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| Identifying and definitional attributes |
| Metadata item type: | Glossary Item |
| Synonymous names: | Contact worker |
| METEOR identifier: | 602294 |
| Registration status: | [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 25/10/2021 |
| Definition: | A contact worker is an early childhood education and care worker who is employed, and paid, by an early childhood education and care service provider as a principal/director/coordinator/teacher-in-charge, group leader/teacher, assistant/aide or other contact worker to plan and deliver or support the delivery of an [**early childhood education program**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602292) (excludes non-contact workers). |

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| Collection and usage attributes |
| Guide for use: | A contact worker may be employed on a contract, part-time or full-time basis.**Delivery** (of an early childhood education program) refers to face-to-face delivery of an early childhood education program or distance [**early childhood education program**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602292) for at least one hour per week during the reference period by an early childhood education and care contact worker. **Includes** contact workers who are usually present to plan and deliver or support the delivery of an early childhood education program, but may have been absent during the reference period due to illness or extended holiday leave and are expected to return. |
| Source and reference attributes |
| Submitting organisation: | Early Childhood Data Sub Group (ECDSG) |
| Steward: | [Early Childhood Data Sub Group (ECDSG)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/388499) |
| Relational attributes |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Early childhood education and care contact worker](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/558869)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 01/06/2015Has been superseded by [Early childhood education and care contact worker](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/750205)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 05/07/2022See also [Qualified early childhood teacher](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/763336)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 05/07/2022See also [Qualified early childhood teacher](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602296)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 05/07/2022 |
| Metadata items which use this glossary item: | [Child—early childhood education program received from a qualified teacher indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602317)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Standard 01/06/2015[Early Childhood Education and Care DSS 2015](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/602243)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 24/07/2018[Early Childhood Education and Care DSS 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/685997)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 24/07/2018[Early Childhood Education and Care DSS 2017](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/686041)[Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Superseded 24/07/2018[Early Childhood Education and Care DSS 2018](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/686186)[Early 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