gov.au).

# Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services episodes of care cluster

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Data Set Specification

**METEOR identifier:** 564717

**Registration status:** [Indigenous](#), Standard 16/09/2014

**DSS type:** Data Element Cluster

**Scope:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services provide care, including but not limited to, for sickness and injury, as well as counselling, health education and screening.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services episodes of care cluster describes the number of episodes of health-care provided by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services that received funding from the Australian Government through the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH).

The three data elements are used together to provide a count of episodes of care by the Indigenous status and sex of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services clients.

### Episodes of health care

	Male	Female	Total
<b>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander episodes of health care</b>	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
<b>Non-Indigenous episodes of health care</b>	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
<b>Unknown Indigenous status episodes of health care</b>	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
<b>Total episodes of health care</b>	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** Includes:

- health care provided through all sources of funding (e.g. OATSIH, State government etc.)
- transport only if it involves direct provision of health care/information by service staff
- outreach (e.g. episodes at outstation visits, park clinics, satellite clinics etc.)
- episodes of health care delivered over the phone
- episodes of care provided to visitors/transients.

Excludes:

- residential care
- administration contacts with clients (e.g. receptionist making appointments for clients)
- groups (e.g. antenatal classes, men's groups etc.)
- family/relationship counselling if people don't have their own file/record.

**Collection methods:** If figures are not available for the full year, an estimate can be made based on a representative part of the year.

## Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Relational attributes

Implementation in Data Set [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services DSS](#)  
Specifications: [Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/12/2017  
**Implementation start date:** 01/06/2010  
**Implementation end date:** 30/07/2011

## Metadata items in this Data Set Specification

Seq No.	Metadata item	Obligation	Max occurs
-	<a href="#">Episode of care—number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services episodes of care, N[NN]</a>	Mandatory	1
-	<a href="#">Person—Indigenous status, code N</a>	Mandatory	3
<b>DSS specific information:</b>  This data element is used to determine the Indigenous status of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service's client.  In the Indigenous status data element, codes 1 (Aboriginal but not Torres Strait Islander origin), 2 (Torres Strait Islander but not Aboriginal origin) and 3 (Both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin) are aggregated to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, code 4 (Neither Aboriginal nor Torres Strait Islander origin) maps to non-Indigenous and code 9 (Not stated/inadequately described) maps to Unknown Indigenous status.			
-	<a href="#">Person—sex, code N</a>	Mandatory	2
<b>DSS specific information:</b>  This data element is used to determine the sex of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service's client.			
-	<a href="#">Service provider organisation—comment, extended text X[X(∞)]</a>	Optional	1
<b>DSS specific information:</b>  This data element is used to capture notes and/or comments about episodes of care and/or client contacts in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service.			